



PM rolls out NT emergency plan

Mixed Indigenous reaction to 'interventionist' approach



The Federal Government is remaining resolute in the face of criticism of its radical 'intervention' on Aboriginal land in

the Northern Territory in response to the 'national emergency' of Aboriginal child sexual abuse.

The Government's confidence will have been bolstered by wholesale endorsement of its plans by its newly-appointed NT Emergency Taskforce, which met for the first time in Brisbane on Saturday.

Prime Minister John Howard announced on 21 June that his Government would override a slow-acting NT Government and introduce what are now regarded as the biggest and most revolutionary changes in Indigenous affairs in contemporary times.

The measures include alcohol and pornography bans on Aboriginal land, welfare restrictions, mandatory medical examinations for all children under 16, a beefed-up police force with logistical support from the army, the forced acquisition of Aboriginal townships, and the scrapping of slabs of the permit system.

Mr Howard said his Government had been forced to act after the NT Government failed to respond swiftly to the devastating findings of the *Little Children are Sacred* report of its own child sexual abuse inquiry, co-chaired by former NT Director of Public Prosecutions Rex Wild and Aboriginal woman Pat Anderson.

The NT Government initiated the inquiry after media reports last year of high levels of sexual abuse in communities, starting with an appearance by NT prosecutor Nanette Rogers on the ABC's *Lateline* in May, and a further program on a suspected paedophile allegedly trading petrol for sex with young girls at Mutitjulu, near Uluru. The inquiry found evidence of child abuse in all of the 45

communities it visited, and said alcohol, pornography and lack of education were all major factors. "Rivers of grog are killing our people," said Ms Anderson at the damning report's public launch in

Darwin on 15 June.

"We regard this as akin to a national emergency," Mr Howard said on 21 June, announcing his plans which he said were likely to cost 'tens of millions of dollars'.

"It is interventionist, it does push aside the role of the Territory to some degree - I accept that. But what matters more, the constitutional niceties or the care and protection of

young people?"

The depth of the response was welcomed virtually across the board, and Federal Opposition Leader Kevin Rudd

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Preston's memorable journey

Gold Coast Titans rugby league star Preston Campbell was mobbed during a visit to remote Pormpuraaw, on the west coast of Cape York. Campbell was there to help the Queensland Government launch its Healthy Communities program. Koori Mail rugby league columnist Dean Widders reports on Page 90 that for Campbell, the trip 'was a bit of an eye-opener' and 'it would have been nice to spend a few more days up there'. He said the Pormuraaw kids certainly knew their footy.





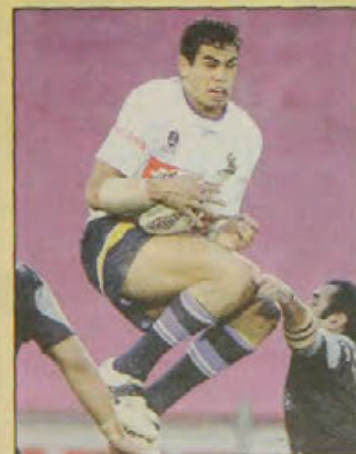
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On my dad Charlie's side, the Getawans, we're from the Aragon tribe, traditional owners of Badu Island in the Torres Strait. Dad's mum was Marjory Brown, a traditional Aboriginal lady from Western Arnhem Land. On my mum Maria's side, we're from Apia in Samoa, and mum's dad was a Scotsman. My wife Sarina is an Indigenous woman from Innisfail.

Both my mum and dad have passed away but Sarina's mum and dad Alison and David are well and truly alive, and they play the role of grandparents to our five kids to the full hilt.

I was born in Townsville but lived on Thursday Island for most of my childhood, moving back here along with my four sisters to live with my grandmother.

Both Sarina and I are pastors in our church, the Life Changes Ministry which is a non-denominational, pentecostal church. I also work fulltime at Centrelink and Sarina is the Community Education Counsellor at Kirwan High School, supporting about 500 Indigenous students. We also have a business, a café called Manas (Hebrew for 'food') Bar.

As a family, we spent a lot of time together; we go fishing and there are lots of family nights. Tonight's a pizza and movie night for the kids and I'm taking Sarina out for tea. Saturday is basically sport day; I coach the twins' basketball team the Cannons. And Sundays are what we call 'Sunday Funday'. In the morning we go to church and for the rest of the day, we have a rule that there's no cooking or cleaning. We'll grab a takeaway or go to the movies together, anything that is truly recreational.

I'm passionate about being a strong role model to my kids, especially my sons, because after my mum and dad divorced I went for years without a strong male role model. I was looking to footballers, to drug addicts and alcoholics, to anyone to be a role model. When I was 19, I was

depressed and don't mind admitting that I was on the verge of suicide but, at two o'clock one morning at a taxi rank in Innisfail, God reached out to me and said 'Come with me and I'll give you hope'.

That was when I asked Sarina to marry me. She said yes and we were married six months later and had the twins about a year after that.

Most young Indigenous men these days don't have strong father figures or role models, and that makes for dysfunctional families. I think that, as men, we need to recognise our shortcomings and then take steps to start rectifying them. I believe we can do that. Photo by ALF WILSON in Townsville.



Back, from left, Sarina Getawan, Henry Getawan, Marvin Reuben, Marvin's wife and Henry's sister Samantha. Middle, from left, twins Elijah and Joshua, 13, Caleb, 11, Hannah, 8, Shadrach, 6. Front, from left, Marvin and Samantha's kids Jahraiah, 15, Xavier, 12, Baeden, 9, Sebastian, 8.

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OUR CHILDREN



The Ngagu Jabu Dance Group of Ballina High School was nominated in the 2007 Kids in Community Awards for helping to bridge gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people through their cultural performances. The boys may not have won their category, but they sure won hearts, performing for over 500 people at the awards ceremony in Lismore last week. See page 45 for more on the KiC Awards.

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The bark canoe and team, from left, Shane Hughes, Tony Burgess, Project Manager Sarah Parry, Sheldon Thomas and Buck Brown, proud to have built the first toillinne in two centuries.

Canoe shaping up

Story and photos by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



Four Tasmanian Aboriginal men building the first traditional Tasmanian canoe in about 200 years are itching to get busy on the next one.

The men are building the canoe, traditionally called a 'toillinne', as the centrepiece for a Tasmanian museum. However, special museum storage practices means the craft can never actually be put through its paces in the water.

The toillinne will be displayed in the new Tasmanian Aboriginal Gallery at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG) due to open later this year. The TMAG in Hobart houses four miniature canoes, the only ones known in Australia, made by tribal Tasmanian Aborigines, who had been exiled to Wybalena in the 1840s. There are no full-size canoes known in existence - up until now, of course.

"We all feel really proud," said Buck Brown, the team leader.

"This is a great thing, the disappointing thing was building it in here," he said, expressing frustration at the need to keep the canoe out of water.

CAT-scan

TMAG Curator of Indigenous Cultures Tony Brown explained how the existing miniature canoes were CAT-scanned in sections at a local hospital to reveal any internal structures and to see how they were bound.

He said the team had also studied archival documents, French drawings from around the time of invasion and research done by the Tasmanian Maritime Museum in 2003.

Although he agreed that the technology and research was helpful too, Buck said: "All of us boys, it came from within us," pointing at his chest.

Created entirely from stringy bark collected from returned Aboriginal land, the canoe took about 40 days to build, including research, bark collecting and a bit of good old trial and error. The four-metre (14-foot) vessel is estimated to weigh half a tonne.

'Toillinne' means a stringy bark canoe, but other names were used for ones made of different bark and fibres.

"We want to make one for next Wooden Boat



Tony Burgess and Sheldon Thomas (with beard) gathering bark for the toillinne.

Photo courtesy of TMAG.

Festival in 2009. All the other wooden boats have got sikaflex and copper nails. This canoe is about as wooden as you can get. There's nothing else in it other than bark," Buck explained.

And judging from the conversations of the team as they build, this is just the beginning of the revival of the craft.

Buck's vision is to work with Aboriginal men with alcohol and drug problems to have a go at building more toillinne.

"To get 'em out in the bush and build more canoes from a traditional aspect, it would be a spiritual healing process for them," he said.

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Justice Day on 14 July



A national 'Justice for Indigenous People Day' will be held in capital cities around Australia next week.

The marches and related events, to be held on

Saturday 14 July, follow the acquittal of the Queensland police officer accused over the 2004 death in custody of Palm Island man Mulrunji Doomadgee, and news of another death in police custody last week (see separate story).

In Brisbane, the day of action will also protest the forced amalgamation of local government councils in Queensland.

Protesters marched on Qld's Parliament House on 22 June, two days after a Townsville Supreme Court jury cleared Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley of the assault and manslaughter of Mulrunji.

During the trial, the jury heard that Mulrunji died of internal bleeding after his liver was cleaved in two across his spine and his portal vein burst under pressure. The injuries resulted from the application of what was described to the court as moderate to massive force.

Medical experts testified that the injuries could have occurred as a result of Snr Sgt Hurley falling on top of Mulrunji with his knee protruding as they tripped through the doorway of the watch house.

Snr Sgt Hurley initially told investigating police he fell beside Mulrunji, but when taking the stand he conceded he 'must have' landed on top of him.

After the jury's not guilty verdict, Palm Island residents including Mulrunji's partner Tracey Twaddle, had wept openly outside the court.

Aboriginal activist Sam Watson said race relations had hit an all-time low and Indigenous people were still seeking justice.

"The battle does not end here," Mr Watson



Mulrunji Doomadgee's partner Tracey Twaddle outside court.



Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, left, with Police Union and legal representatives faces the media after the jury's decision in Townsville.

told ABC radio. "We will now be organising a national day of action in July in which Aboriginal people and their supporters right across Australia will march through the capital cities to call for justice - not only for Mulrunji and the people of Palm Island, but for all other Aboriginal people who have lost victims to a death in custody."

Doomadgee family friend Murrando Yanner told reporters he was not surprised by the verdict.

"I know Townsville well. Honestly (it's) the KKK capital of Australia, that's no joke," he said.

Later, Aboriginal leaders including Palm Island Mayor Delena Foster joined Premier Peter Beattie, Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson, and Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough in calling for calm.

The day after the verdict, the Qld Police Union launched a series of radio advertisements attacking the State Government over what it claimed was political interference in the Hurley case, something vehemently disputed by Mr Beattie. One of the advertisements compared Queensland to the troubled African nation of Zimbabwe.

The Errol Wyles Justice Foundation has offered to launch a civil action against Snr Sgt Hurley and the State of Queensland. Mulrunji's family is understood to have instructed their lawyers to pursue all avenues open to them in a civil jurisdiction.

Mr Watson told the Koori Mail last week that civil action was 'absolutely an option' but because of the legal nature of such a prospect the related paperwork would need to be prepared very carefully.

Mr Beattie has said the Government was not liable for Mulrunji's death and would defend any civil case brought against Queensland police by the dead man's family.

Snr Sgt Hurley is understood to have been reinstated and is expected to resume work at the Gold Coast Regional Headquarters.

Mr Watson said Torres Strait representatives would attend next week's march in Brisbane.

He said that while non-Indigenous councils would also be affected by the planned local government amalgamations, Indigenous people were 'far more vulnerable because they'll be placed at the mercy of large non-Indigenous bureaucracies run by non-Indigenous people who have no understanding of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander cultures'.

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Suspicion as another dies



An autopsy has found a massive heart attack caused the death of an Aboriginal stockman in police custody in north

Queensland.

Alan Lee-Choo, 44, of Chillagoe, died in the back of a police van last Tuesday morning as he was being taken to the Mareeba Police Station for questioning over a matter.

An investigation into the death was launched after it was found he died less than half an hour after being detained by police at Dimbulah, on the Atherton Tablelands west of Cairns.

A police source confirmed on Wednesday that an autopsy had found Mr Lee-Choo died of a 'massive heart attack'.

Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson had earlier described his death as 'a tragic set of circumstances'.

But the death has caused unrest in Indigenous communities across the State, coming less than week after a Supreme Court jury cleared Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley over the 2004 death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee on Palm Island.

Last week's autopsy finding came as friends paid tribute to

the talented horse-breaker and popular community member.

Mulungu Aboriginal Medical Centre Chief Executive Gordon Gertz, who had known Mr Lee-Choo for more than 20 years, said his friend had worked mainly as a stockman and was a regular on the rodeo circuit.

"Alan was a very social bloke, he liked a yarn, a good laugh," Mr Gertz said.

"He had great skills as a horse-breaker.

'There's anxiety, sorrow, grief and anger, but there's also a lot of suspicion'

"He was well-liked and fondly remembered by a lot of people in this town (Mareeba), not only in the Indigenous community, but from other members of our community in Mareeba too."

The State Coroner, the Queensland Police Ethical Standards Command and the Crime and Misconduct Commission were investigating. Mr Gertz said Aborigines in far

north Queensland were 'suspicious' about the death.

"There's anxiety, sorrow, grief and anger, but there's also a lot of suspicion," he said.

"We just need to sit back and wait until all the reports come out."

Bob Weatherall, from the Brisbane-based Centre for Indigenous Cultural Policy, urged the community to wait for the Coroner's findings.

Queensland Premier Peter Beattie promised the death would be 'fully and properly' investigated.

"While I am Premier, none of these things will ever be swept under the carpet," he said on Wednesday.

Mr Gertz said Mr Lee-Choo had a large extended family, with three brothers and at least two sisters living in Indigenous communities around far north Queensland.

He said he did not know if the stockman had suffered any medical problems.

"But like all of our people, our health is always questionable because we've all come from a system where we've inherited generational poverty and generational trauma ... and Alan was no exception to that," Mr Gertz said. - AAP



There is a huge and growing market for Indigenous art in Australia and worldwide. Photos courtesy of the Western Desert Mob (WDM).



"A lot of the anti-social and violence problems in Alice Springs can be related to the issues being experienced in the art sector because of unscrupulous practices of dealers."

— CLC Director David Ross

Art calls backed

Action urged to stamp out dodgy deals

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Indigenous art stakeholders have thrown their support behind the recommendations of a major parliamentary inquiry into Australia's lucrative Indigenous art industry, but say they should have gone further.

The Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications, Technology and the Arts inquiry 'Indigenous Art – Securing the Future' made a total of 29 recommendations ranging from establishment of a \$25 million infrastructure fund to priority completion of an Indigenous art code of conduct.

However, the Central Land Council, Arts Law Centre of Australia, National Association for the Visual Arts Ltd (NAVA), Viscopy and the Western Desert Mob (WDM) all say they're disappointed that the introduction of a resale royalty scheme was not supported.

The industry organisations have called for swift action to try and stamp out unscrupulous art dealings and practices.

The Senate inquiry aimed to address concerns about the sustainability of the sector, and allegations of unethical business practices in it.



The Senate committee recommendations aim to boost art industry protections.

Last year, the Koori Mail reported on claims that unscrupulous dealers were paying artists with cars and illegal and prescription drugs to work in sweatshops that effectively trapped them in a 'feast or famine' cycle of poverty. The Indigenous arts industry is estimated to be worth between \$36 million and hundreds of millions of dollars a year.

The inquiry report described the Australian Indigenous art as 'a story of the flowering of one of the world's greatest contemporary movements in art', and highlighted the importance of economic growth, cultural reinvigoration and health.

The inquiry report recommended that:

- The Commonwealth establish a new \$25 million infrastructure fund to assist Indigenous visual arts and craft made over five years.
- A proposal be developed, including a funding bid for an art centre in Alice Springs that will cater for artists visiting the town from surrounding settlements.
- An Indigenous Art Commercial Code of Conduct (ACCC) be completed as soon as possible.
- The industry be given the opportunity to self-regulate.
- The government introduce revised

legislation in Indigenous communal moral rights.

The report recommended that a resale royalty scheme – where artists would receive a percentage of sale proceeds each time their work was on-sold – not be introduced at this time because of what the committee perceived was a lack of potential benefit for most artists, in particular Indigenous artists.

Executive Director of the Arts Law Centre Robyn Ayers said it was unfortunate that the committee had endorsed the Federal Government's position opposing resale rights.

"This is a loss of significant potential income for Indigenous artists and their communities," she said.

"It flies in the face of evidence presented by the Government's own arts body, the Australia Council."

Ms Ayers acknowledged that the need for better protection of Indigenous cultural heritage was highlighted, with the inquiry recommending that as a matter of priority Indigenous communal moral rights legislation be introduced.

At almost the same time that Prime Minister John Howard was scaling back the permit system in place on some Aboriginal land in the NT, the inquiry report noted the benefits of retaining the system – particularly evidence from Aboriginal people about its use in being able to control unscrupulous dealers.

The Western Desert Mob (WDM) said that while the Senate inquiry was an exciting prospect for addressing unscrupulous behaviour in the industry, a two-year voluntary implementation could be too late for some art centres to survive.

"The extra funding for the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) towards educational programs for consumers to buy ethical and authentic art is an excellent step towards improving

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Art action 'should have gone further'

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people's understanding of the value of art centres and the power and value of buying artwork with strong provenance," Western Desert Mob (WDM) spokeswoman Edwina Circuitt said.

"This funding needs to work hand-in-hand with a strong code of conduct and while there is only a voluntary code, we question whether this will be enough to finally eradicate unscrupulous dealers in the current market – and quickly."

Ms Circuitt said unethical dealers were having a huge impact on the industry, and groups like Western Desert Mob were losing the battle.

"Having witnessed at the coalface the distress to communities that unscrupulous behaviour has caused, Western Desert Mob would like to see recognition and action immediately ensuring that art centres will be here tomorrow," she said.

NAVA endorsed the inquiry view that reviewing and expanding the roles of the ACCC and Australian Customs could more effectively protect the industry and artists from unscrupulous market industries.

Central Land Council Director David Ross said he hoped the recommendations would help reduce the amount of exploitation many people faced in the art sector and that it could also be linked to problems in Alice Springs.

"A lot of the anti-social and violence problems in Alice Springs can be related to the issues being experienced in the art sector because of the unscrupulous practices of some dealers," he said.

"These sorts of practices lure some of the most needy people in their communities to live in poverty in town. It will go a long way to helping solve some of these anti-social issues."

Northern Territory Arts Minister Marion Scrymgour said the report would set a critical new path for the Aboriginal visual arts and craft sector.

● To view the report visit the website www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/ecita_ctte/indigenous_arts

Murray Island Elder Sarie Tabo joins in the dancing at the repatriation ceremony of remains at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies in Canberra last week.

AAP Image

TSI remains back home at long last



A welcoming ceremony was held in Canberra last Tuesday for the first sets of human remains to be repatriated to the Torres Strait from an overseas collecting institution.

The six sets of remains, which included five skulls, were collected by Murray Island Elders Ron Day and Sarie Tabo on 18 June from the Glasgow City Council in Scotland, and are the latest remains to be handed back under an agreement struck between Prime Minister John Howard and British PM Tony Blair in 2000.

In return, Mr Day and Mr Tabo handed a traditional head dress, known as a dhari, to Archie Graham, Glasgow City Council's Executive Member for Culture and Sport, as a token of respect.

The skulls had been purchased in the late 19th century by Cambridge University anthropologist Alfred Cort Haddon, who obtained them at Murray (Mer) Island. They had

been held in the Glasgow Museum.

Islanders have been agitating for the return of the skulls since the 1980s, but an official request from the Australian Government did not come until 2005.

The National Museum of Australia will house the bones until the Murray Island community is ready to receive them formally.

Community Services Minister Nigel Scullion welcomed the historic repatriation, saying it showed a strengthened co-operation between the Australian and British governments in their commitment to increase the return of Indigenous remains.

"Together with the successful negotiations between the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre and the Natural History Museum, the Australian Government will have funded and cleared the way for the return of 38 Indigenous remains from 10 British institutions in the last 12 months. Over 1000 remains have been repatriated since 1996," Senator Scullion said.

"The remains from Glasgow Museum form part of the Haddon Collection, which is one of the world's largest collections of Torres Strait Islander material. The Australian Government has worked closely with the Mer Island Community Council and the Torres Strait Regional Authority to negotiate the return home of their ancestors' remains."

"Earlier this year, (Indigenous Affairs Minister) Mal Brough commended the UCL for agreeing to return the remains in their collection without further testing and I congratulate the Glasgow Museum and UCL for respecting the wishes of Indigenous Australians."

The Torres Strait Islander repatriation comes after a much more controversial battle between Tasmanian Aborigines and the Natural History Museum in London for the return of 17 remains.

In early May those remains were finally handed back to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre after a long legal fight. – with AAP

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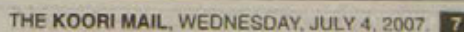
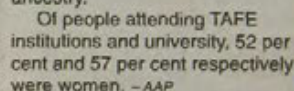
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committed the ALP early on to supporting the emergency plan.

However, some of the measures met with criticism that they were paternalistic, a land grab in disguise, knee-jerk and not supported by long-term action on related issues like housing and health.

Some people expressed concern that the interventionist approach would further stereotype Aboriginal people and do more harm than good. There was cynicism about the timing of the response, so close to the calling of the next Federal election.

On Friday, Mr Howard was claiming 'very strong support' for the plans, including from many Indigenous people and some of his political foes.

"I'm encouraged by the support that's come from respected Indigenous leaders like Noel Pearson," Mr Howard told ABC Television, also naming former ALP President Warren Mundine amongst those who agreed with the Government's response.

"It's an indication that they understand that what we're doing is meeting the most basic needs of our responsibilities, and that is caring for the most vulnerable in our community."

Mr Howard's comments came after six communities – Mutitjulu, Kintore, Santa Theresa, Titjikala, Imanpa and Finke, all in central Australia – received visits from 'survey teams' of government bureaucrats, police (some seconded from other States) and army personnel tasked with explaining the government's plans, surveying health infrastructure and resources that could support the instalment of administrators, and restoring law and order.

Unknown

It is unknown if these



John Howard during a tour in 2005 of the Northern Territory Aboriginal community of Wadeye, south-west of Darwin, where he met locals, including Deborah Dumoo, in his arms. – News Ltd Image

communities were in the first rollout of survey visits because they were considered the worst affected by child sexual abuse.

"(The survey teams) were welcomed by communities and the communities were able to work with them to identify their immediate needs, including in some communities the need for more policing to help restore law

and order," said Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough on Friday after the survey teams returned to Alice Springs.

"My Department will now prepare a comprehensive briefing for me on the information gathered so that we can proceed with the implementation phase in these communities from next week, while the survey teams

prepare to visit other communities."

The visits followed claims in some communities that women and children were 'fleeing to the sand hills' in fear of a repeat of past removal policies.

One community council representative spoken to by the Koori Mail said he'd been approached by an elderly male resident asking 'what he had done that was so bad that the army intended to come into the community and shoot him?'

The Government had earlier dismissed such claims as scare mongering, saying many of the people making them have something to gain or hide. However, several community people contacted by the Koori Mail last week expressed similar fears.

Criticisms of individual measures in the emergency plan include that:

- Proposed mandatory child medical examinations will be invasive, further traumatising victims of past abuse.

- The permit system has never prevented childcare officers, police or other government officials from visiting Indigenous communities.

- Many of the communities in question already have grog bans in place, negotiated by the communities themselves, but these have not stopped grog-

related problems.

Questions are also being asked as to why the Federal Government has only acted in this way more than a decade after taking office and after receiving many other damning reports. Many people said the failure to work more closely with Aboriginal communities on the response ignored the recommendations of the *Little Children are Sacred* report.

"In the first recommendation, we have specifically referred to the critical importance of governments committing to genuine consultation with Aboriginal people in designing initiatives for Aboriginal communities, whether these be in remote, regional or urban settings," said Rex Wild and Pat Anderson in the report.

'The right thing'

But Mr Howard said on Friday that despite all of the criticism, the intervention was 'the right thing to do'.

"We are dealing with communities which have seen a complete breakdown in civil society and we therefore need to stabilise it because it's only then that you can start seriously talking about things like health and education and some of the longer term challenges," he said.

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Mutitjulu, in the shadows of Uluru. – News Ltd Image

Taskforce Meets



The first meeting of the Federal Government's new NT Emergency Taskforce has wholeheartedly

endorsed the Government's interventionist approach to tackling child sexual abuse.

In Brisbane on Saturday Taskforce Chairperson Dr Sue Gordon issued a statement saying the group had 'resolved its 100 per cent commitment to the vital task of providing emergency support to protect the affected children from abuse as the platform for building a better life for Aboriginal people in the NT'.

The Brisbane meeting was also attended by Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough and, briefly, the Prime Minister John Howard.

Dr Gordon said the Taskforce believed the number one priority was to facilitate safe, more stable communities to ensure children could live a secure life with reduced risk of abuse and to provide the platform for longer term success.

"These children should be able to aspire to the same opportunities as other Australians," she said.

The high-level advisory group agreed that tackling the high levels of alcohol abuse and violence in communities was vital, as were the mandatory medical examinations proposed for children aged under 16.

"The Taskforce asked that health teams include not only medical practitioners but child protection officers and interpreters," Dr Gordon said. "It also called for a community education campaign to gain wide support for the health checks."

Dr Gordon said assistance through and subsequent to the emergency response should



Prime Minister John Howard and Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough speaking in Brisbane on Saturday at the first meeting of the NT Emergency Taskforce. - AAP Image

avoid becoming another form of passive welfare.

"The Taskforce felt this should not be a Government commitment alone and that the local communities and parents had to assume their share of responsibility to protect children from those who would abuse them and to participate in improving their living conditions," she said.

The Taskforce agreed that 'consistent with community shared responsibility, programs designed to promote activity for children and to engage the local labour force in tasks to contribute to community clean ups (should) commence as soon as practicable; as would occur through local communities in any other emergency'.

To this end, the Government

should remove remote area participation exemptions in the prescribed communities to ensure all adults who were able to work make a contribution as part of their welfare conditions, the Taskforce said.

The Taskforce asked the Government to urgently run information campaigns in the affected communities to provide comfort about the intent of the operation, and to encourage broader participation and volunteering.

It requested that the Government provide the Taskforce with details of proposals for the complementary parts of the emergency effort - before implementing them - namely measures to support school attendance and welfare reform and measures designed

to provide for healthy wellbeing and medical checks of children.

The Taskforce said regularising school attendance would help start the process of breaking the long term cycles of despair for the children themselves and was a critical measure of the level of neglect of children by adults in the community.

Also on Saturday, Mr Brough announced that Major General Dave Chalmers would replace former Australian Federal Police Assistant Commissioner, Shane Castles, as the Taskforce's operational commander.

Mr Castles withdrew from the Taskforce because of family and other commitments.

The Taskforce will operate for at least a year, and will be supported by an operational group based in Alice Springs.

Taskforce Members

● **Dr Sue Gordon OAM** (Chair) - WA Magistrate in the Perth Children's Court, and Chair of the National Indigenous Council (NIC). Chaired the 2002 'Gordon Inquiry' into family violence and child abuse in WA.

● **Major-General Dave Chalmers** - Was commander of the joint task force on humanitarian relief in Sumatra in the wake of the tsunami.

● **Dr Bill Glasson** - Practicing ophthalmologist and former Australian Medical Association (AMA) President.

● **John Reeves QC** - Practicing barrister, and Chair of Red Cross NT and national board member. Former federal ALP Member for the NT.

● **Roger Corbett AM** - Chairman of CIES Food Business Forum. Member of the board of the Reserve Bank Australia and former CEO and Group Managing Director of Woolworths Ltd.

● **Miriam Rose Baumann AM** - Principal of St Francis Xavier Catholic School at Daly River in the NT, current member of the NIC and Chair of the NT Aboriginal Benefit Account Advisory Committee.

● **Dr Peter Shergold** - Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet since February 2003.

● **Paul Tyrrell** - Chief Executive of the NT Department of the Chief Minister and head of the NT Railway unit.

What the Feds say they'll do:

- Introduce widespread alcohol restrictions on Northern Territory Aboriginal land.
- Introduce welfare reforms to stem the flow of cash going toward substance abuse and to ensure child welfare funds are used for that purpose.
- Enforce school attendance by linking income support and family assistance payments to school attendance for all people living on Aboriginal land and providing meals for children at parents' cost.
- Introduce compulsory health checks for all Aboriginal children to identify and treat health problems and any effects of abuse.
- Acquire townships prescribed by the Australian Government through five year leases including payment of just terms compensation.
- Increase policing levels in prescribed communities, including through secondments from State and Territory jurisdictions.
- Scrap permits for common areas, road corridors and airstrips for prescribed communities.
- Marshall local CDEP workforces to undertake on

ground clean up and repair of communities.

- Ban the possession of X-rated pornography and introducing audits of all publicly funded computers to identify illegal material.
- Appoint managers of all government business in prescribed communities.
- Improve housing and reform community living arrangements in prescribed communities including through market based rents and normal tenancy arrangements.

The Federal Government also expects the Northern Territory Government to increase its efforts and resources to ensure the servicing and protection of its citizens in the range of areas of State and Territory responsibility and support, within the scope of its resources; develop a comprehensive strategy to tackle the 'rivers of grog'; resume all special leases over town camps in the major urban areas where lease conditions have been breached; and remove customary law as a mitigating factor for sentencing and bail conditions.



Hobart rallies against 'heavy-handed action'

Story and photos by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



On the same day as troops arrived at Mutitjulu in the shadow of Uluru, more than 2000 km away beneath a snow-capped Mount Wellington, Aborigines and other irate Tasmanians converged outside Parliament house in Hobart.

They rallied to condemn John Howard's 'assault' on their brothers and sisters in the Northern Territory.

Eleven speakers - Aboriginal spokespeople and seasoned activists, a doctor, an Aboriginal child, a Social Alliance candidate and the Leader of the Australian Greens passionately spoke out against John Howard's response to the 'Little Children are Sacred' report.

While no one disagreed that crippling health problems and other issues in Aboriginal communities needed addressing, they opposed the Prime Minister's approach, declaring his military-style response a political stunt leading up to an election.

"This is a concocted pre-election effort from a Prime Minister who has done nothing for eleven years," Greens Leader Bob Brown said.

"The Prime Minister's behaviour to the first Australians is a national disgrace."

"We're facing recall of the Senate to push through five bills to



People at the Hobart rally.

discriminate against Aboriginal people.

"We, the Greens in the Senate, will not fall into line. We will fight racial discrimination in the Parliament and outside."

Dr Maureen Davey, a specialist in sexual health who has worked extensively in Indigenous communities in Australia and overseas, said she was stunned and disbelieving.

She spoke of long-term health care solutions needed, not just for children, but whole communities and the breadth of health professionals

required to properly treat an abused child.

Another view shared by several speakers was the fact that sexual abuse was an international problem.

"The black person is made to look the perpetrator and so made to suffer," Dave Warrenner, an Aboriginal community and men's well-being activist, said to the 350-strong crowd.

Activist Michael Mansell told the crowd: "Have we learned nothing about social history in Australia?"

Mr Mansell was angry at the Tasmanian Government's decision to

send two Tasmanian police officers the NT.

"It is strange that Premier Lennon is compensating Aborigines who were hunted down by authorities at the same time as agreeing to send police to hunt down Aborigines in the NT," he said.

"Even if the Tasmanian police themselves do not engage in the hunt, they will be part of the force that does."

Jim Everett said: "John Howard doesn't respect Aboriginal culture and heritage. He wants to assimilate. The Government has a racist agenda."



BOB BROWN



MICHAEL MANSELL



JIM EVERETT

WA showing the way: Leaders

By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



Aboriginal and political leaders in Western Australia reacted defensively to the Prime Minister's NT taskforce, saying that the plans by the Commonwealth have been in place in the

West for several years, while one Indigenous MP has labelled the NT plan as 'blatantly racist'.

WA Aboriginal Legal Service Executive Officer Dennis Eggington said Mr Howard's plan had thrown a spotlight on what the States had been doing about assisting Indigenous communities, including the 2003 Gordon Inquiry, which forced the WA Government to act on child abuse.

"I don't believe the Commonwealth's approach is going to work here in WA," Mr Eggington said.

"It's over the top, it's knee-jerk reaction and in many ways here in WA our Aboriginal communities are already working hard to tackle the problem of childhood sexual abuse."

WA Premier Alan Carpenter has been highly critical of Mr Howard's approach, calling it the PM's 'new Tampa' and dismissing it as an election stunt with no real substance and little chance of any real outcomes.

But Mr Eggington said: "I don't think it's going to do anyone any good to start

blaming people.

"The best idea is that governments, whether it's the state or Commonwealth really understand that unless they engage our community in the process, then they're going to be off the trail."

"Our communities need to be engaged in general partnerships to help overcome this issue."

Mr Eggington said he was suspicious about the timing of the PM's approach, and he shared others' concerns about the real agenda of the Federal Government.

"The thing that worries me with the Prime Minister is that behind the child sex abuse there are lots of other things that he plans to do at the same time which is take control of Aboriginal lands, to stop the permit system where people have got access," he said.

"Also, to put in mainstream housing and have Aboriginal people pay rent on those houses, and to cut welfare payments when it's relating to a whole range of things which have really got nothing to do with child abuse."

Perth Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service Executive Officer Phil Bartlett also said that he had grave reservations about



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the NT plan because governments had always had the power to act on child abuse but had not done so.

"It's hard not to be cynical, when you look at it, because the government agencies have been there and they've had a responsibility," Mr Bartlett said.

WA Police Union President Mike Dean said the WA Government had already implemented many of the initiatives that Mr Howard required of the NT taskforce, including multi-functional police stations in remote communities.

Mr Dean said communities like Balgo, which had problems of sexual abuse,

alcoholism and drug addiction, high suicide rates and family violence issues had changed dramatically since the new stations had been opened.

"The turnaround is incredible, the family units are coming back together," Mr Dean said. "The alcohol problems have not totally gone away but certainly have subsided."

"The violence issues, the child abuse issues and the general neglect issues are a total turnaround from what they were three years ago."

"It really comes down to not just the police being there but the nurses, the welfare departments and the other government agencies that are in there working with the people who do recognise the problem and do wish to have a change."

WA Labor MP Carol Martin, whose electorate covers the West Kimberley, said the Prime Minister's approach was 'totally racist' and ignored the hard work already being done in many communities, including the Northern Territory.

"Western Australia is miles ahead," Ms Martin said. "We did the Gordon Inquiry, we did the hard yards and we are following through on the recommendations."

"This (WA) government put its money where it's mouth is and I must say that the Kimberley got the lion's share because we needed it, we've been neglected by the Federal Government for so long."

Axe fails on CDEPs



The Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) scheme is officially defunct in about 60

urban and major regional communities throughout the country. The Federal Government says replacement of CDEP with Structured Training and Employment Projects (STEP) job brokerage services in areas with unemployment of less than 7 per cent from 1 July will help to reduce welfare dependency among Indigenous Australians.

The massive scaling back of the iconic program, established 30 years ago and often referred to as 'Work for the Dole', prompted an acrimonious exchange last week between the Federal and West Australian governments.

WA Premier Alan Carpenter said the changes endangered a range of important programs in Perth and regional areas such as the Kimberley aimed at helping to protect Aboriginal children, in direct contradiction of the stated aim behind Prime Minister John Howard's recent interventions in NT Aboriginal communities.

Mr Carpenter said such programs included patrols in Midland, Fremantle, Broome and Geraldton to move Aboriginal people who may be at risk of abuse or who are drunk from town centres to their home or to sobering up shelters; a Broome youth support program that provided activities

each afternoon for up to 50 Aboriginal children, keeping them out of harmful situations; and the Geraldton Streetwork Program which targeted at-risk Aboriginal youth by providing them with activities to keep them off the streets.

"All will have diminished resources because of the abolition of CDEP in urban areas and regional centres and will not be able to provide cover around the clock," Mr Carpenter said.

"Because of Mr Howard's changes, the Broome Patrol will move from 10 workers to three, reducing the number of shifts the patrol can undertake. The Midland patrol will be cut by three days per week, Fremantle by two days per week and patrol members' safety compromised as services have to move from eight workers per shift to only two. It also highlights the hypocrisy of Mr Howard's sudden interest in Indigenous affairs so close to a Federal election."

The Premier said the Howard Government changes would also leave many Aboriginal people without jobs, with CDEP programs a major employer of Aboriginal people.

"The impact of the Federal Government's decision to axe CDEP, without having put proper transitional arrangements in place, will see up to 1800 people move from work to welfare," he said.

"The majority of these people will not get jobs and are simply not job ready. They are being set up to



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fail. These people and up to 7000 family members, many of whom are children, will suffer from lower incomes and, with many families close to the poverty line, this could be disastrous."

However, Federal Employment and Workplace Relations Minister Joe Hockey accused the WA Premier of playing politics with Indigenous employment.

"Mr Carpenter knows that we are not cutting funding to Indigenous employment services. The Federal Government is, in fact, increasing funding," he said.

"The Australian Government announced extra funding in the Budget to convert some of the CDEP positions into real jobs - some of these are joint Commonwealth and State responsibilities. Will Mr Carpenter match this commitment from the

Australian Government?"

Mr Hockey said officials from his department met with WA Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts in February, when the changes were first announced, and none of the concerns raised by Mr Carpenter last week were raised at that meeting.

He said Shadow Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations Jenny Macklin had issued a media release supporting the announcement.

"The timing of Mr Carpenter's complaints is awfully suspicious," Mr Hockey said. "The CDEP reforms are about assisting Indigenous Australians move into real jobs with the full benefits of employment."

Mr Hockey said that while about 10 per cent of CDEP participants went on to real jobs, the figure with STEP was much higher at more than 60 per cent.

"Centrelink and the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations have been working very closely with CDEP participants and providers to help them through the transition," he said.

CDEP will continue to operate in remote areas and regional locations where there are weaker labour markets, but is understood to have now ceased in the following locations:

- New South Wales: Sydney, Central Coast, Newcastle, Hunter region, Armidale, Cobar, Griffith, Tamworth, Wagga Wagga, Albury and Queanbeyan.

- Northern Territory: Darwin.

- Queensland: Rockhampton, Yeppoon including Capricorn Coast and Gladstone including Biloela and Mt Morgan, City of Cairns and district from Palm Cove to Edmonton, Townsville region comprising the cities of Townsville and Thuringowa, City of Toowoomba and surrounding district including Oakey and Crows Nest, Dalby and district, Warwick and district, Mackay and district, Brisbane including North Stradbroke Island, Beaudesert, Ipswich, Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast.

- South Australia: Adelaide and Riverland and immediate surrounds, south-east South Australia and immediate surrounds, Port Lincoln and immediate surrounds, Port Augusta, Whyalla, Port Pirie and immediate surrounds, Murray Bridge and immediate surrounds.

- All of 'mainland' Tasmania.

- Victoria: Halls Gap, Horsham, Ballarat, Shepparton, Wangaratta, Echuca, Wodonga, Melbourne, Geelong, Bairnsdale, Orbest, Lakes Entrance, Lake Tyers, Warrnambool, Portland, Hamilton, Heywood, Morlake, Camperdown, Terang and Robinvale.

- Western Australia: Port Hedland, South Hedland, Bunbury, Busselton, Collier, Australind, Kalgoorlie, Esperance, Perth metropolitan area, Broome, Albany and Geraldton.

- Australian Capital Territory

NT measures could breach law: lawyer



The Prime Minister John Howard says the problem of child sexual abuse is not confined to

the Northern Territory but that's where the Parliament has the constitutional power to do something about it.

However, questions have been raised about whether the Government's intervention in the Territory could breach domestic or international anti-discrimination laws. The Koori Mail asked Megan Davis, Senior Lecturer in Public Law and Director of the Indigenous Law Centre at the University of NSW to clarify what the Federal Government can and can't do. This is what she said:

Section 122 of the Australian Constitution provides the Federal Government with plenary power to make laws for the government of any territory. This means that the Federal Government's power is effectively unfettered because it is not subject to constitutional restraint in the way that s 51 heads of power may be. The Federal Government has assumed such power to override the NT euthanasia laws in 1997 and also with respect to same-sex marriage in the ACT in 2006. Constitutionally there is no

obstacle from the Race Discrimination Act. High Court jurisprudence indicates that it is likely the acquisition of townships would be limited by the constitutional guarantee to the acquisition of property on just terms provision. It is difficult to understand how the acquisition of townships is linked to the issue of child sexual abuse and why it is necessary. It is possible that the Commonwealth could use section 51 (26), known as "the races power" created by the 1967 amendments to also legislate for the States, though politically this is unlikely.

The NT Plan initially applied to all people in "prescribed communities" which means Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples on Aboriginal land and therefore is not discriminatory in effect as its application is to all people. Whether particular aspects of the plan breach the RDA will depend on the circumstance. In international human rights law it is possible to derogate from some human rights in a period of "public emergency". For example, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights permits this only if it does not involve discrimination solely on the basis of race, colour, sex, language, religion or social origin. Whether the RDA has

been breached depends on whether the measures taken are proportionate and reasonable. The RDA provides for special measures to be taken if they are to ensure the enjoyment or exercise of human rights of a particular racial group. To guarantee the safety and well being of Aboriginal children may be such a measure. Special measures must be proportionate to the risk and they must be reasonable. It is likely that some of these initiatives would breach the RDA and certainly would be in breach of international law. For example health checks of Aboriginal children wouldn't constitute special measures because they are only aimed at one racial group and a special measure must be for the "benefit" of the group affected. Finally, it is important to note that Australia is a liberal democracy and the rule of law is crucial to effective governance. Australian democracy demands respect for fundamental democratic principles such as free speech and dissent. It is important to respect the right of people to critique government policy without accusing them of supporting the violation of the rights of the child. Such accusations are not in the best interests of the child.

WA lifeline for Goolari Media



The CDEP funding row spilled over into funding for the largest Indigenous employer in Broome, with the Carpenter Government throwing Goolari Media

Enterprises a 'lifeline' after the withdrawal of its CDEP funds.

Making the announcement with Kimberley MP Carol Martin in Broome, WA Education and Training Minister Mark McGowan said the State Government had agreed to provide the media company's operations with a \$2.13 million funding package over three years.

Mr McGowan said he was astounded that funding had been withdrawn from the organisation, given the Federal Government's 'recent interest in Indigenous welfare'.

"This organisation, which is more than 15 years old, delivers a full-time radio station, a full-time television service, a production house, events management service, information technology services and administrative services," he said of Goolari.

"It is also a registered training organisation and has won Commonwealth and State awards for its employment-based training in areas such as radio, screen, broadcasting and events management.

"It is an integral part of the

Kimberley community and its contribution to Aboriginal employment and training can not be underestimated."

Ms Martin said the funding would allow Goolari to continue on its path towards financial self-sustainability.

"Goolari has been very successful in developing its business operations without State Government assistance, and currently has significant assets and capital, which it has raised for an upgrade of its premises," she said.

"By providing this funding, the Government is investing in the future of Indigenous employment and opportunity in the Kimberley and preventing large-scale redundancies and loss of fee-for-service projects."

Goolari Manager Kevin Fong welcomed the WA Government investment, the first in the organisation since it

started in 1989. He said the funds would help Goolari to work towards its sustainability and creating a centre of excellence.

"This centre of excellence will include a knowledge centre, a multimedia training facility with community open learning and a small business incubation area. While retaining our core services in radio, TV and events, Goolari will develop e-learning and multi-media products," Mr Fong told the Koori Mail.

Mr Fong said there was now no threat to Goolari.



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Governor-General in visit to remote sites



Governor-General Major General Michael Jeffery and his wife Marlena travelled to the Northern Territory last month to visit several remote Aboriginal communities and a range of culturally significant sites.

The trip included visits to Milikapiti, Three Ways, Pirlangimpi, Nguiu, Jabiru, Kakadu, Galiwinku, Nhulunbuy and Groote Eylandt.

At Kakadu they were briefed the management of the Kakadu National Park.

At Three Ways the Governor-General opened a bus shelter associated with the inaugural Tiwi Islands bus service.

The Governor-General heard from traditional owners and Elders about their plans for future economic development, and young people about their views and aspirations.

The visit was part of an ongoing program by the Governor-General to visit remote communities. In May last year, to support the Year of the Outback, the Governor-General and Mrs Jeffery travelled along the Birdsville Track and then on to Charleville and Longreach.

A short time later he travelled to Wiluna and the Tanami Desert where he met Elders and representatives of the Tjurabalan people.



The Governor-General and Mrs Jeffery with children from Yirrkala Primary School, Gove Peninsula. Also pictured is school Principal Paul Bubb.



The Governor-General and Mrs Jeffery with traditional owners at Three Ways, Melville Island.

Financial booklet is a first



The first booklet aimed at helping to improve Indigenous financial literacy programs has been launched in Cairns, north Queensland, by Financial Literacy Foundation Chairman Paul Clitheroe.

Understanding Money: Good Practice in Developing Financial Literacy Initiatives With Indigenous Australians is the first tailor-made guide for people who develop and deliver financial literacy initiatives with Indigenous Australians. It was developed in consultation with Indigenous people and organisations by the Financial Literacy Foundation and its Understanding Money campaign was established by the Australian Government and has been in place since 2005 with the goal of giving all Australians the opportunity to better manage their money.

Mr Clitheroe said: "It's really important that Indigenous Australians get the chance to learn about money management in a way where they share ownership of the process and come up with approaches that work best for them."

"And it's vital that people working in this area understand the needs and cultures of Indigenous Australians. We hope our booklet provides a practical

and constructive resource for all those doing this important work.

"It's very positive to see such a large group of government and non-government organisations, banks, credit unions and consumer agencies all working in this area."

The booklet outlines good practice principles for financial literacy initiatives, and for the first time compiles details of financial literacy programs, resources and consumer assistance contacts available to assist Indigenous Australians.

Reconciliation Australia Chief Executive Officer Barbara Livesey commended the Foundation on developing the resource.

"The need for good practice principles and a list of programs and resources was identified by the National Indigenous Money Management Agenda Project, managed by Reconciliation Australia," she said.

"This resource will make a positive contribution to building the capacity of organisations to better service Indigenous peoples and communities and raise awareness of the programs and resources that currently exist."

A copy of *Understanding Money: Good Practice in Developing Financial Literacy Initiatives With Indigenous Australians* is available by phoning the Foundation on (02) 6263 2111.

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Hawkesbury Nepean Aboriginal Advisory Committee - Alternate Members

Applications are sought from Aboriginal Community members, living within or having connection to the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority (CMA) area, to become an Alternate Member of the Hawkesbury Nepean CMA Aboriginal Advisory Committee. The geographic area covered by the Hawkesbury Nepean CMA extends from Goulburn to Puffy from Lithgow to Gosford.

The broad role of the Committee will be to advise the CMA on priority natural resources and cultural heritage issues for Aboriginal communities, and to act as a conduit for the exchange of information between the CMA and local Aboriginal communities.

Membership of the Committee will reflect the diversity of skills, experience and 'grass-roots' knowledge held by Aboriginal people. Membership will also reflect the geographical cross-section of Aboriginal organisations and individuals across the CMA region as well as gender and age balance.

For an information Package and Application Form, contact John Lennis or Paul Houston on (02) 4587 0050.

Applications close Friday 3rd August 2007.

CELEBRATE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CULTURE NAIDOC WEEK 2007

Who You Callin' Urban?: Forum

Friday 6 July 9 am - 5 pm

Explore the diverse ways Indigenous identity and culture is expressed in urban environments. Speakers include poet Sam Wagan Watson and writer and theatre director Wesley Enoch. Bookings essential on (02) 6208 5021.

Indigenous Short Film Festival

Saturday 7 - Sunday 15 July

Enjoy these short films, compiled by Black Screen - an Australian Film Commission program.

Writing workshops and poetry reading

Saturday 7 July

Join acclaimed poets Sam Wagan Watson and Jennifer Martiniello for an introduction to writing. Bookings essential on (02) 6208 5021. 10.30 am - 12 noon Adult workshop with Sam Wagan Watson. 2-3.30 pm Young adults workshop with Jennifer Martiniello. 12.15-1.15 pm Poetry reading.

Living Cultures: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tour

Sunday 8 - Sunday 15 July 11 am - 12 noon and 2-3 pm

This tour provides an insight into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' history, cultures, spirituality and connection to Country.

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Saturday 7 July 10 am - 4 pm

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Third Annual Didjeridu Competition

Sunday 8 July 1-2 pm

Presented in association with Reconciliation International, this year's competition will include prizes for best solo didj player, best original artwork on didj, best junior didj player and most unique didj.

Come early to register for the competition or to pre-register call (02) 6208 5228.

Children's Indigenous workshop

Wednesday 11 and Friday 13 July 10-11.30 am

Children are taken on a tour of the 70% Urban exhibition where they can touch traditional Indigenous tools and talk about how cultures change and adapt. Then it's their turn to create their own piece of art. Suitable for 5-10 year olds.

Cost: \$5 per child. Bookings essential on (02) 6208 5021.

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The Wright stuff

Story by MARGARET SMITH
and AAP

ABORIGINAL author Alexis Wright has won Australia's most prestigious literary prize for her epic novel *Carpentaria*.

Wright, of the Waanyi people of Queensland's Gulf of Carpentaria, was awarded the Miles Franklin Literary Award in Sydney on 21 June for her second novel, which judges described as 'a big novel in every sense'.

Carpentaria is a portrait of a fictitious coastal town called Desperance, which is riddled with conflict between two local mobs, the white people of Uptown and a neighbouring mine.

There was a frenetic buzz in the air at Sydney's Mitchell Library as Australia's 'literati' waited for the announcement of the \$42,000 prize.

The five finalists also included previous Miles Franklin winner Peter Carey for his book *Theft: A Love Story*.

Actor and author William McInnes had confided earlier that he hoped Alexis Wright would win.

"That's wonderful," he declared after he opened the envelope and announced Wright's name.

Wright was genuinely overwhelmed, telling the audience "I'm struck by the foresight of Miles Franklin herself".

"I imagine that she would have wanted Australian literature to be rich and diverse in their subject matter," Wright said of Franklin, who wrote the quirky Australian classic *My Brilliant Career* and loved the bush.



Author Alexis Wright at the Miles Franklin Award presentation.

Carpentaria weaves the stories of characters that are almost mythical, with stories of the land itself. The past, present and future are linked, and it's told with the tone of an oral storyteller.

The author told the award gathering that *Carpentaria* was greatly influenced 'by the sheer vitality of the people who live in Australia's north, and by all the Elders who have walked this harsh road'.

The dedication to the novel reads, 'Inspired by all the beauty that comes from having an ancient homeland that is deeply loved by those who guard it, and especially to my countrymen, Murrumbidgee Yanner and Clarence Waldon'.

"I feel *Carpentaria* doesn't do



Alexis Wright with author and actor William McInnes.

justice to being Indigenous in today's world, but all things considered, I gave it my best

shot," Wright added.

She told the story of *Carpentaria* in the voice of a native Gulf Elder, a decision she believes could have sabotaged the success of the novel.

"I was taking a big risk in writing it in that voice, it's the type of voice which has always been rejected in this country," she said later.

However in sticking to her original decision, Wright was faithful to the story-telling tradition of Indigenous Australians.

"It took two years to understand how I could write (*Carpentaria*) and a good six years to write it with a number of early attempts thrown away," she said.

Alexis Wright grew up in

Cloncurry with her mother and grandmother. Her father was a cattleman who died when she was five. As a child, Wright listened to her grandmother's stories of her country in the Gulf. Years later when she visited the land of the Waanyi nation up north, the stories came back to life.

"The country had grown huge in my mind, from the dreams of my childhood. These stories are about a belief system and principles of the right and wrong way to live," Wright said.

"It is these things that have firmly stood by the oldest race of people on earth, and allow many of our people to uphold the country and care for the land."

Wright hopes the wind is changing on that front for not only Aboriginal writers, but all Australian storytellers.

"I think there's a lot of writing about Australia to be done in many different ways," she said.

"Australia really is a country that's made up of lots of different people, Indigenous people and those who have made Australia home from all around the world."

Alexis Wright's other books include the non-fiction *Grog War*, about alcohol abuse in the Tennant Creek area of the Northern Territory, and the novel *Plains of Promise*.

She believes it is time for southern Australians to gain a better understanding the north, and said she was deeply concerned about the Federal Government's recent interventions into NT Indigenous communities.

Wright is the second Indigenous writer to win the Miles Franklin Award, after Kim Scott co-won in 2000 for his novel *Benang*.



An Australian Government Initiative Funding for targeting alcohol or illicit drug use

The Australian Government, through the Attorney-General's Department, invites Expressions of Interest for funding under Section 298 of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (POCA), from incorporated, not-for-profit community groups and local government associations/agencies.

Funding is available to eligible applicants to enhance existing treatment, rehabilitation, diversion or prevention projects targeting alcohol or illicit drug use, which:

- bolster residential/non-residential treatment and rehabilitation client capacity
- enhance diversion or prevention projects
- fund minor capital expenses (equipment purchases, building repairs, etc), or
- fund ongoing work force development and training in this vital employment sector.

Eligible organisations are able to seek funding of up to \$750,000 for each programme, with a maximum of \$250,000 for each programme in any one financial year.

Expressions of Interest close at 5pm on Thursday 19 July 2007. Expressions must be post marked or hand delivered on or before the closing date.

Application forms and information are available:

- from the Strategic Policy Coordination Branch
Attorney-General's Department
Robert Garran Offices
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- at www.crimeprevention.gov.au
- by phoning (02) 6250 5599
- by e-mailing poca@ag.gov.au



Rural Allied Health Undergraduate Scholarship Scheme 2008 Funding

The Rural Allied Health Undergraduate Scholarship (RAHUS) Scheme is an Australian Government initiative to support rural-origin individuals to undertake allied health and oral health degrees so they may pursue a clinical career in rural and remote Australia.

The RAHUS Scheme is open to individuals with a rural background to study an allied health or oral health degree. Eligible disciplines for allied health are: audiology, chiropractic, dietetics, exercise physiology, Indigenous health (tertiary degree only), occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathy, medical radiation science (medical imaging, radiation therapy & nuclear medicine technology) physiotherapy, podiatry, psychology (postgraduate), social work and speech pathology; and for oral health are: dentistry and oral health.

The scholarship provides \$10,000 a year to assist students with accommodation, living and travel expenses during their studies. Eligible applicants will have lived in a rural or remote region of Australia for at least five consecutive or eight cumulative years and must be Australian citizens or permanent residents. Applicants must be entering or currently enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited or approved undergraduate or graduate entry level Australian allied health or oral health degree.

Applications close on Friday, 31 August 2007. For further information, please contact the RAHUS Administrator, Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health (SARRAH), on 1800 460 440 or by email on rahus@ruralhealth.org.au, or view the SARRAH website at www.sarrah.org.au.

The Rural Allied Health Undergraduate Scholarship Scheme is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing.



Carol Leon and Tony Meier at the Aboriginal Memorial in Bellingen Cemetery.
Photo: The Coffs Coast Advocate

A rock to remember



Bellingen Shire Council will host a blessing ceremony of the Aboriginal Memorial at Bellingen Cemetery on Saturday 7 July. The memorial acknowledges all Aboriginal people buried in unmarked graves in the cemetery of the NSW north coast town.

Bellingen Shire Mayor Mark Troy said that the project arose out of issues identified in the council's Social Plan 2004 and aimed to raise the level of awareness, understanding and acceptance of Aboriginal culture in the wider community.

"While we cannot correct past wrongs, we can and should acknowledge the long period that excluded full

recognition of Aboriginal people, their culture and ties to their traditional lands," he said.

Cr Troy said he was pleased that the Nambucca Elders' Choir had agreed to sing at the blessing ceremony. Local Aboriginal resident Carol Leon said the blessing would be an important occasion for the Aboriginal community.

"There are many Aboriginal people who do not know where family members are buried in the Bellingen cemetery," she said.

"The Memorial Rock will create a remembering place, and this acknowledgment will bring them some comfort. Hopefully those graves will be located one day."

The blessing ceremony will held at 10.30am, and will be

followed by a reconciliation celebration at the North Bellingen Showgrounds from noon until 2.30. The Gumbaynggirr Elders will be served lunch in the Elders Cafe, provided by Bellingen Lions Club and waited on by hospitality students from Bellingen High School. Entertainment will include local CrocFest dancers, singers and musicians.

Cr Troy said all were welcome to participate in both events in the spirit of reconciliation.

Participants are asked to leave their cars at the Bellingen Showgrounds in North Bellingen as parking at the cemetery may be limited. A shuttle bus will run between the showgrounds and the cemetery from 9.30am.

Mining boost



A successful north Queensland Indigenous mining services company will use a Queensland Government grant to help it buy heavy

equipment to expand its business. State Development Minister John Mickel announced a \$500,000 Indigenous Business Development Grant to assist Waayni Mining Services to buy of a front-end loader.

"In 2005, we provided a \$150,000 Indigenous Business Establishment

grant to the company, previously called Northern Project Crushing Pty Ltd, to provide crushed aggregate to the Zinifex Century Mine, 250km north-west of Mt Isa," Mr Mickel said.

He said the Waayni National Aboriginal Corporation established the business to provide employment and training opportunities for local Indigenous people and came out of the 1997 Gulf Communities Agreement, when Zinifex Century Mine agreed to assist the local community obtain greater economic self-sufficiency.

"Under the deal, the company agreed to supply road materials and stemming material for blasting for the mine site," Mr Mickel said.

He said the Waayni people entered into a joint venture with Adelaide-based Exactmix, a supplier of earth moving and civil engineering

services to the mining industry, to help them establish and develop the business.

In 2005, Waayni Mining Services won a Reconciliation Business Award in the joint-venture category.

"Since 2005, the company has expanded its customer base to the Queensland Department of Main Roads and to local shire councils and moved into providing workers and hiring out equipment to Zinifex for its mining operations," Mr Mickel said.

He said Waayni Mining Services stood as a model for the

establishment of businesses in remote Indigenous communities.

Waayni Mining Services General Manager Derek Flucker said the purchase of the front-end loader would provide four full-time jobs for local Indigenous people.

"We've got to the stage where the demand for our services is such that in order to capture the opportunities coming our way, we need a front-end loader," he said.

Mr Flucker said the company had an annual turnover of about \$3 million, employed 23 people, with 17 local people working full-time, and planned to take on another 15-20 people in the next 12 months.

He said the company's success was helping to revitalise the local community, which had few employment opportunities up to its establishment in 2005.

'Since 2005, the company has expanded its customer base...'

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Indigenous Recognised Entity Services

The Department of Child Safety has funding available for Indigenous organisations able to support the department in its statutory child protection role in respect of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people. Organisations specifically approved for this purpose are called 'Recognised Entities'.

The functions required of these organisations, together with eligibility and assessment criteria, are set out in the Recognised Entity Services Funding Information Paper which can be accessed via the department's website at www.childsafety.qld.gov.au or by phoning (07) 3224 4546.

Funding is available to organisations in the Inala Child Safety Service Centre catchment areas.

All Recognised Entities approved through this process will be required to engage with the Indigenous community in their catchment area to ensure that the Indigenous community is kept informed of child protection issues.

Intending applicants are advised to contact Tracey Smit, Community Resource Officer, Community Support Team, Logan and Brisbane West Zone on (07) 3380 6635 who is responsible for funding submissions in the Inala catchment areas.

Funding submissions must be lodged by **Monday, 6 August 2007.**



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Senate passes stolen wages motion



The Senate has passed a motion asking the Federal Government to urgently act on a national report into stolen wages compensation for Indigenous people.

A Senate report called 'Unfinished Business' was released late last year into the underpayment of millions of dollars in wages and welfare to Indigenous Australians in the 19th and 20th centuries. The report called for claimants to be properly compensated and given more time to submit their claims.

More than \$40 million in Indigenous wages remains unclaimed in Queensland. Queensland Democrats Senator Andrew Bartlett moved the motion calling on the Federal Government to respond by 7 August.

"Whatever their response is, at least they should acknowledge this," he said.

"The report made clear this is an issue that's urgent. A lot of the people affected are quite old and there needs to be a clear response, a clear situation."

resolution on this issue," he said.

"The overwhelming view of the committee examining this issue was that urgent co-operation between Federal, State and Territory governments was needed to discover just how widespread the practice of

Australian government has announced a State taskforce to investigate the issue.

"This motion and the committee report give governments a clear opportunity to help bridge the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. The Government can't continue to sit on its hands in the face of such a grave injustice," Senator Bartlett said.

"I call on the Federal Government to respond promptly to the Unfinished Business report. It is time for all governments – State, Territory and Federal – to face up to and commit to addressing decades of unfinished business as a matter of national priority. The stolen wages saga is an important part of this."

Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough said he had noted the Senate motion.

'Support for this motion indicates that there must be immediate and urgent resolution on this issue'

Senator Bartlett said the passage through the Senate of his stolen wages motion gave impetus to the issue as the Senate awaited the Government's response to the Senate Committee report.

"Support for this motion indicates that there must be immediate and urgent

withholding wages was across Australia.

"The practice was much more widespread than is often thought and its impacts are still keenly felt by those affected; it continues to ripple through families and indeed the wider Indigenous community."

Since the report was tabled, the West

Murder decision rethink is urged



The NSW Government has asked the Director of Public Prosecutions

(DPP) to reconsider its decision to drop the case of three children murdered in a small Aboriginal community.

A 16-year-old girl, 16-year-old boy and a four-year-old girl who grew up on the same street of the Bowraville Aboriginal mission, on the NSW mid-north coast, were all killed between 1990 and 1991.

The 16-year-old girl was the first to disappear on September 13, 1990. Her body has never been found but her

clothes were recovered from the Nambucca River, weighed down by rocks, in April 1991.

The bodies of the four-year-old and the teenage boy were found in bushland within 4km of the mission in 1991.

A then-Bowraville local was charged with the murders of the four-year-old and the teenage boy, but he was acquitted in 1994 of the boy's murder, while the charge over the little girl's death was 'no-billed'.

A combined coronial inquest in 2004 prompted the DPP to reopen the case and charges were again laid against the man for the murder of the four-year-old. He was acquitted in 2006. Acting on new information, police submitted a new brief of evidence to the DPP in February this year.

But the victims' families were told this month that the DPP would not proceed to a retrial.

NSW Premier Morris Iemma said on Wednesday last week that Attorney-General John Hatzistergos had requested the DPP reconsider that decision.

"I'm advised that the Attorney did ask him to reconsider the decision of that particularly distressing case," Mr Iemma said.

However, the sister-in-law of the 16-year-old boy told the Koori Mail on Thursday that her family had yet to be advised of the development. She had learned about it only from media calls, but was delighted.

'We are over the moon because when we got the other news that they were going to take it no further, we were so deflated'

"We are over the moon because when we got the other news that they were going to take it no further, we were so deflated. We thought 'that's it, we'll never get justice now'," she said.

"So now, to find this out, it's like there's a tiny light at the end of the tunnel and maybe the person who reviews it will see something that has not been seen before and we'll get a retrial."

A spokeswoman for Mr Hatzistergos said they were still awaiting a response from DPP Nicholas Cowdery.

The NSW Government has announced a \$250,000 reward for anyone providing information leading to the conviction of the person or persons responsible for the children's deaths. – with AAP



Award-winners ... ICAN staff, back, from left, Robert Barry and Aaron Davis and, front from left, Drew Dangar, Tiana Yeatman and Carmen Daniels.

Consumer rights mob takes out two awards



The Indigenous Consumer Assistance Network (ICAN) has won two awards in this year's Queensland Consumer

Protection Awards.

ICAN's latest accolades – the 2007 Consumer Advocacy Award and the 2007 Minister's Award for Excellence in Consumer Protection – recognised its work in protecting the rights of Indigenous consumers across Queensland.

The awards acknowledge the role individuals, community organisations, the media and the industry play in ensuring the Queensland marketplace is fair for all consumers.

ICAN provides consumer advocacy, education and assistance to Indigenous consumers across the State, and assisted 388 Indigenous clients in 2006.

Cairns MP Desley Boyle said the Cairns-based organisation was clearly an outstanding entry

in the awards. "ICAN works directly with Indigenous communities across the State, developing innovative consumer education that is both culturally appropriate and effective," Ms Boyle said.

"The organisation has created a range of community specific material and in 2006 conducted a successful program in six Queensland Aboriginal communities."

Vulnerable

"The program has assisted more than 200 clients with personal loans, reducing Indigenous consumer debt by over \$2.7 million."

"Many Indigenous consumers are particularly vulnerable in the marketplace, especially those living in remote areas where people may not know their rights and where there is not a lot of competition between businesses."

ICAN Manager Aaron Davis said it was great for the network's staff to have been recognised

and rewarded for their work and commitment.

"ICAN's service in consumer advocacy, education and assistance continues to grow, demonstrating an overwhelming community need," he said.

"ICAN's strength is in its network and we would therefore like to share the recognition with the Commonwealth Bank Foundation and the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) for helping ICAN address consumer detriment in Queensland's regional and remote Indigenous communities."

Mr Davis said the two awards came on the same day that ICAN received a letter of thanks from a grateful client.

The letter read: "It is with great relief that I am able to breathe a little easier and say that we can now see the light at the end of the tunnel and it's getting brighter every day."

"Thank you to the ICAN team for the excellent advice, assistance and support service."



Jason Pluto with his wife Desley and daughter Destiny.

Jason is riding with the stars

Story and photo by
ALF WILSON



Recent miserable weather didn't dampen Northern Territory stockman Jason Pluto's first foray into film.

The Top End horseman enjoyed his role as a horse stunt rider on the set of the Baz Luhrmann movie 'Australia', being filmed in Bowen, north Queensland.

The movie stars Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman, and 19-year-old Jason was near the set when the Koori Mail caught up with him on a

cold and rainy day in Bowen.

With Jason in Bowen for six weeks was his wife Desley and six-month-old daughter Destiny, from Borroloola in the Northern Territory.

"We're from a small property called Campbell Station in the Territory which is a little place of our own. I grew up with horses," Jason said.

Aboriginal men and women from Queensland, the NT and Western Australia will figure prominently in the film. Their skills as horse riders, drovers and more will be showcased to the world.

Jason and his family were rugged up as the temperature hit an icy 10

degrees that day, and rain made conditions pretty challenging for mob used to warmer climes. The movie people were waiting for some sunshine so they could film a few scenes.

Filming is set to end in Bowen early this month and then the cast, crew and extras will move to Darwin, where the remainder of the film will be shot.

Jason was looking forward to getting home, and said it had been a great experience.

The film has put Bowen on the map, with photographers from around the world trying to get snaps of Kidman and Jackman.

More lobsters the goal



The Torres Strait Protected Zone Joint Authority (PZJA) has opened a voluntary tender of non-Islander (TVH) tropical rock lobster fishery licences under a program to increase the Islander community's share in the fishery.

Australian Fisheries and Conservation Minister Eric Abetz said the PZJA's move to implement the reallocation followed two years of consultation.

"The process will start in the lobster fishery and will help Australia meet its catch-sharing obligations with Papua New Guinea under the Torres Strait Treaty, as well as increase the Islander share in the fishery," said Senator Abetz, who chairs the PZJA.

Torres Strait rock lobster fishers holding

transferable vessel holder (TVH) licences will have the opportunity to surrender their fishing entitlements under a competitive tender process.

Queensland Primary Industries and Fisheries Minister Tim Mulherin said the tender process was part of a program of reforms which would also see the introduction of a quota management scheme for the lobster fishery from 2008.

"Under the program, a quota that would have been allocated to licences surrendered through the tender process will be set aside to manage Australia's catch-sharing obligations with PNG, or otherwise re-allocated to the Islander sector," Mr Mulherin said.

"The lobster fishery is important to Torres Strait Islanders and this tender process

should better position them to take advantage of the economic and employment opportunities offered by the fishery."

Torres Strait Regional Authority Chairman Toshie Kris said the tender process would be an important step in delivering on community fishers' long-held aspirations for a greater share in Torres Strait fisheries.

"This has been a long journey for Torres Strait fishers and I'm pleased to be at the point we can deliver," he said.

"Fisheries are one of the most important and valuable natural resources in the Torres Strait and increased access for community fishers is an important cornerstone in achieving our community development aspirations."

The PZJA expects to make an announcement on the process for reallocation in the Torres Strait fin fish fishery in the near future.

All three PZJA members have committed funding towards the Torres Strait fisheries tender process.

The Federal Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry will send information packages about the tropical rock lobster tender process to TVH licence holders as soon as possible.

Packages will also be published on the department's website at www.daff.gov.au/tenders.

Information about the meetings is available through a tender contact officer on phone (02) 6272 3752, fax (02) 6272 4875 or email torresfisheries.rft@daff.gov.au



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The Department of Communities has funds available for rural and remote communities to build and strengthen their capacity to shape their community's future. This includes enhancing community strengths such as leadership, networks, organisations, infrastructure, and relationships within communities and with other areas.

The funding will be offered regularly over the next three years for communities located within the Blueprint for the Bush catchment area.

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

Information packages including the contact details of regional offices are available from the Department of Communities website at www.communities.qld.gov.au or by telephoning 1300 794 611. Please download the latest documents from the website.

Funding submissions must be lodged with the regional offices of the Department of Communities by 4 pm on the following dates for 2007 funding rounds: 30 July and 22 October.



Building a sustainable, liveable and prosperous rural Queensland



Fremantle Dockers AFL players Jeff Farmer (left), Des Headland and Antoni Grover talking to fans at the AADS open day on 22 June.

Open day at AADS

Story by KEN BOASE in Perth
Photos by ALITA



A highlight in Perth of the recent Drug Awareness Week was an open day for the city's Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service

(AADS) to showcase the organisation, its new building and the range of services available to help people battling alcohol or substance abuse.

Nyoongar Elder Owen Hansen retired as AADS Chairman on the same day, but will continue as a board member and also as Chairman of Yorgonop child-care service based in West Perth.

Wet weather did not stop people showing their support, and hundreds of people enjoyed the entertainment, food and information provided on the day.

AADS Executive Officer Phil Bartlett said the open day was an opportunity to showcase the therapies and programs at AADS and 'to honour the staff and board members and community members who help make the organisation work effectively'.

"This year was very special because we had some of the (AFL) Dockers players who have been working with us for a few years and it was also an opportunity to show off the new building because we've only been here for a couple of years," Mr Bartlett said. "Although we have only about 24 permanent staff, that's complimented by volunteers and other service providers through the various programs like rehabilitation services and detox programs, as well as quite a large number of education programs through schools and families."

"That's where people like the Dockers help a lot through school-awareness programs and we're building networking programs in the suburbs around



Nyoongar Elder Owen Hansen proudly displays the watch given to him on his retirement as AADS Board Chairman.



AADS Executive Officer Phil Bartlett ... "Our funding is focused mainly on alcohol and cannabis. That's creating a problem for us because we need the resources to fight the new drugs like ice..."

the city hub where our main office is located."

Mr Bartlett said alcohol, as well as cannabis, remained a major problem for Nyoongar people, but some of the other harder drugs like amphetamines were becoming more of a concern.

"Heavier drugs are getting into the mainstream population, but our funding is focused mainly on alcohol and cannabis. That's creating a problem for us because we need the resources to fight the new drugs like ice and other hard drugs."

"We still face the problems

of colonisation and the trans-generational effects of alcohol and drugs and so it's not just treating and counselling but all of the other problems that all Aboriginal families face, like family violence, poor housing, employment and education.

"We don't have our own rehab service so we work with other agencies. Perth is the only city in Australia that does not have an Indigenous residential rehab service, which is pretty shocking considering the problems we have to deal with."

Mr Hansen has been associated with AADS, formerly known as NASAS, for more than 10 years, and although he has retired as chairman he will remain with the organisation to help address major funding issues and establish satellite services in the suburbs of Perth where the need is greatest.

He had some strong advice for anyone caught up with alcohol or substance abuse.

"I grew up as a young man when alcohol was introduced to us back in the '60s and we were given the right to drink but we weren't taught anything about the harm it might do to our minds and bodies and financially as well," he said.

"My advice would be, and it's the only trail I've followed myself, that drink is harmful and should be used in moderation like eating or anything like that and if it's abused it's going to have an effect somewhere along the line."

"Take more responsibility for your family and make sure your family has a good car to ride in and a good bed to sleep in and make sure they don't go short of a feed. And the most important part of an Aboriginal life is a good education and a family and a good home environment."

Mr Hansen was given a special watch with a 1964 penny set as the watch face and he said he would wear it only on special occasions.

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The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking applications for funding under the Improved Services for People with Drug and Alcohol Problems and Mental Illness measure.

Alcohol and Other Drug Non-Government Organisations (AOD NGOs) that provide treatment services are invited to apply for capacity building grants to undertake a service improvement process to improve the identification and treatment/management of people with comorbid drug and alcohol problems and mental illness.

AOD NGO treatment services will be funded to implement a range of capacity building initiatives within their service and to develop sustainable partnerships with the wider local health network.

Funding will be available for a period of up to three years from January 2008 through to the end of 2010.

Individual AOD NGO treatment services or consortia interested in applying must address the selection criteria in the format outlined in the Application Information and Guidelines and Application Form, available by registering on the Department's Tenders and Grants internet site at www.health.gov.au/tenders.

The Department will be holding Information Sessions in each State and Territory for AOD NGO treatment services that may be interested in making an application. See the Department's website for details.

Any difficulties accessing this site should be addressed to the:

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Quote



It is interventionist ... I accept that. But what matters more, the constitutional niceties or the care and protection of young people?

— Prime Minister John Howard on 21 June as he announced his Government's plans to address child sexual abuse in the NT.

Unquote

An emergency memo to John

When a couple of thousand people gather under the stars in Darwin next week to celebrate Indigenous achievement and history, there'll be more than humidity in the air.

The national NAIDOC ball and awards will be the first large-scale national Indigenous event since the Federal Government responded to the *Little Children are Sacred* report on child sexual abuse by announcing it would radically overhaul life as about 70 Territory Aboriginal communities know it, and few guests will waste the opportunity to discuss the developments.

Some people will express joy and optimism about the depth of the Federal response to what is a massive and grave problem. Others will be deeply worried and cynical about the nature, timing and 'we know best' attitude of the response.

Following the release of *Little Children are Sacred*, someone sensible called for calm heads on the issue. From where we sit, most of Indigenous Australia seems to have taken that on board.

It's a bit rich for the Prime Minister to take offence when questioned about his motives for acting now. He is a politician, isn't he? This is an election year. Indigenous people are used to being promised heaps and delivered bugger all. And we are wary of people who say 'Trust me, I'm from the Government'.

Note to the PM: If someone questions your approach in this matter, it does not necessarily mean that they are a child abuser or have something to hide. Those accusations come from the same place as the tendency to wholly blame ATSIC (Indigenous people) for the inaction and failure of consecutive governments; a very empty place.

Nor does having a different view to the



Government necessarily mean that people don't really care about their kids. It might just mean that they think there's a more constructive way of doing things.

As much as the current terrible situation is the result of depraved and inexcusable personal behaviour, poor life skills and desperation, it is also an indictment of governments that have sat on countless reports, and ignored the pleas of Indigenous people (and more than a few non-Indigenous people) for help. The emergency that we have now flourished under their watch.

The PM said recently the right of Indigenous people to live on remote communal land and to speak an Indigenous language was no right at all if it was accompanied by grinding poverty, overcrowding, poor health, community violence and alienation from mainstream Australian society. He was right. But the first right should not have to be sacrificed in order to secure the other. They are both important.

Our last word on the matter for now is about, well, words. Indigenous Australia has had assimilation, self-determination and reconciliation. Now it has intervention.

The only way we're going to get through all of this is by embracing a few other oldies but goodies — consultation, communication and collaboration.

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Jodie Lee Ryan
Business Consultant
Torquay Victoria

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Favourite other food?
All seafood, prawns, scallops, bugs, fish.

Favourite drink?
Mineral water or gin and tonic.

Favourite music?
I'm listening to the new Powderfinger CD at the moment. Love something to dance to, relax to sing to. I'm a big fan of Aussie music, especially Archie Roach.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Netball to play, AFL to watch.

Favourite holiday destination?
Anywhere with water, I love the south-east coast.

What are you reading?
Celestine Prophecy

What are you watching?
300 at the movies, *De Ja Vu* on DVD, waiting to watch the US v John Lennon.

What is your greatest highlight in life?

Professionally, starting my own business. And spending quality time with my family is always a highlight.

What do you like in life?
Good food, a good laugh and good company.

What don't you like?
Jealousy

Who would you most like to meet?
Oprah

Who inspires you?
My mum, my sister and my closest friends, especially all those who keep a good work life balance.

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

Saturate the Australian population with information regarding Indigenous Australia; our history, our culture and our people.

If there was one thing you would like to see happen, what would it be?

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A man of passion

THE great Indian leader Mahatma Gandhi once said: "A man is the sum of his actions, of what he has done, of what he can do. Nothing else." Love him or hate him Noel Pearson won't die wondering. I preface my comments on Noel, lawyer and Cape York Institute Director, by saying that I don't know him personally, although like most Australians who follow the evening news I feel like I do from the saturation media coverage over the years of his views on Indigenous welfare dependency and child abuse.

I've only fleetingly come in contact with Noel at conferences or in airport lounges where a cursory nod of the head in acknowledgement or hasty handshake is the only direct contact I can recall. I do, however, know his brother Gerhardt on a more personal level through sporting and political contacts (more on that later).

Mind you, approaching Noel to share my views on social issues, from a position of rapport deficiency, is about as awkward for me as waiting in line to get a few words with Melbourne Storm's Indigenous rugby league superstar Greg Inglis.

The latter identity was spotted by me recently at a Brisbane domestic airport newsagency being surrounded by a gathering of adoring, autograph-chasing fans the morning after he played undoubtedly his finest game of the year against the North Queensland Cowboys.

Noel, I guess, is an enigmatic person, not unlike sport star Inglis or any other celebrity who you think you know but really don't, who you'd like to come for ten exclusive minutes to ask a succession of probing questions that you've stored for years on a range of issues: Do you vote Labor or Liberal? Why don't you work with Indigenous communities outside north Queensland? Why didn't you practice law and become an eminent judicial figure? What do you do to relax away from politics? Did you excel in sport? Why do some people think you're aloof? Do you really have a direct line to Prime Minister John Howard and Queensland Premier Peter Beattie?

Noel, a handsomely robust, charismatic man, commands attention in much the same way as Galarwuy Yunupingu, former Chairman of the Northern Land Council, did when he was of comparable age, sharing and acquiring his precious time in divergent political and traditional worlds with distinction.

Galarwuy, awarded the 1978 Australian of the Year for negotiating the Ranger uranium mining agreement, came to national prominence in 1970 for his role in the historic but unsuccessful Yinkala land rights case before Justice Blackburn – the first legal challenge by Aboriginal people to mining companies' rights to exploit traditional lands.

In 1977-79 and 1983-89, as Chairman of the Northern Land Council, he led the Gadjudju people in negotiations with mining and government bodies. Not opposed



Stephen Hagan

HAGAN'S VIEW

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to mining in principle, Galarwuy sees it as a way for Aboriginal people to escape the welfare trap if it is conducted on the traditional owners' terms.

Galarwuy, like Noel today, was a media luminary in his time who also endured personal and professional criticism from Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders alike but remained resolute in his goal of improving living conditions of his people.

I remember going into a popular eatery in a five-star hotel in Canberra in the early 1980s not expecting to see any other Indigenous diners but, to my pleasant amazement, in the best seat in the restaurant sat Galarwuy. I was so impressed to see this striking Indigenous leader from Arnhem Land, elegantly attired, dining with influential people and, of course, being the centre of attention.

I'm not sure if Noel is as gregarious as Galarwuy or is a dapper dresser with a penchant for the finer things in life – cuisine, jewellery, house, vehicle – but one thing I do know is that he is a man who will never go unnoticed in public.

There are rafts of issues of which I am not fully accommodating that Noel espouses in his utopian world of Indigenous vocation and empowerment, but two issues on which I emphatically offer him my total support are his stalwart views on child protection and education.

Of the thousands of words declared on these topics by him over the years there are none more empowering than the interviews he shared with ABC AM Radio on 20



Noel Pearson ... "Ask the terrified kid huddling in the corner when there's a binge-drinking party going on down the hall. Ask them if they want a bit of paternalism."

June (to hear them go to <http://media.theaustralian.news.com.au/audio/pearson-radionational-20jun07.mp3>) and ABC Lateline on 26 June.

Speaking on ABC radio, Noel challenged those who say management of Indigenous communities is racist-based intervention.

"Ask the terrified kid huddling in the corner when there's a binge-drinking party going on down the hall. Ask them if they want a bit of paternalism."

"Ask them if they want a bit of intervention because these people who continue to bleat without looking at the facts, without facing up to the terrible things that are going on in our remote communities, these people are prescribing no intervention, they are prescribing a perpetual hell to our children."

Poignant point

The most poignant point raised by Noel, and the one that moved me the most and the reason I'm penning this article, was his challenge to his critics to spend a night or nights in these 'hell holes' during a CDEP pay night.

From these choice words, Noel Pearson left nothing to the imagination for his critics to ponder: The unmistakable gut-wrenching screams of pain and pleas for help from the most vulnerable members of the community; women and children, when their inebriated perpetrators are lustfully and

violently abusing them.

If you closed your eyes or left the comfort of your cinema seat during the palpable sexual assault of a minor in the dramatic presentation of the award-winning Lee Tamahori directed movie *Once Were Warriors* during the party scene in the home of the lead actor, Jake Heke (played by Temuera Morrison), then you get the picture of the horrors that Noel refers to on a weekly, if not nightly, basis in some communities.

The second interview of note from Noel that is vivid in my mind is that conducted by Leigh Sales on Lateline on 26 June.

Noel's opening remark when queried on the criticism of the Prime Minister's plan to take control of the communities in the Northern Territory to stop the abuse of children was breathtaking in the most profound manner.

"I'm amazed that anybody would put the protection of children secondary to anything, particularly when those children are subject to imminent abuse, abuse that takes place on a regular basis that's the subject of binge drinking, week in, week out. I'm just amazed that anybody would put the protection of children secondary to anything else. I think that those who have objections to immediate intervention have to ask themselves whether they're willing this whole exercise to fail, and geez, if you're willing the whole exercise to fail, what kind of priorities do you have in relation to

the wellbeing of Indigenous children?" Noel said.

For even the most cynical of Noel's critics surely this sobering challenge is one that can't be overlooked in the final analysis.

I can picture Noel screaming out when hearing his critics by saying: "Stop living in a state of denial and face reality."

The answer from Noel to solving the deplorable circumstances Indigenous people endure today in their impoverished communities is one of education. He speaks of education of adults; of the need to instill or reclaim basic parenting skills and places the onus of responsibility, and implicitly protection, squarely in the hands of parents for the financial, educational and social nurturing of their children.

I also observed through his action (of personally committing a dowry to an education boarding school program for identified students) and speech the long-term solutions to reclaiming the lost pride, for those leading dysfunctional lives, lies also in educating the next generation of leaders – today's youth.

Like Noel, I also was sent away by my supportive parents from my isolated community of Cunnamulla where school went as high as Year 10, to Marist Brothers College, Ashgrove to complete matriculation in the leafy suburb of Brisbane. Several kilometres west of Ashgrove is the boarding school of St Peter's Lutheran College, in Indooroopilly, where Noel and his older brother Gerhardt went, along with many other students from Hopevale.

I played football – First XV rugby – against Gerhardt in Year 12, and like the Pearson brothers learnt many valuable life skills at boarding school and nurtured old school tie contacts that I utilise today – doctors, lawyers, businessmen, academics and civic leaders.

If one was to take a quick head count of today's Indigenous leaders who occupy responsible positions in the public and private sector, you would find a majority who would credit their education qualifications to a private school background.

This is by no means an endorsement of the private sector over public sector schooling, but it is merely a ratification of that school of thought as a means to an end in instances where there might be a dearth in public school education to the senior level in some townships or the current school standard is not deemed desirous of meeting an individual's educational goals.

Those who criticise Noel Pearson the loudest, especially Indigenous protestors, whether they do so from the comfort of their work stations in the ivory towers in capital cities or acreage properties in middle-class suburbia where Aboriginal paintings on colour-schemed walls outnumber the full-time Indigenous employees or residents, should take careful attention of Mahatma Gandhi's profound words of wisdom: "A man is the sum of his actions, of what he has done, of what he can do. Nothing else."

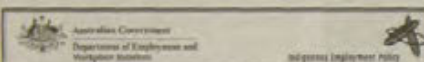
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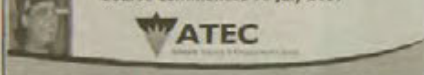
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Wiradjuri People of the Wellington Valley NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

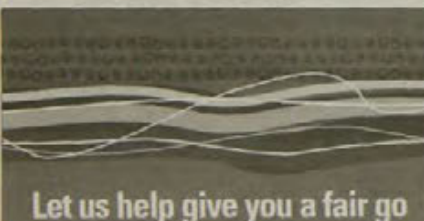
Date: Monday, 16 July 2007 - Tuesday, 17 July 2007
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10.15am (morning tea) meeting start at 10.30am meeting finish at 1.00pm (Tuesday)
Venue: Uniting Church
105 Arthur Street, WELLINGTON

A meeting of Aboriginal people who identify as the Wiradjuri People of the Wellington Valley and assert native title rights and interests over the lands known as Blacks Camp and Wellington Common in Wellington NSW is being convened to discuss and authorise the amendment to and re-lodging of the native title claim (NSD 117/06, NC 06/1).

The **AGENDA** for the meeting is:

1. Review of native title law and processes
2. Decision making processes
3. Anthropological and historical research
4. Consideration of amending, authorising and re-lodging a native title application.
5. Authorisation of the amended native title application

Please contact Sarah Connolly at DLA Phillips Fox by Monday, 9 July 2007, to confirm your attendance.
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Where are they?

I am sad to report that no, I haven't married as yet. As you fullas are well aware, it's not from a lack of trying either. I put myself out there. I go out. I even set up the Yahoo! Group to try and find a man. True.

And it's not like I hang with only whitefullas either.

Every day I see fine examples of Aborigine Manis Australis in my natural habitat.

Anyways, on to my story. The other day I was spying this one. After sussing him out, I found out I had no chance.

For once, it wasn't my beauty that scared him off - and you know I am super fine! It wasn't even my lovely lady lumps ... and lumps and lumps. It was 'cos he was gay.

I swear, the biggest tease



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for a single gal is someone who is gay. I mean, it doesn't matter if you are rich, poor,

fat or thin; tidda's got no chance.

It makes me wanna cry just thinking about him. He was Aboriginal, single, no children, my age, fine, strong, and cute as a bilby.

After this I started thinking about single women, gay men, and the future of our race business, as you do.

Being the thinker that I am, I came up with a half-baked solution that brings all these things together.

I want to share with you something personal. I have a real fear of not being able to find an Aboriginal man to have children with. I could settle for a white boyfriend, but personally, I want my kid to be able to say 'My mum is a Wellwan woman and my dad is a ... man'.

For us women who are

holding out for an Aboriginal man, all we are doing is putting our head in the sand. There are just not enough eligible Aboriginal men in this country.

Maybe companionship needs to be found with another and family created with an Aboriginal gay man joining in for children donation.

Families these days can be found in all kinds of variations - how many step-parents do you know who care for their partner's children? Maybe this new kind of different family would help out everyone and create a new kind of community.

How can our mob grow when there are just not enough eligible black men?

• Check out my group <http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/aboriginalsingles/>

Stolen wages hope for WA

By KEN BOASE in Perth



Details have started to emerge of Aboriginal people in Western Australia who missed out on wages and other entitlements as the WA Government puts together a task force to investigate the issue which could result in tens of millions of dollars in compensation.

The WA Government's announcement has also not deterred the WA Aboriginal Legal Force from pursuing legal action for a growing list of clients affected by the practice, stretching back to colonisation in 1829, of paying just a small percentage of wages for workers.

WA Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts said the investigation would involve massive research of archival documents and other material to try to establish how many people were affected and how much money is owed.

The issue includes workers who were not paid wages owed to them or were paid a small percentage of wages and the rest held in trust funds that were never paid out under a system which operated until the 1970s.

Ms Roberts said the task force would be required to report back to Government by June next year with recommendations that will include a compensation package.

"This is not a report that we would be setting up unless we were prepared to take some action and prepared to expend some money at the end of the process," Ms Roberts said.

"We do acknowledge though that there will be some significant difficulties. There will be people, obviously, who have passed on, and there'll be issues to do with families, to do with whether there are records for some people who perhaps did



MICHELLE ROBERTS



MARY ATWOOD



ROBERT EGGINGTON

Karriwarra (Pilbara) Elder Mary Atwood has researched her family's history since settlement in the Pilbara in the 1880s, and said her ancestors, including several of her uncles, worked for local pastoralists who paid them no wages.

"They only received meat and blankets and most of those blankets were provided by the Government in those days," she said. "The main things that the pastoralists provided was tea and sugar and tobacco."

Ms Atwood said that her grandmother worked as a nurse for more than six months in the hospital in Port Hedland, after which she was sent to the Moore River settlement without any payment, and Ms Atwood's great grandfather was incarcerated on Rottnest Island.

"Despite the fact that my great grandfather was a shepherd, he took a sheep to feed his family and he was actually committed for two years on Rottnest and he was also given 20 whippings," she said.

"No wonder our people are angry. No wonder our people are so frustrated because even now after 40 years of obtaining our rights, there's no equity. There's no justice."

Goldfields Aboriginal Land and Sea Council Executive Director Brian Wyatt said that research carried out in relation to Native Title issues had also revealed the extent of the Stolen Wages issue in the Goldfields region.

"We estimated roughly that over a 20-year period as much as \$8 million would have been lost in wages, and that includes pensions and other things as well, so it's probably a fairly significant amount," he said.

The WA Government is looking at compensation models from New South Wales and Queensland as a possible blueprint for compensation in WA.

not receive wages and records that perhaps cannot be located or found."

ALSWA Executive Officer Dennis Eggington said he welcomed the task force investigation, but it would not prevent legal action already being considered.

"The ALS is going to continue to make sure that we follow the track that we've always had for this and that is to look at the best way of litigating a particular case or a class action and nothing is going to deter us from that," he said.

A major issue of concern is access to documentation and whether records still exist.

"There have been worries from our community for many years about where a lot of the files and information has ended up, and one of our leaders here who passed away a little while back used to talk of terrible stories where he saw Native Welfare officers burning files," Mr Eggington said.

Ms Roberts said that she did not expect that anyone would be blocked from accessing their own or their family's records.

"This is something that has been approved by Cabinet, it has the authority of Cabinet and so really all departments and agencies will need to co-operate," she said.



There has been a strong reaction to the acquittal of Snr Sgt Chris Hurley over the death in custody of Palm Island man Mulrunji Doomadgee. See pages 25 and 26 for readers' comment.

Playing politics

Horrified by Govt's reaction

Listening to Prime Minister Howard and then Health Minister Tony Abbott on the Today Show talking about dealing with the alcohol-related child sex abuse, all I can say is that their method of dealing with that problem is as sick as the problem itself.

Alcoholism is a health problem and the Federal Health Minister was saying that the main requirement was more police. Asked why action was not taken earlier, his reply was that the report had only just come out.

I believe it just came out due to the state of the pre-election polls.

The Prime Minister and Noel Pearson are both talking about restricting funding for families who are not complying.

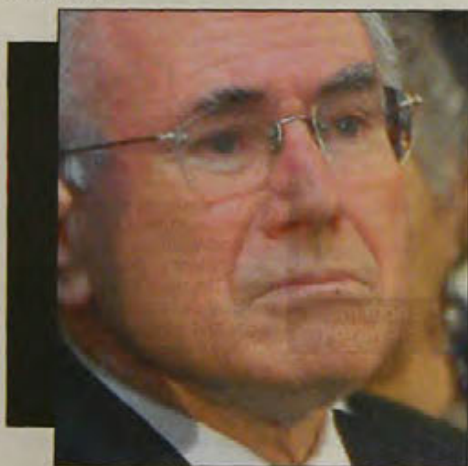
Often, those families are not complying simply because they are not coping. There are counselling and other support systems for all of our services in the wider community as well as farmers.

While the drought has affected many farmers, there are many who are not coping due to their own incapability.

The main theme by the PM is restricting money and police enforcement. What other health problems and in what other communities are those methods applied?

It is a big election issue because the report, in many forms, has been around for decades.

HAROLD J HUNT, JP
St Marys, NSW



The announcement by the Prime Minister, John Howard, pictured, that his Government is to crack down on Indigenous child abuse in remote Northern Territory communities has drawn a strong reaction. On this and following pages, Koori Mail readers have their say ...

Who wants to live in a Territory?

Boy, what's next from the Howard Government? First we had the 'take-it-or-leave-it' gung-ho attitude towards fixing Indigenous housing problems.

Then there was the need for Indigenous children to speak proper English rather than their own language.

Now it's the 'all-of-a-sudden' concern by the Howard Government to address the child abuse within Indigenous communities.

There is no doubting the Howard Government's sudden concern and their draconian attitude is to do with the fact that we are in an election year.

I am not denying that these issues need addressing, but my concern is that right now the focus on child abuse within Indigenous communities is merely political points-scoring by this Government. Why have they not tried to address this issue during their 12 years of government? What about after the election?

Child abuse is not restricted to Indigenous communities. These very issues are also within the wider community and yet it's the Indigenous only who are singled out. It's ironic that recently many paedophiles were taken off the Paedophile List and are now free to live near and possibly work in schools. Nothing

much said about this but a whisper.

But here we have (Prime Minister John) Howard very loudly stating that he wants mandatory medicals for all Indigenous children in the Northern Territory.

I see this as not only a suppression of their civil liberties, but also a form of child abuse in itself. This type of government declaration makes me really appreciative that as an Indigenous person, I live in an Australian State and not a Territory.

LES AHYOY JP
Newcastle, NSW

YOUR POETRY

Legal Contra Diction

It happened on Palm Island
Back in two thousand and four
One of them longtime locals
Had deadly trouble with the law.

It seems that two fellas
Fell together on the floor
One fella he's still workin'
T'other ain't here no more.

One fella wore a uniform
T'other wore just dark skin
One fella still gets fully paid
T'other won't ever see his kin.

Coroner said he killed him
Government said 'No way,
We don't believe our coroner
About what he had to say'.

We hear the talk of reconciliation
And how we want it in our land
Yet we can't make our justice
For Aboriginals to understand.

JOHN MCBAIN
South Perth, WA

● This poem was written to highlight the contradictions in the dealings of our system of justice and law in dealing with Aboriginal Australians. John acknowledges that policing is a challenging task and is not criticising any individuals or the police in general. He is a member of WA ALP Policy Committees, including Indigenous Affairs and Law and Justice.

United

The journey began, so long ago
Invasion of the white man
According to history – not
always so.

The books, they get written
All the words – all the laws
The black man keep getting
bitten.

We often ask, why can't there be
peace
Why can't we all just get along
The destruction of culture, why
can't it cease.

The future as I see it, can never
be calm
Discrimination, degradation,
disrespect
These wasted emotions cause
nothing but harm.

Let's get together, work out what
went wrong
Climb the ladder of humanity
together
Laugh, live, listen, sing the
same song.

The only way to the end of the
road
Is to cut out the bends
Care for each other, let's all
share the load.

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Taking focus from Palm

(Prime Minister John) Howard and his followers are trying to take the focus from Palm Island.

Why, after all this time, is this 'gubment' concerned? They're Lib/Nat 'knee-jerkers', that's why. (Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal) Brough is a stereotypical mission manager.

MICK LEON
Forster, NSW

15 questions for Howard

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Authorised by Gail Urbanski, West Block, Queen Victoria Terrace, Parkes, ACT.

First off, I'd like to say congratulations to Federal Opposition Leader Kevin Rudd for winning the next election because (Prime Minister) John Howard's Northern Territory Aboriginal Children thing and the climate debate are the last nails in the coffin for Little Johnny.

The NT proposal has prompted many questions that I would like to put forward to everyone 'black, white, brindle' and even Howard himself:

1) If he's genuinely concerned for those kids in the NT Aboriginal communities, does that mean he's not concerned for all other Aboriginal kids (let alone non-Aboriginal) in other States, or is he saying that it only applies to the NT?

2) If it doesn't, then why not?

3) If it is, as he claims, a state of emergency, then why so?

4) Is there a set amount of paedophilia within 'any' community (black, white or brindle) which he considers to be a maximum limit for there to be a declaration of a state of emergency?

5) Does the announcement of a state of emergency automatically allow him and his cronies access to the state of emergency 'piggy bank'?

6) Or does he consider that one child or two or seven children within a community (black, white or brindle) who are being subjected to paedophilia doesn't warrant emergency consideration?

7) Or does he believe that it only happens in the NT and only within Aboriginal communities there?

8) Is he of the same opinion with pornography? Does he also believe that bad parenting and ill-spent welfare money happens only in NT Aboriginal communities?

9) Could Howard explain in logical and formatted detail how taking away (again) the ownership or, rather, the lease of the land will in fact help these poor Aboriginal children?

10) Or does he believe that all Aboriginal adults, including mothers, in these communities are subjecting the children to paedophilia, bad parenting, welfare payment misuse and porn, therefore they all should be penalised for it including the children themselves?

11) Could he also explain what happens to an alcoholic when their primary source of addiction is taken from them instantly and absolutely?

12) Does he know for a fact that six months is the required amount of time to rid an alcoholic of their dependency, full stop?

13) Has he consulted doctors or others in the medical area on this matter and is he now the 'full bottle', so to speak?

14) You've given us your plan on what you're going to do, so can you now give us your plan on your genuine, sincere, puritanical follow-on procedures to allow or maintain the ongoing safety and welfare of these kids?

15) If all this behaviour has been going on for decades, why has it taken so long for any action to be taken?

If it has been happening for decades, that would suggest that the perpetrators carrying out these acts have been victims themselves in the past and so are continuing the cycle.

Hey Johnny, if you're looking for a gauge of public reaction, then why not have a referendum on this issue - you know, like the one they had just decades ago to see if Aboriginal people should be counted in the Census of the country they existed in for 40,000 years before your predecessors were ever anywhere near this place. But alas, I think I know what the outcome of that little test will be, and I reckon it'll be the same as the next election.

BARRY LESLIE
By email

What is an activist?

While the government of the day continues with its 'we-know-best' approach, our people still struggle and will continue to struggle.

Sure, we need to stop all the abuse in our communities, but when is the Government going to attack the rest of the country?

We never asked for their values, beliefs, traditions and customs. We all know they have been forced on us.

Time after time, governments get it wrong and some of our brothers and sisters are there supporting them, giving them advice and opinions on our communities and the best way to fix the problems the Government created.

We all know what needs to be done. Give back our country that you took from us and take your spiritual and cultural killing ways with you.

Personally, I have asked and continually questioned governments – State and Commonwealth – but nothing changes.

We are not listened to or heard. We are not the Noel Pearsons of this country whose idea of helping his community is by sending them to someone else's. His community also got three million of the Government's dollars to write more crap.

We are the warriors who continually fight for the equality, health and wellbeing of our people, working day after day to make a difference in a society forced on us.

So stop making it harder for us and for once put your heart where your head is.

DEREK HARDMAN
Hillston, NSW

Black history getting blacker

I'm writing in regards to the Coalition Government's invasion of the Aboriginal communities of the Northern Territory and others, it may seem.

I went to the Google web search engine and typed in 'Liberal Party' to find some understanding of the force (Prime Minister) John Howard has used to invade a community he has no real concern for.

I found at the heading of the party's website this paragraph: "What does the Liberal Party stand for? We are the party of initiative and enterprise. We believe in the inalienable rights and freedoms of all peoples."

Is this the party that so many

people have voted for each election, a fold of lies to attract so many to a belief as a spider does its victims to its web of horrors?

I'm equally appalled by (Opposition Leader Kevin) Mr Rudd and his support given to Howard for this atrocity.

To all you Aboriginal people who are the academics of this wider community of Aborigines who stand back in the shadows and watch as the hawks and snakes of our government attack our less educated people, I say: Women and children have taken to the desert for safety in fear of the army and police who have invaded their land – our land.

The United Nations is sitting back waiting for a response from academics, the educated, the everyday person, the mums and dads who care about one another. The law states we have a duty to one another.

Where are the Aboriginal academics now? Have you forgotten your reason for becoming the academic, to better yourself?

If so, you are no better than those who have attacked the communities of frightened women and children who are more often than not grandmothers looking after the young.

The act of violence is not from

the community, but from those who have attacked it.

We speak of culture and its importance to us when we make a claim for lands stolen from us. We fight for a right to be recognised.

Who is fighting the Government's lack of cultural understanding in this matter? How many of us have to be horsewhipped and shackled again before someone speaks up? Have we all forgotten about the 1967 Referendum and the fight for freedom? Have we all forgotten why Eddie Mabo fought so hard? Has everyone forgotten about human rights and equality of life?

John Howard used the armed forces to invade an Aboriginal community. The only time the armed forces may be used in this manner is in a state of emergency. Where was the emergency?

Is this not a violation of the Constitution? Or can he do it as he has appointed the justices to the High Court?

Australia has a black history, and now the history is blacker than ever in more ways than one.

MARGARET CORRIE
Wiradjuri Woman of Mooka
2 Clan
By email

Ashamed to be an Australian

I write to you as a shame-filled white Australian woman. I live in Townsville and work on Palm Island and in Townsville.

Every day I face young Indigenous men and women and spend every second trying to tell these young people that their race cannot hold them back.

I tell them that they cannot expect less of themselves just because others do. I tell them that no matter what, they can and will achieve.

I say that their stories are valued, that their experience is valued and that their history is valued.

What saddens me most is that I am lying to these kids.

They are not valued. They know this. Mr (Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal) Brough, I am so very ashamed of us as a society.

I remember when I first learned about the genocide of the Jews in World War II. I remember thinking how could that happen? How could

educated, reasonable people stand by while the wholesale slaughter of a people occurred?

Now I know. The road to Auschwitz was paved with indifference.

Indifference is all I see here in Townsville.

Indifference is seeing (Queensland Premier) Peter Beattie on the news asking us all to move on. That is how it happens. This is how ignorance and racism grows.

Mr Brough, I cannot forget about it. Mulrunji Doomadgee's best friend and son have both since suicided because of their grief and pressure from the media and others. The friends and families of these men will never forget. They will never move on and, honestly, there is no decent Australian who can. For the first time in my life, I am truly ashamed to be Australian.

HEIDI MIRTL
Youth Support Co-ordinator
Townsville, Qld

Community quest for justice

I have just read the news online that the jury has found Hurley 'not guilty'. I am somewhat stunned and no doubt his family and friends will be feeling deeply distressed. I do not know what

happened in the Palm Island police station on that day of 19 November 2004, but one thing we can be sure of is Mulrunji Doomadgee would be alive now if he had not entered that place.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family and the Palm Island community in their quest for justice.

STEPHEN HALL
Perth, WA



Feelings remain strong after the acquittal of Queensland police sergeant Chris Hurley (pictured) in the trial over the death of Palm Island man Mulrunji Doomadgee.

Appalled white Australian

As a white Australian, I would like to say how appalled and saddened I am at hearing the verdict in the Mulrunji Doomadgee death in custody trial.

For all (Queensland Premier) Peter Beattie's words reported in the Koori Mail (6 June), actions have spoken louder.

White authorities in Queensland have been quick to advise the Aboriginal community to 'move on', but this cannot happen in Palm Island or anywhere else.

One step forward has been accomplished – the case came to trial, and that was struggle enough.

Now, let's see some real leadership in Queensland and the rest of Australia, so Mulrunji didn't die in vain and our tears aren't for nothing once again.

I would like to let the Doomadgee family know that many non-Indigenous Australians are with them in spirit and, if there is a day of action anywhere near me, I will be there physically as well.

ANNE HORADAM
Metford, NSW

Tribute to a great woman



It was with the utmost sadness I read in the *Koori Mail* about the recent passing of one of the truly great Aboriginal people of Australia – Auntie Veronica Brodie (pictured).

I first met 'Auntie V' in North Adelaide at CASM (the Centre for Aboriginal Studies in Music) in 1979 and she and her older sister Auntie Leila Rankine inspired me, as a then 16-year-old wanting to learn music, that there was nothing but good in everyone and to be positive throughout your life.

Auntie V was famous for her presence and when she walked into a room, you immediately knew it. Some people have it and

some don't and in her case she definitely did have the 'it' factor in bucketloads.

I remember a few years back at the National Adoptions Conference at the Adelaide Hilton when, during the opening address, Auntie V, like any great star, walked in a bit late. She spotted me and started to beeline over to me and I swear every set of eyes in that room was on her.

Throughout that whole conference, she was the centre of interest everywhere she went.

I also recall her presence at Tauondi Aboriginal Community College in Port Adelaide and the utmost pride she gave me when she asked me to open the launch

of her book, *My Side of the Bridge*. What a wonderful read it is, something I recommend to everyone.

The most enduring image I have of her will always be her true sense of community because people like her are the community and also of her devotion to her daughters.

In Melbourne at the 1997 National Reconciliation Conference, Auntie V showed she could get very vocal about Indigenous issues and I will never forget her turning her back on (Prime Minister) John Howard for not having the decency to say 'sorry' on behalf of former governments' removal practices.

Yes, Auntie V, you really had a lot of class, style and courage and Adelaide won't be the same without you.

To Margaret, Cathy, Colleen, Leona (Lony Pony) and your families, my heart goes out to you.

I heard your mother packed out the church and had one, if not the biggest, send-offs ever in Adelaide.

Our beautiful Auntie V – it's because of people like you and what you achieved that we are such a proud and strong Indigenous race.

MARTIN PASCOE
South Yarra, Vic

Meaning of life: It comes naturally to us

We, the Aborigines of this country of ours, are a very, very proud race of people. It shows in what we do, that makes us not only possible, but impossible also, to live 40, 60, 100 years – who knows how long?

The Dreamtime we talk about, is not just those years, it's longer than that. We're all talking about creation – creation of life, the

birthing of life, and as we know only a woman can give birth, not a man.

We, the Aborigines, know that, so that's why we got a sacred thing called ceremony. We do all this through dance, song, music, medicines, stories and the paintings and our woodwork is priceless.

There's not enough money in the world

that can buy them. Our teachings that are handed on by our Elders are more of life itself than the white man's teachings.

They can tell you what's two and two, but the meaning of life is not only knowing it, but being it.

We come to that time in life and wonder how ancestors back in those days lived

their lives. Now we know how: Through our teaching, our ceremonies and a thing called respect.

It is still here to this day, and that is why we are a very proud race, the first race.

MURRUM
Wreck Bay, ACT

Another death, but no-one is to blame

My stomach is churning, my heart is heavy, my head is reeling and there are tears falling as I write so I hope this is suitable for publication.

Sadly, I have come to realise my perceptions of the justice system in this country seem to be true – that there are two kinds of justice, one white justice (for my family, friends and myself) and the other kind – black justice (for my Indigenous friends who I love dearly).

Another blackfella dies – but no-one's to blame!

CHERYL KAULFUSS
Essendon, Vic

We need day of protest

Here we go again, same old, same old.

My heartfelt sorrow goes out to Mr Doomadgee's family and all the other families across Australia who have suffered the same fate.

I hope Aboriginal people across Australia unite and organise an annual protest day, where we can highlight to the rest of the country our disgust toward the treatment of our people.

M AH KIT
Lightning Ridge, NSW

Problem compounded by more dependency



MICHAEL MANSELL

If Noel Pearson is right that Aboriginal dependency on welfare is the major (or does he say the only) reason why Aborigines are so disadvantaged, then he must agree that making people more dependent only compounds the problem.

Noel's puerile solution is to take away the dole and pool it, so that individuals can then beg for basic food and clothing, but they won't get grog money.

From there, he says, all will be well.

How could this possibly be a solution?

Get real. People need to feel they are in control of their own destiny.

Having Noel Pearson or governments tell people what is good for them has never worked, and never will. People need the legal, economic and political arrangements in place to advance.

As an experiment, Queensland needs legislation like in the Northern Territory that allows Aboriginal groups to

manage access to their traditional areas, recognises ownership of resources and, from there, an independent economic base can be built.

Don't dump government income so it is either/or: After all, some of the richest farmers in Australia still get drought relief, and BHP's fuel rebates alone would fund half the Aboriginal communities in Australia.

Provide the communities with funds (just as local governments are funded around the country) to plan and administer local authority, to establish their own values for education and let them strike the right balance between maintaining their culture and embarking on enterprise schemes. Give it time, and let encouragement replace black-bashing.

Above all, Noel, let's treat our own people with dignity, not contempt.

MICHAEL MANSELL
Legal Director
Tasmanian Aboriginal
Centre
Launceston, Tas

Justification to invade communities

No-one can argue the fact that there needs to be drastic action regarding the conditions in remote Indigenous communities, but is it just me or does the Howard Government's new interventionist approach reek of the same level of

propaganda the Australian public were fed after the September 11 attacks? First, there were terrorists and weapons of mass destruction to justify the invasion of Iraq. Now there is child abuse and alcohol dependency to

justify the invasion of Indigenous communities. The actions of Mr Howard and Mr Brough and the outcome of all this will be judged by history.

JANINE GERTZ
Barton, ACT

YOUR POETRY

Dance

I'm lying in my bed tonight,
And thinking about you.
If tomorrow came and you
were gone
Whatever would I do?

The things we take for
granted, are often small
and forgotten, for a while.
But not your hearty laugh,
your biting wit, and how
could I forget that smile.
Like teaching me to ride a
bike
Or shoot a game of pool.

Like running orphaned
rabbits
And standing up for us at
school
There's so many things
you've taught me
That will never fade away.
I love you, with all my heart
And I know you're never
far away.

So, wake me in the
morning,
I know just what to do.
Turn the music on again
Dad,
Can I have this dance with
you?

CHERYL TYDD
(nee HARVEY)
Inala, Qld

Ripe Red Plum

Ripe blood red plum
Attached to the tree of life
Hanging by a fragile stem
Falls without a sound
To the custody of earth.

JOHN MCBAIN
South Perth, WA

Your Poetry

Thinking of You*

From the mountains to the sea
You mean everything to me
From the rivers to the lakes
I have had a lot of mistakes
From the desert to the open plain
You drive me to the brink of insane.

True love is hard to find
How I wish you were still mine
When I wake from a dreamy night
You in mind such a beautiful sight
When I think of your beauty, I smile
Something I haven't done for a while.

Thinking of you brings a tear to my eye
I'm speaking the truth, I will not lie
For it is you that's in my heart
Even though we are far apart
They say one plus one makes two
You know I'm always thinking of you.

BRAHAM MURRAY WILLIAMS
*Written for someone special in
Toomelah, NSW

Their spirit still shines...

In the Dreamtime there used to be
tribal wars.
Since colonisation began,
Australians have been involved in
overseas conflicts.
And have supported the United
Nations,
In many foreign lands.

Indigenous people were reluctantly
accepted,
Into the Australian armed forces.
Some were treated like second-rate
citizens.
And many suffered racial taunts from
racist sources.

Proud Indigenous men and women.
Some of them went off to war,
Not knowing if they would ever
See their family or homeland once
more.

Some were subjected to all forms of
horror,
But they overcame those ordeals,
Hoping to welcome a war-free
tomorrow.

Captain Reg Saunders was the first
Aborigine,
To command a rifle company.
And the first Aborigine to receive that
most coveted medal,
The MBE.

As he led his men into battle,
They suffered minor casualty.
Was this a result of his inherited,
Survival traits, his Dreamtime
Aboriginality?

When Captain Reg Saunders returned
home,
He faced discrimination.
His qualities as a leader were not
recognised,
And our Aboriginal war hero was
ignored.

I honour those Indigenous service men
and women
Those who enlisted for their country.
Their bravery does not go unrewarded.
Because 'Their Spirit Shines,
in the Aboriginal Dreamtime'.

CORALIE CASSADY
Townsville, Qld

Prime Minister's new plan

Prime Minister John Howard is about to pull off one of the largest grabs of Aboriginal lands since the Crown declared the whole continent 'terra nullius'.

By branding every single Aboriginal community in the Northern Territory 'terra drunkenness' and declaring a 'state of emergency', he plans to rush through legislation that will extinguish leases as well as native title on every single Aboriginal community in the Northern Territory.

This detail, which he outlined on ABC Radio's national breakfast program in an interview with Fran Kelly last week, seems to

have been missed by the large majority of people!

After 11 years of his Government sidelining and/or ignoring every plea from NT communities and Aboriginal leaders for more doctors, police, funds for more night patrols, funds for more health programs, are we to suddenly believe that now he finally cares?

Although most people are now agreeing that it is about time something major was done to address the issues, only time will tell if Howard's 'boots-and-all' methods will make any long-lasting improvements to the

lives of children in remote communities.

One difference it will definitely make, though, is that these children will grow up to find that any rights they had to their traditional lands have been extinguished!

It may also mean that lands their ancestors have lived on for more than 40,000 years will be declared 'open slather' for mining companies and possibly even a world nuclear waste dump!

How will all this improve their health outcomes?

TASHE LONG
Narooma, NSW

Problems not just Aboriginal ones

Child sexual abuse, hardcore pornography, alcohol and substance abuse and misuse of welfare money are not an Aboriginal-only problem.

They are problems that often occur in all segments of Australian society.

The biggest problem Aboriginal people face is the inaction for many years by all political parties to listen to the concerns raised by Aboriginal people, to then immediately address the issues raised by them and the lack of adequate funding levels and/or withdrawal of funds from crucial programs, projects and areas of support that may address such issues raised.

Governments always point the finger of blame at Aboriginal

people, but they always seem to forget the old adage 'Whenever you point a finger at another person always remember that there are always four fingers pointing back at you'.

Compulsory health checks of all children aged under 16 are

order to address and solve child sexual abuse within the Australian community, then good on them.

But then, would it not be also fair and just to ask that this policy then be implemented across the whole of Australia to

living within Australia?

This leads me to the point I wish to raise. The only thing that most of our Fellow Australians need to ponder on is the questions once raised by former Prime Minister Paul Keating, when it comes to how Aboriginal people are treated in this great country of ours, he said to the whole Australian community: "We failed to ask the most basic of questions? We failed to ask: What if this was done to us?"

What if this was done to us - to Mr and Mrs Average Australian, to our schools, youth centres, health centres, access to medical care, communities, homes, children, grandchildren?

MARVYN MCKENZIE
Port Augusta, SA

What if this were done to us - to Mr and Mrs Average Australian, to our schools, youth centres, health centres, access to medical care, communities, homes, children, grandchildren?

invasive and likely to cause more traumas to our children, especially to those who have not been sexually abused.

If this is the direction that the Commonwealth and State governments wish to take in

ensure that all children living in Australia also undergo such compulsory health checks.

Would it not be only logical and sensible to do this because is not child sexual abuse present in all races, creed, and colour

Press freedom is good for all

Humble thanks for the more than 400 new editions of the Koori Mail, and for both our sakes. Well done to the management and staff, advertisers, readers and contributors.

It is apparent that an Indigenous newspaper brings a vital contribution to every community, yet until non-Aborigines are perhaps welcomed to submit neutral commentary, surely the Koori Mail will be limited within the bounds of being fervently parochial (only barracking for your own mob).

Freedom of the press is not just for good press but for the good of proprietors too!

For instance, the N 'word' is recognised in Australia as the ugly side of something in North American history, yet it's not an Australian idiom.

Surely the emerging generations are reconciling, and not least because of the earnestness and wisdom of previous generations striving for reconciliation. And to be with them is to acknowledge that they will not be listening in to only what they've already seen and heard.

DARREN SIEMS
Quirindi, NSW

● **EDITOR'S NOTE:** The Koori Mail welcomes contributions to Your Say from Indigenous and non-Indigenous readers.

Why the fixation on Noel Pearson?

The good news is that there are more and more stories about blackfellas from all over the country standing up to say 'I will look after my family and not just because a white person told me to'.

The bad news is that mainstream media's fixation with (Cape York leader) Noel Pearson (pictured) means a lot of other black voices are not being heard.

Talk about shame job! Instead of being proud that another black brother has got himself educated and can talk up, we're all being let down by this Cape York fella.

According to Noel, blackfellas have to stop getting sit-down money to feed their families.

But hang on, Noel's Cape York Institute gets millions in government money so Noel can continue to churn out speeches and reports that mysteriously, or not, align exactly with

the Government's obsession to grind Aboriginal people into the ground.

Besides sucking up to the current Federal Government and getting your face on the news, what exactly is it that you do, Noel?

What I'd like to say to Mr Pearson is 'Hey brother, we've all got families we're trying to feed, but the difference is only Noel Pearson can hang off the publicly funded teat'.

It makes me sick. True, we do need to take a good, hard look at ourselves - we have to look after our kids and we have to clean up our mess - but most of us wouldn't do this while we're kicking other

blackfellas in the guts.

Hello and best wishes to all the Cape York mob - you can't pick your family, hey?



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Darwin, NT



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Draft plan for remote SA reserve

SA
A draft plan of management for one of the most remote conservation areas in the world – located in South Australia's far west – has been released for public comment.

SA Environment and Conservation Minister Gail Gago said the Mamungari Conservation Park took in parts of the Great Victoria Desert along the West Australian border and the Nullarbor Plain, north of the Transcontinental railway line.

Speaking at the opening of the new Oak Valley office about 130km from Mamungari, Ms Gago said the park's remote location meant it had very high conservation values.

"The 2.1-million-ha park features the Serpentine Lakes, an ancient paleo channel, as well as archaeological deposit," Ms Gago said.

"The land is pristine bushland with open woodlands, shrub lands of mallee, marble gum, mulga and black oak. It also is home to the hairy-footed dunnart, mallee towl and scarlet and princess parrots.

"The draft plan outlines a strategy for natural resource management of the park, combined with local Anangu knowledge of this landscape.

"The plan recognises the

importance of this land to the Anangu and identifies ways to effectively manage visitors to the park. It's designed to establish designated zones to clearly control and manage all activities within the park to protect its high conservation values."

Ms Gago said that until late

park could not be determined when it was first proclaimed in 1970 to conserve the environments of the Great Victoria Desert and protect local wilderness values," she said.

"This environment supported a fully nomadic population of Anangu until as recently as the 1950s. Anangu living in the adjacent communities retain knowledge of the park's natural resources.

"There has been little environmental change since the area was permanently occupied, and the park is still used and occupied by Anangu as they travel through or camp with the park.

"Following amendments to the National Parks and Wildlife Act in 2004, the park was transferred to its traditional owners under the Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act as freehold land, while still retaining its status as a conservation park."

Ms Gago said the new Oak Valley office, part of the old Maralinga village, had been fitted with decking, an internet connection, power and water. It would be

used as headquarters for the Oak Valley land management officer, as well as providing a base for Department for Environment and Heritage staff assisting the co-management Board in the Mamungari Conservation Park.



last year, the park was known as the Unnamed Conservation Park, after becoming the largest handback of land to its traditional Aboriginal owners in SA since the Maralinga lands transfer in 1984.

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Leprena needs fellas



Back row from left, Della Jenkins, Helen Briggs, Geoff Stanton, Leslie Crook, Rev Grant Finlay, Lance Beeton, Ian Crook, Eva Richardson, Brenda Hodges and Margaret Everett. Centre row from left, Nan Mabb, Dickie Burgess, Diane Anderson, Loretta Maynard and Mavis Stone. Front row from left, Millie Stevenson, Girlie Purdon, Pauline Challenger and Pam Poole.

Story and photos by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



Cards, a cuppa and a yarn. Sounds like fun and, especially if you're a fella, Leprena in Hobart needs you.

The United Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress has hosted a regular gathering for Elders of southern Tasmania's Aboriginal community for the past six years.

Even though the group usually meets at Leprena, the Congress's Tasmanian gathering place, where weekly church services are also held, it is not about religion.

"We don't do anything particularly churchy. If you want religion come on a Sunday," Reverend Grant Finlay said.

The group, which started with a handful of Elders, now regularly attracts about 20 people.

"The Aboriginal Health Service got on board four years ago, helping with food and transport. It's now part of their aged-care program," Rev Finlay said.

When the group meets each Tuesday, they alternate between lunch at Leprena and a day trip, usually to a place of Aboriginal significance. However, there has been one complaint – not enough men. "The ladies in the Elders club would like to meet men from other clubs for cards, coffee and yarn."



Aunty Eva Richardson and Aunty Girlie Purdon at the Leprena entrance, with the UAICC logo handcrafted by Aunty Eva.

said Aunty Girlie Purdon, who is one of the group's founding members.

To allay any suggestion that her comments may be better suited to a singles column, Aunty Girlie stressed that the few men who go to the group also were just as keen to have more men attend.

She said five couples attended regularly, but most regulars were single or widowed women.

Leprena is also home to a remembrance garden.

"People enjoy it. They think about their memories and the ones that have gone. It's peace and tranquillity," Rev Finlay said.

Leprena means 'a place of shelter and peace'.

The UAICC runs a variety of Aboriginal community-based businesses and services nationwide, including a retirement village, high school and an Aboriginal funeral service.

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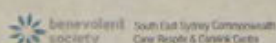
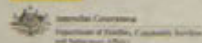
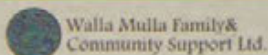
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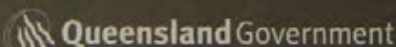
The scheme applies to former child residents who:

- were placed in a licensed institution covered by the *Forde Inquiry**
- turned 18 years of age and were released from care on or before 31 December 1999
- experienced institutional abuse or neglect.
- * The Inquiry did not cover children placed in foster care.

Applications for ex gratia payments from \$7 000 up to \$40 000 will be open from 1 October 2007 until 30 June 2008.

For more information about the scheme go to www.communities.qld.gov.au or telephone the Redress Scheme information line on 1300 769 291 (Australia wide*) between 8 am and 8 pm Monday to Saturday. Intending applicants can call this number to register to receive an application pack.

* Mobile rates apply.



Quay buskers agree to address issues



While the Sydney Opera House, cafes, restaurants and galleries

are part of the scenery of Circular Quay in Sydney, so too are the buskers.

Aboriginal buskers serve up a slice of culture for the thousands of tourists who frequent Circular Quay daily.

Busking regulations through the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority were tightened recently to reduce problems associated with busking and to ensure buskers still were able to express themselves.

The Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority says it has reached an agreement with Allan Madden, from the Metropolitan Aboriginal Land Council, Gary Simon, from Jagamarra, and a number of Aboriginal performers to work together over coming months to address busking issues and achieve a mutually beneficial outcome.

Matters being explored by Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority include:

- Discussion of the feasibility of the establishment of an Aboriginal busking pitch at Circular Quay

- The feasibility of the option to authorise individual buskers at this pitch under a

Indigenous buskers at Sydney's Circular Quay.



group permit and group public liability insurance

- The feasibility of the potential development of an Aboriginal busking competition at Circular Quay

- Discussion and investigation of all legal

opportunities for the sale of CDs.

The authority says it is committed to achieving the best possible outcome for buskers, visitors and other stakeholders and giving a fair go to all.



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- Allied Health (excluding Pharmacy);
- Health Service Management; or
- Dentistry/Oral Health.

The scheme is also open for study in 2008 for those who are already enrolled, or intend enrolling, in Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector Education courses in:

- Aboriginal Health Worker Certificate III or IV, or Diploma or Advanced Diploma Course at an educational institution/University/Registered Training Organisation (RTO);
- Diploma in Health Service Management; or
- Enrolled Nursing.

Scholarships will be available for the start of the 2008 academic year and are worth up to \$15,000 per year for full time study and up to \$7,500 per year for part time study. Funds are payable each year provided that recipients continue to meet the eligibility criteria. Applicants must identify as and be able to prove their Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status.

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Crash inquest told of fears



The airline at the centre of Australia's worst plane crash in almost 40 years was a 'recipe for disaster' because pilots didn't follow standard operating procedures, an inquest has been told.

Peter Telling, an independent accident test officer (ATO) approved by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA), was giving evidence last Wednesday at a coronial inquest into the Lockhart River plane crash.

All 15 people aboard, some of them local Indigenous people, died when a Metroliner III aircraft ploughed into a mountain top on approach to the Lockhart River Aboriginal community on the tip of Cape York in far north Queensland on 7 May 2005.

Gold Coast-based Mr Telling, who has more than 12,000 hours' flying experience and is used extensively by Metroliner operators around Australia, said he had noticed during observation flights that pilots at TransAir's NSW arm, Big Sky Operations, did not follow a set of standard operating procedures. He said he noticed that the pilots performed tasks, such as approaches and landings, differently.

"This is a recipe for disaster," Mr Telling told the inquest.

Mr Telling said TransAir also lacked crew resource management, resulting in dysfunctional flight crews. He said he gave his report, which found the operation was not up to regular public transport standard and was 'in its infancy and urgently needed direction', to TransAir director Les Wright and a senior base pilot in September 2004 - nine months before the plane crash.

Took action

The inquest had been told previously that Mr Wright failed to act on the report, but Mr Wright has testified that he took action.

Also last week, former TransAir pilot Ian Donkin told the inquest the doomed plane's young co-pilot was eager to do his job well, but needed to 'fine-tune' his skills. Mr Donkin was unable to comment on the flying ability of the pilot-in-command, having flown with him only twice.

Following its two-year investigation, the Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB) blamed the pilot-in-command's history of flying too fast and found he and his co-pilot had a strained

relationship.

The ATSB also blamed a poor safety culture within TransAir and a failure by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) to detect problems inherent in the now-defunct airline. CASA has rejected the findings and denied any wrongdoing.

On Thursday Island on 7 June, the inquest heard from a relative of one of the Aboriginal crash victims that the tragedy had triggered a mass fear of flying in his community.

Injinoo Aboriginal shire councillor Robert Bagie, stepfather of crash victim Helena Woosup, 25, said many of the families and other community members had not recovered from the tragedy.

"Apart from the overwhelming sense of loss that we experience on a daily basis, many in the community are now very afraid to fly and now will mainly travel by car and will only fly if absolutely necessary," Mr Bagie said. He said people had lost confidence in the authorities and airlines, and felt increasingly isolated.

The inquest, headed by Coroner Michael Barnes, was continuing at the time the Koori Mail went to press. - AAP

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Young Indigenous Leaders' Forum

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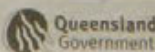
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Yelangi people Leah Talbot and Peter Wallace.



Rita Royce and Chenoa Collins.



Yidinji workshop participants, from left, Laurie Padmore, Lillian Clubb, Marion Davis, Kittabli Stewart, Nola Joseph, Allison Halliday and Tracey Heenan.

Agreement 'paying off'

Story and photos by
CHRISTINE HOWES



Connected via the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, 18 tribal groups have joined together again at the Aboriginal Rainforest Council (ARC) annual regional workshop to discuss ongoing

implementation of a regional agreement signed just over two years ago.

More than 100 Aboriginal rainforest people – from Cooktown in the north to Paluma (north of Townsville) in the south – braved dark, damp and cold conditions on the Atherton Tablelands near Milaa Milaa to attend the workshop.

ARC Chairman Russell Butler said that apart from ongoing funding difficulties – once again only a portion of the state-allocated funding had reached them in the 2006-07 financial year – the regional agreement was starting to produce solid outcomes for people on the ground.

"In the wake of Cyclone Larry and the clean up after it, there was a lot of traditional owners concerned about actually being involved," he said.

"When we put that to the floor, at the 2006 Regional Workshop, the TOs who were affected were unanimous that they wanted to be involved.

"We (ARC) then went about arranging meetings with the various organisations and relevant agencies and we put together a community jobs program. That's a direct result of ARC's interaction with these agencies and the regional agreement coming into place, it's about equity and



Participants Yvonne Butler and Russell Butler Snr.

working collaboratively on country.

"It has to be a collaborative approach – we don't want to take over the whole game but where we can be involved we'd like to be, and that's the bottom line."

Mr Butler said another positive outcome was the appointment of two Aboriginal rainforest people to the Wet Tropics Management Authority board.

"Allison Halliday has been in the interim position until now, and we've just been approved a male director and my father, Russell Butler Snr, was nominated from the floor at the workshop," he said.

"The process now is that it goes to the Ministerial Council for approval.

"As a result of being a WTMA board director we've found Allison Halliday is at a really high level in lobbying for the ARC. She sits on a number of executive committees which is a real bonus for the ARC – that she's been accepted on to these boards for her knowledge and expertise, and she's done very well to

maintain and keep those roles."

However, Mr Butler said some of the wording of the agreement was still a sticking point.

"The agreement is to be reviewed every year, it's actually a working document, a living document that will evolve over time to suit us," he said.

"There's misinterpretation or there's crossed wires in the interpretation of certain words within the agreement, so we'd like clarification.

"There were people there who have worked with government agencies before and it was great to have that sort of input, that's the beauty of all coming together, we've got a broad range of skills and resources and a pool of knowledge.

"I think this is all the way across the board with any agreement done, that the wording used and you'll see the Government actually argue for a position based on an interpretation of the words."

But Mr Butler said that overall, the feedback he had from traditional owners 'on the ground' was positive, even though some agencies had failed to engage them under the terms of the agreement.

"It's not being utilised properly by some agencies. To them it's just another document they just put on their shelves and just pay it lip service," he said.

"That's not all the way across the board. A number of agencies are using it and this is the thing I can't get my head around, those who are using it have found that it's working.

"The TOs are happy on the ground, and it's a win-win situation for all the parties involved."

join in talks



Clockwise from back left, Llarani Hart, Jacque Halliday, Gary Kyle, Rennee Savage, Inggul Hart, Latana Kyle, Alan Hart, Patrick Gilbert, Clement Gesa and Zakeira Sloss.



Standing, from left, Andrew Harris, Fred Stafford, Frank Koowarta and Dennis Koowarta and, seated, Hubert Neal, Zac Stadhans and Maxwell Neal.



Djiru siblings, from left, James, Rona, Lily and Colin Hart.

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Are you interested in being involved with the planning for National Youth Week 2008 in the ACT?

Who can apply? Young people aged between 12-25 years who have:

- An interest or focus on young people;
- Innovative ideas for youth participation during Youth Week 2008;
- The availability to travel interstate and participate in teleconferences with young members from across Australia;
- A Commitment - to being available from December 2007 to April 2008 (approx total of 40 hours over 16 weeks)
- Ability to present views to a range of Media; and
- Attend Youth Advisory Committee meetings.

A Job Description is available on the www.youth.act.gov.au or by contacting Ms Kathy Ross on 6205 9286. Remuneration costs are available for travel and attending meetings.

How do you apply? You may forward your resume, including references and why you would like to represent the ACT as the young member for Youth Week 2008 to:

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Invitation to Apply for Funding Mental Health Community Based Program

The Australian Government Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) is calling for applications from eligible non-government organisations to deliver local mental health projects under the Mental Health Community Based Program initiative.

The Mental Health Community Based Program forms part of the Australian Government's commitment to the Council of Australian Governments National Action Plan on Mental Health 2006-2011. The program will provide services to assist families, carers, children and young people (16-24 yrs) affected by mental illness with a particular focus on Indigenous families and those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Funding is available for a wide range of community based projects to assist in the prevention and early intervention of mental illness. Projects will meet an existing mental health need and aim to build family and community resilience.

Organisations are encouraged to apply by obtaining an application pack from:

- the website www.facsia.gov.au/mentalhealth; or
- the hotline 1800 053 885 Monday to Friday from 9am – 5pm AEST commencing from 18 June 2007 until 20 July 2007.

Applications must be post marked by 5pm AEST 20 July 2007.

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Call for Expressions of Interest

ACT Indigenous Education Consultative Body

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACT INDIGENOUS EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE BODY

The ACT Indigenous Education Consultative Body (ACT IECB) provides independent advice on Indigenous community interests, issues and concerns to the ACT and Commonwealth Education Ministers and educational bodies on education, children, youth and family matters relating to Indigenous peoples of the ACT and Jervis Bay. The 17 parent and community members of the IECB also sit on other relevant committees and boards.

Members of the ACT IECB are appointed by the Minister after a selection process.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Indigenous people interested in being a member are invited to:

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2. provide a statement on what contribution they could make to the work of the IECB
3. provide a current resume;
4. state that they are a parent/guardian of an ACT Indigenous student.

Applicants must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander residents of the ACT or Jervis Bay. Evidence may be required to support this.

All expressions of interest will remain active for a period of six months.

Contact Officer: Phill Nean (02) 6205 9189

Expressions of interest for this position must be received by close of business 13 July 2007 and should be forwarded to:

Workforce Management
ACT Department of Education and Training,
PO Box 1584,
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Or via email: de.employment@act.gov.au



Friends catch up on Badu Island

Story and photo by
ALF WILSON



Sajida Nona, of Badu Island in the Torres Strait, and Bernadette Baxter, of Bowen, was a fine example of reconciliation in action.

They may only be young but that didn't lessen the joy felt by the two 18-year-olds when Sajida collected Bernadette from Badu airport where she'd flown for the reunion.

Bernadette's complicated journey involved a 150-minute car trip from Bowen to Townsville, and flights from Townsville to Cairns, Cairns to Horn Island, and finally Horn Island to Badu.

The Koori Mail happened to travel to Badu on the same flight as Bernadette, who said the pair had been friends at St Pat's College in Townsville.

"I haven't seen her for a fair while and she's a dear friend," the legal receptionist said.

"Sajida knows I am coming and will be at the airport, but



Great to see you! Sajida Nona (right) and her old school friend Bernadette Baxter are reunited at Badu airport.

another school friend Ethel Baira lives on Badu and I will surprise her."

When the Aero Tropics flight landed at Badu airport, Miss Baxter spotted Ms Nona and they hugged for ages.

"It is just so good to see Bernadette," Sajida said excitedly. "She's staying with my family until Wednesday of next week and we'll be going to the Island of Origin here."

A few days later Sajida, Bernadette and their friend

Ethel Baira were at the Badu sports ground watching football matches. Ethel had her baby Leandra with her and said she was very happy to see her mate turn up on Badu.

"We're having a great time talking about school," she said.

On the trip, Bernadette also got to see another former school mate, Helen Tomsana, who is from Palm Island and was visiting family on Kubin.

Bushfires a threat in NT



A North Australian Seasonal Bushfire Assessment workshop held recently in Darwin has identified a large area in the

central portion of the Northern Territory with an above-normal fire potential.

Bushfires NT scientific officer Grant Allan said the area included the Tanami Desert and the pastoral areas extending east from the Tanami Desert through the Sandover and Plenty regions to the Queensland border south of the Barkly Tablelands.

"In the north, the Top End and Barkly region have average fire potential, whereas the area south of Alice Springs has a below-normal fire potential," Mr Allan said.

"Normal to above-normal fire potential is expected for the remainder of the dry season over much of Queensland and the Northern Territory, along with significant portions of Western Australia."

The workshop, supported by the Bushfire CRC, brought fire

managers, severe weather meteorologists and climatologists together to evaluate the fire potential for the upcoming season for the NT, Queensland and the northern portion of WA.

"Fire potential depends on many factors, including weather and climate, fuel abundance and availability and fire-fighting resources available in an area," Mr Allan said.

"The challenge is to deal with the fuel loads before the annual period of high fire danger begins in September.

Opportunity

"The current winter conditions, which typically last until early to mid-August, provide an opportunity for controlled burning for fuel management during cool days and cold nights.

"Currently, the fuel loads are well cured, so considerable care may be required to restrict fires from burning into areas where fires should be excluded."

Mr Allan said people should contact the Bushfires NT regional fire control officers for

advice and assistance with burning.

He said the Central Land Council (CLC), with support of Bushfires NT, had been working with remote Aboriginal communities to implement best-practice fire-management strategies on Aboriginal land in central Australia.

An initiative funded by the Natural Heritage Trust and the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program provides a number of Aboriginal communities with the opportunity for training, skills enhancement and the basic resources needed for pro-active wildfire mitigation work.

CLC Director David Ross said the council was working with traditional owners and Indigenous ranger groups towards best-practice fire management of Aboriginal land in central Australia.

"The rangers are out there burning in the cooler weather to protect important cultural sites and threatened species populations by creating a fine-scale mosaic of fuel ages," he said.

Haven holds open day



A Widjabul dancer performs during the Namatjira Haven open day.

Photos and story by SOLUA MIDDLETON



As part Drug Action Week, Namatjira Haven Drug and Alcohol Healing Centre in northern New South Wales held an open day for the public to visit the service and meet its staff and residents. This year's gathering

had a turnout of about 100 people, and the program included guest speakers such as past and present residents of the Namatjira Haven program, music performances of original material from some of the residents, a display from the Widjabul dance group, a bush tucker lunch, award presentations, artwork and a welcome to country from Uncle Reg King.

Namatjira Haven has been open since 1979, and in those 28 years it has closed just once – for 12 months in 2002 for building renovations.

Namatjira Haven Manager Malcolm Hunt said: "This day is about promoting the achievements of our residents and creating awareness of drug and alcohol issues in our community."



Namatjira Haven residents and staff gathered during the Open Day in northern NSW.

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National Indigenous



At the CAAMA studios in Alice Springs, from left, CAAMA representative Daniel Smith, Lola Greeno (Tas), Ashlyn Chapman (Qld), Neil Willmet (Qld) and Matthew Bon (Torres Strait).



Workshop participants. Back, from left, Jessica McDiarmid (SA), Brendan Collins (ACT), Danielle Lovegrove (SA), Sarah Landers (SA), Darlene Mam (Qld). Front, from left, Debra Fuschtei (SA), Gillian Bovero (SA) and Stephanie Mippy (WA).



Local Arrernte man Alan Erlandson (centre), with workshop participants Russell Butler (Qld) and Reinhard Gmeinder (Qld).



FaCSIA Group Manager Kerrie Tim (left) and workshop keynote speaker Louise Manas (Qld).



From left, workshop participants Leon Harp, George Peckham and Edward Rontji.



Youth participants, from left, Christal Ware (Qld), Samone Salik (NT) and Sarah Coombes (NT).



Participants Penelope Springham (Qld) and Rachael Gregory (Qld).



Keynote speaker Gary Oakley (centre) with Linda McBride and Reconciliation Australia Co-Chair Jackie Huggins.



Back, from left, Frances Parker (NSW), Margaret Farrugia (SA). Front, from left, Gwen Schrieber (Qld), Roxanne Bainbridge (Qld) and Susan Klein (Qld).



Youth keynote speaker Daniel Bouchier (centre) with FaCSIA staff Donna Murray and Carol Ryan.



At the workshop's main dinner, from left, Jessica McDiarmid (SA), Danielle Lovegrove (SA), performers Emma Donovan and Yanya Boston, Cassie Coulthard (SA), performer Daryl Beaton and Amanda Lynch (SA).

Leadership Program

Participants in the recent Alice Springs workshop of the 2007 Indigenous Community Leadership Program.



Journey leads to the Alice



There were many moving moments when about 160 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, men and young people attended a recent three-day leadership forum in Alice Springs.

The Federal Department of Family, Community and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) 2007 Indigenous Community Leadership Program National Workshop was held from 17-20 June and allowed the participants to support each other on their leadership journeys.

Participants and the co-ordination team from the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination's Leadership Development Group were welcomed to country by Alice Springs Elder Aunty Betty Pearce along with the Irrellyape-lyape Dance Group.

A range of guest speakers shared their experiences throughout the forum, including Koori Mail Editor Kirstie Parker, President of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans' and Services Association Gary Oakley, former senior public servant Helen McLaughlin, Torres Strait Islander leaders Frank Cook and Louise Manas, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Legal Services (North Qld) CEO Randal Ross, and young Northern Territory leaders Daniel Bourchier and Ngaree Ah Kit.

The evening program on the middle day of the forum mixed culture, entertainment and information-sharing with performances by Djakapurra Munyarryun and Emma Donovan and her band, and a



Workshop keynote speakers Randal Ross (Qld) and Helen McLaughlin (ACT).

presentation by four women participants on their attendance at the 'Healing Our Spirit Worldwide' Conference in Canada last August.

The Australian Government established the Indigenous Women's Development Program (IWDP) in 2004 under its then-new arrangements in Indigenous Affairs, recognising that Indigenous women often carry significant responsibility for the wellbeing of their communities but are

severely underrepresented in formal positions of influence.

The program was supported by \$16.5 million over four years from 2004-05, and the 2006 Budget provided a further \$13.4 million over four more years under the Indigenous Community Leadership Program to extend leadership development initiatives to Indigenous men, young people and community organisations.



Women's Leadership Program participant Sonia Townsend (Qld).



From the Indigenous Women's Leadership Quilt created at the 2005 Indigenous Women's Conference.



Djakapurra Munyarryun performed at the workshop dinner.

Agreement welcomed by Pearson



A Cape York river pictured from the air.



Aborigines from Queensland's Cape York would be able to put their struggle for land rights behind them with the creation of a historic land-use agreement over the area, Aboriginal leader Noel Pearson said last month.

The Cape York Peninsula Heritage Bill, introduced to the Qld Parliament on 7 June, was expected to end almost two decades of debate between Indigenous communities, conservationists and the mining and pastoral industries.

The laws will give Indigenous people joint management of national parks and allow some developments, such as aquaculture, grazing and agriculture, on Aboriginal land.

The bill protects sensitive environmental areas by designating 'areas of international conservation significance'.

For the pastoral industry, it

provides an ability for lessees to access rural lease terms of up to 75 years if they take action to protect world heritage values and enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA).

Mr Pearson, from the Cape York Institute for Policy and Leadership, said stakeholders had endured a long fight to find a resolution.

"This is a day of very, very turbulent feelings, because it comes 17 years after we first embarked on this crusade," he said as the Bill was introduced.

"I really do feel that land rights is going to be put behind us ... and we can get onto the social agenda of development and welfare reform and social recovery."

Premier Peter Beattie described the Bill as one of the significant land-management initiatives in Qld's history. He admitted it had been a 'rocky road' to reaching an agreement.

"It provides for sensible economic opportunities for Indigenous people in Cape York,



NOEL PEARSON

while at the same time protecting the environment," Mr Beattie said.

"It also acknowledges the rights of pastoralists. This has got the balance right."

AgForce Qld President Peter Kenny said the laws gave the pastoral industry security to go forward.

"In the future, if we take into

consideration what we've been told about climate change, there'll be more and more necessity for the pastoral industry ... to head north where the rain will be," he said.

Wilderness Society spokesman Lyndon Schneider said the laws would offer the long-term protection of the Cape, while Queensland Resources Council Chief Executive Michael Roche said it would allow the industry to offer better economic opportunities to Indigenous communities.

Mr Beattie said the laws amended controversial Wild River legislation, which Indigenous groups argued deny Aborigines employment because they prevent mining, farming and tourism development in the Cape York.

Not everyone was so optimistic, though, with Tasmanian Aboriginal activist Michael Mansell suggesting the various assessments of the agreement as 'a milestone', and 'a model for reconciliation' across Australia could see other Aboriginal groups having 'similar agreements

rammed down their throats under conditions of funding'.

"The Cape York Heritage Bill does not confer native title, nor any other land ownership on Aboriginal people," Mr Mansell wrote in a letter to the Koori Mail. "It establishes a massive conservation area from Kowanyama to Thursday Island to Cooktown."

"It allows cattle to continue to graze, but Aborigines who already own land within the conservation area have to apply to the 'vegetation Minister' for an 'Indigenous community use area' that allows clearing of small areas for subsistence farming of land they already own. On top of that Aborigines get to sit on an advisory committee."

"Why the agreement is heralded as a breakthrough for Aborigines, it is mind-boggling given the whole thing is about appeasing environmentalists while allowing cattlemen, black or white, to graze cattle. The cows get more rights than Aborigines." — with AAP

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Campaigner on the job for Amnesty

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KEN BOASE in Perth



Global aid agency Amnesty International's new Australian Indigenous Rights

campaigner has started consultations with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people around the country. Former Tasmanian ATSIC Commissioner Rodney Dillon has taken on the role of assisting the organisation to help highlight the social needs of Indigenous Australians to government.

Mr Dillon has held meetings with Aboriginal legal groups in Brisbane and Perth and plans to hold similar consultations in other State capitals and regional centres and said he would focus on the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody report as a priority.

Mr Dillon held a two-hour consultation with Aboriginal community members at the Aboriginal Legal Service in Perth and said he would help pressure governments and agencies responsible for implementing the recommendations. He said that he would be an added voice to those already working to highlight the urgent need for reform in state justice systems. "While Aboriginal people are



New Indigenous rights campaigner Rodney Dillon with Amnesty International WA President Caroline Wood.

working on it, I think also by having Amnesty working on it – it's an international organisation saying the same things as Aboriginals are saying – that this is important to our people," said Mr Dillon.

Amnesty International WA

"The decision to employ an Indigenous rights worker in Australia was taken in combination with our Stop Violence Against Women campaign which was a global campaign," she said.

"We felt that there were issues surrounding Indigenous women's rights that needed to be looked at, but of course now it's much broader than that."

Until recently, Amnesty International had a policy that it could not work on human rights issues in home countries, but with a policy change two years ago the organisation is now working on economic issues with Indigenous people in several countries.

'Amnesty is an international organisation saying the same things as Aboriginals...'
– Campaigner Rodney Dillon

President Caroline Wood said the organisation decided to hire an Indigenous rights campaigner after consultations with Indigenous women involved in the Stop Violence Against Women movement.



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Services that are compliant or have already engaged a building certifier are also encouraged to apply for this funding.

Information packages are available by phoning your local regional service centre or by visiting www.communities.qld.gov.au

Funding submissions must be lodged with the department by 4 pm on Monday 27 August 2007.



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Expressions of Interest
are sought for appointment
as members of

The NSW Aboriginal Housing Office Board



NSW Aboriginal Housing Office

Expressions of Interest are invited from interested Aboriginal people in being appointed to the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office Board.

This is an all Aboriginal advisory Board who determine the policies of the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office. The Board currently includes 6 representatives from a cross section of NSW Aboriginal communities, all of whom are appointed by the Minister for Housing. Terms commence 1 October 2007.

The NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) is a statutory agency that plans, administers and expands the policies, programs and asset base for Aboriginal housing in NSW. The AHO provides over 4200 dwellings and administers funding for a further 4400 dwellings for Aboriginal people.

Board members selected on the basis of their Expressions of Interest will be appointed by the NSW Government having regard to individual experience and expertise, and will not act as a representative for any specific community or organisation.

The selection process will include the submission of a written application, demonstrating the candidate's suitability for appointment, and interview.

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

To obtain a copy of the information package, including the selection criteria: contact Lina Samiento on (02) 8836 9420 or email: lina.samiento@aho.nsw.gov.au

For inquiries contact: Russell Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, NSW Aboriginal Housing Office on (02) 8836 9428.

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

Closing date for receipt of Expressions of Interest is 20 July 2007.

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NSW Aboriginal Trust Fund Repayment Scheme

The Aboriginal Trust Fund Repayment Scheme (ATFRS) is a NSW Government initiative established to repay to Aboriginal people and their descendants money that may have been put into Trust Funds by the Aborigines Protection and Welfare Boards between 1900 and 1969 and never repaid. It is an evidence based repayment scheme for monies owed. It is not a compensation scheme.

Aboriginal people who believe that money was placed in a Trust Fund account for them which was never repaid can apply to the Scheme. If the claimant has passed away, their descendants can put in a claim.

The ATFRS is now working on descendant claims. These are the direct descendants of the person who has passed away, that is usually the spouse, children or grandchildren. So that all claimants are notified about a claim where money might be owed, the Scheme is required to advertise. The ATFRS would like to hear from any person who is a direct descendant of the person(s) listed below by 31 July 2007.

Mr Roy James Stewart DOB 10 March 1928

Alice Carney nee Fox DOB 30 September 1916

Amy Majorie Ridgeway nee Maher DOB 10 July 1908

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Ridgeway nee Russell DOB 1878

Annette (Neeta) Faye Hesketh nee Kapeen

DOB 1 March 1930

Agnes Anne Smith nee Lord DOB 25 December 1905

If you would like further information the ATFRS can be contacted on 1800 765 889 (this is a free phone call) or via email at atfrs@dpc.nsw.gov.au. The ATFRS Guidelines set out the rules for the distribution of repayments to descendants and a copy is available at www.atfrs.nsw.gov.au. ATFRS, GPO Box 5341, Sydney NSW 2001.

TRANSFER OF LAND

It is proposed to transfer areas of land as identified within the Eastern Kuku Yalanji Indigenous Land Use Agreements to Aboriginal people under the provisions of the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991*. Under the Act, the Minister for Natural Resources and Water must consult with Aboriginal people who are particularly concerned with the land, that is, those who have a particular connection with the land under Aboriginal tradition, or those who live on or use the land or neighbouring land.

The areas of land being considered for transfer are located within Cook and Douglas Shires extending generally from Mossman in the south, to Black Mountain National Park (near Cooktown) in the north. The western boundary of the area roughly follows the Great Dividing Range, with the coastline and islands to the east. Maps showing the areas proposed for transfer (coloured pink and yellow) may be viewed at the Department of Natural Resources and Water (Cairns), National Native Title Tribunal, Wujal Wujal Shire Council, Douglas Shire Council or Cook Shire Council.

Aboriginal people who are particularly concerned with the land may wish to attend a meeting at the CWA Hall in Mossman at 9.00am on Wednesday 11 July 2007.

At the meeting it is proposed to explain the land transfer process under the Act as well as identify Aboriginal people for appointment as grantees of the land.

Aboriginal people who would like to register their interest in attending this meeting or would like further information about the proposed transfer are encouraged to contact Garry Bailetti of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Acts Branch on Freecall 1800 067 655 by 12 noon, 6 July 2007.

Manager

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Acts Branch



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Burragubba to launch new didgeridoo work

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



If you frequent the Brisbane City Mall, chances are you have come across Aboriginal man Adrian Burragubba entertaining people with his didgeridoo playing. Adrian is from the Wangan people of Central Queensland and prides himself as a cultural educator and traditional performer.

His didgeridoo talents have taken him to Singapore, Los Angeles, Paris and Germany, as well as around Australia.

This NAIDOC Week he will launch his new CD/DVD, *Dig A Tale*, which follows on from his first CD *The Didd In Us*.

Adrian said the new CD/DVD took about three months to produce. It comprises solely of didgeridoo sounds with clapping sticks.

"The rhythms of each track are very different. They are newly composed tracks using the rhythm of my language, BirriGubba," he said.

"Some are the sounds of the land, some are the rhythms of the animals, and some are traditional sounding using different genres."

"There are three video clips on the album and each of them tells the story of my land and going back to country."

"There is some dancing, incorporating traditional and contemporary. It tells the story of coming from urban Australia, going back to the land of my ancestry in Clermont."

"I produced the video clips to show the world that Aboriginal culture is still alive and we know where we come from."

Adrian has been performing in Brisbane's Queen Street Mall for almost 16 years.

"While I have tried many times to retire from this, I will always find myself going back for the people," he said.

Adrian will be MCing and performing at Brisbane's Musgrave Park NAIDOC celebrations on 13 July.

● For details on the CD visit the website www.burragubba.com



Adrian Burragubba playing his didgeridoo.

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Until 6 July: Kuni Dhagun Indigenous Knowledge Centre in Brisbane is holding a program. For details call (07) 3842 9887 or email inquiries@reconciliation.org.au

6 July: Flag-raising ceremony at the Caboolture Town Square, followed by morning tea. For details call (07) 5420 0243.

7 July: Ball at the Ignatius Park Hall in Townsville with special guest Ernie Dingo. Starts 6.30pm. Tickets \$60. Details call (07) 4727 9797 or 1800 44 99 77 or visit www.townsville.qld.gov.au/theatre/

8 July: Sports Day at Pizzey Park, Miami, Gold Coast. For details contact (07) 5581 6075.

8 July: Flag-raising ceremony at the Gold Coast City Council Chambers building, at 10am. For details contact (07) 5581 6075.

10 July: Exhibition opening and morning tea at Elanora Library, Gold Coast. Details contact (07) 5581 6075.

11 July: Stradbroke Island will celebrate with traditional dancing, games, stalls and displays when Dunwich State School hosts a Quandamooka Camp reunion. For details contact (07) 3000 9103 or (0402) 287 027.

11 July: Corporate breakfast at the Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa. 7.30am-9.30am. \$25 a person. For tickets call (07) 4773 8889.

12 July: Elders lunch at Bonogin followed by community gathering. For details contact (07) 5581 6075.

13 July: From 11am, the Toowoomba NAIDOC Golf Classic will be held at the Toowoomba City Golf Club. The event will be an 18-hole, two-person Ambrose competition to enable beginners and more advanced golfers to mix and play together in teams. For details, call Shannon Bowe (07) 4694 0812.

13 July: Men's action group to march against violence and abuse against children and women. Starts 9am from Southbank to Musgrave Park. Details: (02) 3335 8765.

13 July: Musgrave Park Cultural Centre family NAIDOC Day. Entertainment, stalls, food, arts and craft. Held at Musgrave Park, West End, Brisbane.

14 July: Gold Coast City Art

New South Wales

Until 20 July: Gosford Regional Art Gallery, 36 Webb Street, East Gosford, NSW, is holding an exhibition. For details contact inquiries@reconciliation.org.au

Until 23 July: Children's Exhibition. School children's art, poetry and stories on the theme of NAIDOC will be on display. Held at Lane Cove Library, 139a Longueville Rd, Lane Cove during Library hours and entry is free. Details on (02) 9911 3634.

4 July - 12 August: Past - Present - Future. NPWS Northern Rivers Region Aboriginal Art Award 2007 at the Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy Street, Grafton. For details call (02) 6642 3177.

4 July: Tweed NAIDOC. 9am Sports Day/Community/Health Expo at Arinistall Park, Oxley Street, South Tweed Heads. 4.30pm pre-judging Mr/Miss Teen and Mr/Miss NAIDOC at Menungbal Museum, Kirkwood Road, South Tweed Heads. Plus other events on 5 July. For details contact (02) 68743 600 or (0416) 534 716.

5 July: Melody Market. Celebrating

with Indigenous food and entertainment. Held at Chatswood Mall, Victoria Ave, Sydney from 11am-9pm with free entry. Details call (02) 9777 7985.

6 July: Flag-raising and mayoral reception outside Camden Council Office, 37 John Street, Camden. 10am. Community Room, Undercroft, Camden Civic Centre. For details call (02) 4645 5020.

6 July: Tweed NAIDOC. A full program. For details contact (02) 66743 600 or (0416) 534 716.

7 July: Burramatta flag-raising ceremony at Parramatta Town Hall, from 10am-12pm. Details call (02) 8839 3311.

7 July: Community Family Fun Day at the Blacktown Showground, Richmond Road, Blacktown from 10am-3pm. Details contact Blacktown City Council on (02) 9839 6000.

7 July: Memorial Blessing and Reconciliation barbecue. Bellingen Shire Council will host the Blessing of a Memorial acknowledging all Aboriginal people buried in unmarked graves in Bellingen Cemetery followed by a Reconciliation barbecue at Bellingen Showgrounds. Details call Josie Robinson on (02) 6655 7336 or email jrobinson@bellingen.nsw.gov.au

8 July: Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) Sydney Celebrates NAIDOC at 7.30pm, 96 Crystal Street, Petersham. Free. For details call (0438) 690 921 or email gienn.boyd@gmail.com or visit www.mccsydney.org

8 July: Burramatta family fun day at the Burramatta Oval (rear of

Parramatta Pool) from 11am-4pm. For details call (02) 8839 3311.

8-15 July: Displays of artwork by public and private school students in the Mosman, Cremorne and Neutral Bay areas on the theme of '50 Years: Looking Forward, Looking Back'. Details call Frennie Beytash on (02) 9909 0203 or email frennie@tpg.com.au or visit www.mosman.nsw.gov.au

8 July: 2 Deadly 2 Move from 1-2pm at the Museum of Sydney. For details call (02) 9251 5988

8 July: Exhibition of paintings, carvings, and artifacts by more than 60 artists. Exhibition opens at 2pm. Address by Linda Burney, Minister for Fair Trading, Youth and Volunteers. Contact Addison Road Gallery on (02) 9518 3709 or email terrycutcliffe@aol.com

9 July: Burramatta NAIDOC painting workshops at the Parramatta Library. 5-8-year-olds at 10am-12pm, and 9-12-year-olds 1-3pm. Bookings essential. Details call 020 8839 3311.

9 July: 9.30am-1.30pm. The Block march and flag-raising ceremony at Redfern Park. Details: (0413) 069 275.

9 July: Three short Indigenous films called The Rainbow Serpent, The Giant Devil Dingo and the Quikens. Afternoon tea provided. For details call (02) 4654 7951.

9 July: 10am flag-raising ceremony at Campbelltown City Council Civic Centre, Queen Street, Campbelltown. Street march at 10.30am. Family cultural and information fun day at Koshigaya Park at 11am. Free entertainment and community

barbecue. Details call (02) 4645 4359.

9-11 July: Bus painting at two locations - Arthur Byrne Reserve, Maroubra Beach, Yarra Oval, La Perouse. Details call (0409) 988 147.

10 July: Carwoola is holding NAIDOC at Camden Civic Centre, Camden, from 10am. Entertainment includes the Donovan Band. Sit-down meal. For details call (02) 4647 9546.

10 July: Preschool storytime, 11-11.30am at the Camden Library. For details call (02) 4654 7951.

10 July: Burramatta NAIDOC dance workshops with the Miri Dance Troupe for Aboriginal Dance Workshops at the Parramatta Library. 5-8-year-olds at 10-10.40am, and 9-12-year-olds at 10.30am-12.15pm. Booking essential. Details call (02) 8839 3311.

10 July: NAIDOC on the Peninsula 2007. A free public family event featuring Indigenous singers and musicians, bush tucker barbecue and talk, face-painting and more. Held at AIATSIS, Canberra from 11.30am - 3.30pm. All welcome. Details call Danika Nayna on (02) 6246 1108 or Chris Ryan on (02) 6261 4225 or visit www.aiatsis.gov.au

10 July: NAIDOC Week community gathering and health expo at the Gosford Showground from 10am-3pm. Touch football, stalls, kids activities, Aboriginal art and craft displays, entertainment, lunch and bush tucker. For details call (02) 4320 2698.

10 July: Launch of the Koori Collection from 11am-noon at the Waterloo Library, Waterloo Town Hall, 770 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo. For details call (02) 9265 9293. Also community transport available from Redfern.

10 July: NAIDOC storytelling. Ages 4 and up from 2pm onwards. Costs \$5. Details call Jo Tuck-Lee on (02) 6240 6524 or (02) 6240 6537 or email publicprograms@nga.gov.au

10 July: Kids celebrate our Indigenous culture. Starts at 11am. All welcome. Art and craft workshop. Contact Addison Road Gallery on (02) 9518 3709 or email terrycutcliffe@aol.com

10 July: La Perouse NAIDOC Day. 10am-3pm. For details call (02) 9311 2999.

11 July: Pre-school storytime from 11-1.30am at the Narellan Library, corner of Queens and Elyard streets, Narellan. For details call (02) 4645 7951.

11 July: Burramatta Indigenous storytelling with Uncle Was Marnie from 10.30am-12pm. Details call (02) 8839 3311.

11 July: Free Community Family Day at Emerton Youth Recreation Centre, corner Copelands and Jersey roads, Emerton. From noon-5pm. Traditional food, entertainment and fun. For details call Sharline on (02) 9628 9292.

11 July: Town Green celebrations and family fun day at Port Macquarie from 9am-3pm. Bush tucker, free sausage sizzle, face painting, sport activities, entertainment by Street Warriors, Bboy2Ezy, Tropical Sno, workshops, stalls and more. For details call Jake Chatfield on (0428) 104 089.

11 July: NAIDOC reception hosted by NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Paul Lynch at the Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Macquarie Street Sydney. Details call (02) 9219 0730.

11 July: Flag-raising ceremony at the Woollondilly Shire Council, 62-64 Menangle Street, Picton. Morning tea

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in the gallery following the ceremony. For details visit www.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au or call (02) 4677 8224.

11 July: Town Green celebrations and Family Fun Day. Bush tucker, free sausage sizzle, face painting, traditional and Contemporary music and dancing, hip hop workshops and more. All welcome. Details call Jake Chaffield on (0428) 104 089.

12 July: Gosford Hospital Bash, flag-raising and barbecue at the Gosford Hospital near the tennis courts from 11.30am. Gold coin donation. Flag-raising, dancing, bush tucker, barbecue, arts and crafts. For details call Lisa at Nunyara Aboriginal Health unit on (02) 4320 2698.

12 July: 'Not just kid stuff', free activities such as craft, didgeridoo workshop, jewellery making, sport activities and barbecue. For details call (02) 4645 5039.

12-13 July: Pre-school story time from 11-11.30am at Narellan Library. For details call (02) 4645 5039.

12 July: Redfern market day. For details call (0413) 069 275.

12 July: Indigenous films and forum from 7.30pm at the Sideltrack Theatre. Admission \$10; or \$6 concession. Addison Road Centre 142 Addison Road Marrickville. For details call (02) 9569 7633.

13 July: Bush Tucker Fella tell his tales of Aboriginal life and dreaming. Enjoy a bush-tucker cooking demonstration and tasting. Test your knowledge of Aboriginal sports, art and history and win a prize. Ashfield Town Hall 260 Liverpool Road Ashfield from 10am to noon. For more details call Anitha on (02) 9716 1866.

13 July: Kurranelle NAIDOC Day. 10.30am-2pm. For details call (02) 9528 0287.

13 July: Alexandria Park NAIDOC Day. 10am-3pm. Call (0413) 069 275 for details.

13 July: Touch football competition at Alexandria Park Community School Field, Buckland Street and Park Road, Alexandria. Start 10am. Alcohol-free, family event.

14 July: Walla Mulla Family and Support invites all to a celebration, at Forbes Street Reserve, Woolloomooloo (between Cowper Wharf Road and Best Street). Details: Kay (02) 9368 1381 or (0422) 292 651 or email kay@wallamulla.org.au

14 July: Celebrations at Emerton Leisure Centre, Jersey Road, Emerton from 9am-6pm. Starting with smoking ceremony by Elder Uncle Wes, didgeridoo displays, Aboriginal art (boomerang) painting workshop, traditional tribal dancing and bush tucker. For details call Emerton Leisure Centre on (02) 9628 7016 or visit the website www.elc.blacktown.nsw.gov.au

14 July: Woolloomooloo family day, Forbes Street Reserve. 11am-4pm. For details call (02) 9368 1381.

15 July: Indigenous Manufactured Products Showcase at the G country Art Gallery and Emporium, 9 Coldstream Street, Ullmarra. 10.30am-4pm. Jam session and sausage sizzle. For details call (02) 6644 5794 or visit www.gcountry.com.au

15 July: Sydney Harbour Trust Celebrates NAIDOC. This is a free afternoon at North Head Sanctuary. Manly. Performance by 'Freshwater' starts at 1.30pm. Walking tours. Bookings essential for tours. Details call Tania Quax on (02) 8969 2100 or visit the website www.harbourtrust.gov.au



Nyitting Time Director Kyle Morrison (left) with actors Maudie Sketchely, Amy Smith and Sean Dow during rehearsals for the play which will be performed during NAIDOC Week in Perth.

Kids can chill out at Nyitting Time

By KEN BOASE



Nyoongar Koolangah (children) in Perth will be treated to a special series of plays during NAIDOC Week by leading Aboriginal theatre company Yirra Yaakin and its *In the Nyitting Time* production, fresh from a month-long season in the Pilbara.

The performance, written by Yirra Yaakin Executive Director Sam Cook and playwright David Milroy, is a compilation of four short stories based in the 'Nyitting' time, or cold time – in contemporary terms the ice ages.

Director Kyle Morrison said the stories were Nyoongar Dreamtime stories which had been modified to be made more accessible for kids.

"The first story is about the Nyitting Time, the cold time, and how two birds brought fire to the earth, while the second is an old story about fish and it's

really about environmental conservation and how to take better care of our waterways," he said.

"There's also a Dreaming story about the long-necked tortoise and the last story is about two birds who can't get on and the difficulties they face even to this day."

Mr Morrison said the performances had a lot of energy and there were lots of slapstick moments so the kids could have a good laugh. He said the environmental messages that came out of it were really a bonus for what was 'just good entertainment'.

Mr Morrison said the cast was looking forward to performing the plays during NAIDOC week in Perth. "NAIDOC Week is great because it's the time when school kids shine and it's great to celebrate our culture during that week and it's great when you see Nyoongar kids smiling and picking up on Nyoongar words and sayings that they associate with," he said.

For information on sessions, contact Yirra Yaakin on (08) 9202 1966 or go to www.yirrayaakin.asn.au

Australian Capital Territory

8 July: Official opening and family day at Boomanulla Oval from 10am-4pm, children's rides and activities, barbecue lunch, official flag-raising.

8 July: From 1pm at the Gallery Foyer, National Gallery of Australia, Parkes Place, there will be a free program. For details call (02) 6240 6502 or visit nga.gov.au

8 July: Canberra dance group Belzam Koedal perform traditional dances from the eastern and western islands of the Torres Strait to mark the opening of the NAIDOC Week, from 1pm at the National Art Gallery. For details visit <http://nga.gov.au/calendar>

10 July: NAIDOC storytelling from 2pm at the ATSI Gallery, National Gallery of Australia, Parkes Place, ACT. For bookings call (02) 6240 6537. Cost \$5.

11 July: NAIDOC at the Peninsula. 10am-4pm. At the Australian Institute

of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, Lawson Crescent, Acton Peninsula. Free. For details contact Chris Ryan on (02) 6261 4225 or email chris.ryan@aisis.gov.au

11 July: Defence ATSI Memorial Service to honour Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and servicewomen, from noon at the ATSI Memorial, in bushland 350m behind the Australian War Memorial towards Mount Ainslie. A light lunch will be served. Details call Rose Hays (02) 6266 8690 or email Rose.Hays@defence.gov.au

14 July: ACT NAIDOC Ball, at Burns Club, Kambah, featuring Riverbank. Cost \$40. Contact Christian Lugnan on (02) 6212 2292 or (0411) 735 217 for details.

Victoria

5 July: Flag-raising from 3pm at St Kilda Town Hall lawn. Changing of the Indigenous flags with Boomerwung Elder Carolyn Briggs and Mayor Janet Bolitho. For details call (03) 9695 4754 or visit www.portphillip.vic.gov.au

7 July: Songlines Music Concert at the Bunjilaka Melbourne Museum, 11 Nicholson Street, Carlton, from 1pm. Free. Featuring James Henry, Johnny Mac and more. For details and bookings call (03) 9471 2929.

7 July: Yinga Indigenous music and culture festival at Eltham Town Square. 10am-3pm. Performances by The Grenadines, Liz Cavanagh and Will Shake Spears dance group and more. For details contact Susie on (03) 9719 7170.

7-13 July: Beyond the Bars broadcast presented by 3CR 855AM. The program will include Indigenous music, writing and conversation live and pre-recorded from incarcerated people in Port Phillip Prison, Dame Phyllis Centre, Fulham Prison and Parkville Youth Residential Centre throughout NAIDOC Week. For details and to register interest in the CD of these broadcasts call 3CR on (03) 9419 8377 www.3cr.org.au

9 July: The Deadly Funny NAIDOC Show. This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stand-up comedy. Featuring Sean Choolburra,

Josie Atkinson, Allira Edwards, Greg Fryer and many more. Held at Fitzroy Town Hall from 7pm onwards, tickets \$5. Details call (03) 9417 7711 or visit www.deadlyfunny.com.au

11 July: NAIDOC Week seminar 'Discovering your past through records'. Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre, Bell Street, Preston, from 9.30am-2pm. For details contact (03) 9348 5600 or email simon.flagg@prov.vic.gov.au

11 July: NAIDOC Family Day, stalls, food, fun, displays. At the Eco Centre, corner of Blessington and Herbert streets, St Kilda, 11am-3pm.

12 July: Looking blak and having a ball. 6pm at the Bunjilaka Aboriginal Centre, Melbourne Museum. For details call (03) 8341 7368 or email bunjilakarsvp@museum.vic.gov.au

13 July: NAIDOC march from the Aboriginal Health Service to Federation Square where at 11am a program of speeches and entertainment will take place. The health service is located at 186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy, Melbourne.

South Australia

8 July: Points and Rovers Footy Match – Aboriginal Primary Health Care Unit (APHU-LMNC).

8 July: Church Service at Koonibba at 11am, following with a barbecue, family day of activities, flag-raising and guest speakers. For details call Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

9 July: Aboriginal flag-raising ceremony and Lord Mayor's morning tea and announcement of the SA NAIDOC Awards. Adelaide City Council, to be held at the auditorium, from 10am-noon. Call Warren Guppy on (08) 8203 7526 for details.

9 July: Crime Prevention Stall, SAPOL/NHW (North East LSA) - Aboriginal Community Centre. For details call Jodie on (08) 8638 4029.

9 July: Breakfast and flag-raising at SAPOL (South East LSA)/Burrundies Organisation, Cave Gardens, Mt Gambier at 8am. For details call Norm Elliot on (08) 8735 1047.

9 July: March and barbecue at the Gerard Community. Starts 10am. Aboriginal Sobriety Group, SAPOL (Riverland SLA). The march will be on Wilson Street and Vaughan Terrace Berri.

9 July: Bridge walk and morning tea, Bridge Street, Bridge and Murray Bridge Council. 10-11.30am. For details contact Constable Sam Manfield on (08) 8535 6013.

9 July: Flag-raising in front of the Ceduna Community Town Hall, at 10am. School students will be raising the Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian flags. 7.30pm fireworks will be held at the Ceduna foreshore. For details contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

9 July: South Australian Museum: Jewellery making with wooden beads from Kalgoolie. \$3 a child from 10am-noon and 1.30-4pm. Paint your own Creation story on a rock, boomerang, canvas or animal shape \$2-5 from 10am-noon or 1.3-4pm. Torres Strait dancing \$2 a child from 11am. All secessions will be held on Level 1, Indigenous Information Centre. For details contact the Indigenous Information Centre on (02) 8207 7410.

10 July: Seniors Day Out at 11am at the Far West Aboriginal Sporting

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Complex at Ceduna. Past NAIDOC photos and slideshow. Seniors Luncheon at noon, and at 6pm there will be a film night and NAIDOC Awards/Elders, a display from community - achievements, the movie 'Why Me' and '10 Canoes' will be shown. For details contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

10 July: Network Luncheon - SAPOL (Elizabeth LSA), Families SA and NMA. Location to be confirmed, from 11am-2pm. For details call Chris on (08) 8207 9931.

10 July: Flag-raising ceremony and barbecue from 11am at the Regency Green Aged Care Facility - Days Road, Regency Park.

10 and 17 July: South Australian Museum, special program. For details contact the Indigenous Information Centre on (02) 8207 7410.

11 July: Open Day barbecue and entertainment, Muna Paendi. For details contact (08) 8182 9206.

11 July: Faithful/Karpany Basketball Competition, SAPOL (Elizabeth LSA), Families SA and NMAC, to be held at Parafield Gardens Recreation Centre, Kings

Road, Parafield Gardens, from 9.30am-2pm. Contact Chris Bettes on (08) 8207 9931.

11 July: Parade and flag-raising, SAPOL (North East LSA)/Local Council, Port Pirie. For details contact Jodie Greg-Smith on (08) 8638 4029.

11 July: Family Sports Day at 11am at the Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex. For details contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

11 and 18 July: South Australian Museum special Indigenous program. For details contact the Indigenous Information Centre on (02) 8207 7410.

11 July: Courts Administration Authority (CAA) will host a film night for CAA staff members. The movie 'Kanyini' to be held at the Mercury Cinema. For details call Terrance Grose on (08) 8204 8437.

12 July: Psychology and Indigenous Australians: Indigenous Australians Teach, Practice and Theory, School of Psychology, David Unaipon College, Indigenous Education and Research, University of SA, Interest Group on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and Psychology, and Australian Psychological Society. To be held at City West Campus, University of SA. For details call Lisa Hodgson on (02) 8302 4275.

12 July: Aboriginal Home Care Country Music Show, Aboriginal Home Care for HACC clients and Aboriginal Elders, The Shores Function Complex, Corner Hamra Ave and Military Road, West Beach. 11am-3pm.

12 July: Morning tea with Aboriginal Elders at the Holden Hill Police Station at 9.30am. For details call (08) 8207 6131.

12 July: Reconciliation Morning Tea at the Port Pirie Police Station. For details call Jodie Greg on (08) 8638 4029.

12 July: Family Fun Day from 10am-2pm. For details call Kathy Rigney on (08) 8535 6214.

12 July: Children's Fancy Dress and Catwalk Parade at the Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex. Contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

12 and 19 July: South Australian Museum - Jewellery making, Island dancing and painting stories at various times. For details contact (08) 8207 7410.

13 July: Adelaide March 8-Ball Knockout Competition/Blue Light Disco, (Hills Murray LSA), Murray Bridge Darts Club, Old Princes Hwy, Murray Bridge Speedway. 7.30-9.30pm

13 July: NAIDOC Rally, March and Community Fair, Victoria Square, Tandanyanga to Elder Park. 11am-12pm.

13 July: NAIDOC march at Victoria Square. Arrive 10.30am for 11am start down King William Street to Elder Park. Family fun day at Elder Park from 12-3pm with food, entertainment and music. For details call (08) 8367 0783.

13 July: NAIDOC March. 11am from the Ceduna Jetty through the Main Street, back to the Jetty. At 12.30pm a barbecue lunch with Aboriginal foods, then at 6.30pm, teenage ball at Ceduna Community Town Hall, NAIDOC Awards and guest speakers. For details contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

13 July: South Australian Museum, Paint your own Creation, Torres Strait Island dancing. For details call (08) 8207 7410.

14 July: Cultural Awareness Workshop at the City West Campus, University of SA. For details call Lisa Hodgson on (08) 8302 4275.

14 July: NAIDOC Ball, Tropeana Club, Fulham Gardens, from 7.30pm-12am. For details call Janine Haynes on (08) 8367 0783.

14 July: Eight Ball Competition to start at 11am, Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex (individually or pairs). For details contact Ruby Saunders on (08) 8625 3210.

14 July: NAIDOC Ball, 6.30pm at the Ceduna Community Town Hall. NAIDOC Awards and Guest Speakers.

14 July: NAIDOC Ball, 7.30pm-midnight at the Tropeana Function Centre, 443 Tapleys Hill Road, Fulham Gardens. Award presentations and entertainment. Tickets \$20/30. For details call (08) 8367 0783 or email jhaynes@caesa.org

Northern Territory

Until 8 July: CAAMA will host a NAIDOC program. For details contact (08) 8951 9777.

8-15 July: The National NAIDOC Committee will mark the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC with the theme '50 years: Looking Forward, Looking Back'. The National NAIDOC poster competition and nominations for the

National NAIDOC Awards have opened. Details: Visit www.naidoc.org.au

8 July: NAIDOC church combined service in Darwin. Incorporating worship, praise, entertainment and activities for everyone. 3pm at the Water Gardens, Jingili. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

8 July: Palmerston family and community day, Palmerston. Kids such as face painting and entertainment. There will be a fashion show, community award ceremony and Welcome to Country. Barbecue, bush tucker, drinks and fresh fruit is free for everyone. 10am-4pm at the Marlow Lagoon, Palmerston. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

8 July: Seniors dinner dance in Darwin, Survivors of Cyclone Tracey, Evacuees of Darwin, Seniors of the Stolen Generation. From 6pm at the Darwin Italian Club. For details call (08) 8982 0809. (No children).

8 July: Darran Darra art exhibition, Darwin Fringe Festival Event, Darwin. Curated by Tibby Quall. An art exhibition and artifacts by Indigenous artist resident in Darwin. 7.30pm Indigenous Artist Collective, Unit 8/18 Caryote Court, Coconut Grove. For details call (08) 8941 2379.

9 July: Opening ceremony and flag-raising in Darwin to mark the beginning of NAIDOC. Free event. Starts 9.30am at the Bagot Community. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

9 July: Speakers Corner, Darwin. A range of renowned speakers delivering presentations on a number of topics, including Aboriginal past, present and future, 99-year leases, CDEP, Indigenous health issues. Free. From 10.30am-4pm at Darwin University - Casuarina Campus, Mai Nairn Auditorium (Bldg 35). For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

9 July: Youth workshops Palmerston for 12-20-year-olds. Try your hand at a range of activities such as art, basket weaving, dance, songwriting etc. Sandwiches, finger foods and drinks provided. 11am-3pm. For details call (0413) 510 865.

9 July: Flag-raising ceremony Palmerston. Lunch and drinks, traditional dancers and speakers open to everyone. Noon-2pm at the City of Palmerston Civic Centre Lawns. For details contact (08) 8932 4767.

9 July: Youth event. Telling your story through the arts, Darwin. Corrugated Iron performing artists, physical artists, circus and film artists will be based at The Shak during NAIDOC Week. Open to Aboriginal youth between 12-25 years. For details contact (08) 8948 3200.

9 July: Quiz night, Darwin. All welcome. Nibbles provided. Cash bar. 7pm, Darwin Turf Club, 'Ted's Bar'. Cost \$10 a head (tables of six). For details call (08) 8999 7269 or (08) 8992 0809.

10 July: Youth event cinema in Darwin. Selected movie options for young people aged 12-18. Free event. 10am at Birch Carroll and free ticket and drink. Limited to 50 people. Register your attendance by email to info@topendnaidoc.org

10 July: Youth workshops, Palmerston. 12-20 year olds. Try your hand at a range of activities such as art, basket weaving, dance, songwriting etc. Sandwiches, finger foods and drinks provided. 11am-3pm. Free event for details contact (0413) 510 865.

10 July: Aged Care luncheon in Palmerston. Lunch, bush tucker, tea and coffee. From 10.30am to 1.30pm

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Notice of an application to register a Body Corporate Agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland



Aurukun Bauxite Project (Feasibility Study) Agreement - Q12007/010

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 40,840 hectares is located approximately 35km south of Weipa and 15 km north-east of Aurukun, as shown in the locality map.

The Indigenous Land Use Agreement Area falls within the Aurukun Shire Council local government area.

The parties to the agreement and their contact addresses are:

State of Queensland, C/- Aurukun Project Director, Department of Infrastructure, Level 3, Executive Building, 100 George Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

Ngan Aak Kunch Aboriginal Corporation, C/- Ebworth and Ebworth Lawyers, Level 23, 123 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

Aluminum Corporation of China Limited, C/- McCullough Robertson Lawyers, Level 12, 66 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

Council of the Shire of Aurukun, C/- Ebworth and Ebworth Lawyers, Level 23, 123 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

Anthony Kerindun, Janine Chevalon and Alison Woolia, C/- Ebworth and Ebworth Lawyers, Level 23, 123 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

The agreement contains the following statements:

(Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal)

Clause 5.1 The Parties:

(a) consent to the doing of the Agreed Future Acts; and

(b) agree to the validation of any Agreed Future Acts done after the Execution Day but prior to the registration of this Agreement on the Register of the Indigenous Land Use Agreements.

Clause 5.4 Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to the doing of the Agreed Future Acts.

(Clause 1 of the agreement contains the following definitions)

'Agreed Future Acts' means the grant, within the MDL Area, of:

(a) the MDL to Chalco;

(b) any approvals necessary to allow for the drilling and extraction of water within the MDL Area in order to carry out the Feasibility Study; or

(c) any other approvals necessary for, and incidental to, the conduct of the Feasibility Study.

'MDL Area' means the area described and shown on the plan in Schedule 1 which, for the purposes of this Agreement, is the ILUA Area.

'NTA' means the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

Registration

The Registrar of the National Native Title Tribunal will proceed to register the agreement unless:

• a party to the agreement advises the Registrar, within one month after the Registrar gives notice of the agreement under s. 24BH, that the party does not wish the agreement to be registered on the Register; OR

• if none of the representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander bodies for any of the area covered by the agreement is a party to the agreement and any one of those representative bodies advises the Registrar, within one month after the Registrar gives notice of the agreement under s. 24BH, that the requirements of s. 24BD(4)(a) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) were not complied with in relation to the agreement and the Registrar is satisfied that the requirements of s. 24BD(4)(a) were not complied with.

The contact address for this notice is the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, CAIRNS QLD 4870

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources and Water, Queensland. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information contact

Louise Doyle on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

NAIDOC Week 2007 Calendar

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Terrace Gardens, Farrar. For details contact (08) 8932 4767.

10 July: Torres Strait Cultural night in Darwin. Traditional cooking / food, dance, music, entertainers and performers. Mer Peibre Dance and Culture Group and Blue Team Torres Strait Islander Traditional Dance Group. 6-10.30pm. Filipino Australian Association - Batten Rd. Marrara. Free. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org or call (08) 8927 3411.

11 July: Down on the farm, open day, Darwin. From 11am-1pm at the Berimah Farm. Call (0427) 014 138 for details.

11 July: Aged Care lunch in Darwin at the Juninga Centre from 11am. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

11-13 July: Youth workshops, Palmerston. 12-20 year olds. Basket weaving, dance, songwriting etc. Sandwiches, finger foods and drinks provided. 11am-3pm. Call (0413) 510 865.

11 July: Open Ambrose Golf Day - Darwin. 3pm. Northlakes Golf Club. Cost: Entry fee and club hire \$25 a person. For details email at info@topendnaidoc.org

11 July: Indigenous career forum, Darwin Better Practice Group. The Australian Public Service Commission. 2-5pm at the Sky City Casino, Grand International Room. Free event. For details call (0429) 835 209.

11 July: Film night, 10 Canoes - Darwin. 6pm at the Darwin Water Gardens, Jingili. Free event. BYO chairs and picnic baskets (no alcohol). For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

11 July: Jail House Rock, Darwin. Bringing together Indigenous entertainers and local musicians. A joint initiative of Top End NAIDOC Committee and Radio Larrakia Media and Arts. 6-9pm at the Darwin Prison. For details send an email to info@topendnaidoc.org

11 July: Youth disco at Palmerston. Barbecue and soft drinks, entertainment, prizes and giveaways. 7-10pm at the YMCA Palmerston. Free event.

12 July: Youth event, cinema, Darwin. 12-18-year-olds. Free ticket and drink at 10am at Birch Carol and Coyle, Casuarina. Limited to 50 people. Register your attendance by email to info@topendnaidoc.org

12 July: 'Women's business' Larrakia Aboriginal Women's Conference in Darwin. 10am-4pm at the Browns Mart Theatre, Darwin. Details at info@topendnaidoc.org or call (08) 8922 8235.

12 July: Ceremonial opening of the Northern Land Council Office Building in Darwin. 'Celebrating 30 Years of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act', 2pm. 45 Mitchell St, Darwin. For details call (08) 8920 5111.

12 July: Palmerston seniors lunch. Noon-2pm at the Hub, Palmerston. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

12 July: Outdoor cinema 'Australian Rules' - Palmerston. Free event. 6.30pm City of Palmerston - Civic Centre Lawns (next to the Council). For details call (0400) 292 174.

13 July: Aboriginal Hostels breakfast in Darwin. 8am at Bennett Park, Darwin. For details email info@topendnaidoc.org

Living Black returns for special NAIDOC episode



TOM CALMA

AS part of NAIDOC Week, SBS TV's Living Black program will return from a mid-year break to broadcast a special NAIDOC Week episode on Sunday 8 July at 6pm.

The program will reflect on the achievements of Aboriginal people - individually and as a community - and assemble a panel of Aboriginal commentators who will talk about the way of the future.

The panel will be:

• **Ricky Macourt**, a 17-year-old who regularly participates in charity work, public speaking events and educational forums and who says that young Aboriginal people need role models beyond the sporting arena.

• **Former journalist and ABC presenter and now the Member for Arnhem in the NT, Barbara McCarthy, MP.**

• **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Tom Calma.**

• **The director of the Indigenous Law Centre at the University of NSW, Megan Davis.**



BARBARA MCCARTHY

Aquaculture and Discovery Centre, Site 6, Murakami Road (off Port Drive). For details call (08) 9192 3844.

5 July: Yawuru Jarndu 'Celebrate the Old - Celebrate the New', from 2.30-5.30pm. Young women aged 16-25 to share in a relaxed informal afternoon. Participate in art, design or silk screening activities, share in traditional Indigenous food and enjoy listening to our elders sharing local Broome stories. Yawuru Jarndu Women's Resource Centre, Lot 2009 Clementson St (opposite Blackman St). For details call (08) 9193 6441.

6 July: Traditional Food Tasting Day, Broome. Modern Dreamtime Dancers. Free event from 11am-2pm at the Goolarri Media Enterprises, 7 Blackman St (Shed 3, at the back of Goolarri). For details call (08) 9192 3938 or 0407 923 937.

6 July: 'Soothing Nature of Art' Exhibition Opening: Djugun Tribal Creations and Milliia Rumurra. Free event from 6-9pm at the Djugun Tribal Creations, Unit 4, 30 Clementson St. For details call (08) 9192 1021

6 July: Bidyadanga Community Celebrations. Free event. All-day festival of market stalls, music, dance and various activities to celebrate NAIDOC and the Community's cultural heritage. 9am-4pm. Bidyadanga Community. For details call (08) 9192 4962.

7 July: Bidyadanga La Grange Aboriginal Community will hold a Battle of the Artist 2007. \$10 entry. For details call (08) 9192 1325.

7-15 July: Moorjitch Mar-Daa Art Award, Armadale Redevelopment Authority, St Francis Xavier Church. Open daily from 11am-4pm. For details contact (08) 9399 9277.

8 July: 11am-3pm NAIDOC Perth opening ceremony. Forrest Place, Perth city.

8 July: From 4pm, Indigenous Film Festival, Kulbari Aboriginal Centre, Murdoch University, Kim Beasley Lecture Theatre, Bush Court, Murdoch. For details contact (08) 9360 2128.

9 July: Subiaco Library Writers Night, 'Speaking from the Heart', City of Subiaco, Library Corner Bagot and Rokeby roads. Starting at 6pm. For details contact (08) 9237 9222.

9 July: 9-11am. Flag-raising and Noongar Art Exhibition at the Centre for Aboriginal Studies, John Curtin Gallery, Curtin University, Building 200, Kent Street, Bentley. For details contact (08) 9266 7091.

9 July: 10am. Flag-raising, City of Cockburn, 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood. Call (08) 9411 3487 for details.

9 July: Junior Football, Forster Park, Abernethy Road, Belmont. Starts in the morning. For details contact (0404) 462 083.

9 July: Creative Response Open Day: Djugun Tribal Creations. Free event from 9am-4pm at unit 4, 30 Clementson St. For details call (08) 9192 1021.

10 July: Opening of the Common Gate Exhibition and Film Opening: Lingiari Foundation and Goolarri Media, Broome. Free event. 6pm at the Notre Dame University, 88 Guy St. For details call (0419) 845 093.

10 July: SWALSC Open Day, South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council, 1490 Albany Hwy, Cannington. Contact: (08) 9358 7416.

10 July: 6.30pm. Indigenous Film Festival. Kurongkurl Katjin, Edith Cowan University, Bradley St, Mt Lawley, Building 17, Theatre 157. Contact: (08) 9370 6378.

10 July: Yorgum Open Day, 176 Wittenoom St, East Perth, 11am-3pm. For details contact (08) 9218 9477.

11 July: Kimberley Stolen Generation honours and respects families who were taken and placed in missions and institutions. Free event. From 3-4pm at the Kimberley Stolen Generation Old Orphanage, cnr of Barker St and Herbert St. For details call (08) 9193 6502.

11 July: 7.45-10am. NAIDOC Week breakfast. Department for Child Protection Health and

Community Café, 189 Royal Street, East Perth. Contact: (08) 9222 2889.

11 July: 8.30am-3.30pm. NAIDOC Netball Carnival, Langford Avenue, Langford. Contact: (08) 9525 0769.

11 July: Mirrabooka NAIDOC Family Day at Mirrabooka Shopping Centre. Contact: (08) 9349 7999.

11 July: Warminda. Community Programs Branch, 4 Welshpool Road, East Vic Park. Contact: (08) 9472 1155.

11 July: Sisters of St John of God historic film night. Free event from 6.30-9.30pm at the Goolarri Outdoor Venue, 7 Blackman St, Broome. Call (08) 9192 3950 for details.

12-13 July: Justice Just-Us n You, free event from 8.30am-12.30pm at the Broome Court House grounds, Hamersley Street, Broome. For details call (08) 9192 1137.

12 July: Whadjuk Radio 6EBA-FM 95.3 live Broadcast from Ashfield Reserve - NAIDOC Family Day. 1-2.30pm.

12 July: Family Day. Town of Bassendean, Derbarl Yerrigan and Healthway Ashfield Reserve. Guildford Road, Ashfield. Contact: (08) 9377 8060.

12 July: 10am-2pm Family Day City of Cockburn, Beelari Community Centre, Lake Front Avenue Beelari. Contact: (08) 9411 3487.

12 July: 7-11.30pm, Junior NAIDOC Ball, Willow Pond Reception Centre, Lot 55 Nicholson Road, Canning Vale. Contact: (08) 9451 1424.

12 July: Maali Models is hosting two Fashion Parades at Midland Gate Shopping Centre at 5pm and 7pm. For details call (0402) 637 274 or email ifrasergooda@icv.com.au

13 July: 2007 NAIDOC Ball. 6.30-midnight dinner and dance. Hyatt Regency Hotel, 99 Adelaide Terrace, Perth. Contact: (0409) 293 937 or (0421) 345 415.

14 July: NAIDOC closing ceremony, market day and evening. Free event from 1-6pm at the Kimberley Stolen Generation grounds, cnr of Barker St and Herbert St. For details call (08) 9218 9477.

14 July: Reclaiming Mogumber (a Stolen Generation site) from 10am-5pm. For details contact Marlene Jackamarra at Yorgum on (0428) 362 763 or (08) 9218 9477 or visit www.yorgum.com.au or www.coalitionofpeoples.org

16-18 July: Cultural Youth Leadership Camp: Ganduwa Sport and Recreation at Chile Creek, Broome. For details call (08) 9192 2333.

18 July: Sisters of St John of God finale concert, gold coin donation at the Goolarri Outdoor Venue, 7 Blackman St, Broome. For details call (08) 9192 3950.

Tasmania

10-16 July: Pungenna Community Cultural Care Inc. NAIDOC art and cultural projects and displays at Nubeena and Dunallan community houses. For details Phone Judith on 0439 908 394 or email pungenaaart@yahoo.com.au or visit www.pungenaaart.welpaint.com

Western Australia

4 July: Mamabulanjin Open Day - 'meet the people that support the community'. Free from 10-11am at the Mamabulanjin Aboriginal Corporation, 640 Dora Street. For details call (08) 9192 1662.

4 July: Barragana Beach Day. Free event from 3-8pm, at Minyir Park Base Camp, Minyir Park Base Camp, Gubinge Rd. For details call (08) 9193 6391 Michael McKenzie or (08) 9192 8111 David Broun.

5 July: Manbana Cultural Sharing, free event from 9.45-11.45am at the Manbana

Princess grave legend: Is it fact or fairytale?

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON



Opinion is divided in the Torres Strait about why the Japanese never bombed Thursday Island during World War II.

It is often a controversial subject that can result in heated discussion, with some venturing that it was because of the grave of a Japanese princess in the historical cemetery.

Respected Torres Strait historian and tour guide Vanessa SeeKee is open-minded on the matter and spoke to the Koori Mail.

"There is a story that explains why the Japanese never bombed Thursday Island during World War II. It is said that a Japanese princess was taken ill during a trip through the Torres Strait and was subsequently buried on Thursday Island in an unmarked grave to ensure nobody desecrated the grave, as the Pacific war was approaching," Mrs SeeKee said.

She said the story could not be proven. However, she said the World War II veterans of the area told a different story.

"World War II veterans claim Thursday Island was never



The Thursday Island tombstone for the Japanese princess and the memorial/shrine in honour the hundreds of Japanese who worked, lived and died in the Torres Strait between 1878 and 1941.

bombarded because it was not the primary military target, nearby Horn Island had the airstrip, refuelling facilities and aircraft," she said.

"Also, they add that TI was home to 770 pearl divers' graves, and possibly the Japanese didn't want to risk hitting them," she said.

The Koori Mail has spoken to many islanders about the debate and most are reluctant to put their names to comments for fear of being involved in controversy.

One ex-serviceman who was stationed on TI and Horn Island said he saw Japanese planes bomb Horn Island and strafe the waters off TI with machinegun fire.

During a trip to TI in 1996, I met up with island religious minister Dalton Bon who was certain no bombs were dropped because of the princess' grave.

A story that followed in the now defunct national magazine *Aussie Post* resulted in many letters to me with some for the

princess theory, and others maintaining TI was of no significance militarily.

While again visiting TI in early June, I walked through the cemetery and found the tombstone of the Japanese princess held a prominent place and was a genuine tourist attraction.

Many cashed-up Japanese tourists visit TI to see the grave and spend money, boosting the economy.

In 1979, the Monument Building Committee of Japan erected a memorial/shrine in the Thursday Island cemetery to honour the hundreds of Japanese who worked, lived and died in the Torres Strait between 1878 and 1941.

History

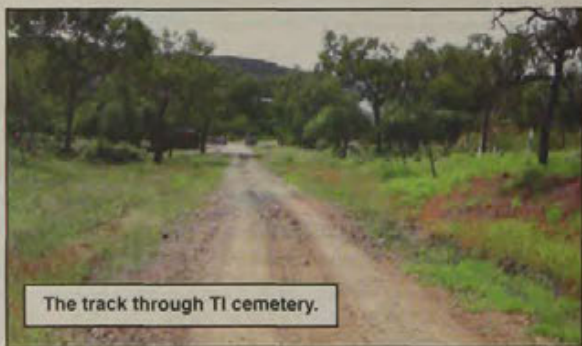
Whatever is the answer to this intriguing historical debate, the Thursday Island cemetery, which was established in 1887 and is still open for internments, is important in illustrating the rich diversity of culture and custom on Thursday Island and in the Torres Strait in general.

It contains the graves of hundreds of people from many nationalities, cultures and religious backgrounds, including Christianity, Buddhism, Shinto and Islam. The large Japanese

(Divers') cemetery within the reserve illustrates the role of the Japanese in the development of the pearl-shell industry in the Torres Strait, the dangerous nature of this work, and the close cultural and economic connections, which the people of the Torres Strait have had with the sea and maritime industries.



The Thursday Island cemetery.



The track through TI cemetery.

Police accused of being heavy-handed



The Goldfields Land and Sea Council (GLSC) says the West Australian Government must bring 'errant pastoralists and police officers into line' with regard to Aboriginal rights to pursue traditional activities on pastoral leases.

GLSC Executive Director Brian Wyatt says the council will complain to Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan and Police Commissioner Karl O'Callaghan about a recent incident where police were unnecessarily heavy-handed with a group of

Leonora traditional landowners.

He said the group, including a well-known Elder of the Koara people, had been hunting in an unfenced area of Sturt Meadows Station, adjacent to a gazetted public road. The property is about 50km north-west of mining and pastoral hub Leonora, via Kalgoorlie.

Under the Land Administration Act, traditional landowners are permitted hunting and other cultural pursuits on certain pastoral leases that have embraced their lands.

"Despite the Act giving the people hunting rights, and despite their activities on the day being peaceful and in no way

threatening to station livestock or property, station staff appear to have alerted police at Leonora, two car loads of whom then set out to intercept the group at a roadblock," Mr Wyatt said in a statement last week.

"The police reaction was way over the top and indicates they need to be familiarised with the Land Administration Act and gain cultural sensitivity. Of particular concern is the report of immature behaviour by the police, which included a provocative eye-balling of the Koara Elder by one police officer.

"We call on the Police Commissioner to intervene on all these matters."

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Mr Wyatt said Sturt Meadows Station had a track record of refusing to observe traditional people's rights.

"It has been the subject of several previous complaints to the State Government," he said.

"It is time for Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan to demand that station owners comply with their legal obligations or face forfeiture of the lease.

"Most station owners comply

with the Act and are respectful of Aboriginal people's need to have access for hunting and care of culturally important sites. It is unacceptable for Sturt Meadows or anyone else to refuse to acknowledge other people's legal rights. Such behaviour brings the pastoral industry into disrepute.

"Sturt Meadows' belligerence is contrary to the spirit of the Pastoral Access Protocol of 2004, to which the State Government, GLSC and Pastoralists and Graziers Association were all signatories."

Calls from the Koori Mail to Minister MacTiernan, the Police Commissioner O'Callaghan and Sturt Meadows station went unanswered.

Our young heroes



Often in community life, it is assumed that a sense of responsibility and compassion towards others only develop with age.

But this assumption can overlook the efforts of people who make a difference at a young age by sharing their stories and listening to and supporting others.

Last week in Lismore, in northern New South Wales, the announcement of the 2007 Kids in Community (KiC) Awards ensured that the efforts of the young people and their supporters on the Northern Rivers during the past year did not go unnoticed.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were well represented amongst the nominations. Young Casino woman Melissa Torrens won the Indigenous Youth Support Category (19-25 Years Division) for her volunteer work in activities for younger kids on the local housing estate.

The KiC Awards were established in 2000 to provide some balance in community perceptions of young people, often influenced by reports of drug and alcohol abuse, homelessness, vandalism and violence against young people.

They focus attention on the supportive action of young people in combatting many of the issues confronting themselves and their peers, as well as for the elderly, the disabled and the lonely.

Welcomed

Local Aboriginal Elder Greg Harrington kicked off the awards ceremony at the Lismore Workers Club by welcoming the crowd of about 500 people to Bundjalung country.

Special guest speaker was actor and comedian Anh Do, an inspired choice given his and his family's story of struggle and triumph.

When he was just two years old, Anh's family fled Vietnam by boat. After spending time in a Malaysian refugee camp, they were accepted as refugees to Australia.

Over the years, Anh's family weathered and overcame language and cultural barriers, divorce and serious illness.

Former law student Anh is now one of the country's best-known funny men, and his younger brother Khoa is a film-maker and former Young Australian of the Year.

Indigenous people recognised for their efforts in the community under the 2007 KiC Awards were:

- Young Byron Bay musician Djaan Cockatoo, nominated in the Peer Support Category (13-18 years) for supporting and inspiring other young musicians at the Byron Youth Service Riff Music Program.

- Evans River K-12 School student Kim Ballard, Casino Mini Rail volunteer Tyrone Close, and the Ngagu Jabu Dance Group of Ballina High School, all nominated in the Indigenous Youth Support Category (13-18 years). This category was won by the Trinity Catholic College Immersion Youth Group, which focuses on reconciliation and earlier this year visited the Santa Teresa Aboriginal community in the Northern Territory.

- Levi Caldwell, from the Richmond

Valley Council, Natasha Moran from St John's College (Woodlawn), Melissa Torrens, and Casino boxer and boxing coach Jonathon Walker, all nominated in the Indigenous Youth Support Category (19-25 years).

- Zac Paden in the Against All Odds Category (13-18 years).

- Kadina High School student and Torres Strait Islander Kiwat Kennell, nominated in the Role Model Category (13-25 years) for his contribution to the school and support for fellow students.

- Trainee teacher Eli Pietens of Richmond River High School, and young Alicia Roberts, both nominated in the Mentor Category.

- The Junbung Aboriginal Elders Corporation - Youth Advisory Committee, nominated in the Community Group Supporting Youth or Youth Programs Division. The group is made up of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people volunteering to support local youth to stay out of trouble and create healthy statistics.

The Koori Mail is a proud supporter of the awards.

- Nominations for the 2008 KiC Awards will open later this year. For information, go to www.kic.com.au.



Some of the Indigenous nominees in the 2007 KiC Awards. Back row, from left, Alicia Roberts, Eli Pietens, Rodney Cameron, Scott Anderson, Nikka Roberts, Jayden Coldwell-Jackey, Jameal Williams, Natasha Moran and Tracey Duval; middle row, from left, Dailen Caldwell, Rita Torrens, Robert Caldwell, Beverly Collins; front row, from left, David Esler, Russell Dickson, Anh Do (special guest speaker at the awards), Brett Williams and Jarred Roberts.



● ABOVE: Kiwat Kennell with special guest speaker Anh Do.

● LEFT: Young Casino woman Melissa Torrens, who won the Youth Support Category.

Col gets a 'gong'



Aboriginal musician Col Hardy, co-founders of an innovative desert program

addressing substance abuse amongst Indigenous youth, and a senior health worker with three decades of experience have been named in the Queen's Birthday 2007 Honours List last month.

The awards, approved by the Governor-General, Major-General Michael Jeffery, were announced in Canberra on 11 June.

Included in the awards were 524 recipients receiving awards in the Order of Australia in recognition of a diverse range of contributions and service to fellow citizens in Australia and internationally.

The honours celebrate the outstanding contributions and achievements of a diversity of Australians, and represent the highest level of recognition that can be accorded by the nation for attainment of outstanding achievement and service. They seek to recognise community values and celebrate what is important and unifying in national life.

"These awards are public recognition of people who provide outstanding community service and whose achievements enhance national identity," said Chairman of the Council of the Order, the Sir James Gobbo.

"(They) recognise particularly the quiet achievers, who serve the community, but do not seek accolades for themselves."

Aboriginal magistrate and Chairperson of the National



Col Hardy, recipient of the Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia in the General Division. In the Queen's Birthday honours list.

Indigenous Council (NIC) Dr Sue Gordon is also a member of Council for the Order of Australia.

A senior Aboriginal health worker from Maningrida, in Arnhem Land, Charlie Gunabarra, was named a Member (AM) in the General Division in the Order of Australia for 'service to the Indigenous population of north central Arnhem Land through the development and provision of culturally sensitive health services, particularly for men's health'.

Mr Gunabarra manages the men's health clinic at the Maningrida Community Health Centre, providing preventative and acute health care, and assists in the response to emergencies when required. He speaks five languages and works as an interpreter and liaison for Indigenous clients as needed.

Mr Gunabarra is also a

member of the Malabam Health Board and the Maningrida Community Council.

Warlpiri Elders and co-founders of the Mount Theo Substance Misuse Program, near Yuendumu, in central Australia, Peggy Nampijimpa Brown and Johnny Japangardi Miller were awarded Medals (OAM) of the Order of Australia in the General Division.

Ms Brown and Mr Miller were recognised for their mostly voluntary 'service to the community of Yuendumu and the surrounding region of the Northern Territory through programs addressing substance abuse among Indigenous youth'.

The Mount Theo Program is a remote residential rehabilitation program for young Warlpiri petrol sniffers, initially from Yuendumu and now from the surrounding region and Alice Springs.

Rehabilitation is based on

physical removal from the source of the petrol, Indigenous cultural education and general care and support.

This work is combined with support and prevention programs for youth in their own communities when they return from Mount Theo, which is 160km from Yuendumu, in the Tanami Desert.

Ms Brown is also a founding member of the Yuendumu Night Patrol, established in the late 1980s to fight alcohol running and abuse. Mr Miller has been the Mount Theo Program's outstation manager since 1994.

Musician and Kamileroi man Col Hardy, from New South Wales, was also a Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia in the General Division.

Mr Hardy was honoured for 'service to the country music industry as a singer and recording artist, and to the community through the delivery of outreach zoological education programs in regional areas'.

A country music performer for more than 30 years, he has recorded three albums and two EPs.

Since 1998, he has worked as an education officer at the Taronga Zoo Education Centre in Sydney.

His other career accolades include Aboriginal Artist of the Year for NSW, NAIDOC Week (1990) and Golden Guitar, Australasian Country Music Awards (1973).

A range of non-Indigenous people with strong ties to the Indigenous community were also honoured in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours.

They included an OAM for Andrew Stojanovskim, from Moruyam NSW, recognised for his support for the Mount Theo Substance Misuse Program which he helped to co-found; Maureen Riches, from Ballarat, Victoria, received an OAM for service to the Indigenous community as an advocate for reconciliation and native title and through the fostering of multiculturalism in the community of Ballarat.

The Australian honours system was established 32 years ago in 1975. The honours are awarded twice a year - on Australia Day (26 January) and the Queen's Birthday.

● Nomination forms for the Order of Australia are available by writing to Government House in Canberra or by calling 1800 552 275 or on the Government's website www.itsanhonour.gov.au

Remains returned to Botany Bay



The remains of almost 30 Aboriginal people have been returned to their ancestral lands on Botany Bay's southern shores,

after being held in Australian museum collections for up to a century.

The 27 Dharawal people are believed to have lived in the peninsula between Botany Bay and Port Hacking, some prior to the arrival of Europeans and some more recently. Their remains were found in areas including Bundeena, Cronulla, Gympie Bay and Kurnell, and have been held for up to 102 years at the Macleay and Shellshear museums of the University of Sydney, Museum Victoria in Melbourne and the Australian Museum in Sydney.

Dave Ingre, Cultural Heritage Officer with the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC), said the repatriation on 16 June concluded a 20-year campaign which had seen the remains of close to 100 people returned to their homelands across southern Sydney.

"They've been returned to five designated resting places in national parks and reserves on the north and south shores of Botany Bay and the south shores of Port Hacking," said Mr Ingre, who is also a member of the Dharawal Elders Group.

"These confidential places were established both for ancestral remains repatriated from Australian museums, and also for those that may be returned from overseas

museums in the future.

"As far as we know, these are the last of the people from the La Perouse LALC lands still held in Australian collections.

"The law of the day said people came from the land, and were buried to become the land again.

"They shouldn't have been dug up. But nowadays people seem interested in giving the remains back rather than keeping them, so public attitudes appear to be changing."

Across NSW the remains of about 400 people have now been returned under the NSW Repatriation Program. The program is co-ordinated by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) in partnership with Aboriginal land councils, the Australian Museum and other museums.

"This work is about redressing the legacy of an era when science took precedence over human rights," said Jason Ardler, Executive Director of DECC's Culture and Heritage Division.

"Our aim is to protect the deceased people so that they won't be dug up again.

"We often don't know how old the remains are, because dating itself is an invasive process and the community's view is that they have been disturbed more than enough already.

"The remains can't always be interred where they were unearthed, because that information often isn't available. In such cases the people are buried where they're thought to have come from."



Australian Government
Indigenous Business Australia

Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is a Commonwealth Statutory Authority established to engage in commercial activities in a profit orientated, private sector environment while promoting and encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander self-management and economic self-sufficiency. We are a dynamic and rapidly expanding organisation, with staff who are strongly committed to our goals.

Project Officer

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The Project Officer within the Corporate Development team has responsibility for a range of administrative support functions particularly in relation to parliamentary and ministerial liaison functions, project related activity and ongoing development and maintenance of resources to assist IBA managers and staff. As part of the team, this role will involve other project work relating to corporate governance.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

The selection criteria for these positions are available on the IBA website at www.iba.gov.au. Further information about the positions please contact Zoe Craven on (02) 6121 2708 or zoe.craven@iba.gov.au

Applications close on 22 July 2007

www.iba.gov.au

Stallholder spreads the word

Story and photo by ALF WILSON



Sydney-based Torres Strait Islander Norm Barsah (pictured) enjoys travelling around NSW selling craft and natural products at various markets.

The 37-year-old Murray Islander was at the popular Channon craft markets 25km, from Lismore, when the Koori Mail caught up with him.

Mr Barsah says his dad Eddie is a proud Murray Islander and his mum Ellen Coleman was born at Cloncurry and is also of Torres Strait/Aboriginal descent.

"Mum is descended from St Pauls and her dad Charlie was a Kalkadoon stockman who was well known," said Mr Barsah.

"I sell jewellery and natural

products and I believe we all need to be happy with earth culture."

Mr Barsah said he was delighted to be able spread Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal culture to the many tourists.

"We are the first people of Australia and I want to spread that message," he said.

Hundreds of stallholders were at The Channon markets held on a sportsground near the small hamlet, and the carpark was packed with locals and tourists from around the world.

Mr Barsah said he hoped to make a trip back to the Torres Strait soon where the lifestyle was a far cry from the hustle and bustle of the big smoke of Sydney.

He said it was surprising the big number of Torres Strait Islanders he saw in NSW.



Wanted: Material for Indigenous TV

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Australia's first national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander television service, National Indigenous Television

(NITV), is calling for content as it prepares to begin broadcasting.

The service will broadcast in the bush first – on Imparja Television's second channel on 13 July – and around the country later this year on Pay TV.

NITV's priority is to broadcast a range of programs made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities from all over Australia.

Krystal Perkins from NITV told the Koori Mail that the service was canvassing a wide range of programming.

"When we first launch, we will schedule predominantly existing programming which we have purchased. The development of new programming takes time and we will broadcast this programming in due course," she said.

"By doing so, NITV aims to grow and stimulate Indigenous program-makers and media practitioners."

NITV is looking for range of material, including drama (features, long form, series and shorts), comedy, documentaries, natural history, educational programming including both adults and children, entertainment, cultural programming, language preservation, music including bush, traditional, country and western, contemporary, hip-hop and world; special events, and general programs, including sport, lifestyle, travel, health and nutrition.

"NITV has received various elements of support and ideas for stories," Ms Perkins said.

"A floodgate has opened up for

people to pitch stories and ideas from all over Australia, and have their voices heard. Ideas for content are ranging from educational programming, health, documentaries, sport, children's programs to gardening.

"Our priority is to showcase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs for and about communities and cultures all over Australia."

"We aim to grow and stimulate the Indigenous program-makers and media practitioners as a part of this."

Various individuals and production organisations are coming forward to pitch in their stories and ideas, testament to the need for a service to canvas the many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stories out there.

The NITV charter requires locally-produced content from grass roots media practitioners nationally, across the full range of programming genres.

Ms Perkins told the Koori Mail that all of NITV's programming, including news and current affairs, would be externally commissioned or acquired, reflecting an inclusive model that supported the existing and developing Australian Indigenous media industry.

Ms Perkins gave the Koori Mail a 'heads up' of some programs specifically produced for NITV, including a half-hour documentary about the history of Indigenous media, and acknowledging and celebrating the work and Indigenous broadcasting achievements produced by CAAMA, Melissa Johnston and directed by Adrian Wills, as well as "Yaamz TV" a collection of magazine-style stories produced by Warrick Moss and hosted by Anaiwan descendant Paul Sinclair, Aboriginal education officer at Taronga Zoo.

NITV is governed by a board comprising representatives of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait media and language associations from urban, remote and rural communities Australia-wide, including the Indigenous Remote Communications Association (IRCA), Indigenous Community

Television (ICTV), Indigenous Screen Australia (ISA), the Australian Indigenous Communications Association (AICA), Imparja Television, and the Federation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages.

● Send an email or letter outlining your content ideas including genre and duration with contact details to: Acquisitions@nitv.org.au or by mail to NITV Acquisitions, PO Box 1166, Crows Nest NSW 2064.

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A photographic exhibition of Sydney's Aboriginal Defence personnel will be showcased in a small exhibition and walking tour led by experts with discuss significant sites relating to Aboriginal culture and history in some of the most pristine bush in urban Sydney. Exhibition on display until 29 July 2007.

When: Sunday 15 July 2007, 1 - 4pm

Concert: 1.30pm, Freshwater

Tours: 12noon and 3pm.

Where: North Head Sanctuary, Former School of Artillery, off North Head Scenic Drive, Manly

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Australian Government
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust



Pat Dodson stays on as head of Kimberley development body



Former Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation Chairman Pat Dodson (pictured) has been re-appointed chairman of the of the Kimberley Development Commission. Kimberley Minister Jon Ford has announced Mr Dodson's re-appointment to the commission's board along with three others. Veronica Wevers will continue as deputy chairperson, and Alan Tietzel

and Tom Vinnicombe will continue as members.

All re-appointments are for three years.

Mr Ford said the reappointments brought a range of experience and qualities to the commission that would continue its pro-active approach to regional development.

"The reappointments will provide continuity to the commission's board at an important stage in the region's development," he said.

NT Govt granted leave to appeal



The Northern Territory Government is to appeal to the High Court to overturn a decision giving Aborigines

exclusive access to 80 per cent of the region's coastline.

In a landmark ruling last May, the Full Bench of the Federal Court granted Aboriginal people from Blue Mud Bay access to the tidal waters abutting their land.

The order, which prompted an immediate outcry from the Government and fishing industry, affects up to 80 per cent of the Territory coastline, with Aborigines able to decide who enters the waters off Indigenous land.

It also immediately

superseded the NT Fisheries Act, which regulates such things as fish sizes and catch limits, leaving the waters effectively lawless.

But on 21 June, the High Court granted the Northern Territory Government special leave to appeal the decision.

"This provides an opportunity for the Territory to seek clarity on the application of territory laws, such as the Fisheries Act," said NT Attorney-General Syd Stirling.

"It was always the case that this matter would end up in the High Court, due to the complexity of the case.

"Only the High Court will provide the certainty and clarity needed to move forward."

An interim licensing

agreement was struck between the NT Government and Top End traditional owners four days ahead of the Easter weekend, allowing recreational fishers permit-free angling.

"The interim licence arrangements will remain in place until the High Court hands down its decision in the appeal," Mr Stirling said.

The High Court is expected to hear the appeal later this year with a decision anticipated in the first half of next year.

"In the meantime, this free permit will ensure access to affected waters in the territory," Mr Stirling said.

The affected parties are also working on a new permit system to replace previous fishing legislation. -AAP



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COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS PROGRAM CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The ACT Government has established the Community Support and Infrastructure Grants Program to continue its commitment to supporting the development of community capacity in the ACT.

The Community Support and Infrastructure Grants Program will fund one-off community based support projects, fixed and non-fixed infrastructure for community facilities and organisations.

Applications are sought from community groups and non profit organisations, for funding through three different categories in the Program:

- Community Support and Capacity (up to \$50,000 per project)
- Non Fixed Infrastructure and Equipment (up to \$100,000 per project)
- Capital Work and Fixed Infrastructure (up to \$150,000 per project)

Application packs are available from the ACT Government's Grants Portal at: <http://www.grants.act.gov.au>.

To obtain further information please call 6205 0258 or email communitypolicy@act.gov.au

Applications close on Friday 31 August 2007.



Macksville to Urunga and Warrell Creek Pacific Highway upgrades

The Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW (RTA) proposes to upgrade the Pacific Highway at Warrell Creek and from Macksville to Urunga.

Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people with cultural attachments to the Macksville to Urunga and Warrell Creek project areas are invited to register their interest in the projects. Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by **16 August 2007**. All registrations received will be accepted.

To register your interest, please contact:
Chris Clark, RTA project manager
RTA Pacific Highway Office
PO Box 546
Grafton NSW 2460
Phone: 1800 653 092 (toll free)
Fax: (02) 6640 1001.

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Cheers to Chrissy!

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON on assignment
in the Torres Strait



It is unusual for somebody in the hospitality industry anywhere to last a decade in the one job – and even less common in the Torres Strait.

But 28-year-old Chrissy Sebasio says she has lasted behind the bar at the Badu Hotel for the past ten years because she loves her work.

"It can get busy here and I get to socialise and meet visitors. The locals are great too, I know all of the Badu Islanders who come in," she said.

Chrissy went to St Francis Primary School in Cairns and attended high school there at St Monica's Catholic College.

The Badu Island Hotel is run by the idyllic island's local community council and has covered outside areas and an art room, which Chrissy enjoys showing to new customers.

Chrissy took the Koori Mail for a tour of the art room, which features paintings by Dennis Nona and other artists and is popular with visitors.

The most hectic nights for Chrissy are Thursday and Friday when she said hundreds gathered for an enjoyable time.

"We have karaoke and the locals get right into it and have fun," she said.

The most regular patron is a local named Demo, who was glowing in his praise for Chrissy.

"It is a pleasure to come here. Chrissy is so friendly," she said.

Another customer Dial Baira said Chrissy was a hard worker.

"And she is always good to have a talk to," Dial said.

And Chrissy's boss, publican Steven Starkey, who has been at the pub for about a year, agreed.

"Chrissy is a good reliable worker who has been here for a long time. She's the perfect employee," he said.



● LEFT: Chrissy Sebasio in the Badu Island Hotel art room.

● ABOVE: Chrissy Sebasio serves up Coke to happy patrons.

● BELOW: Locals enjoy a game of pool at the Badu Island Hotel.



NT community wins challenge to administrator



The tiny Northern Territory community of Mutitjulu has won its court challenge to the appointment of a Perth-based administrator by the Federal Government.

The 15 June ruling means the community's former governing committee will soon resume its role, once the orders of the three Federal Court judges are settled.

The judges concluded that the Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations acted unreasonably in giving the remote community, which lies in the shadow of Uluru, only one day's notice before the appointment last July.

Mario Guiseppe, resident and member of the former governing committee, had challenged a ruling last December by Justice Dennis Cowdroy that the appointment was valid.

In allowing the appeal, Justices Roger

Gyles, Richard Edmonds and Robert Buchanan said the judge underestimated the difficulties faced by the remote committee in responding to the notice – which referred to a loss of confidence in it.

"There was no evidence of any particular threatened unlawful or imprudent transaction on the part of the (Mutitjulu) Corporation that needed to be urgently prevented," the judges said.

"Even if there were, the registrar had adequate powers to step in without the appointment of an administrator."

The registrar had given the day's notice, after the Federal Government said the community's funding would cease unless an administrator was appointed.

The community's lawyer, George Newhouse, later said the decision had restored justice to the Mutitjulu people.

"I am very concerned that hundreds of thousands of dollars have been squandered on what's turned out to be a

pointless exercise," Mr Newhouse said.

"Since an administrator was appointed, things seem to have worsened."

Mr Newhouse said that since the appointment, the community had been unable to fund a doctor, the elderly and invalid were unable to have their wood chopped for them, and important youth and substance abuse programs remained unfunded.

But the Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations, Laura Beacroft, said while the administrator was in place, progress had been made.

In a statement, she said that included the completion of a child care centre and the development of a plan to upgrade the respite care centre.

"Subject to any appeal that might be lodged, the Office of the Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations (ORAC) and the administrator's priority is to make sure there is an orderly handover of the

corporation back to the governing committee," she said.

"I would like to reassure the Mutitjulu community that ORAC will still provide its usual range of support services as required."

Mr Newhouse said too much money had been spent on administration and bureaucracy while services 'go begging'.

"I would urge the Federal Government to now do what the community has been asking for all along, and that is to sit down and draw up a plan to solve the problems in a spirit of co-operation," he said.

The 250-person settlement, in the shadow of Uluru, was thrust into the national spotlight last year when the ABC's Lateline program aired allegations of extensive child sexual abuse within the community. It is also amongst the first NT communities subjected to Federal Government interventions in response to the NT child sex abuse inquiry. – AAP

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More information: Yalari Office 07 5570 3162.

Applications close for 2008 enrolment: Friday August 31 2007.

Wolgan Valley Indigenous Land Use Area Agreement Meeting

Date: Friday, 27 July 2007

Time: 10.15am (morning tea) meeting start at 10.30am meeting finish at 1.00pm

Registration: DLA Phillips Fox
Phone: (02) 9266 8215, Fax: (02) 9283 4144
Email: sarah.connolly@dlaphillipsfox.com

A meeting is being convened to discuss an Indigenous land use area agreement with the Aboriginal people who assert native title rights and interests over areas of land located in the Wolgan Valley in and around the Gardens of Stone National Park and the Wollemi National Park.

The AGENDA for the meeting is:

1. Overview of the project by the Proponent
2. Review of native title law and processes
3. Overview of Indigenous Land Use Area Agreement
4. Agreement as to the next steps to take.

Please contact Sarah Connolly at DLA Phillips Fox by Monday, 16 July 2007, to confirm your attendance and to obtain venue details.

Registration of Aboriginal Stakeholders

Aboriginal Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Assessment St. Thomas Road, Mulgoa, NSW

Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd is seeking to identify Aboriginal stakeholders to be consulted for an Aboriginal heritage project on a parcel of land located between St. Thomas Road and Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa, NSW. The consultation process will be conducted in accordance with the Department of Environment and Climate Change (NSW) Interim Community Consultation Requirements for Applications (National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974: Part 6 Approvals) which became effective 1st January 2005.

Parties are invited to register their interest with Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd in writing to:

Gretta Logus
Archaeologist
Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd
Shop 1 92 Percival Road Stanmore NSW 2048
Fax: 02 9566 6702, Tel: 02 9566 6701

The closing date for registration is 17th July 2007.

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NSW DEPARTMENT OF
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Family Violence and Alcohol Abuse Programs for Aboriginal Offenders

Proposals are sought to develop three cognitive behavioural programs (approximately 18 to 20 sessions each) for Aboriginal male and female community-based offenders supervised by the Probation and Parole Service in the Newtown area and facilitator training packages for each program.

Proposals are invited from individuals and organisations who have experience in the development of highly creative cognitive behavioural programs and who are able to work closely with Departmental Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal staff.

Further information and proposal packages are available from Susan Wojciechowski at dcs.nsw.gov.au Telephone: (02) 8346 1086.

Applications close on 3pm, Tuesday, 7 August 2007.

Group gives the good oil



The Western Catchment Aboriginal Reference Advisory Group of New South Wales met in

Tibooburra last week, providing critical feedback on Western Catchment Management Authority (CMA) projects and progressing a number of initiatives.

Western CMA Aboriginal community support officer Blackie Gordon said the reference group's advice was invaluable to the Western CMA Board.

"At the Tibooburra meeting the group provided critical feedback into two projects being undertaken by the Western CMA," Mr Gordon said.

"They gave their views on a project to prioritise wetlands within the Western Catchment. Wetlands are important to Aboriginal people from both an historic and present-day point of view and their knowledge is very valuable.

"They also provided input about identifying areas of cultural significance as part of the environmentally significant areas project.

"The members of the group are highly regarded within their own communities and have a great depth of traditional knowledge, which is used in the planning process to



The Western Catchment Aboriginal Reference Advisory Group at Tibooburra last week. Back, from left, Peter Norman (DECC), Norman Hall, Cecil See, Ben Flick, Roger Hartnett, Bill Riley, Guy Gibbs and Ken Harrison (WCMA); front, from left, Barry Edwards (WCMA), Dot Stephens (WCMA), Max Williams, Alma Bates-Hannah, Bonnie Blair and Blackie Gordon (WCMA).

ensure a better use of on-ground funds.

"Their advice ensures that decisions affecting the sustainability of the environment are compatible with Aboriginal culture and values."

The reference group also discussed a number of initiatives to involve the Aboriginal community of the Western Catchment in improving natural resources.

"They are investigating developing some educational tools and activities for school students and considering funding opportunities to protect cultural heritage sites," said Mr Gordon.

The reference group holds its quarterly meetings in various locations around the catchment to enable members to become familiar with issues and areas.

2 years to adjust

Corporations have to abide by new ORAC laws



New laws to improve and streamline the operations of Australia's 2500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations registered with ORAC have begun coming into effect.

The new Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006, called the CATSI Act, amends out-of-date legislation.

Although the new laws started on 1 July, there will be a two-year transitional period to give corporations enough time to make the necessary changes.

More than half of these Aboriginal corporations are in remote locations.

All organisations incorporated under the old Aboriginal Councils and Associations Act 1976 (ACA Act) automatically became corporations under the new CATSI Act. Their existing legal status, office bearers and assets and liabilities will be preserved while they make the required changes under the new legislation.

For the 2006-07 financial year, corporations will still report under the old ACA Act and they have until the 2008-09 year to report under the new system.

Registrar Laura Beacroft said that under the new CATSI Act, laws governing Indigenous corporations had been modernised while still retaining special measures to meet the specific needs of Indigenous people.

"In 2001, we began talking to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities about how the old legislation could be changed to meet the challenges facing their organisations," Ms Beacroft said.

"Many of the suggestions made during the review have been incorporated into the new legislation. Our aim was to give

Indigenous corporations more flexibility and the capacity to respond to their often very different circumstances.

"For example, when the new laws are fully operational, most small corporations won't have as much red tape to deal with and their reporting requirements will be reduced. They will only have to provide a minimum 'general' report and no audited financial statements.

"Large corporations, on the other hand, will still need to do this."

Other areas that have been changed relate to registration, meetings, the responsibilities of corporate directors, civil penalties and other issues of internal governance and regulation and enforcement.

Ms Beacroft said the new laws also reflected the views of many Indigenous people who were keen to make sure that directors and senior employees of corporations were held accountable for their actions and decisions.

"The Act clearly sets out directors' duties and the duties of employees of the corporation," she said.

"This includes a duty to act in good faith and not to use information improperly."

"It also stops corporations from giving money to their directors unless it has been approved by the members. New civil penalties for serious breaches of the Act will be introduced.

"And, as well as the existing register which lists all corporations, a register will be established recording the names of people who have been disqualified from managing a corporation.

"All this information will be available to the community to inspect."

Ms Beacroft said eligibility requirements for membership of a

corporation had also been changed to encourage greater participation.

"For example, a corporation can choose to have some non-Indigenous members and directors, for example experts in a specialised field. There's also scope for other corporations to become corporate members," she said.

"The rights of members have also been strengthened and there will be more options for them if they believe a corporation has acted improperly. For example, a member can seek a court order to stop a corporation going ahead with what they believe is an oppressive act."

An 'oppressive act' can take many forms, but an example could involve a director diverting business from the corporation to another corporation in which they exclusively have an interest, or the managing director and chairman favouring their own financial interests over those of the corporation and its members.

Ms Beacroft said the new legislation clearly outlined the role and responsibilities of the Registrar.

"The Registrar must administer the Act in a way that contributes to the effectiveness and efficiency of corporations, at the same time taking into consideration the traditions and circumstances of Indigenous people," she said.

"The Registrar and ORAC staff are keen to help corporations make the necessary changes and benefit from the new laws. All the information corporations need is available from ORAC by either calling 1800 622 431 or on the website www.orac.gov.au"

The new Act will be launched in Darwin tomorrow by the Minister for Community Services, Senator Nigel Scullion, and Aboriginal celebrity and radio personality Mary G.

● Note: From 1 July 2007 ORAC's name changed to the Office of the Registrar of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations or ORATSIC

Cold facts on health

By ALISON MUDIE



A cold night didn't deter a large crowd who gathered at the Sydney University to listen to a major presentation of

Indigenous health issues. Attending the 'Health Equality in 25 years?' forum were nursing, medical and allied health students, as well as other people.

Prominent Aboriginal academics, health professionals, public figures and Elders presented examples of the challenges faced by Indigenous people and their impact on health and social welfare.

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) Chief Executive Officer Dea Delaney Thiele discussed key issues.

"Taking control and responsibility for their own health care is the only way Indigenous communities can achieve health equity," she said.

She said Aboriginal controlled multi-disciplinary health care was the key to understanding diverse social, emotional, cultural and spiritual needs of the wider Indigenous community. Participation in the design and development of Indigenous health



Panel Members at the health forum, from left, Dr Kate Conigrave, Alison Bush, Associate Professor Lisa Jackson-Pulver, Jeff McMullen and Allen Madden, of the Metropolitan Land Council.

programs was the first step toward self-determination in these communities.

More than 140 community services across the country provide health care to remote Indigenous populations. Less than 50 per cent of these clinics have medical coverage. Resources and general practitioners (doctors) are desperately needed.

Ms Delaney Thiele said that although \$260 million pledged by the Federal Government would go towards improving primary health care, at least another \$200 million would be required for Aboriginal health to be on par with the non-Indigenous population.

Encouraging independence and communication was a key message from Alison Bush, a

Want more info?

Try these sources:

● National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), www.naccho.org.au

● Close The Gap - www.oxfam.org.au/campaigns/indigenous/action

● Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, www.hrec.gov.au/social_justice/statistics/index.html

● Medical Journal of Australia, www.mja.com.au/Topics/Aboriginal%20health.html

clinical nurse consultant, midwife and Aboriginal liaison at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney. Her role is to set up lines of

communication between mothers and staff during pre- and post-natal visits. Ms Bush works to promote awareness in health professionals that there is an even greater sense of loss and helplessness when mothers have travelled far from their communities to gain access to health care.

She said English may be a third or even fourth language for many Indigenous patients. She urged the audience to 'step across cultural lines and endeavour to understand the fear and uncertainty these women may be experiencing'.

Journalist and supporter of the Close the Gap Campaign Jeff McMullen highlighted the urgency of improving health care in remote areas. The median age of death in men from some remote

communities is as low as 46. Add to this an illiteracy rate of 93 per cent and it becomes clear that education is a top priority.

Literacy was not confined to reading and writing, Mr McMullen said. "Literacy is about thinking, considering and applying knowledge," he said. "It is about knowing how to decipher information and apply it to the cultural paradigm. Delivering information is only half the battle. Delivering information in such a way that is sensitive to the cultural environment and teaching Indigenous communities how to apply this information is paramount."

Meanwhile, health services designed and developed by Indigenous communities will have greater and more sustainable impact on communities than health services designed by so-called public health experts, said Lisa Jackson-Pulver, from the University of NSW.

She said a \$10.5 billion Budget surplus was simply unacceptable when the health of the Indigenous population was so poor.

Ms Jackson-Pulver and the rest of the panel encouraged the audience at the presentation to visit the NACCHO website, read articles and become involved in the Close the Gap Campaign.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

High School Program

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A study being conducted across Queensland with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Healthy Skin

Projects look at better treatment and control of scabies. Phase two studies involve vaccine development for Group A Streptococci (rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease).

Dementia

Research on the prevalence, support and services for Indigenous people with Dementia is being undertaken across Queensland remote and urban communities.

Bronchiectasis in Indigenous Children

An international collaborative study being conducted with Indigenous people from Australia, New Zealand and Alaska. The aims are to define the natural history and identify the risk factors involved with moist cough and bronchiectasis.



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Some of the pictures taken by Aboriginal photographer Wayne Quilliam. They and other photos are on display until 10 July at Gallery 15, 15 William Street, Melbourne.

Exhib honours journey to war and back



Aboriginal photographer Wayne Quilliam says the people of Vietnam and Japan and Aboriginal Australia have something in common: All have faced the consequences of war, famine, drought, plague,

invasion and destruction, and yet cultivated a unique sense of inclusion.

The Melbourne-based snapper says his new exhibition *To War and Back* is a celebration of these three cultures and their willingness to forgive and grow.

"I have been fortunate to spend a great deal of time in

rural, remote and urban Australia amongst my people in many different circumstances and each time I enter one of these communities I feel a sense of true belonging," he said.

"My work has also allowed me to travel throughout the world and experience many cultures, but I find so many similarities

with the people of Japan and Vietnam. In each of these countries, my wife and I were treated like family."

Quilliam has brought his latest collection to Melbourne's Gallery 15 as a precursor to another major exhibition in August.

All works exhibited will be

available for purchase, with proceeds going towards the establishment of a foundation to support the development of Aboriginal communities across Australia.

The exhibition runs until 10 July at Gallery 15, 15 William Street, Melbourne, from 8am to 6pm weekdays.

Bangarra set to tell true stories



Bangarra Dance Theatre will return to the Sydney Opera House in August with its new double-bill, *True Stories*. The

work has toured to venues in Melbourne and Brisbane and has received a warm reception.

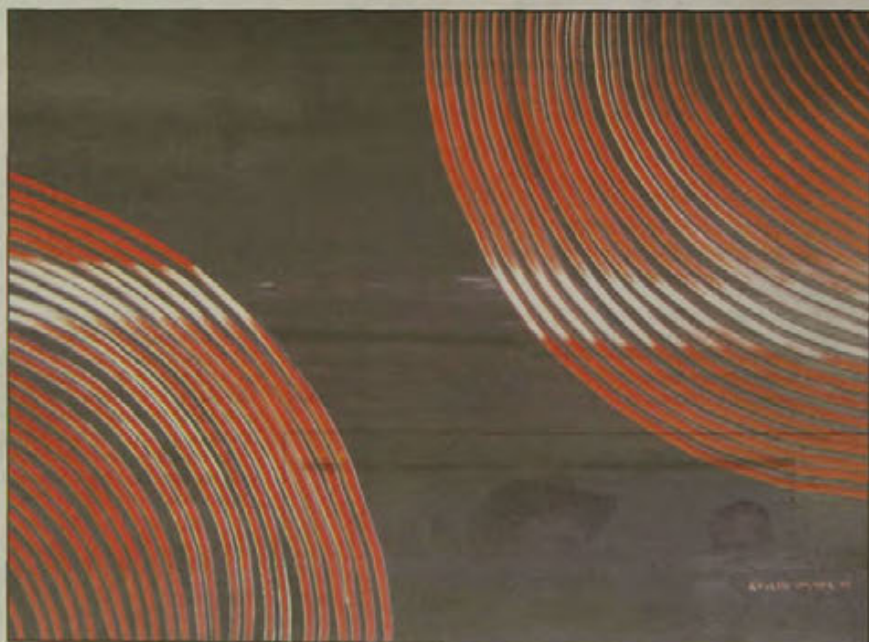
Choreographer Frances Rings will present the world premiere of *X300*.

Fifty years ago, at the edge of the Great Victoria Desert in Maralinga, Southern Australia, Britain and Australia conducted

nuclear experiments for more than a decade. The test site was code-named X300.

South Australian-born Rings has created a powerful interpretation of the stories of destruction of the land and its people.

Dancer and choreographer Elma Kris has created a network in her choreographic debut with Bangarra, titled *Emeret Lu*, meaning 'very old things'. *Emeret Lu* is an assemblage of traditional and contemporary dance; a celebration of rain, wind, hunting and the little-known Torres Strait Islander culture.



Rosella Namok's *Proper Low Tide ... Crossing Stony Creek*. Acrylic on canvas, 105cm x 176cm.

Namok's latest on display



Sea Country is the title of the latest exhibition by acclaimed contemporary

Aboriginal artist Rosella Namok. It pays homage to the coastal beauty of far north Queensland, with the artist painting the golden beaches, shimmering water and rhythmic movement of the tides in her unique style of representation. Namok's talent as a colourist shines through, with a palette that conjures the sea and evokes the feeling of the place she calls home.

The paintings in *Sea Country* demonstrate continuity with Namok's past themes and

distinct aesthetic, but at the same time reveal new developments in her artistic practice.

Namok has already established herself as a star on the Australian arts scene. Organisers of her latest exhibition say it will consolidate her reputation as one of Australia's top artists.

Namok's accomplishments are extensive, and over the past year she has been included in major retrospective exhibitions, including *Dreaming Their Way: Australian Aboriginal Women Painters* at the National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC, *Radical*

Regionalism: the Empire of Shadows in Ontario, Canada, and *Histoires de Terre et Mer: Peintures Aborigenes de Lockhart River Australia*, of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry at Lorient in France.

She was also featured in the University of Queensland publication and group exhibition *Our Way: Contemporary Art from Queensland's Lockhart River*.

Rosella Namok will attend the opening of *Sea Country* today (4 July from 5-7pm) at the Hogarth Galleries, 7 Walker Lane, Paddington, NSW. The exhibition will run until 11 August. The gallery is open Tuesday-Saturday.

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Indigenous Artists in Victoria are invited to submit work for the Victorian Indigenous Art Awards (VIAA) 2007.

Categories include the Deadly Art Award and new categories for 2007.

Winning and short-listed works will be exhibited at the Koorie Heritage Trust, Melbourne from 26 October - 29 November.

The award ceremony will be held on 26 October 2007.

For entry forms, or further information contact Lorraine Norris or Les Liddle at Arts Victoria on 9554 5000 or email lorraine.norris@arts.vic.gov.au

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Realistic bush drama showcases our talent

They say there's nothing like a Broome sunset. In fact, there are a lot of things unique to the rugged multicultural Kimberley town in Yawuru country.

And a new television series showcasing some of Australia's best Indigenous and non-Indigenous actors will make anyone who has ever walked barefoot along Cable Beach, sipped a beer at the Roebuck Bay Hotel, caught a 'flick' in the town's outdoor cinema, or driven into town in a dusty 'troopie' decidedly nostalgic.

The Circuit, a six-part drama series created by Ross Hutchens and Kelly Lefever, will screen weekly on SBS Television from this weekend.

It follows a magistrate and an entourage of court officers and lawyers including black lawyer Drew Ellis on a regular five-day 2000 kilometre round-trip to dispense justice to the remote communities of northern Western Australia.

A rude awakening

It's a rude awakening for civilised Drew as he comes to realise that out in the law for two cultures does not always equal a fair go.

The Circuit stars 2007 Bob Maza Fellowship winner Aaron Pedersen as Drew; Gary Sweet as Magistrate Peter Lockhart; Kelton Pell as ALS court officer, Sam Wallan; Tammy Clarkson as feisty Clerk of Courts, Bella Noble; LeRoy Parsons as conflicted gay Aboriginal stockman, Clarry Long; Nick Simpson-Deeks as joumo and Clarry's white lover Archie McMahon; Marta Kaczmarek as



The cast of *The Circuit*, from left, LeRoy Parsons, Nick Simpson-Deeks, Marta Kaczmarek, Aaron Pedersen, Gary Sweet, Tammy Clarkson, Kelton Pell and Bill McCluskey.

teenage son, has one of the most challenging scenes of the series.

The Koori Mail is no spoiler so we won't say too much more except the series captures very well many of the personal, social and cultural issues, experiences and relationships encountered in remote and bush communities, and by those in the legal fraternity. The series was shot over about a year ago but, entirely coincidentally, one of the hardest-hitting episodes relates very closely to what is undoubtedly

stars of the show Tammy Clarkson, Kelton Pell, LeRoy Parsons and asked them to share some insight into their characters.

Kelton Pell's character Sam Wallan is cranky with the 'coconut' ALS lawyer; he's cranky with the magistrate, pretty much everyone really. You might wonder why they have him stick around, until the trust that many members of the bush communities place in him becomes apparent.

It takes a while to appreciate why Sam is so prickly: Feelings of guilt about not being around when his teenage son needs him most.

Of the afore-mentioned scene with his son, he says 'it was pretty harrowing'.

A very real issue

"I've got daughters and, like any parent, I have problems with them from time to time. Luckily not with substance abuse but it's a very real issue for our community," he said.

Pell is probably one of the most recognisable Aboriginal actors in Australia today, having appeared in films like *Australian Rules* (2002), *One Night in the Moon* (2001), *Day of the Dog* (1993) and many stage shows.

Since shooting *The Circuit*, he's made a feature film with Tropfest film festival founder John Polson and two short films. Although he jokes that his very supportive folks John and Charmaine get sick of him dropping by 'on the cadge' so often, he's content to wait until the right roles find him. "What's family for?" he says cheekily.

Pell has a big heart, concluding our interview with a big shout out to all the brothers and sisters in jail around Australia. "Stay positive," he says.

For Daingatti Yuin man

Parsons, who works extensively in theatre, *The Circuit* was his first foray into television and he says 'a lot of fun'.

"Especially with the party scenes and with people like Uncle B'aamba who is amazing to work with," he said.

His character Clarry enjoys a laugh but also has a deadly serious fear of shaming his family, especially his apparently homophobic dad. We asked LeRoy if he thought some violent scenes between Clarry and Archie could prompt stereotyping of gay male relationships.

"Like any relationship, there can be violence, and I'm hoping that people can see that," says Parsons sagely.

"What you're looking at on the screen is two people who happen to be gay and they love each other. There's a very tender between them. Relationships are complicated and they are really victims of their environment."

"I think the issues portrayed in

the series are very real. People will have a cry and they'll have a laugh."

Parsons is staying 'mum' on the cliff-hanger involving Clarry at the end of the last episode. "Even I don't know what happens," he laughs.

Tammy Clarkson says she has met her character Bella many times over in Aboriginal communities.

"I have a huge amount of empathy for her," says the trained dancer. "In past years, I have met so many Bellas."

"She has made a definite choice: her kids come first."

"Living in the community and seeing the choices that some women her age make has made her very headstrong and very directed with what she wants for her and her kids. She's not willing to just settle for second best."

"A lot of our young women carry so much on their shoulders. On one hand, she's inspirational and other the other she's very vulnerable."

The electricity between Bella and Drew is obvious to others, including Drew's wife when she flies north to visit him on what is meant to be a three-month placement. Which begs the question: do Bella and Drew ever act on that frisson? But, curses; Clarkson is as discreet as her cast mate Parsons.

Charismatic

"Drew has come into this town and he's a very charismatic, fine-looking man but what Bella needs is a confidante," she said.

Like any good first-time series angling for a second series, *The Circuit* leaves viewers to ponder some intriguing questions. Does he or doesn't he? Will they or won't they? Get the picture? Please, SBS, we know it hasn't actually started yet but can we have some more?

● *The Circuit* will screen on SBS at 9.30pm this Sunday, 8 July and weekly thereafter.



ALS Lawyer Drew Ellis (Aaron Pedersen) and ALS Court Officer Sam Wallan (Kelton Pell).

another ALS lawyer, Ellie Zdybicka; and Bill McCluskey as police prosecutor Bob Temple.

Broome identity Stephen 'B'aamba' Albert has a cameo as Ellie's would-be suitor, as does Ningali Lawford as Sam's ex-wife Louise. Some viewers will have fun playing 'spot the Kimberley local' as extras in the more populous scenes in communities, the court, the pub etc.

One of the most startling performances is from young newcomer Mark Coles-Smith who, as Sam and Louise's out-of-control

now the hottest topic in Indigenous Affairs.

The realistic, often gritty storyline is clearly helped along by the many Indigenous writers involved: Mitch Torres, Dot West, Kootji Raymond, Beck Cole and Jane Harrison, as well as directors including Richard Frankland and Catriona McKenzie. The original music score was created by renowned David Bridie, who has also worked with Christine Anu, Archie Roach and Frank Yamma.

The Koori Mail caught up by phone with three of the Indigenous



Bella (Tammy Clarkson) comforts her children (Buna Tuaty Poetina and Joseph Roe) with her cousin Clarry (LeRoy Parsons).



Ayesha Idai-Jawai (left) and Shiona Budby interview Natural Resources and Water Minister Craig Wallace.

Youth on right wavelength



The Queensland Government is helping train Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in the latest radio broadcasting techniques.

Queensland Natural Resources and Water Minister Craig Wallace said his department had provided \$25,000 for the Youth Training and Broadcasting Project, run by the Brisbane Indigenous Media Association (BIMA).

The six-month project is providing formal communications training for 16 young Indigenous people in Brisbane and Cape York.

"This project will give Indigenous students a practical knowledge of a working radio station through qualified trainers and assessors," Mr Wallace said.

The students, from Western Cape College at Weipa and Cooktown State School, have been taking part in on-site radio training at studios in Brisbane and Cape York, with all course materials and assessment items provided online for the students.

In a break from training at BIMA's studios in Yeerongpilly last month, the students travelled to Parliament House to meet the Minister.

Mr Wallace presented six of the students with a Certificate II in Broadcasting in Parliament House's historic Red Chamber.

Mr Wallace said the students were being encouraged to produce radio



Jackirra Braico receives her Certificate II in Broadcasting from Natural Resources and Water Minister Craig Wallace.

programs about climate change and other issues relating to natural resource management.

As part of the sponsorship, a \$5000 scholarship will be awarded to the Cape York student who contributes most actively to radio content on climate change.

BIMA General Manager Tiga Bayles said the project would give Indigenous students new life skills and greater career prospects.

"Participants will help produce a series of 12 radio segments on natural resource issues, which will be broadcast through Queensland on the National Indigenous Radio Service," Mr Bayles said.

"This sponsorship will complement our existing project in place with the Department of Natural Resources and Water, in which BIMA trainees produce programs about Indigenous cultural heritage issues."

Graduates celebrate at Wadeye



It was a community affair when about a dozen people from Wadeye (Port Keats) and Palumpa, in the Top End, graduated last month from CAAPS Community Service Training.

Kim Gates and Judy McKay, from the training department at the Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services (CAAPS), travelled about 400km south-west of their Darwin base to Wadeye to present certificates to participants who had completed studies in Certificate II Community Service (First Point of Contact) and Certificate III Community Services Work.

About 50 people, including family and friends, joined the graduates in celebrating their achievements, sharing a barbecue lunch afterwards.

Recognition

Special recognition was given to George Cumaiyi for his community work.

Mr Cumaiyi's involvement with the Alcohol Awareness and Family Recovery (AAFR) program began in 1982 when he worked with Brother Andy Howley.

After a short break he continued his work in 1996, and from 1997 he helped provide sessions in the rehabilitation program at Five Mile, Daly River.

He now holds the position of Vice-President of the AAFR Committee and his work includes counselling boys and young men referred through the Corrections Diversionary programs, assisting staffer Stephanie Berida and running the office when Ms Berida is away.

Ms Berida said that Mr Cumaiyi had taught her so much.

"He gives us all the confidence and support to do the work," she said.



Wadeye man George Cumaiyi received special recognition for his community service.

Students of the Year leading the way



ROBERT THOMAS



The students who won the TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute and Eora College Student of the Year awards are

extraordinary and inspirational individuals, according to Sydney Institute Director Pam Christie.

The awards, presented at the Sydney Institute's annual event on 22 June, were given not only on the basis of outstanding course work, but also for what individuals achieved for their community and industry.

"Sydney Institute's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year is Robert Thomas, who completed the 2006 Energy Australia

Pre-Apprenticeship course at Petersham College," Ms Christie said.

"He is now employed as an apprentice cable-jointer with Energy Australia, and has beaten seemingly insurmountable barriers to get to where he is today.

"Robert has always been an unofficial mentor for others in his class, and now Energy Australia plans for him to be a lead advocate in its 2007 Indigenous Pre-apprenticeship program."

Eora College Student of the Year Cecil Bowden completed the Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Arts.

"He has established a reputation

nationally for his high-quality artworks," Ms Christie said.

"Cecil has turned his life around, and as an Aboriginal Elder is a revered and respected member of the community.

"He credits Eora for keeping him focussed on his art and developing his talents."

Sydney Institute is one of the largest and most prestigious providers of vocational education and training in Australia. Established in 1891, the Institute enrolls more than 72,000 students annually in about 800 programs offered at its seven colleges around the inner-city, inner-west, eastern and southern suburbs of Sydney.



CECIL BOWDEN

Top End film action

NT youth stars of movie program



Lights? Check, lots of that in the Top End. Camera, aaaaand action! Thirty Aboriginal young people from Tennant Creek and Groote Eylandt in the Northern Territory

have taken what could be their first steps towards a career in film. Between them, they've created 16 short films as part of a screen studies training program delivered by Artback NT in partnership with the NT Police Juvenile Diversion Unit and Charles Darwin University (CDU).

The training in modules from Certificate II in Screen Studies from CDU seized on the popularity of media, music and arts programs with Indigenous young people in youth programs across the NT in recent years. It was aimed at giving young people in remote communities a voice and to encourage them to tell their own stories, hopefully promoting a deeper understanding of life in remote communities for Indigenous youth. The process included exposing the participants to introductory film-making techniques including the use of cameras, tripods and microphones, and story-telling and editing.

Both communities were provided with Sony cameras and a Macintosh computer to continue producing their own media after the program is completed, and follow-up training is being planned for later this year.

And Artback NT will be working to promote the young people's films to a range of festivals and Indigenous media broadcasters throughout Australia.



The NT Police Juvenile Diversion Units have funded and encouraged young people across the NT to attend a range of education, health and youth-development activities and programs. The Julalikari Youth Development Unit in Tennant Creek and the Groote Eylandt and Milyakburra Youth Development Unit were chosen for the media training because of their best-practice programs working with at-risk young people in the justice system.

Artback NT and the NT Police Juvenile Diversion Unit thanked Julalikari Council and Stewart Willey, GEMYDU – Kristyne Love and Garry Casey, Angurugu Council, Angurugu Community Education Centre (Luke Forgie and Rose Mamarika), CDU and David Hansen for supporting the program.



Bradley, Kieran and Eddie learn how to operate the camera in Tennant Creek.



Ian on the road to Angurugu, Groote Eylandt.

More power to APY people



South Australian Premier Mike Rann speaks at the Amata School opening ceremony.



The new swimming pool at Amata.



The solar power array at Umuwa.



South Australian Premier Mike Rann has opened a new school, swimming pool and power station as part of a \$30-million infrastructure package for the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands. The school and swimming pool at Amata and the power station, supported by a solar farm, at Umuwa, have been funded by the State and Federal governments.

The SA Government has contributed almost \$20 million to the package, including \$17 million for power line distribution for the central power station, \$2.9 million for the school redevelopment and ongoing annual funding of \$160,000 for the operation and maintenance of the pool.

"Infrastructure is one of the most important keys to prosperity for any community," Mr Rann said.

"It provides a range of economic, social and health benefits. To work effectively, infrastructure needs the backing of locals and these projects would not have been possible without the commitment and contribution of the APY communities."

"Aboriginal people, particularly those in remote communities such as the APY Lands, are among the most vulnerable in South Australia. We need to support them, but most importantly, empower them, to build safer and stronger communities."

Mr Rann said a reliable electricity supply was at the heart of the progress.

"More than 250km of electricity distribution lines are

The Ernabella Choir at the Amata School opening.



being constructed to serve seven APY communities and a number of homelands," he said.

"Thanks to the work of ETSA technicians, distribution lines are now connecting Fregon, Mimili and the solar farm to the central power station, with all the main communities to be linked by the end of the year."

Mr Rann said the solar farm would provide the power station with renewable energy support.

"This means that once the electricity load exceeds the base load at the power station, the solar farm can reduce fuel consumption by about 20 per cent," he said.

"As each distribution line is connected, the capacity within each community to learn, grow,

develop and succeed is increased."

SA Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Jay Weatherill said the Amata swimming pool, which has a 'no school, no pool' policy, would help the community's young people reach their full potential.

"This pool is the second of three that the State and Commonwealth governments have agreed to build on the APY Lands, with one already at Mimili and a third nearly finished at Pipalyatjara," Mr Weatherill said.

"Swimming pools are one of the simplest and most beneficial infrastructure initiatives that can be provided for Aboriginal communities in these areas."

"The pool is instrumental in

improving and even alleviating several common medical conditions in these communities, including bronchial, skin and ear infections – the latter which often leads to hearing and learning difficulties."

"The ongoing operation and maintenance of the facility also provides training and employment opportunities."

"Most importantly, the pool is a drawcard. Not only does it provide an incentive for school attendance, it also creates a positive, fun and physical outlet for young people – some of whom could be vulnerable to other activities, including substance misuse and crime."

Over the past six years, student attendance at Amata

Anangu School has increased from 52 per cent to 76 per cent. Most importantly, 71 per cent of Amata students are now continuing their schooling from Year 10 to Year 11.

Education and Children's Services Minister Jane Lomax-Smith said the school redevelopment would further boost this momentum.

"The Amata community has been very closely involved in the design of the school redevelopment. Input from parents, existing students and former students has paved the way for several initiatives," Dr Lomax-Smith said.

The improvements to Amata Anangu School include new classrooms and a computer suite, administration building, resource centre, child parent centre and renovations to the gymnasium.

"There is the off-site seniors' classroom to allow senior students to have a sense of ownership and independence and the dedicated Pitjantjatjara language room to ensure the school maintains a rich Pitjantjatjara language program," Dr Lomax-Smith said.

"The gym area also has been designed to be a flexible indoor-outdoor entertaining area for school lessons, sport and celebrations. Creating a learning environment that is appropriate for the young people who are using it is an important key to keeping them engaged in learning."

The new computer suite, which will house 20 new computers, will enable the school's Information and Communication Technology program to be expanded, and more students will be able to use the Internet.

Employment

Indigenous Job Opportunities



NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service ranger Shane Herrington in the field.

Ranger a winner



Aboriginal man Shane Herrington knows that dreams come true. His own dream, to work full-time as a NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service ranger, came true and now he's even winning awards for something he loves doing.

Recently, Shane won the inaugural Tumut Indigenous Business Leader of the Year Award at the 2007 Snowy Hydro Tumut Region Business Awards. Sponsored by TAFE NSW Riverina

Institute Tumut Campus, the award recognises an Indigenous individual making a significant contribution to the success of an enterprise or organisation.

Shane, who is from the Brungle and Tumut Valleys, has been upgrading his qualifications as he moves up to senior positions. Most recently he completed a Certificate III in Tourism and Tour Guiding. This follows studies in conservation and land management, and in first aid and chainsaw operations.

Shane offers some words of

advice to other students, saying 'dreams do come true'.

"All my hard work and perseverance has paid off with a permanent position with National Parks and Wildlife Services as an Aboriginal discovery ranger," he said after receiving his award.

Opportunity

"This job gives me the opportunity to learn and teach my culture to the general public as well as my own Aboriginal community. I never expected any great awards for my hard work –

after all it is my job, and my culture is my life.

"I have always had a connection with my traditional country, and being able to give something back to my people and country has been a highlight in my position," he said.

Head of TAFE NSW Riverina Institute Tumut Campus Mark Grove said the Institute was pleased to acknowledge Shane's contributions to the local business community, 'particularly since he is also one of our graduates'.

Mr Grove said the Riverina Institute supported and

encouraged Aboriginal people to study toward a wide range of career choices.

"As an educational organisation, we aim to support all people to strive and succeed in business, and Shane is a terrific role model for our Aboriginal students," he said. "We have many Indigenous graduates who, after completing their studies, have gone on to achieve great success."

Riverina Institute's Tumut Campus is now running a business-planning course for Aboriginal people.

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Written applications addressing the selection criteria close 5pm, **20 July 2007** and should be sent to: **Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.**

Conditions of Employment

The successful applicant will be required to undergo a medical assessment during the six month probation period. Satisfactory completion of a police records check is required for this position. The successful applicant will be offered an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA).

Aboriginal Hostels Limited is committed to Australian Public Service values, merit principles and Workplace Diversity.

This is an identified position.
www.ahl.gov.au



Australian Government
Department of Education, Science and Training

KEY SENIOR EXECUTIVE ROLE HELP SHAPE AUSTRALIA'S INDIGENOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

• High profile agency

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• Significant senior executive package

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The Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST) delivers more than \$21 billion in services each year in support of the Australian Government's commitment to creating Australia's future through education, science and training. It provides policy advice to government and administers programmes and financial assistance to support schooling, higher education, vocational education and training, and science and innovation. It also promotes the quality, integrity and export growth of Australia's education, training and science services, in partnership with State and Territory authorities.

As **Branch Manager, Indigenous Business Branch**, you will lead a team which is contributing to the improvement of educational outcomes for Indigenous Australians. You will provide high-level advice to the Minister and the Departmental executive on Indigenous education issues and assist in the development and implementation of major programme initiatives to progress the Australian Government's priorities in this area. You will also foster partnerships with key stakeholders, represent the Department in high-level discussions and negotiations, and build a talented and respected team that contributes to the performance and credibility of the Department.

To be a strong contender for this critical role, you will be a dynamic leader with an excellent knowledge of issues faced by Indigenous Australians. You will have a demonstrated track record in policy development, programme implementation and management, and experience in working in a complex and challenging environment. Your ability to anticipate issues, develop creative policy options and deliver outcomes, together with your capacity to build relationships and manage ambiguity in a rapidly changing environment, will ensure your success. Outstanding people and team leadership skills will be essential.

Before applying, please obtain selection documentation by emailing admin@hsexecsearch.com.au quoting Ref. No. 460. Further information can be obtained by contacting Amanda O'Rourke or Karina Duffey on (02) 6162 7777. Applications close on 31 July 2007.

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Producer Awaye!

• Ultimo, NSW

• \$53,664 - \$64,062 p.a.

Awaye! is Radio National's weekly Indigenous arts and culture program.

While this position is located in Sydney, applicants with appropriate skills who live in other centres will also be considered, in relation to the needs of the program.

Key Accountabilities:

- Produce the weekly Indigenous arts and culture program Awaye! using skills in research, interviewing, editing and sound design, and program packaging.
- Program presentation as required.
- Keep up to date with issues, events and ideas in Indigenous arts and culture and develop appropriate and engaging ideas for Awaye! programs.
- Maintain a broad range of contacts in Indigenous culture and communities, to ensure that Awaye! is a leading source of information and debate.
- Work co-operatively within the Awaye! team to plan projects and programs, and to meet weekly program, publicity and website deadlines.
- Monitor program expenses to ensure budget is met.

Selection Criteria:

1. Accomplished radio production and presentation skills, and an original and creative approach to production techniques in the studio and on location.
2. Extensive knowledge and understanding of Indigenous arts and culture and the ability to translate this into effective program ideas and broadcasts.
3. An ability to make a creative contribution to the development of Awaye!'s style and content.
4. Demonstrated abilities in digital recording, editing and broadcasting.
5. Can plan requirements for complex productions.
6. Can represent the ABC effectively with outside organisations and the public.
7. Knowledge of – and ability to apply – the ABC's Editorial, Equity and Diversity, and OH&S policies.

For further information contact Richard Buckham on (03) 9626 1649.

Applications quoting reference KNR724295 should be sent to Recruitment, ABC, GPO Box 9994, Adelaide SA 5001 or email recruitment@your.abc.net.au by COB 13 July 2007.

Applicants must address the selection criteria. For information on how to apply visit abc.net.au/jobs

Please Note: this vacancy is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only, in accordance with the objectives of the ABC's Equity and Diversity Management Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

ABC068/08



SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

Clerk Grade 9/10
Greater Western Sydney Division
Parramatta
Permanent Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-00

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 Senior Project Officer, Business Development exists to assist the Director Business Performance to develop the Business Plan and implement performance monitoring and improvement. The role supervises the Project Officer Business Performance to ensure that key projects are progressed. The role also supervises three administrative staff.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated knowledge of business planning.
- Project management experience and demonstrated organisational skills.
- Knowledge of housing systems and the services provided by Public Housing.
- Tertiary qualifications in business management or equivalent experience.
- Excellent communication, presentation, negotiation, influencing, consultancy skills.
- High level of written communication skills and demonstrated ability to prepare a range of business plans and project reports.
- Demonstrated ability to deliver results and work independently and collaboratively.
- Ability to handle complexity, including using existing models, frameworks, systems and processes and developing new approaches.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Demonstrated capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains the full text version of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Clive Bradshaw (02) 9891 8303

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: Wednesday 11 July 2007.



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If you are enthusiastic, creative, flexible and community focussed, the ACT Government Graduate program is the first step towards a worthwhile career that will challenge you professionally and reward you personally.

The ACT Public Service seeks graduates and undergraduates of all ages and academic disciplines, including:

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The ACT Government graduate program is a ten-month program that will help you to build on your academic success and develop you personally and professionally to become a dynamic, inclusive and innovative leader. It offers

challenging off-the-job training, three rotations across two agencies, permanent appointment and advancement upon successful completion of the program and a competitive starting salary.

To be eligible to apply you must be an Australian citizen, a permanent resident or a New Zealand citizen with a special category temporary residence visa (SCV).

The ACT Public Service has a strategy for the employment of people with disabilities. Applications are encouraged from people with disabilities.

The next program commences in February 2008. Application packs will be available for downloading from www.psm.act.gov.au from 29 June 2007, and can be submitted up to the closing date on 27 July 2007.



CSA Customer
Service Officer
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Want to play a crucial role in supporting separated families?

Customer Service Officers

CSO Level 3: \$43,521 - \$46,972 (plus generous super)

Several ongoing, full-time positions

Adelaide

Join the 'world's best' ...

The Child Support Agency (CSA) is a key agency within the Department of Human Services and is committed to employing Indigenous people.

Recognised internationally as the 'world's best' in child support services, the CSA and the families it supports, rely heavily on the professionalism of our people.

Many positions are now available in this new 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. You will be part of a committed team balancing your work time between speaking to our customers and working in the office.

CSA has good career prospects and an active Indigenous Staff Network which provides assistance and support for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander employees through an Indigenous mentor.

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, conflict resolution and problem solving skills especially over the telephone
- negotiation and debt collection skills
- 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 parents by providing good customer service, then the CSA invites you to apply.

To apply ...

Submit an application online at <http://www.networkrecruitment.net/csa> or call Network Recruitment on (08) 8400 4400. For further information attend the Information Session on Wednesday 11th July at 5.30pm, Adelaide Town Hall, Meeting Hall.

Application closing date is 5 pm on Friday 20 July 2007.



Australian Government
Child Support Agency

CSA...supporting separated families.



Government of South Australia
South Australian Arid Lands Natural
Resources Management Board

Indigenous Engagement Officer

(CONTRACT APPOINTMENT FOR
5 YEARS) (ADVT)

SALARY \$57,233 TO \$64,112 P.A.
(AS05)

The Indigenous Engagement Officer is responsible for guiding and supporting Indigenous community involvement and capacity in natural resources management in the South Australian Arid Lands region. This includes developing and implementing strategies aimed at positively engaging with, and raising the awareness of, the Indigenous community about the extent of NRM issues.

The successful applicant will actively encourage participation in on-ground activities that are consistent with the Board's NRM Plan and programs. This includes assisting with or leading projects addressing weeds and feral animals, traditional land management, land rehabilitation and supervision of on-ground project delivery on Aboriginal owned and/or managed land.

This position will be located within the region or in Port Augusta.

Position enquiries and person specifications are available from the SA Arid Lands NRM Board on 08 8648 5977 or www.saalnm.sa.gov.au.

Applications should be marked 'Confidential' and emailed to aridlands@saalnm.sa.gov.au or addressed to the General Manager, SA Arid Lands NRM Board, PO BOX 2227, Port Augusta SA 5700.

Safety is a core value of the South Australian Public Sector. People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

The SA Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Applications Close 5.00pm on Monday 23 July 2007.

www.saalnm.sa.gov.au

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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.

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Women, Aboriginal People, Torres Strait Islanders, people from diverse racial, ethnic and ethnic religious minority groups, mature aged workers and people with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply.

JUVENILE JUSTICE OFFICER (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 5/6, Orange Juvenile Justice Community Services, Temporary Full-Time, Position No: DJJ07/100. Total remuneration package valued up to \$71,566 pa including salary (\$58,777 to \$64,854 pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for the provision of effective, offending focused intervention through assessment, supervision and case management of juvenile offenders. The delivery of community based programs to minimise the re-offending of juvenile offenders. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Demonstrated casework experience in working with adolescents and/or their families. Sound negotiation, oral and written communication skills. Understanding of issues relevant to indigenous juvenile offenders. Ability to work independently and as part of a team. Demonstrated ability to organise and plan work in order to meet tight deadlines. Ability to network with relevant community and government agencies. Current minimum Class C NSW Driver's licence. Computer and keyboard skills. A knowledge and understanding of ethical work practices, EEO, OH&S and the Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement.

Notes: This position is temporary for a period up to 9 April 2008. Evening work and overnight travel may be required. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorized by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants are encouraged to obtain an information package. It is an offence under the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, Apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

Inquiries: Maree Grant (02) 6361 1282
Information Packages: Yvonne Giffin (02) 6881 0730
Applications marked "Confidential" to: Employee Services Officer, Department of Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240
Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.

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Traineeship

Certificate 4 in Community Services
(Social Housing)

MEGT (Australia) Ltd has a number of vacancies situated in the following locations for Indigenous Australians:

Sydney metro area - eight (8) positions as well as Charlestown, Armidale, Tweed Heads, Wollongong, Wagga Wagga, Bathurst, Dubbo, and Queanbeyan.

The ideal applicants must have a strong customer service focus and have excellent communication skills. Majority of the work will be dealing with clients and recording information on the computer system.

This is a two year traineeship with the opportunity for long term employment at the conclusion. The traineeship is due to commence late August and successful applicants will need to attend an induction in Sydney. The cost of this will be covered by MEGT.

If necessary pre-employment training can be provided prior to the commencement of the traineeship.

For further information please contact: Debra Nooyen on 02 9358 8888. Or you can send your resume to Debra Nooyen c/- of MEGT, PO Box 347 Darlinghurst, NSW 1300.

Closing Date: July 11, 2007.



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The Junction Works Inc provides Day Programs to people with a disability. We need innovative and creative people to join our dynamic team.

ESSENTIAL:

- Proven experience working with people with a disability.
- Proven ability to assist clients to access employment.
- Proven ability to develop, implement and evaluate Community
- Participation and Transition to Work programs.
- Proven written and verbal communication skills.
- An understanding of NSW Disability Service Standards Act (1993).
- Manual Driver's Licence.

DESIRABLE: LR Licence & First Aid Certificate

QUALIFICATIONS: Degree / Diploma in Social Welfare or related disciplines

SALARY: SACS Award Grade 3

Applications with 2 references to: P O Box 15 Austral 2179.

Enquires/Job Description: thejunctionworks@bigpond.com

Closing Date: 13.7.07. Phone (02) 9606 9628.

"Working with children's check will be conducted for successful applicants"

Prison Officers Recruiting NOW

- Casual, Fixed Term and Ongoing Roles
- H.M Prison Barwon at Lara
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Prison Officers come from a wide range of backgrounds including teachers, human services workers, nurses, tradespeople, office and retail workers and many more.

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Working in a prison environment requires personal integrity, a mature approach, confidence, the ability to work in a team, compassion and life experience. It also requires exceptional interpersonal and supervisory skills.

You will receive extensive induction and training to equip you for your new role. On successful completion you will become a nationally accredited Prison Officer.

To apply for one of these roles, you must complete the online application form at www.cvcareers.com.au by 5pm, Monday 16th July 2007.

You can gain more information about the role the recruitment process and future requirements by coming to our Information Sessions. Details of these sessions can be found at www.cvcareers.com.au.

If you have previously applied for a Prison Officer role within the last 12 months through HOBAN Recruitment, please check your eligibility to reapply by calling 1300 304 128

Training is scheduled to commence in October 2007



careers in corrections



Apprenticeships

- Electrical • Telecommunications
- Transmission Lines



TransGrid

TransGrid, Australia's largest electricity transmission company is seeking applications for its 2008 Apprentice intake. The TransGrid Apprenticeship leads to a Nationally Recognised qualification.

2008 apprenticeships will be as follows:

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| Electrical | - Horsley Park, Orange, Newcastle, Tamworth, Yass and Wagga Wagga |
| Telecommunications | - Horsley Park and Tamworth |
| Transmission Lines | - Orange, Yass and Wagga Wagga |

Applicants will be required to undertake a 'Selection Test' at one of the above listed locations and you will be asked to nominate one apprenticeship discipline of your choice.

Successful applicants will be:

- Employed under an Apprentice Training Contract;
- Required to undertake and complete the relevant trades course conducted by a Registered Training Organisation within the period of the Apprenticeship (normally four years);
- Required to undertake training and/or work experience at locations remote from their residential location during the period of Apprenticeship.

To be considered, applicants:

- Must be currently completing or recently completed Year 10, 11 or 12 level (or equivalent); and
- Must have or be willing to attain a driver's licence as soon as possible after appointment.

Please note. Applicants may be required to undertake a working at heights assessment.

The Apprentice first year rate is \$580 per week plus employer contribution to superannuation. (Note: In the final year, the rate is \$837 per week plus superannuation). On completion of the apprenticeship, various career opportunities may become available with attractive remuneration benefits.

To apply, please forward your notification of interest in the apprenticeships by one of the following ways:

- Email to emp.apps@transgrid.com.au, or
- Facsimile to 02 9284 3099 or
- mail to: TransGrid Human Resources
Attention Apprentice Selection
PO Box A1000 Sydney South NSW 1235.

Information regarding the apprenticeships is available on our website at www.transgrid.com.au.

For registration, you will need to supply your full name, address, daytime contact number and the selection test location nearest to you. You will be informed of the date of the selection test and test time by method used to register. No resumes required at this stage.

Closing date for test registrations - Wednesday 18 July 2007.

Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply as part of TransGrid's Aboriginal Employment and Development Strategy.

Female applicants are encouraged to apply for these non-traditional roles.

TransGrid is committed to Occupational Health and Safety, the Environment, Equal Employment Opportunity, Cultural Diversity and Ethical Practices.

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Australian Government

Department of the Environment and Water Resources

Policy Coordination Division/Indigenous Policy Branch

Assistant Director Executive Level 1

Reference: Several

Salary range \$72,950 - \$80,921

Senior Project Officer APS Level 6

Reference: Several

Salary range \$59,316 pa - \$67,110

The positions will be part of a team supporting the Department's Indigenous programmes and policies. This includes implementing the Australian Government's new Working on Country Programme, which will contract Indigenous people to undertake environmental activities to restore and protect Australia's natural and cultural environment.

Successful candidates will have an ability to work with Indigenous communities on environmental issues as well as strong contract management and communication skills.

All positions will require the capacity to travel to remote areas in Australia.

Selection documentation may be obtained by telephoning Nicole Hedley on (02) 6274 1377

or email Nicole.Hedley@environment.gov.au or via the Internet at <http://www.environment.gov.au/jobs/opportunities/index.html>

After reading the selection documentation, further information about the positions may be obtained from Lindsay Jolley on (02) 6274 1421 for the Assistant Director positions and Melissa Morley on (02) 6274 2963 for the Senior Project Officer positions.

**Applications must be received
by close of business 16 July 2007.**

Please note: To be eligible for employment with the Department, applicants must be Australian citizens.

An offer of an AWA will be made to successful Executive Level candidates.

Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Additional information about the Department may be accessed via the internet address:

www.environment.gov.au

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the best thing about working for us ... is the environment

The Department of the Environment and Water Resources delivers the Australian Government's environment, water resources and heritage policies and programmes.

If you would like to be part of an innovative and dynamic organisation that offers a challenging work environment with excellent opportunities for development and advancement, values its people and provides flexible working arrangements to achieve work-life balance, apply now.

PARRAMATTA CITY COUNCIL

Parramatta is Sydney's second CBD with a vibrant economy, diverse workforce, and a rich mix of cultural and recreational facilities. Council is strongly focused on setting the city's strategic direction as a major regional hub for services, manufacturing, shopping and entertainment, while delivering the best possible services to its local community. We are seeking people with a team-oriented client service approach who will contribute to the continuous improvement of Council's facilities and services.

Aboriginal Family Project Officer

2 year Contract
35 hours/week
Ref No. 06/07R

This position will work with the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to develop a range of services and facilities to meet identified needs with a primary focus on assisting families with children aged 0-8 years in the Holroyd and Parramatta Local Government Areas.

The successful applicant will be required to enhance the parenting skills of these families in an endeavour to improve education, social and health outcomes for their children.

Key Essential Criteria:
• Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander (authorised under Section 14d - NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977);
• Relevant tertiary qualifications or demonstrated extensive experience;
• Knowledge of local organisations and service networks;
• Experience and understanding in Project Management;

• Well developed written and oral communication skills;
• Demonstrated experience and/or knowledge of Aboriginal families living in the Parramatta and Holroyd Local Government areas;
• Understanding of Families First framework and knowledge of child development with a primary focus on 0-8 years;
• A Class C drivers license.

Previous applicants need not apply.

Salary: A salary range of \$58,942 - \$67,208 pa (plus superannuation) is applicable, depending on skills, knowledge and experience. Access to Council's Vehicle Leaseback Scheme may be negotiated with the successful candidate.

Closing Date: 4pm on Wednesday 11 July 2007.

HOW TO APPLY: Please obtain a Recruitment Kit, which outlines the full selection criteria to be addressed by visiting Council's website at www.parramatta.nsw.gov.au OR by contacting Council's Customer Contact Centre on 02 9806 5050. Applications should be emailed, posted or faxed to the attention of 'Job Applications', quoting Ref No. 21/07r.

PARRAMATTA CITY COUNCIL IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER



PO Box 32, Parramatta NSW 2124
Phone: 02 9806 5000 Fax: 02 9806 5917
Website: www.parramatta.nsw.gov.au
Email: jobsatcouncil@parramatta.nsw.gov.au

Gandangara Employment and Training Services (GETS) EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING MANAGER

Gandangara Employment and Training Services (GETS), a newly structured, wholly owned division of the Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) is seeking to employ the services of a highly skilled and motivated person to work as part of the Council's Senior Management Team (SMT).

The successful applicant will be at the cutting edge of this new business stream and will hold, in conjunction with the existing members of the SMT, the primary responsibility for the design, implementation and growth of this new Indigenous business.

A salary package in the vicinity of \$65,000 is envisaged, as the successful applicant will have the inherent skills and experience to negotiate this outcome as part of their initial brief. The successful applicant will be expected to hold tertiary qualifications at a level of Bachelor of Business Management or a similar/relevant equivalent.

Applicants will need to obtain a Job Description from Ms Keira Edwards on (02) 9602 5280 or kedwards@glalc.org.au.

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES MANAGER OR CO-ORDINATOR

Murrin Ngura Housing is an established, wholly owned division of the Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) and is seeking to employ the services of a highly skilled and motivated person to work as part of the Council's Senior Management Team (SMT).

The successful applicant, in conjunction with the Senior Management Team (SMT), will hold the primary responsibility for the management of the Council's existing rental roll.

Applicants who hold relevant tertiary qualifications at a Bachelor Degree level or higher and who have at least five (5) years experience at managing a rental roll, are encouraged to apply for the position at the level of Residential Property Manager.

Applicants who do not hold tertiary qualifications at the level of a Bachelor Degree, but who hold relevant qualifications at a level below a Bachelor Degree and who have at least five (5) years experience at managing a rental roll, are encouraged to apply for the position of Residential Properties Co-ordinator.

Council is seeking the services of the best person for the appropriate position. It is important to note that only one position exists and the level of professional qualifications held by the successful applicant will determine the level (be it Manager OR Co-ordinator) at which the successful applicant is employed.

A salary package in the vicinity of \$65,000 is envisaged for the successful applicant who qualifies for employment as the Residential Property Manager.

Applicants will need to obtain a Job Description from Ms Keira Edwards on (02) 9602 5280 or kedwards@glalc.org.au.

Further information:
Further information can be obtained by contacting the CEO - Mark (Nick) Johnson on (02) 9602 5280 or markjohnson@glalc.org.au.

Applications Closing Date:
Applications for the above positions must be received no later than the close of business on Friday, 20 July 2007.

Applications:
All applications by post should be addressed as follows:
Confidential, CEO, GLALC, PO Box 1038 Liverpool BC 1871.
Or by email to: markjohnson@glalc.org.au

Aboriginality:
As GLALC is a statutory Local Aboriginal Land Council, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people who meet, or are prepared to ensure that they meet the selection criteria, are strongly encouraged to apply.



Queensland Government Queensland Health

For application kits and to apply online,
visit www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Corporate Support Services

Advanced Health Worker - Hearing Health Unit, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Program, Institute of Primary Health and Ambulatory Care, Townsville, Townsville Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$52 431 p.a., comprising salary between \$41 777 - \$45 954 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) or Salary between \$41 156 - \$45 037 p.a. (T02) JKN.

HO77V0666. Duties/Abilities: Provide an advanced level of hearing health services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children within the local and outreach service areas. 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. Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community.

Enquiries: Jennifer Ketchell (02) 4799 9089.

Application Kit: (07) 4796 1709 or (07) 4796 1716 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007.

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

TMP-0204033

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer Koori Health.

School of Rural Health

This position will further develop the Koori Health Unit, undertake research, teach and administer in the indigenous studies areas of rural health. The appointee will liaise with Koori communities in north-east Victoria and adjoining region of NSW and supervise designated members of the Koori Health Unit.

Indigenous Australians can contact the Indigenous Employment Co-ordinator on tel. +61 3 8344 9978 for advice and information on making an application.

Salary: \$83,611 - \$96,410 p.a. pro rata (Lecturer, Level C) or \$68,256 - \$81,052 p.a. pro rata (Lecturer, Level B) plus employer superannuation contributions of 17 percent.

Employment Type: Full-time (continuing) position.

Enquiries Only To: Dr Jennifer Critchley, tel. +61 3 5821 4510, email critch@unimelb.edu.au

Closing Date: 27 July 2007.

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 (No. A162/2007). Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

For information and to apply online go to www.jobs.unimelb.edu.au and search under the job title or job no. 0017336.

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Darwin, Northern Territory, Australia

Deputy Director (Indigenous Programs)

- Academic Level D or E, (depending on experience and qualifications)
- \$90,268 - \$116,275
- Generous salary packaging and superannuation benefits
- Full-time

MSHR is seeking a suitable candidate for the position of Deputy Director (Indigenous Programs), based in Darwin. The position is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating strategies, projects, and policies that realise the Indigenous focussed outcomes of the MSHR strategic plan. This is a senior position and will be expected to participate in high-level committees and provide advice to other senior management staff. Ideally the incumbent will also participate actively in, and potentially direct, a major research program.

It is anticipated that the incumbent will be recognised as an authority, having made a major contribution in areas of expertise in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research and education, and will have a sound understanding of management issues and good practice.

This position has been designated for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person.

Contact: Professor Jonathan Carapetis 08 8922 8597

The Position Description (including Selection Criteria) may be downloaded from our website www.menzies.edu.au (preferred) or obtained from Nicki Whitehead at menzies.edu.au on 08 8922 7832.

Applications addressing the Selection Criteria and your CV (including three nominated referees) should be sent to: Human Resources Manager, MSHR, PO Box 41096, Casuarina NT 0811 or the above email address by 23 July 2007. Late applications may be accepted with prior negotiation.



Premier's Department
New South Wales

Parliamentary Counsel's Office

The Office provides the Government with a range of high quality services for the drafting and publishing of legislation.

Legislative Services Manager

Clerk, Grade 9/10, Sydney, Full-Time / Part-Time,
Job Reference No DPC07/133.

Total remuneration package valued to: \$92,591 p.a. (\$76,142-\$83,907) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Manage legislative and support services; provide legal research and drafting assistance; monitor and develop performance measures, equity programs and internal policies; undertake editorial and publishing activities.

Selection Criteria: Broad knowledge and experience in public sector personnel management; general corporate support and financial management. Well-developed investigative, analytical, and problem-solving skills. Demonstrated project management, organisation and time management skills. A good general knowledge of the laws of NSW and eligible for admission as a legal practitioner in NSW or currently undertaking study towards qualifications in law. Highly developed written communication and interpersonal skills and supervisory experience. Editorial expertise and knowledge of legislative drafting and publishing operations and related computer applications. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Overtime is required during peak periods.

Inquiries: Mr Michael Rubacki (02) 9321 3361.

Information Packages: Mr Tom Thornton on (02) 9321 3333.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: The Recruitment Consultant, Central Corporate Services Unit, Governor Macquarie Tower, 1 Farrer Place, Sydney NSW 2000 or apply on-line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday 06 July 2007.



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How Do I Apply?

If you are interested in applying, you must register your details on the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR) website at www.nicp.dewr.gov.au. Then you must register your interest with Defence on (02) 6266 8600 or at equity@defence.gov.au. For more information about Defence visit www.defence.gov.au.

Department of Aboriginal Affairs is implementing a reform program to deliver NSW Government policy on Aboriginal affairs.

Executive Support Assistant

Clerk Grade 3/4, Sydney, Permanent Full-Time,
Job Reference No DAA07/132.

Total remuneration package valued to \$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$54,520). Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Provides administrative and clerical support to the Director-General's Office to assist in carrying out the development, coordination and monitoring of Departmental and Executive functions.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Knowledge of the policies of the NSW Government in relation to the Aboriginal people of NSW. Knowledge of Aboriginal culture, social and economic issues. Good oral and written communication skills. Proven ability to work within tight timeframes. Demonstrated organisational skills. Demonstrated ability in problem solving. Word processing skills and understanding of Microsoft Word. Experience in providing high quality administrative assistance in a complex working environment. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Peter Swain (02) 9219 0749.

Information Packages: Clive Moulstone (02) 9219 0728.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: The Recruitment Consultant, Central Corporate Services Unit, Governor Macquarie Tower, 1 Farrer Place, Sydney NSW 2000 or apply on-line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.



ABORIGINAL SERVICE CO-ORDINATOR

Community Options Program

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)

Wangary Branch (Penrith)

Permanent Full-time

Position Number: HCS-07-00664

Salary package is valued up to \$60,605 pa includes a salary range \$49,792 pa to \$54,920 pa leave loading and employers contribution to superannuation.

Job Description: This position provides case management and brokerage services to enable Aboriginal frail aged people, people with disabilities and their carers to live independently in their own homes.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and demonstrated ability to network with Aboriginal and non Aboriginal service providers and an understanding of the complexities of Aboriginal communities and cultural differences.
- Experience in case management (including assessment) and brokerage or in a similar community service setting.
- Facilitation skills to provide training and development to staff to meet the client's needs.
- Strong written and oral communication skills to be able to prepare project reports and submissions.
- Sound conflict/problem solving skills.
- Sound negotiation skills to be able to work with other agencies and work in community development.
- Knowledge of current community care issues, community services and their availability to ensure appropriate service delivery.
- Computer literacy and basic knowledge of accounting practices to monitor budget. Current driver's licence.
- Knowledge and understanding of Common Selection Criteria.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants must obtain the Information Package, which contains further information about the position and information about the department. Applicants must address the full Selection Criteria. Successful applicant will be subject to criminal records check. An eligibility list will be created.

Inquiries: Maxine Conaty on (02) 4734 9422.

Information Packages: Karen Pike (02) 4734 9422.

Applications to: Branch Manager, Home Care Service of NSW, Wangary Aboriginal Branch, PO Box 1893, Penrith BC NSW 2751 or apply on-line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or email Maxine.Conaty@dadhc.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.



HEALTH CARE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION
The HCCC resolves, investigates and prosecutes complaints about health care services. Resolution Officers provide assistance to the parties to try to resolve the complaint. This position is identified under the Commission's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment strategy as outlined in the Commission's EEO Management Plan.

COMPLAINT RESOLUTION OFFICER (ATSI IDENTIFIED)

Clerk, Grade 7/8 Permanent Pos No: HCCC 2007/05. Total remuneration package valued to \$84,854 p.a. including salary (\$69,467 - \$76,895), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Note: Recommended applicants for Agency positions will be subject to a complete criminal history background check. Some country travel will be involved.

Inquiries: Brian McMahon, Manager Resolution Service (02) 9219 7491 email: bmcMahon@hccc.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Lorraine Scowen (02) 9219 7492 email: lscowen@hccc.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked 'Confidential' to: Senior Employee Relations Officer - Recruitment, Corporate Human Resources Group, Corporate Services Division, NSW Department of the Arts, Sport and Recreation, GPO Box 7060, SYDNEY NSW 2001 or email recruitment@dsar.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.

OFFICE OF THE LEGAL AID COMMISSION HUMAN RESOURCE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (ABORIGINAL)

Clerk Grade 1/2, Business Services Division, Permanent Full-Time, Haymarket, Vacancy: B507/060. Total remuneration package up to \$53,430 including salary (\$44,538 to \$48,419) employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

The position works as part of a team in the Human Resource Management Branch of the Commission to deliver a range of outputs and outcomes.

The position holder works on an independent basis to provide a range of administrative support services within Human Resource Management, including general office administration, improving administrative procedures, assisting with research in relation to policies and procedures, records administration and transaction processing.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality
- A basic knowledge of HR management practices or ability to quickly acquire such knowledge.
- Relevant experience in office and/or records administration.
- Proven computer skills in Microsoft Office Programs and ability to work with a human resource management information system.
- Ability to plan and prioritise work.
- Sound client service, oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to work as a team member.
- Excellent attention to detail and ability to contribute to process improvement.

NOTE: In accordance with Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for this position.

Inquiries: Jennifer Bulkeley (02) 9219 5893.

Information Packages: jobs.nsw.gov.au or Jennifer Jackman on (02) 9219 5960

Applications: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or by email to employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au or to Jennifer Jackman, Human Resource Management Branch, Legal Aid Commission of NSW, PO Box K847, Haymarket 1238

Closing Date: 20 July 2007.

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Indigenous Employment/ Policy Officer

Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit

Reference No. 106194

The Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit is seeking to appoint an Indigenous Employment/Policy Officer to develop, promote, implement and monitor strategies for improving the proportional representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people employed at the University of Sydney.

In this role, the appointee will assist with the development and promotion of equal employment opportunity and affirmative action policies, as well as report to external bodies on the University's progress in the equal opportunity arena. As such, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and strong analytical, problem solving, and organisational skills will be essential. The ability to work well in a team and the capacity to exercise tact, discretion and good judgment will also be required.

To succeed, the ability to develop, promote, implement and monitor programs and policies will be essential, as will knowledge of relevant funding schemes and affirmative action. Also required will be experience in writing reports, chairing meetings, word processing and database management. A combination of relevant experience and/or education/training suitable to this position is a must.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification of this position pursuant to section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For more information or to apply online, please visit <http://positions.usyd.edu.au> and search by reference number 106194. Specific enquiries about the role can be directed to Lyn Shoemark on (02) 9351 2212.

Enquiries about the recruitment process can be directed to Sandra Choi on (02) 9351 5880.

Closing: 18 July 2007

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National Indigenous
Scouts Programme

Programme Development Officers

Scouts Australia is seeking applications for two Programme Development Officers to establish Scouting in Indigenous communities in regional and remote Western Australia and New South Wales. The Programme is already established in Queensland, South Australia and the Northern Territory.

The successful applicants will require a high level of cultural awareness and interpersonal skills with both adults and young people, knowledge of the youth programmes of the various age groups in Scouting and their application to the development of young people, and exhibit a high level of competency in the delivery of the youth programme. In addition, they must be or have the potential to be, a competent trainer of adults.

The successful applicant will preferably be based in the relevant capital city and will be required to work in the Indigenous communities for periods of approximately five to six days duration at a time. While in the communities, communications will be maintained with all levels of the community including senior members of the community and parents.

The Officers will have a primary responsibility to ensure that the Programme has a high level of local Indigenous ownership and that there is promotion of local Indigenous leaders.

While away from the communities there will be administrative, reporting and programme development responsibilities.

The project is funded by the Australian Government under the YouthLink Program. Funding is provided until June 2009.

Salary package and conditions will be negotiated.

An information package including Selection Criteria and Position Description are available on request from:

Richard Miller, National Chief Executive
Scouts Australia National Office
Level 1, 8 Help Street Chatswood NSW 2067
Telephone 02 9413 1133
Email scouts@scouts.com.au

Applications to above. Email applications are encouraged.

Applications close Monday 9th July 2007.

Initial inquiries to:
Graeme Fordham
National Project Commissioner
Telephone: 02 6775 2388
Mobile: 0402 598 107
Email: partnerships@scouts.com.au



National Indigenous Centre for Enterprise Development (NICED)

FORESTRY ENTERPRISE TEAM LEADER (Full Time)

We are seeking a motivated individual who is interested in making a difference working with Indigenous youth. The position requires a strong and flexible leadership style and involves:

- Direct supervision of up to four indigenous trainees thinning and managing native and plantation forests
- Working away from home on a regular basis, often in camp-style accommodation.
- Management of day-to-day operational activities and issues.
- A hands-on approach.

You:
• Have leadership experience
• Hold qualifications or are keenly interested in Natural Resource Management and willing to learn.

To express your interest in this position, please forward your resume by July 11, 2007 to:
General Manager, PO Box 459, Murgon QLD 4605.
Or e-mail: brett.davis@silverlining.net.au

Enquiries to: Brett Davis, Telephone: (07) 4168 5554.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTRES RESEARCH & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - ATSI PROGRAM

Clerk, Grade 3-4, Sydney, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07/711. Total remuneration package valued to: \$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$54,520) Employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

The position holder provides research and administrative support to the Community Justice Centres (CJCs) Aboriginal Mediation Program. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; Demonstrated understanding of current issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities; Demonstrated ability to communicate well with clients, referrers and Departmental staff both verbal and written; Good administration, organisation and office skills in a busy office environment; Ability to undertake basic research and information gathering projects; Demonstrated client service focus; Sound experience in MS Word & basic IT skills; Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This position will be relocating to the Parramatta Justice Precinct in late 2007/early 2008. 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.

Enquiries: Deborah Sharp (02) 9228 7451 Email: deborah_sharp@agd.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: Deborah Sharp (02) 9228 7451.

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 13 July 2007.



Eastern Metropolitan Indigenous Family Violence Action Group

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP A NEW SERVICE MANAGER - Full time

EACH (Eastern Access and Community Health) in partnership with the Eastern Indigenous Family Violence Action group is recruiting for the EASTERN REGION INDIGENOUS HEALING SERVICE, which will provide a range of family violence services for the Eastern Metropolitan indigenous community.

For further information contact Ms Violet Harrison, Indigenous Family Violence Support Worker on (03) 9843 6163.

The position description can be downloaded from www.each.com.au

Applications addressing the selection criteria should be forwarded by Friday 27th July 2007 to: Ms Jill Faulkner, 75 Patterson St, Ringwood East, Vic, 3135 Ph (03) 9879 3935 or email to: jfaulkner@each.com.au

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.



Child Safety

Child Safety Officer - Child Safety Services Division (Three permanent full time positions available)

Category: Community Care
Salary: \$44 300 - \$65 045 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1758/07

Location: Cooktown

Key Duties: Provide high quality statutory child protection services to children, young people and families in Cape and Torres Strait Island communities through quality case management.

Skills/Abilities: Possession of a degree from a recognised tertiary institution in social work, human services or behavioural sciences.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Officer - Child Safety Services Division

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$44 300 - \$65 045 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1767/07

Location: Thursday Island

Key Duties: Provide high quality statutory child protection services to children, young people and families in Cape and Torres Strait Island communities through quality case management.

Skills/Abilities: Possession of a degree from a recognised tertiary institution in social work, human services or behavioural sciences.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Marion Renouf Phone (07) 4039 8953 or E-mail:

marion.renouf@childssafety.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Officer - Child Safety Services Division (Three permanent full time positions available)

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$44 300 - \$65 045 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1768/07

Location: Weipa

Key Duties: Provide high quality statutory child protection services to children, young people and families in Cape and Torres Strait Island communities through quality case management.

Skills/Abilities: Possession of a degree from a recognised tertiary institution in social work, human services or behavioural sciences.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Marion Renouf Phone (07) 4039 8953 or E-mail:

marion.renouf@childssafety.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Support Officer (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Administration and Secretarial

Salary: \$44 346 - \$49 454 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1771/07

Location: Weipa

Key Duties: Deliver culturally appropriate prevention and early intervention support services to families utilising a range of strategies, support and advice, to strengthen the family unit.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Support Officer (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Administration and Secretarial

Salary: \$44 346 - \$49 454 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1771/07

Location: Cooktown

Key Duties: Provide high quality culturally appropriate child protection services to children and families serviced by the Child Safety Service Branch which are consistent with departmental policies, procedures, practices and provide appropriate advice and information to departmental staff to enhance service delivery.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Cont....

Child Safety Support Officer (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Two permanent full time positions available. Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$52 436 - \$57 662 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1742/07

Location: Chermide and Kingaroy

Key Duties: Provide high quality, culturally appropriate, child protection services to children and families serviced by the Child Safety Service Centre which are consistent with departmental policies, procedures, practices and provide appropriate advice and information to departmental staff to enhance service delivery.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Support Officer (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Administration and Secretarial

Salary: \$52 436 - \$57 662 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1769/07

Location: Thursday Island

Key Duties: Provide high quality culturally appropriate child protection services to children and families serviced by the Child Safety Service Branch which are consistent with departmental policies, procedures, practices and provide appropriate advice and information to departmental staff to enhance service delivery.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Indigenous Community Resource Officer (CRO) (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$60 769 - \$66 050 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1744/07

Location: Rockhampton

Key Duties: To contribute to the development of effective, high quality sustainable services to Indigenous children and families.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Indigenous Community Resource Officer (CRO) (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$60 769 - \$66 050 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1744/07

Location: Rockhampton

Key Duties: To contribute to the development of effective, high quality sustainable services to Indigenous children and families.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Indigenous Community Resource Officer (CRO) (Identified) - Child Safety Services Division (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$60 769 - \$66 050 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1748/07

Location: Townsville

Key Duties: Work with stakeholders, Departmental Officers to promote partnerships with service delivery networks, develop appropriate Indigenous child protection services.

Skills/Abilities: Ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, a sound knowledge and understanding of cultures and societies.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Child Safety Cont....

Family Group Meeting Convenors - Child Safety Services Division, Far Northern Zone

Category: Community Care

Salary: \$60 769 - \$66 050 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS1750/07

Location: Cairns

Key Duties: Facilitate family group meetings in accordance with the Child Protection Act 1999.

Skills/Abilities: Deliver services within a statutory child protection framework. Knowledge of purpose and application of the Child Protection Act 1999 and relevant legislation. High level communication skills.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 16 July 2007

Team Leader - Child Safety Services Division

Category: Health and Community Care

Salary: \$78 020 - \$83 657 p.a.

REF: QLD/CHS1741/07

Location: Weipa

Key Duties: To provide leadership and supervision of a team of professional and operational staff to ensure the delivery of high quality child protection services to clients and communities serviced by the Weipa Branch Office.

Skills/Abilities: Possession of a degree from a recognised tertiary institution in social work, human services or behavioural sciences.

Position: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7656 or

E-mail: vacchs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday 16 July 2007

Housing

Principal Policy Officer - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing

Category: Policy, Planning and Research

Salary: \$75 019 - \$80 440 p.a.

VRN: HO2037/07

Location: Brisbane

Key Duties: Contributes to achieving positive housing outcomes for Indigenous people in Queensland as part of a collegiate policy team, the position provides accurate, comprehensive and timely policy advice.

Skills/Abilities: Significant experience in research, analysis and project management, and the ability to formulate reliable and timely policy advice.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Phone: (07) 3238 3938 or E-mail: jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 9 July 2007

State Library of Queensland

Field Officer (Identified) - Indigenous Library Services

(Identified - applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Administration and Secretarial

Salary: \$42 640 - \$47 553 p.a.

Location: Cairns

VRN: SLB424/07

Key Duties: Develop and maintain close contact with Indigenous Community Councils, Indigenous Knowledge Centre staff and other relevant organisations.

Skills/Abilities: Ability to plan, prioritise and organise tasks, ensuring deadlines are met from an individual and team perspective.

Senior Field Officer (Identified) - Indigenous Library Services (Identified - applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Category: Policy, Planning & Research

Salary: \$50 420 - \$55 445 p.a.

Location: Cairns

VRN: SLB423/07

Key Duties: Provide policy and project support and liaison, and undertake field work required for the delivery of projects and policy initiatives.

Skills/Abilities: Sound project experience working independently and as team member; ability to multi task across project teams and meet project milestones.

For Positions Grouped Above:

Position Description: (07) 3842 9340 (Position Description Hotline)

Enquiries: Robert Barty (07) 3842 9481

Closing Date: Monday, 23 July 2007

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NEW SOUTH WALES STATE OFFICE
SEVERAL BRANCHES

SEVERAL SECTIONS

APS LEVEL 6

EXECUTIVE OFFICER & REGIONAL COORDINATOR

\$59,912- \$67,590

SEVERAL POSITIONS

REFERENCE NUMBER: 07-0948

SYDNEY

The Department of Health and Ageing's New South Wales State Office is based in Sydney and works in partnership with local stakeholders to ensure that health and aged care services provided through its Departmental programs are responsive to diverse local needs and conditions. We are seeking to recruit into two ongoing vacancies - one an Executive Officer position in the Office's Aboriginal Aged Care Team, and the other a Regional Coordinator with the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health. These teams are focused on working exclusively with funded Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged care, and health services.

An order of merit however may be established from this recruitment and may be used to fill other positions at the same level within the Office either on an ongoing or a non-ongoing basis.

The positions will work collaboratively with a number of funded organisations, teams, the Department's Central Office and other Departments to implement health and ageing policies and programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in NSW. This position will undertake or assist with a number of tasks including: participating in processes for the allocation of new funding; developing and managing service contracts with Aboriginal aged care or health service providers supporting the development, monitoring and evaluation of services and programs; liaising with government, non government and industry stakeholders and consumers; preparing written correspondence, ministerials, briefs, reports and submissions; liaising with central policy units of the Department with regard to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander policy and program matters; and collaborating with Regional Indigenous Coordination Centres to develop whole-of-government responses to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community needs.

Contact officer: Roserina Murace on 02 9263 3873 or roserina.murace@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Kylie Lawlor on 02 9263 3913 (nswhr@health.gov.au)

OFFICE OF THE AGED CARE COMMISSIONER

APS LEVEL 6

THE AGED CARE COMMISSIONER SENIOR INVESTIGATIONS OFFICER

\$59,912- \$67,590

REFERENCE NUMBER: 07-0972

MELBOURNE

The Australian Government recently committed \$90.2 million over four years for a new quality assurance framework to ensure quality in aged care services in Australia. A critical aspect of that quality assurance framework is the expansion of the role of the Commissioner for Complaints into the Aged Care Commissioner.

The Office of the Aged Care Commissioner is seeking people with a range of skills and experience to meet the legislative mandate of this office of review and to promote confidence in the sectors dealings with the Office of Aged Care Quality and Compliance and the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency.

The Aged Care Commissioner has legislative responsibility for reviewing certain decisions made by the Aged Care Complaints Investigation Scheme and to receive complaints about its processes and the processes and conduct of the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency. The Aged Care Commissioner is also able to initiate own motion investigations into the processes of the Aged Care Complaints Investigation Scheme and the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency.

As a senior investigations officer you will, under limited direction; be part of a diverse team that assesses and investigates complaints about the Office of Aged Care Quality and Compliance and the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency and prepare any associated reports; review certain decisions of the Office of Aged Care Quality and Compliance and prepare the associated reports; analyse information, think strategically and present draft reports with recommendations; update and maintain high quality electronic and paper complaints records; facilitate negotiations to resolve complaints; and undertake other duties as directed.

The successful applicant of this recruitment round will be required to undertake a police check every 3 years.

NOTE: The duties of this position may involve interstate travel.

Contact officer: Grant Davies on 03 9665 8077 or grant.davies@health.gov.au

Selection documentation can also be obtained from: www.health.gov.au/vacancies

QUEENSLAND STATE OFFICE

OFFICE FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH

SEVERAL SECTIONS

APS LEVEL 6

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

\$59,912- \$67,590

SEVERAL EXPECTED POSITIONS

REFERENCE NUMBER: 07-0978

BRISBANE

Several ongoing vacancies at the Senior Project Officer level are expected to be available in the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) Brisbane Office. You are invited to join our dynamic and interesting work environment, where leadership, strategic program management, a performance based culture, innovation, relationship building, enthusiasm to make a difference, and an understanding of and sensitivity in dealing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and issues are highly valued. An order of merit will be established to fill future vacancies over a 12 month period.

As a member of the OATSIH team, you will use a team-based approach to achieve business outcomes, meet Branch and corporate responsibilities, support change processes, and build departmental and personal capability through participation in continuous improvement opportunities. Primarily you will assist in program and contract management of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and substance use programs and services managed by OATSIH Queensland. This includes monitoring and evaluation of existing programs and services, risk management of services of concern, building of relationships between community and government, provision of service and sector support to foster quality improvement outcomes, regional planning, administration of payments, and implementation of new programs and policies.

Contact officer: Marianna Serghi on 07 3360 2551 or marianna.serghi@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Megan O'Day on 07 3360 2625 (megan.o'day@health.gov.au)

Positions close 19 July 2007, 7pm AEST, unless otherwise noted

Further information and application forms are available in our Applicant Kit, available online (www.health.gov.au) or by phoning the contact person for the job. Hearing or speech impaired applicants can obtain the selection comments from the Department's TTY number 02 6289 5945.

Conditions of service are in accordance with the Department's Certified Agreement. We welcome applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from diverse backgrounds.

For further information please visit www.health.gov.au

Department of Culture and The Arts

Senior Policy Officer
(Cultural Programs)

Development and Strategy Directorate

Position Number: 10995

Level/Salary: Level 6, \$70,564 - \$78,138 pa, PSQA 2006

We are seeking a highly motivated individual to develop and maintain high level government and cultural partnerships, policies and programs to inform the strategic planning and policy process for the Department. This position is responsible for indigenous cultural heritage and collection areas of work, in line with the Directorate's strategic plan.

For Further Job Related Information: Please contact Danielle Miller on (08) 9224 7380.

Job Application Package: To access information about this position, visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Position No. or Keyword into the Search Box or Ph: (08) 9224 7447.

Closing Date: Monday, 9 July 2007 at 5:00pm (WST).

CDEP Manager

Mornington Shire Council

Salary Package \$87,000 - \$95,000

The Position

As the CDEP Manager you will manage the Council's CDEP Program by providing employment, training and development opportunities for local people and to enhance the quality of life of the community within Mornington Shire.

Skills / Experience:

- Experience in the management of a CDEP program or similar employment program;
- Knowledge of DEWR grant & reporting procedures;
- Knowledge of management & human resources principles;
- Experience in Local Government would be an advantage;
- Knowledge & understanding of Aboriginal societies & culture; and
- Experience in working in a remote community is desirable.

Remuneration

Council is in a Tax Zone A and offers 12% superannuation, locality allowance and 5 weeks annual leave including airfares. Above salary is negotiable depending on qualifications and experience.

The Shire

Mornington Shire is located in the Gulf of Carpentaria (approximately 3 hours flying time from Cairns) and comprises 22 islands in the Wellesley Island group. The position is based on Mornington Island, the largest island in the group. The Shire has a population of approximately 1,100 people (including a small non-indigenous population) and is home to some of the best fishing in Australia.

To obtain an Application Package please contact

Faith Della-Sabina on (07) 5477 5433 or email

faith@logoapp.com.au

Applications close Monday, 9th July 2007.

LO-GO Appointments
PO Box 1048, Buddina 4575
21 Nicklin Way, Minyama 4575

www.logoapp.com.au



NORTHERN SYDNEY INSTITUTE

Aboriginal Student

Support Officer

(Aboriginal identified position)

Clerk Grade 3/4

Gamarada Unit

Job Reference No: 259615

Permanent appointment.

Total remuneration package valued up to \$60,163 pa, including salary (\$49,792-\$54,520), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Duties: Provide an Aboriginal student advisory and support service including appropriate referral to ensure high quality, timely and accurate service for the Aboriginal community, prospective and current students across Northern Sydney Institute.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Knowledge or understanding of TAFE courses and services and the issues for Aboriginal students. Commitment to Aboriginal education and training and customer service. Good communication and interpersonal skills to communicate effectively with people and promote the services of the Aboriginal Student Support and Development Unit. Proven ability to maintain patience, tact, flexibility, empathy and sensitivity to Aboriginal needs. Ability to work independently and as part of a team. Proven organisational skills and ability to prioritise work and meet deadlines in a high volume work area. Keyboarding skills, knowledge and experience in the use of computing equipment and software (i.e. word processing, Excel etc) and knowledge or understanding of Corporate systems (i.e. CIS, SIS, REMS, CLAMS etc.). Understanding of Aboriginal issues. Ability to monitor budgets and expenditure using computer software packages. Possession of current Drivers Licence. Knowledge and understanding of EEO, OHAS, the Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement and ethical practice.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. 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. Commencing salaries will be negotiated within the range subject to qualifications and experience.

Inquiries: Rob Cohen (02) 9942 3575 or email rob.cohen@ntafnsw.edu.au

Information Package: Recruitment Officer (02) 9942 3967.

Applications (quoting Job Reference No.) to: Recruitment Coordinator, Human Resources Services Unit, TAFE NSW Northern Sydney Region, Locked Bag 1453, Meadowbank NSW 2114.

Closing date: Friday, 20 July 2007.

Indigenous Project Officer



- 6 month fixed term position
- Milton location

Kids Help Line is a nationally recognised leader in the provision of counselling and advocacy for children and young people. The counselling is provided via phone and online mediums 24 hours a day. Kids Help Line as a service of BoysTown are seeking an experienced professional who can enhance the ability of the service to target Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people.

The appointee will be responsible for engaging in activities including building relationships with indigenous communities, consulting with indigenous young people to identify their needs and to raise awareness of the service. It also entails engaging with schools to include help-seeking as part of the curriculum.

Successful applicants will have substantial experience in working with indigenous communities and a demonstrated, strong interest in children and young people's issues. Relevant qualifications will be highly regarded. Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Application packages are available at www.boysstown.com.au/vacancies or by phoning HR on 07 3867 1384. For further enquiries, phone the Manager of Counselling Services on 07 3369 1588.

Closing Date: Saturday 14 July 2007.



NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SIRE
05546	Cullen Exploration Pty Ltd	98.38ha	120km SW of Panamint	Lat 22°42' Long 118°16'	Ashburton
05547	Robt River Mining Co. Pty Ltd	100.00ha	60km NW of Panamint	Lat 21°28' Long 119°44'	Ashburton
05548	Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd				
05549	Cape Lambert Iron Associates				
05550	Registered Business Name				
05551	Pannawonica Iron Associates				
05552	Registered Business Name				
05553	Hemley Iron Pty Ltd	23.4ha	103km NW of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°47' Long 118°46'	Ashburton
05554	Hemley Iron Pty Ltd	47.43ha	109km NW of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°42' Long 118°45'	Ashburton
05555	Brian Robert Cahill	24.35ha	13km NW of Widdowood	Lat 31°25' Long 121°27'	Coogee
05556	Peter Roman Gurni	8.59ha	34km E of Widdowood	Lat 31°53' Long 121°27'	Coogee
05557	Honoree Reardon Ltd	473.61ha	47km SW of Coogee	Lat 31°53' Long 120°54'	Coogee
05558	Barra Resources Ltd	121.54ha	46km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°35' Long 120°55'	Coogee
05559	Barra Resources Ltd	15.2ha	50km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°32' Long 120°55'	Coogee
05560	Toro Mining Pty Ltd	361.14ha	35km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°43' Long 120°54'	Coogee
05561	Toro Mining Pty Ltd	630.89ha	37km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°39' Long 120°54'	Coogee
05562	Toro Mining Pty Ltd	47.59ha	40km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°39' Long 120°54'	Coogee
05563	Toro Mining Pty Ltd	1369.33ha	40km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°37' Long 120°52'	Coogee
05564	Boogooloo Holdings Pty Ltd	171.49ha	27km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°38' Long 121°12'	Coogee
05565	Hi-Mining Pty Ltd	106.72ha	34km NW of Coogee	Lat 30°40' Long 120°54'	Coogee
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PROJECT OFFICER - BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

Clerk Grade 7/8

Greater Western Sydney Division - Parramatta

Permanent Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-00990

Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,591 per annum (salary \$66,796 pa - \$73,938 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

This role participates in the business planning process and performance monitoring and improvement initiatives. The function of the Unit is to undertake planning, performance and project management activities that promote continuous improvement.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated Project and Program Management Skills.
- Superior organisational skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Knowledge of housing systems.
- Ability to contribute to setting strategic directions.
- Demonstrated capacity to build and maintain key relationships and partnerships with key stakeholders.
- Demonstrated well developed communication, negotiation and conflict resolution skills.
- Demonstrated ability to analyse complex problems and identify multiple pathways for resolution and identify the most appropriate response.
- Common selection criteria: Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Clive Bradshaw (02) 9891 8303.

Information Packages: 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in 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 1671.

Closing date: Wednesday 11 July 2007.

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TEAM LEADER

Clerk Grade 9/10

Southern Tablelands Team

Southern & Western NSW HS Division
QueanbeyanPermanent Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-00981

Total remuneration package is valued up to \$96,295 per annum (salary \$79,188 pa - \$87,263 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 management, liaison, financial, administrative, client service functions and acting as Change Manager.

Selection Criteria:

- Understanding of and commitment to the objectives of social housing and, in assisting clients with special needs including people with disabilities, people from non-English speaking backgrounds, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.
- Advanced knowledge of the principles and experience in delivering customer service.
- 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, as well as Project Management experience.
- Well developed financial planning, budgetary preparation and management skills; Departmental or external formal financial training; and advanced computer skills, including use of spreadsheets.
- Well developed knowledge of current tenancy legislation in NSW and demonstrable experience in asset management, within a property environment.
- Previous experience in managing a team within a high-pressure and high volume client service 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 (OH&S).

Job Notes: Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria. At least one reference from a current or recent supervisor is preferred.

Inquiries: Steve Shanahan (02) 6200 7208.

Information Package: (02) 6200 5820 or email: hssouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or e-mail: hssouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: The Recruitment Officer NSW BusinessLink, PO Box 1629, Queanbeyan NSW 2620.

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.

GA17/04/07

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
EPM15429	Approx. 82 km NE from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.17°41'S Long.142°47'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Etheridge and Mareeba	Area: 411 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 126 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1424 t, u, y, z 1425 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1426 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1427 g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1496 d, e, j, k, o, p 1497 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 1498 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 1499 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 1570 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k 1571 a, b, c, f, g, h	Gold Finance and Exploration Pty Ltd 112 075 484
EPM15989	Approx. 37 km NNE from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.17°52'S Long.142°16'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Croydon and Etheridge	Area: 326 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1562 p, u, z 1563 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1564 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1565 q, v, w 1634 e, k, p, u, z 1635 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 1636 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r, s 1637 a, b, f, g 1706 e, k, p 1707 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m	Gold Aura Limited 067 519 779
EPM16002	Approx. 38 km N from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.17°51'S Long.142°16'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Croydon and Etheridge	Area: 326 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1490 t, u, y, z 1491 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1492 v, w 1562 d, e, j, k, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1563 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 1564 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 1565 a, b, c, d, e, j, k, o, p 1566 a, f, l 1634 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, r, s, t, w, x, y 1706 b, c, d, g, h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1707 q, r, v, w	Gold Aura Limited 067 519 779
EPM16003	Approx. 41 km NNE from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.17°53'S Long.142°27'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Etheridge and Croydon	Area: 326 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1565 f, g, h, l, m, n, r, s, t, u, x, y, z 1566 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1567 q, v 1637 s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1638 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1639 a, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 1709 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k 1710 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, o 1711 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w	Gold Aura Limited 067 519 779
EPM16004	Approx. 45 km NW from Gilbert River Centred at approximate Lat.17°50'S Long.142°16'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area: 326 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1496 v, w, x, y, z 1566 b, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p 1567 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y 1568 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n 1569 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, u, z 1570 a, f, l, q, v 1639 b 1640 u, z 1641 e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1642 a, f, l, q 1712 e 1713 a, b, c, d, g, h, j	Gold Aura Limited 067 519 779
EPM16008	Approx. 17 km SSW from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.18°20'S Long.142°11'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Croydon	Area: 789 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 243 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1921 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1922 l, q, r, v, w, x 1993 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 1994 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 1995 l, q, r, v, w, x 2065 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 2066 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 2067 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 2068 f, g, l, m, n, q, r, v, w 2137 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 2138 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 2139 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 2140 a, b, c, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 2141 i	Superior Uranium Pty Ltd 122 001 969

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Community Development Officer

Permanent / Full time

The Thiyama-li Family Violence Service Inc. based in Moree is a community not for profit organisation that provides support and assistance to victims of domestic/family violence and sexual assault.

The service wishes to employ a permanent/full time Indigenous Community Development Officer. Applicants are required to be highly motivated with a creative flair in developing and delivering community development activities. Applicants must have some experience or formal qualifications in the field of Community Development.

For an information kit containing a complete job description and selection criteria please contact Deborah Goodrum on (02) 6751 1400 or email deborah.goodrum@thiyamali.com.au.

Applicants must address the selection criteria. For further information regarding this position please contact Noeline Carr, Manager on (02) 6751 1400 or mobile 0423 678 069 or email noeline.carr@thiyamali.com.au.

Please post applications marked "Confidential" to:-

Noeline Carr
Manager
Thiyama-li Family Violence Service Inc.
PO Box 928, Moree NSW 2400.

Applications must be received by close of business Friday, 20 July 2007. Late applications will not be accepted.

Aboriginality is a genuine requirement and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1997.



Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of New South Wales

The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services.

We are currently seeking applications for the following positions:

• Business Analyst (ICT & IM) (Full-time)

The role is responsible for ICT and IM services to enhance the operational performance and strategic application of IT capacity to member Services.

• Vocational Educator and Assessor (Cancer Awareness) (0.5 FTE)

• Vocational Educator and Assessor (Sexual Health and/or Alcohol and Other Drugs) (Full-time)

Both positions are required to develop and deliver educational workshops in the specified areas, and conduct assessments within the National vocational system.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information on these positions or other positions within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector in NSW, visit: www.ahmrc.org.au/employment.htm

Closing Date: Friday, 20th July, 2007.

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER ABORIGINAL SERVICE & BUSINESS SUPPORT

Clerk Grade 7/8

Southern & Western NSW HS Division

Western Area - Orange

Permanent Full-Time

Position No. DOH-07-00971

Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,591 per annum (salary \$66,796 pa - \$73,938 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Project Officer assists in the management of client service matters, including service improvement initiatives, business performance analysis and reporting, client appeals, Ministerial Correspondence, and delivery of individual projects.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Sound operational experience in service delivery in a human services environment.
- Proven track record of working collaboratively with a range of government and non-government stakeholders to deliver cross-agency products and services.
- Experience in business and project management, human resources and financial management.
- Knowledge and experience in administrative and business processes, and well-developed oral and written communication skills.
- Experience in management of change, new product initiatives, and service improvement processes.
- Capacity to engage stakeholders, and to build and maintain key relationships and partnerships.
- Current Driver's Licence.
- Common selection criteria: Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Ray Hallinan (02) 6360 8112.

Information Packages: (02) 6392 8250 or email: hrwestern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in Information Package or e-mail: hrwestern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: NSW Businesslink, PO Box 2552 ORANGE NSW 2800.

Closing date: Friday 13 July 2007.

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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
EPM16026	Approx. 11 km E from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.18°13'S Long.142°21'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Croydon	Area: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1 lat.x 1 long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1924 p, u 1925 q, r, w	Australian Gold Holdings Limited 117 755 512
EPM16047	Approx. 91 km WNW from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.17°44'S Long.141°33'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Croydon and Carpentaria	Area: 814 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 250 (each 1 lat.x 1 long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1337 h, j, k, m, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1338 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1409 c, d, e, h, j, k, m, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1410 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 1411 a, b, c, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1481 c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1482 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 1483 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 1484 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w 1555 a, h, c, d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 1556 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, i, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1627 d, e 1628 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 1629 l, m, q, r, v, w 1700 e 1701 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, m, n, o	Gold Aura Limited 067 519 779

* 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.

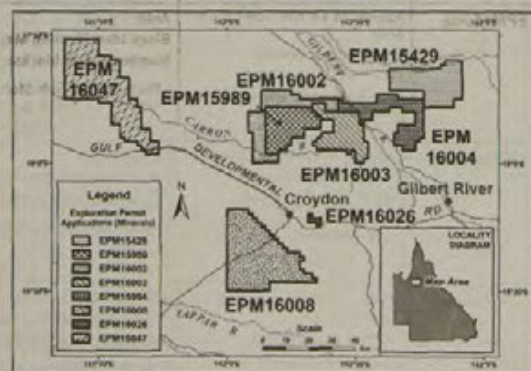
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 319 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 25 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

PROJECT OFFICER, OLDER PEOPLE

Clerk Grade 9/10

Service Improvement

Greater Western Sydney Division - Parramatta

Temporary Full-Time

Position No. DOH-07-00967

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 Project Officer has day to day responsibility for timely implementation at Divisional level of commitments in the New Directions in Social Housing for Older People, and achieving improvements in service delivery to older clients.

Selection Criteria:

- Experience in the provision of services/resources for older people.
- Demonstrated project management experience.
- Proven ability to build and maintain networks with internal and external stakeholders.
- Excellent written communication skills and ability to prepare reports and develop plans.
- Demonstrated ability to engage and involve staff in new strategies.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with multi-disciplinary teams across areas.
- Ability to lead and contribute to service improvement initiatives and develop innovative solutions to complex client problems.
- Ability to develop strategies which integrate asset and service improvement initiatives.
- 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 (OH&S).

Job Notes: This is a temporary full-time position for a period of up to 3 years (1/5/2010) under the terms of PSEM Act 2002. Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria. For additional information about New Directions in Social Housing for Older People, Please click here.

Inquiries: Lynne Beven (02) 9691 8405, 0401 718 077 or email: lynnbeven@housing.nsw.gov.au

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: Monday, 16 July 2007.

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Applicants for NSW Government Jobs must show knowledge and understanding of the 'Common Selection Criteria'. They are Equal Employment Opportunities, Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement and Occupational Health & Safety as they relate to the job.

JOINT MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Clerk Grade 7/8, Nelson Bay, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number DECC07-252. Total remuneration package valued to: \$81,591 p.a. (\$66,796-\$73,938) Salary package includes base salary, annual leave loading and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

The Joint Management Coordinator (JMC) will provide essential liaison between the Worimi Conservation Lands Board of Management, members of the Worimi Community and other Aboriginal people and Parks and Wildlife Group (PWG) staff. **Selection Criteria:** This position is an identified Aboriginal position and Aboriginality is therefore a requirement of the job. Working knowledge of the principles, rules and regulations governing joint management of lands and public use of PWG estate in order to ensure that the cultural heritage, public safety, and flora and fauna remain protected. Well developed liaison, interpersonal, administrative, and management skills are required to organise and facilitate strong communication between the Board of Management, the Aboriginal community, the community in general, and the PWG. Strong communication and interpersonal skills are required in presenting the public face of the Department in media appearance and in providing advice and information to the public, organisations and local government. Knowledge of adult learning principles and current issues in staff development. High level presentation and facilitation skills are required for the cross-cultural training aspects of the position. Experience in dealing with Aboriginal people, staff and communities. A good understanding of environmental issues and DECC policies. Experience in the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Robert Quirk, phone: (02) 4984 8213 Email: robert.quirk@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Ibi Zsiros, phone: (02) 4984 8203 or 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.

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.

GA-070002



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

SENIOR CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER - SPECIALIST (TARGETED)

Clerk Grade 5/6

Southern & Western NSW HS Division - Nowra

Temporary Full-Time

Position No: DOH-07-00980

Total remuneration package valued up to \$74,429 per annum (salary \$61,128 pa - \$67,448 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Department requires a person with expertise to ensure quality housing and support packages are provided to clients with complex or high support needs, including Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander clients.

Selection Criteria:

- Excellent communication including negotiation and mediation, assessment and problem solving skills.
- Demonstrated experience in case management of people with high support needs.
- Understanding of and ability to liaise with a variety of human service client groups and organisations and ability to initiate and develop networks.
- Ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team and liaise with internal stakeholders.
- Experience in managing a range of complex tasks and setting priorities.
- Demonstrated understanding of and commitment to assisting clients with special needs including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, people from non-English speaking backgrounds, and people with disabilities.
- Capacity to train and support other team members.
- Current driver's licence.
- **Common selection criteria:** Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: As part of the Department's Aboriginal employment strategy we are targeting to employ an Aboriginal person to this position. Applicants should note that the position works with both Indigenous and non-Indigenous clients of the Department. Temporary appointment/employment for a period of at least 6 months under the terms of PSEM Act 2002. 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. At least one reference from current or recent supervisor is preferred.

Inquiries: Kate Vasey (02) 4423 9101.

Information Packages: (02) 6200 5820 or email: hssouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in Information Package or post to: The Recruitment Officer NSW Businesslink, PO Box 1629, Queanbeyan NSW 2620 or email to: hssouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Friday 13 July 2007.

GA-070003

MURRI SISTERS ASSOCIATION INC. SUPPORT WORKERS

Murri Sisters Association Inc is a non-profit community organization that has been operating in the Brisbane area for the past 20 years. We provide support and short-term crisis accommodation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children escaping family violence, and who are at risk of homelessness.

The Association is seeking to appoint suitably qualified and experienced candidates for the two vacant positions.

The primary responsibility of the positions is to ensure that the needs of Indigenous women and their children are met while they are accommodated at the shelter.

An information package and position description can be obtained by ringing (07) 38911378 or email murrisisters1@bigpond.com

Application should be addressed to: The Coordinator, Murri, Sisters Association Inc, PO Box 260 Annerley, Qld 4103.

Applications close on July 13, 2007.

For more information please contact: Grace Bond or Tracey Tyson on (07) 38911378.

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 Ikoori Church at Tregear

Over the last eight years Rev Neville Naden and Rev Rick Manton 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, phone or write to Pastor Ray Minniecon, mob 0417 929 701, address: 115 Young street Redfern NSW, 2016.

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
EPM15441	Approx. 49 km SW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.17°26'S Long.144°10'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area: 33 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 10 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1226 d, e, j, k, p 1227 a, f, g, l, m	Robert John Wallace
EPM15960	Approx. 53 km WNW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.16°55'S Long.144°05'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area: 327 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville and Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks Townsville 721 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 722 a, f, g, i, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z 793 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 794 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z 795 v, w, x 865 a, b, f, g Normanton 720 u, z - 792 e, k, p	Ozmin Resources Pty Ltd 109 323 042
EPM15978	Approx. 24 km N from Dimbulah Centred at approximate Lat.16°55'S Long.145°07'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 806 b, c, h	Cormin Resources Pty Ltd 076 230 227
EPM15987	Approx. 23 km NE from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.17°01'S Long.144°42'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area: 327 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 799 l, u, z 800 g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 801 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 872 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, o, p, l, u, z 873 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 874 a, f, g, h, i, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 944 e 945 a, b, f, g	Andromeda Ventures Ltd 101 667 672
EPM16021	Approx. 28 km E from Almaden Centred at approximate Lat.17°23'S Long.144°56'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area: 36 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1163 p, u, z 1164 l, m, q, r, s, v, w, x	Auzex Resources Limited 106 444 606
EPM16030	Part 1: Approx. 31 km NNW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.16°53'S Long.144°26'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba Part 2: Approx. 44 km N from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.16°45'S Long.144°36'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mareeba	Area of Part 1: 272 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 83 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 654 d, j, m, n, o, r, s, x, y, z 725 h, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 726 c, h, i, m, n, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 727 q, r, v, w 797 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 798 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n 799 a, b, f, g 869 b, c, d, e Area of Part 2: 56 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 17 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 583 s, t, u, x, y, z 584 o, q, r, s, t 655 d, e, j, k, p, u	William Peter Laing

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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.

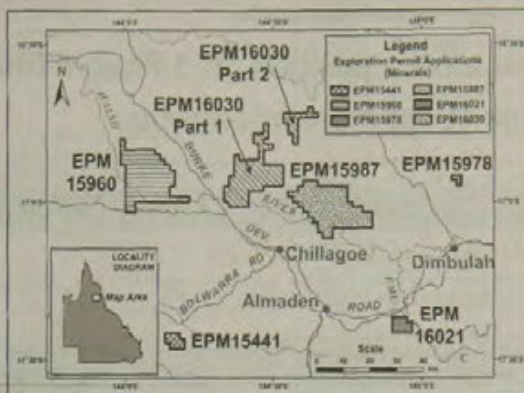
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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 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 relation to the proposed grant of the 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.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT COURT SERVICES JUSTICE GROUP COORDINATOR (ATSI) MOREE

Clerk, Grade 3-4, Moree, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07/713. Total remuneration package valued to: \$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$54,520) 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 Drivers Licence; Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is a re-advertised position, previous applicants will need to re-apply. 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 / Narelle Carter (02) 9228 8623 / (02) 9752 1052 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 13 July 2007.

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Notice of Proposed Grant Of a Mineral Development Licence

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicants named below hereby give notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Mineral Development Licence shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Mineral Development Licence Number	Location of Mineral Development Licence (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
MDL298	Approx. 37 km South of Ravenshoe. Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Herberton	Current Land Tenures Lot 2944 on plan PH1182 - PH 22/2944 Road Reserve Lot 6 on plan CWL3416 - GHPL 22/1247 - (Access only) Lot 5 on plan GUS8 - GHPL 22/1254 - (Access only) Herbert River - Unallocated State Land - (Access only) Area of land applied for in Mineral Development Licence: 55 ha	Snowmist Pty Ltd 011 041 384

Nature of the acts: Grant of a Mineral Development Licence under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to do all things that were or are authorised under the Mineral Development Licence over the area of the application and carry out activities leading to the evaluation and economic development of the ore body subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld). It is proposed to grant the Mineral Development Licence for a term not exceeding five (5) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years, and also subject to General Conditions Version 1, 1 March, 2007 and the Native Title Protection Conditions for Mineral Development Licences Version 1.1(b), 9 November, 2005 pursuant to s. 194(1)(j) of the Mineral Resources Act 1989 and s. 194AAA of that Act.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that each individual Mineral Development Licence 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 each individual Mineral Development Licence, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mineral Development Licence application, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216 and the Office of the Mining Registrar, Mareeba Mining District, 167 Walsh Street, Mareeba, 4880, Telephone: (07) 4048 4795.

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 Mineral Development Licence. 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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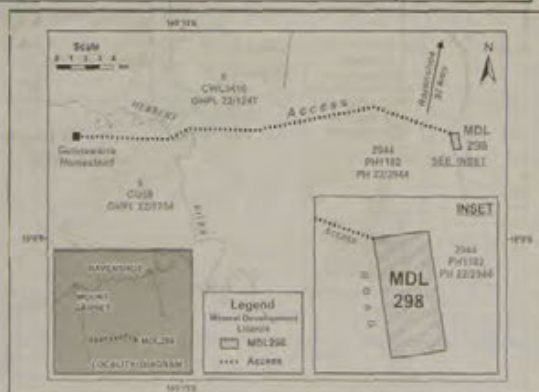
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Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Mineral Development Licence to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Mineral Development Licence 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 Mineral Development Licence with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Mineral Development Licence 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.

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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
EPM15998	Approx. 40 km WSW from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°21'S Long.143°11'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area: 325 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1934 h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1935 f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2006 c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, y, z 2007 a, b, f, g, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, v, w 2008 i 2078 e, k, p, t, u, y, z 2079 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2150 d, e, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2151 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2222 c 2223 a, b, f, g	Eastern Prospector Pty Ltd 122 557 082
EPM15999	Approx. 39 km WSW from Forsyth Centred at approximate Lat.18°37'S Long.143°14'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area: 325 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2222 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, x, y, z 2223 l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x, y 2294 e, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, u 2295 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2296 i, q, v, w 2367 e, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y 2368 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 2369 a, f, l, q, v	Eastern Prospector Pty Ltd 122 557 082
EPM16000	Approx. 55 km WSW from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°27'S Long.143°03'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area: 325 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2004 u, z 2005 m, n, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 2076 e, k, p, u, z 2077 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x 2148 e, k, p, u, z 2149 a, b, f, l 2220 e, k, p, u, z 2221 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 2222 a, b, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w 2293 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, o, o	Eastern Prospector Pty Ltd 122 557 082

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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 1216.

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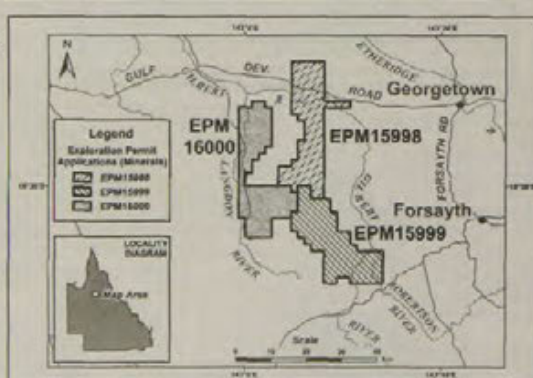
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Notification Day: 25 July 2007



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FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICES MANAGER

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service Co-op Ltd (VAHS) is seeking to recruit a Program Manager to join the Family Counselling Services Team. We are a Community Controlled Organisation operating since 1973. At the VAHS we use a holistic approach to healthcare, providing primary and preventative health care, including physical, emotional and social support to the Aboriginal Community.

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Salary Packaging available

For Key Selection Criteria and Job Description contact Lesley Day on 03 9419 3000

Indigenous Applicants are encouraged to apply.

Closing Date: 13th July, 2007

Applicants should address the selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including references to: Mr Rod Jackson, CEO, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service.

186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy 3065

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT SPECIALIST PSYCHOLOGIST

PSYCHOLOGIST, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07373. Total remuneration package valued to: \$96,749 p.a. (\$46,812-\$82,237) Total remuneration package 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. Ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team. 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 (02) 6332 2737 Email: Anne.young@dcs.nsw.gov.au **Information Packages:** Linda Ernst 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.

Closing Date: Friday 06 July 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT OVERSEER (TRADE) VARIOUS POSITIONS

Overseer, Various Areas, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number Generic. Total remuneration package valued to: \$66,252 p.a. (\$66,252-\$66,252) Total remuneration package includes a fixed, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An environmental allowance (currently \$2,266 pa) also applies during 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. Successful applicants will be required to assess nationally recognised units of competency and as such, will be required to complete relevant competencies from the Certificate IV in Training and Assessment. 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. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent and temporary positions within NSW.

Inquiries: Derek Brindle (02) 8346 1611 Email: derek.brindle@dcs.nsw.gov.au **Information Packages:** www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers/Trade_Positions

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Overseer Generic Recruitment Campaign, Custodial Recruitment Unit, Level One, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

Closing Date: Friday 06 July 2007.

QA170606

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMUNITY PROGRAM OFFICER
ABORIGINAL
Clerk Grade 7/8
Partnerships and Planning
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills Network
Office
Metro West, Blacktown
Temporary Full-Time
Vacancy No: 07DOC58255

Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,591 per annum (Salary \$66,796 pa - \$73,938 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: The Community Program Officer, Aboriginal is responsible for purchasing and monitoring services from a range of organisations and individuals that are involved, in partnership with DoCS, in the provision of services to the community.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of service delivery in a community services environment and in community management.
- Demonstrated understanding of disadvantage, social equity principles and cross cultural issues.
- Demonstrated high level oral and written communication skills including ability to develop reports based on evidence and analysis.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the budgetary process and the ability to assess budgets.
- Proven experience in processes of consultation, relationship building and negotiation skills.
- Demonstrated computer skills.
- Current driver's licence.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OHS).

Job Notes: In this position, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977. This is a temporary full-time position for a period of 12 months under the terms of Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002. Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package which contains the complete details of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria and MUST complete the Prohibited Employment Declaration and Screening Consent Forms contained in the Information Package.

Inquiries: Gae Parmenter, Telephone: (02) 9830 1145.

Information Packages: Available on-line at our website: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact 1800 149 919 or email: Pamela.Sullivan@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications Marked 'CONFIDENTIAL': Apply on-line at our website: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or by e-mail to: JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or Post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871

Closing Date: Friday 13 July 2007.

Brunswick Indigenous Govt Education Group - MCEG

Aboriginal Community/School Co-ordinator

- To co-ordinate a process of gathering information and liaising between local indigenous communities and primary and secondary schools in government and non-government schools.
 - To facilitate a variety of appropriate activities that bring together schools and the indigenous community.
 - A driver's licence is essential.
- Criteria:**
- Ability to demonstrate awareness and understanding of Brunswick Valley Indigenous community and protocols
 - Ability to demonstrate an awareness of school/community networks and an understanding of how indigenous students and their families interact with the educational process and the issues they face.
 - Demonstrated experience in organising community gatherings/initiatives with strong communication skills.

Details of position:

Position is to begin early Term 3 (2007) and continue until the end of Term 4 (2008) and does not include school holidays and is to be paid at the rate of \$30.00 per hour for 15 hours each week.

Applications to be addressed to Ian Graham, Jubilee Avenue, Mullumbimby NSW 2482 and close on 22/07/07.



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Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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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
EPM15990	Approx. 114 km S from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.21°06'S Long.146°14'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple	Area: 291 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 91 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 870 w, x, y, z 891 d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 892 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y 962 j, k, o, p 963 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, s, t, u 964 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, o, p, t, u, y, z 1036 d, e, j, k, o, t	Australian Gold Holdings Limited 117 755 512
EPM15992	Approx. 45 km SE from Ravenswood Centred at approximate Lat.20°23'S Long.147°12'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Dalrymple and Burdekin	Area: 22 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 327 m, n, q, r, s, w, x	Ralph De Lacey
EPM16025	Approx. 40 km WSW from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°13'S Long.145°55'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple	Area: 286 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 89 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 96 t, u, y, z 97 q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 166 r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 167 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 168 d, e, k, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 169 a, b, c, d, f, i, q, v 238 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p 239 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 240 a, b, c, f, g, h, i, m, n	Regalpoint Asset Pty Ltd 122 727 342

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Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) i.e. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the acts: Grant of an 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 1.3(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, Woolloongahba, Queensland 4102. Telephone: (07) 3896 1216.

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 20 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.

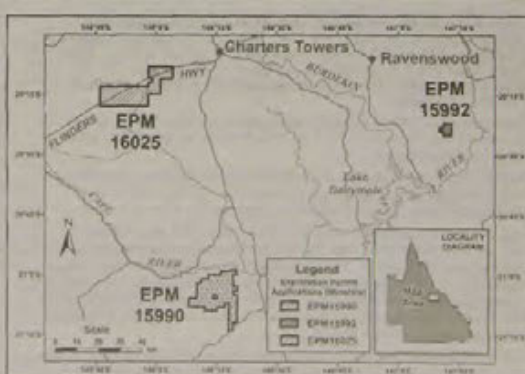
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 319 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@federalcourt.gov.au

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: 25 July 2007



Muujj Regional Centre for Social and Emotional Well Being



A Consortium of 3 Aboriginal Community Controlled Medical Services
Winnunga Nimmyjah Aboriginal Health Service (Canberra)
Riverina Medical and Dental Aboriginal Corporation (Wagga Wagga)
Katungul Aboriginal Corporation Community & Medical Service (Narrara)

Auspiced by Winnunga Nimmyjah Aboriginal Health Service

PROJECT OFFICER

ACT (Full-time)

Re-advertised position

The Muujj Regional Centre for Social and Emotional Wellbeing is seeking a self motivated team player to work as a member of an innovative and exciting program.

Muujj's core business is to develop strategies that aim to build a solid professional foundation, including a focus on balancing professional, family and community life, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples working in the field of social and emotional wellbeing, and living and working in the Muujj region of the ACT and South East NSW. The Muujj program aims to provide a range of professional support and education based on the needs of the social and emotional wellbeing workforce and the Aboriginal communities in the region.

Muujj Regional Centre for Social and Emotional Wellbeing is based in Canberra with outreach sites in Wagga Wagga and Narrara. Muujj is now seeking to appoint a dedicated person, with a broad understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal peoples social and emotional well-being, to fill the Project Officer position for the ACT. The successful applicant will be based at Winnunga Nimmyjah Aboriginal Health Service, and will be responsible for coordinating the Muujj program throughout the ACT and local region. Some travel may be required.

Essential requirements for this position include: Aboriginality; excellent ability to work independently and as a member of a small team; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; previous project work experience; knowledge of services and supports available in Canberra and region; current driver's licence.

The position is full-time and the salary is \$45k to \$53k depending on skills, experience and qualifications.

An applicants Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for this position.

Closing Date for applicants: COB Friday 13 July 2007.

Applying for the position: Applications must address the selection criteria and must include 2 current referees.

For further information, and/or a copy of the selection criteria and duty statement please contact Jodie Fisher (Program Manager) on (02) 6284 6220.

Previous applicants need not re-apply



Business Development Manager

Indigenous Business Opportunities Kempsey - Mid North Coast NSW

The Mid North Coast Area Consultative Committee is seeking an experienced Business Development Manager to assist indigenous organisations achieve sustainable, stand alone business ventures in the Kempsey area. The position is required to project manage the further development and implementation of Business Plans for substantial indigenous Business opportunities.

The role requires facilitating further financial support for the ventures and the oversighting of infrastructure construction. The establishment of viable ongoing management structures, including recruitment, training, mentoring and skills transfer activities for various positions is also integral to achieving the desired outcomes.

The successful applicant must have a strong and successful background in business development, the management of large and complex projects and financial management; including the ability to communicate with a diverse range of stakeholders.

This position will be required to work under limited direction, communicating and providing regular formal reporting to a Steering Committee and related Funding Bodies.

Essential Selection Criteria: A strong business development, project management and financial management background; previous experience working in an Aboriginal community and

business development and demonstrated understanding of issues involved; the ability to raise with a wide range of Government and Non-Government bodies on behalf of the project including community and media consultation; computer literate: Microsoft Office, Accounting Software, etc.

The role is available to either an individual or an organisation with remuneration to be negotiated and agreed following orientation and the development and acceptance of a detailed work plan. The position could be contracted for up to 18 months, subject to meeting performance targets, commencing asap.

Further inquiries can be directed to Peter Milner on (02) 65 621477. Applications should be forwarded no later than 20 July 2007 to accmail@mncacc.com.au.

This project position is funded by the Australian Government as part of its Indigenous Employment Policy initiatives through the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations. Area Consultative Committees are also an Australian Government initiative funded by the Department of Transport and Regional Services.



An Australian Government Initiative



Shared Vision Aboriginal Corporation Inc.
Wula Wula Nga Information & Access Centre

Shared Vision Aboriginal Corporation Inc.
based in Lismore, Far North Coast NSW
has a position vacant for a

Housing Support Worker

We also require casual staff for relief work

Closing date for applications will be 13th July, 2007

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.



Brotherhood of St Laurence

Working for an Australia free of poverty

INDIGENOUS GROUP TRAINING FIELD AND SUPPORT OFFICER

Please note that there was an error printed in the closing date for this position advertised on 20/6/07.

The actual closing date was 29 June 2007.

If this has effected the submission of your application please contact Nick Hannett on 0419 374 193 to discuss special consideration requirements should a late application be required.

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
EPM15899 This application consists of four separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 92 km WNW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°02'S Long.140°43'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area of Part 1: 165 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 52 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1689 x 1760 d, e, j, k, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1761 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 1762 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, q, v 1833 c, d, e	Mining Exploration Pty Ltd 113 513 321
	Part 2: Approx. 107 km WNW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.21°59'S Long.140°35'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1688 v	
	Part 3: Approx. 82 km WNW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.21°59'S Long.140°52'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area of Part 3: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1691 w	
	Part 4: Approx. 106 km WNW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°02'S Long.140°35'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area of Part 4: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1759 p	

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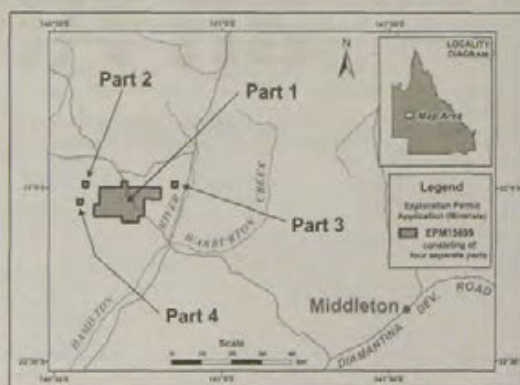
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Notification Day: 25 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

SUPERVISOR/OVERSEER (TRADE)

FARM SECOND CHANCE PROGRAM

Overseer, Brewarrina, Temporary Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07377. Total remuneration package valued to: \$66,252 p.a. (\$66,252-\$66,252) Total remuneration package includes a fixed salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An environmental allowance (currently \$2,266 p.a) also applies during occupancy of this position.

Responsible for supervising and instructing Aboriginal offenders in a range of farming and property management activities.

Selection Criteria: Relevant trade qualifications and/or extensive knowledge of experience in general rural skills including general & machinery maintenance, animal husbandry, fencing and general duties associated with running a rural property. Current NSW Class 1 (essential) and Heavy Rigid or Medium Rigid driver's licence (or eligibility to obtain an HR / MR licence). Ability to work in a remote rural location. Ability to communicate with a broad range of people and a willingness to work with offenders. Ability to supervise, instruct and motivate a low skilled workforce. Ability to prioritise the workload, work without supervision and be flexible in approach to work. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment/employment under the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002 for a period of up to 12 months. Trade qualifications in the building industry will be highly regarded. Security and centre operations training will be provided on site. 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. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent and temporary positions within the North West area.

Inquiries: Peter Dawson (02) 6874 4717 Email: peter.dawson@dcs.nsw.gov.au **Information Packages:** www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers/Trade_Positions

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resources Officer, Custodial Recruitment Unit, Level One, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

Closing Date: Friday 06 July 2007.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

SpeakOut Ltd COMMUNITY PROJECTS OFFICER

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants strongly encouraged to apply.

Please note: This position is advertised as a full time position.

We will consider applications applications/interest in a part-time (2/3 days) position with the focus on one or a combination of the projects listed below. If you are expressing interest in a part-time project specific role, please indicate which project/s you are most interested in for your initial application.

An exciting opportunity exists for a creative, dynamic and well-organised person to join SpeakOut Ltd.

The primary focus will be to match your time management and organisational skills and responsibilities with the passion for working across a variety of genres, with a diverse range of communities and with a framework grounded solidly in Community Cultural Development and the SpeakOut operational Charter.

This position will appeal to someone who wants to work in a dynamic organisation engaging in social change and community cultural development practices who also enjoys a flexible, fast paced and engaging environment.

The Community Projects Officer will be responsible for supporting the delivery and coordination of one or some of the following initiatives:

Palm's UP: Delivery of Arts and Cultural programs in collaboration with young people and community members from Palm Island. The Project Officer would be required to support the rollout and delivery of this project in conjunction with the Project Coordinator.

Stylin' UP Regional: Stylin' UP Regional is a state-wide initiative which encourages young people and communities from Cherbourg, Woorabinda and Logan to collaborate on Arts and Cultural programs and outcomes for young people. Stylin' UP Regional is a vehicle for engaging and empowering indigenous young people to celebrate and maintain their cultural identity in a contemporary world.

Are you Making a Difference? Scoping, consultation and delivery of the schools and education based program called 'Are you Making a Difference' (RUMAD). This project will rollout statewide with the view of training teachers in the student-centred social change framework developed by the Education Foundation.

Applications close: 12.00pm Monday July 16th.

For more information or an application package, please contact Angie on 3493 7511 or angie@speakout.com.au

Over the past 40 years AIATSIS has established itself as Australia's premier national institution for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander studies. We are responsible for a broad research program, manage world class collections of cultural and research material and publish a range of material through Aboriginal Studies Press. Together, we work to enhance the lives of Australian Indigenous peoples, increase appropriate access to the collection and enable a better understanding of Australian history by all Australians.

LIBRARY DIGITISATION ASSISTANT

APS Level 3

\$41,842 - \$45,160

(Non-Ongoing, 3 months, with possibility of extension up to 3 years)

The Library Digitisation Assistant will be responsible in assisting with web maintenance, handling fragile and rare library material, carry out routine digitisation of library material using scanning hardware and software, basic documentation and entering of data including cataloguing.

Please consult the AIATSIS website www.aiatsis.gov.au to obtain the selection documentation for this position. For those without access to the internet, selection documentation can be obtained from Lauren Hewitt on (02) 6246 1178.

If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact Lauren Hewitt, Manager Digitisation on 02 6246 1178 or e-mail:

lauren.hewitt@aiatsis.gov.au

Application 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 July 2007

Applications may also be forwarded by e-mail: HRTeam@aiatsis.gov.au

Applicants must address 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.

The Institute values a skilled and diverse workforce to meet the needs of the organisation in the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

TAFE NSW



AES School-Based Traineeship Program Building a career Pathway for Indigenous Youth

The Aboriginal Employment Strategy is expanding our highly successful School Based Traineeships for Indigenous students in the banking industry to Far North Queensland and through NSW and Western Australia. The program allows Indigenous students entering year 11 (must currently be in year 10) to complete high school while working 1 day a week in a bank and studying for a Certificate II in Business Services. The students work with the bank over two years, whilst completing year 11 & 12, and may be offered a full-time position upon completion of the traineeship.

For our 2008 intake we will be working with the following banks:

- ANZ Bank
- Commonwealth Bank of Australia
- Westpac Bank
- National Australia Bank

If you know an Indigenous student in one of the regions below who is currently in year 10, who intends on completing year 12, and may be interested in participating in our School Based Traineeship Program, please contact one of the numbers below. The AES School Based Traineeship Program gives Indigenous students an opportunity to earn money while at school, gain valuable work experience, and get a head start on their future.

For more information contact the Aboriginal Employment Strategy in one of the following regions:

NSW:

Sydney, North Coast & South Coast of NSW
(02) 8571 0999
Blacktown (Western Sydney) (02) 9852 2700
Dubbo (02) 6882 8100
Maitland (02) 4939 4500
Moree (02) 6752 3422
Tamworth (02) 6766 9388

Western Australia:

(02) 8571 0999
Perth Field Officer to commence late July 2007.
North Queensland: 0428 265 941
(Townsville and Cairns regions only)
***Northern Territory:** (02) 8571 0999
**Alice Springs office to open early August, call Sydney office number for information*



www.aboriginalemploymentstrategy.com.au

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland

Notification day: 18 July 2007



National
Native Title
Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland & McLean ILUA - Q12006/010

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 38km² is located 28km south of Cooktown in the Helenvale region as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Cook Shire Council local government area.

Parties to agreement and their contact addresses:

Agnes Walker, Eileen Walker, Hazel Douglas, John Walker Jnr and Peter Fischer, C/- Cape York Land Council, PO Box 2496, CAIRNS QLD 4870

State of Queensland, C/- Crown Law, GPO Box 5221, BRISBANE QLD 4001

Roderick William McLean, C/- David Kempton, PO Box 732, EDGE HILL QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

5.1 The parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts to the extent they are Future Acts.

6.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2, Division 3 of Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts.

"Agreed Acts" means:

- (a) the grant of the Permit to Occupy;
- (b) entering into the Lease; and
- (c) all acts necessary to give effect to those acts.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by 18 October 2007.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, CAIRNS QLD 4870 by 18 October 2007.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources and Water. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, contact Karen Townrow on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

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Queensland

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National
Native Title
Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland & Harlow ILUA - Q12006/012

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The agreement area falls within the Douglas Shire Council local government area.

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Production Manager

Living Black
TV News & Current Affairs
AWA - 1 year

SBS is a dynamic broadcaster with multicultural and multilingual programming that informs, educates and entertains all Australians and, in doing so, reflects Australia's cultural diversity. With radio, television and online services in up to 70 languages, SBS is unlike any other public broadcaster in the world. SBS Television's Indigenous Media Unit is looking to recruit a Production Manager to join its production team in Sydney.

The main focus will be to manage the overall production requirements of the Unit and managing the budget for "Living Black". SBS TV's national Indigenous news & current affairs program.

In consultation with the Executive Producer, the successful candidate will coordinate facilities, resources, production and post production crews. Working closely with the Unit's Supervising Producer, the Production Manager will also coordinate travel for location shoots for the team's Video Journalists.

The Production Manager will provide advice and develop strategies for cost saving measures to the Executive Producer and prepare monthly reports on budget and salary expenditure.

The position is offered under the terms of an Australian Workplace Agreement. Terms will be negotiated with the successful candidate.

The Selection Criteria and Duty Statement can be found on the website www.sbs.com.au/jobs or you can obtain a copy from the Recruitment Officer on (02) 9430 3654. For further information about the position please contact Living Black on (02) 9430 3058. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria must be received by the Recruitment Officer, SBS, Locked Bag 928, Crows Nest NSW 1585 (or email: recruitment@sbs.com.au) by 5pm on 13 July 2007. Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT COURT SERVICES

JUSTICE GROUP COORDINATOR (ATSI) BROKEN HILL

Clerk, Grade 3-4, Broken Hill, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07714. Total remuneration package valued to: \$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$54,520) 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 Drivers Licence; Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is a re-advertised position, previous applicants will need to re-apply. 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 / Bradley Delaney (02) 9228 8623 / (02) 9228 8656 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 13 July 2007.

Chief Executive Officer

Rec Vic is a not for profit organisation that encourages the advancement of Reconciliation. We seek an innovative, committed CEO to lead and manage the organisation.

For more information or a position description please call Keith on 0419 308 114 or visit www.reconciliationvic.org.au

Applications close Friday 20 July 2007.

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The department is a non-smoking workplace. **Common Selection Criteria:** All applicants for NSW Government Jobs must show knowledge and understanding of the common selection criteria - Equal Employment Opportunity; Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statements; and Occupational Health and Safety - as they relate to the job. We invite suitably qualified people to apply for the following non-school based positions. Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply for these positions.

Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres

Clerk Grade 7, Irrawang Public School, Temporary Full-Time, Position Number 138693.

Total remuneration package valued to: \$78,951 p.a. (\$69,468-\$71,546) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Implementing and facilitating the Schools as Community Centres Program. **Selection Criteria:** Demonstrated experience in community development, consultation, project management and evaluation. Demonstrated ability working with families in disadvantaged communities in an interagency approach. High level oral, written and negotiation skills and good computer skills. Sound knowledge of early childhood development, parenting issues and services available to families from the participating departments. Demonstrated ability to coordinate resources. Experience working with Aboriginal and NESB communities. Current NSW Drivers Licence or willingness to obtain one.

Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment up to 28 January 2010. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Inquiries: Julie Kilby 02 9266 8728

Email: Julie.Kilby@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Erin Richards, 02 9244 5154.

Applications Marked "Confidential" To: Ms. Nicole Claverie, Principal, Irrawang Public School, Geer Street, Raymond Terrace NSW 2324; or by facsimile: 02 4987 4063.

Closing Date: Friday 20 July 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
EPM15919	Approx. 40 km WNW from Eidsvold Centred at approximate Lat. 25°10'S Long. 150°47'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Eidsvold	Area: 19 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1° lat x 1° long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 946 w, x 1018 b, c, g, h	Goody Investments Pty Limited 066 933 597
EPM15988	Approx. 53 km S from Munduberra Centred at approximate Lat. 26°03'S Long. 151°11'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Munduberra, Wondal and Chinchilla	Area: 308 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1° lat x 1° long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1670 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1671 i, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1672 q, r, v, w 1742 c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1743 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 1744 a, b, f, g 1814 c, d, e, h, j, k 1815 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u	Penelope Anne Leahy

* 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 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.

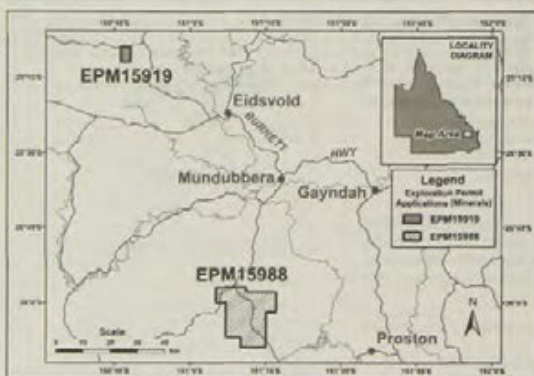
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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 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: 25 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



MURDI PAAKI ABORIGINAL YOUTH
LEADERSHIP PROJECT

PROJECT OFFICER

Muri Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation Ltd. is seeking applications from individuals wishing to apply for the position of Project Officer, based in western NSW.

The overall purpose of the position is to develop, co-ordinate and support the delivery of a two-year regional leadership development program for Aboriginal young people to increase knowledge and skills in leadership, increase self esteem and provide opportunities and pathways for the young people involved in the project to have input into regional and local decision making.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of issues facing Aboriginal people, in particular young people living in Western NSW, as well as the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal people.
- Demonstrated effective communication and project management skills.
- Ability to develop reports, both administrative and financial and work within financial constraints.
- Ability to develop and implement community based programs and services to western communities.
- Possess a commitment to assisting young people in western NSW communities.
- Ability to work in a team environment and possess a strong work ethic.
- Possess a valid driver's licence.
- While formal qualifications are not required, tertiary qualifications within the youth, sport, recreation and/or leisure curriculum would be of benefit.
- This position is subject to Child Protection Screening.

The successful applicant must be willing to travel throughout the Muri Paaki region. A vehicle will be provided for work purposes. The position location will be negotiated with the successful candidate with preference being given to a community in the Muri Paaki region. The position is based upon a one year fixed term contract with a salary range of \$65,000-\$75,000 dependant upon the candidates skills and experience, with the possibility of a further 1 year extension.

To apply, please obtain an Employment Package from Muri Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation Ltd, phone the contact officer, Hayley Astill on 02 6885 3455. Applications close: Friday 21 July 2007.

PENRITH WOMEN'S REFUGE and RESOURCE CENTRE Inc.

Provides support services to women and children in crisis and medium term accommodation who have experienced Domestic Violence or are at risk of Homelessness

To be female is a genuine requirement for these positions under (Section 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).

We are extending our service and have 3 vacant positions.

- 1 x Full-Time (Permanent)
WOMEN'S SUPPORT WORKER POSITION
- 1 x Full-Time (12-month)
WOMEN'S SUPPORT WORKER POSITION
(with the possibility of extension)

To provide support services to women accommodated in transitional housing.

Essential: Commitment to feminist philosophies; Proven ability working with women in crisis; An understanding of domestic violence and sexual assault issues; An understanding of the effects of DV on children; experience in Case Management; Willingness to work with children in crisis; Knowledge and experience liaising with government departments and community organizations; Knowledge and understanding of cultural diversity; Ability to work as a member of a team; Current NSW manual driver's licence and willingness to obtain LR within 3 months; Telephone access; Ability to attend after hour call backs including weekends; Access to a reliable vehicle.

Desirable: Previous experience working in a SAAP organisation; Proven ability to facilitate self help groups; Experience working with children in crisis; First Aid Certificate; Knowledge of local community organisations.

- 1 x Full Time (Permanent)
ABORIGINAL CHILD SUPPORT WORKER

To provide support services to children who are accommodated in the refuge and medium term houses.

To be female and Aboriginal is a genuine requirement for this position under (Sections 31 and 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).

Essential: Commitment to feminist philosophies; Knowledge and understanding of child development stages; Previous experience working with children from a case management model; An understanding of the issues and effects of domestic violence and sexual assault on children; Ability to work as a member of a team; Willingness to work with women in crisis; Knowledge and understanding of cultural diversity; Current NSW manual driver's licence and willingness to obtain LR within 3 months; Ability to attend after hour call backs including weekends; Access to a reliable vehicle; Telephone access.

Desirable: Previous experience working with children who have witnessed domestic violence; First Aid Certificate; Knowledge of local community organisations.

Only applications addressing all criteria for employment will be considered. Successful applicants will be required to undergo a "Working with Children" check prior to commencement of employment. Employment as per SACS (Employees) State Award.

Applications to the Manager PO Box 55, PENRITH 2751.

Enquiries and Full Position Descriptions Phone 02 4732 2318 Fax 02 47215 695.

CLOSING DATE: 5PM Friday 13TH July 2007.

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER, SOCIAL SUPPORT

Clerk Grade 9/10
Product Strategy & Development
Housing Policy & Partnerships
Head Office, Ashfield
Temporary Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-00983

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 Senior Project Officer has day to day responsibility for establishing the Care Call program and will develop and manage other initiatives aimed at reducing social isolation experienced by vulnerable social housing residents.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated skills in product, service or program development and implementation.
- Demonstrated ability to undertake high level policy and needs analysis.
- Sound project management skills, including business and resource planning.
- Proven track record to work collaboratively within a policy team.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to engage internal and external stakeholders through consultations and briefings.
- Sound knowledge about the role of human service agencies in assisting older people.
- Ability to work in an unstructured environment where there are few or no precedents.
- Common Selection Criteria:** Demonstrated capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: This is a temporary position for a period of up to 12 months, with possible extension for a further 3 years, in terms of Section 27 and 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act, 2002. Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains the full text version of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Marina Heuschkel (02) 8753 8636 or email: marina.heuschkel@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: Rosa Cicchiello (02) 8753 8477.

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: Friday 13 July 2007

Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the proposed grant of a Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant
ML70341 Cockatoo	Approx. 6.5km North West from Blair Athol Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Belyando	Current Land Tenures: Lot 127 on FTY1849 - Blair Athol State Forest (mining and access) Lot A on DC183 - Special Lease 12/49172 (mining and access) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 51.7301 ha	Clyde Ian Doxford

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 ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) 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 Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, PO Box 19, Emerald QLD 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9300.

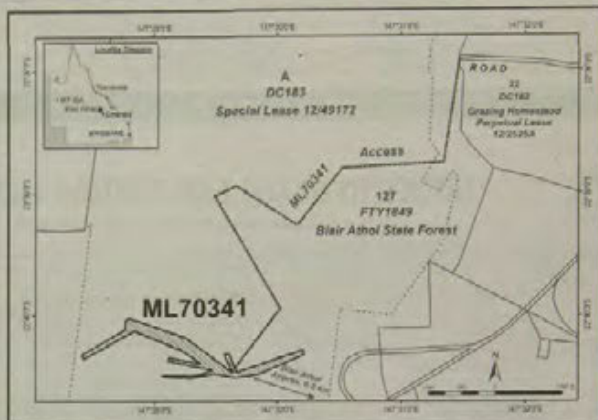
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy (DME) Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, QLD 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216; DME, Office of the Mining Registrar, Emerald, Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, PO Box 19, Emerald QLD 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9300.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 12 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

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 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
EPM15997	Approx. 12km ENE from Rubyvale. Centred at approximate Lat.23°24'S Long.147°49'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Peak Downs	Area: 47 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 15 (each 17at x 17ong.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2925 u 2926 n, q, t, s, v, w, x, y, z 2927 v, w, x 2999 a, b	Moggie Mining Limited 104 324 576

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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, COORPAROOK, 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.

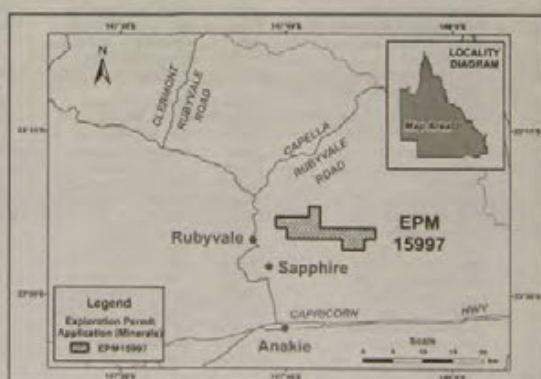
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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 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: 25 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (GTH) 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:

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
46/736	PMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	0.59km ²	30km Nly of Nalgene	Lat 1°37' Long 120°03'	East Pilbara
50/2113	PMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	28.31km ²	25km SWly of Newman	Lat 3°27' Long 118°30'	East Pilbara/Meketharra
50/2114	PMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	78.65km ²	30km Wly of Newman	Lat 3°25' Long 118°23'	East Pilbara/Meketharra

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: 4 July 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 4 October 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. 4 November 2007), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (GTH) 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 EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (GTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1943	Kallera Mines Pty Ltd	641.83km ²	83km SEly of Derby	Lat 17°47' Long 124°13'	Derby-West Kimberley
06/1746	Red Hill Iron Ltd	154.62km ²	131km Sly of Panamint	Lat 22°49' Long 116°24'	Ashburton
08/1784	Eastern Goldfields Exploration Pty Ltd	363.99km ²	100km Sly of Onslow	Lat 22°23' Long 115°27'	Ashburton
09/1404	Diversity Resources Pty Ltd	15.07km ²	149km Nly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 23°45' Long 115°38'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1425	Diversity Resources Pty Ltd	34.43km ²	140km Nly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 23°45' Long 115°35'	Carmanon/Upper Gascoyne
09/1427	Diversity Resources Pty Ltd	158.58km ²	134km NEly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°00' Long 115°52'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1431	Ventura Minerals Ltd	624.77km ²	84km Nly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°17' Long 115°12'	Carmanon/Upper Gascoyne
09/1432	Berico Pty Ltd	25.04km ²	162km NEly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 23°50' Long 116°14'	Upper Gascoyne
26/122	South Kar Mines Pty Ltd	32.31km ²	13km Nly of Kambalda	Lat 31°05' Long 121°40'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
27/340	Pioneer Nickel Ltd	8.87km ²	36km NEly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°26' Long 121°37'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
27/356	Hampton Nickel Ltd	9.85km ²	38km NEly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°35' Long 121°48'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
28/1745	Heron Resources Ltd	38.42km ²	89km NEly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°26' Long 122°19'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
28/1751	Durigan Pty Ltd	68.86km ²	110km Ely of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°30' Long 122°35'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
28/1752	Frasers Pty Ltd	585.44km ²	109km Wly of Ravenhill	Lat 31°25' Long 124°09'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie Boulder City
29/1753	Frasers Pty Ltd	590km ²	74km SWly of Ravenhill	Lat 31°20' Long 124°31'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie Boulder City
29/1754	Frasers Pty Ltd	582.07km ²	78km NEly of Balladonia	Lat 31°50' Long 124°16'	Dundas
29/1765	Mineral Sands Limited	428.08km ²	79km Nly of Balladonia	Lat 31°48' Long 123°38'	Dundas
29/663	Heron Resources Ltd	26.93km ²	96km Wly of Merces	Lat 29°22' Long 120°07'	Merces
29/664	Heron Resources Ltd	8.97km ²	103km Wly of Merces	Lat 29°23' Long 120°02'	Merces
29/665	Heron Resources Ltd	15.01km ²	126km NWly of Merces	Lat 29°00' Long 120°00'	Merces
30/331	Polaris Metals NL	6.96km ²	88km Wly of Merces	Lat 29°33' Long 120°09'	Merces
36/610	Agnew Gold Mining Co. Pty Ltd	36.4km ²	18km NWly of Leonora	Lat 27°51' Long 120°32'	Leonora
36/619	Newmont Wiluna Gold Pty Ltd	3.03km ²	19km Wly of Leonora	Lat 27°53' Long 120°30'	Leonora
36/622	Hot Holdings Pty Ltd	60.66km ²	10km NWly of Leonora	Lat 27°52' Long 120°37'	Leonora
	Kivi Australian Resources Pty Ltd				
	Akane Exploration NL				
37/882	International Gold Mining Ltd	142.34km ²	52km Ely of Leonora	Lat 27°57' Long 121°13'	Leonora
38/2013	Mark Gareth Onsey	215.96km ²	183km Ely of Wiluna	Lat 26°28' Long 122°03'	Wiluna
45/2935	Kallera Mines Pty Ltd	224.17km ²	57km SEly of Shav Gap	Lat 20°54' Long 120°30'	East Pilbara
45/3012	Quasip Investments Pty Ltd	204.87km ²	249km NEly of Telfer	Lat 20°11' Long 124°00'	East Pilbara
47/1609-10	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	442.32km ²	58km Ely of Newman	Lat 22°52' Long 119°49'	Ashburton
47/1757	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	164.25km ²	67km SEly of Willemoet	Lat 22°45' Long 118°39'	Ashburton
47/1795	North Mining Ltd	3.14km ²	103km Wly of Newman	Lat 23°11' Long 118°44'	East Pilbara
	Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd				
	Cape Lambert Iron Associates (Registered Business Name)				
	Panaramia Iron Associates (Registered Business Name)				
	Robt River Mining Co. Pty Ltd				
51/1230-1	Malika Minerals Ltd	317.9km ²	63km SEly of Meketharra	Lat 20°55' Long 119°00'	Meketharra
52/1901	Australian Manganese Pty Ltd	204.29km ²	49km Sly of Newman	Lat 23°34' Long 120°37'	Meketharra
52/2024-5 & 52/2099	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	1162.74km ²	77km SWly of Newman	Lat 23°49' Long 119°10'	Meketharra
52/2031	Encounter Resources Ltd	224.23km ²	151km Sly of Paraburdoo	Lat 24°30' Long 117°27'	Upper Gascoyne
53/1337	Whimmin Resources Ltd	3.06km ²	22km SEly of Wiluna	Lat 26°45' Long 120°19'	Wiluna
57/675	Legend Mining Ltd	213.42km ²	78km Nly of Sandstone	Lat 27°17' Long 119°21'	Sandstone/Wiluna
59/1307	Romano Nakale Morganti	23.91km ²	49km Wly of Paynes Ford	Lat 29°16' Long 117°11'	Yalgoo
59/1310	Australian Kool Resources Pty Ltd	14.9km ²	49km SWly of Paynes Ford	Lat 29°35' Long 117°20'	Yalgoo
59/1317	Romano Nakale Morganti	89.8km ²	37km NWly of Paynes Ford	Lat 29°08' Long 117°20'	Yalgoo
63/1056-7	Oroya Mining Ltd	407.3km ²	99km Ely of Norseman	Lat 31°59' Long 122°48'	Dundas
63/1093-7	Tec Comenco Australia Pty Ltd	2570.12km ²	28km Sly of Salmon Gums	Lat 33°14' Long 121°36'	Exmouth
	Australian Mineral Fields Project A Pty Ltd				
63/1096	Image Resources NL	116.29km ²	50km Wly of Norseman	Lat 32°06' Long 121°11'	Dundas
63/1099	Image Resources NL	23.25km ²	69km Wly of Norseman	Lat 32°07' Long 121°03'	Dundas
63/1104	Sublime Resources Pty Ltd	78.49km ²	107km Wly of Norseman	Lat 32°11' Long 120°35'	Dundas
63/1105	Lashby Haulage Pty Ltd	8.55km ²	11km Wly of Esperance	Lat 33°49' Long 121°47'	Esperance
63/1111	Lashby Haulage Pty Ltd	8.55km ²	21km Ely of Esperance	Lat 33°50' Long 122°07'	Esperance
63/1114	Ronald Smit	160.95km ²	67km Ely of Salmon Gums	Lat 33°06' Long 122°21'	Esperance
69/2258	Oroya Mining Ltd	580.98km ²	91km NWly of Balladonia	Lat 32°04' Long 123°01'	Dundas
69/2314	Resipoint Uranium Pty Ltd	617.25km ²	188km NEly of Wiluna	Lat 25°44' Long 121°50'	Wiluna
70/2230	Mintaro Metals Pty Ltd	189.57km ²	21km Sly of Toodyay	Lat 31°43' Long 118°23'	Mundaring/Toodyay
70/2424	Geotech International Pty Ltd	54.67km ²	103km Ely of Mulka	Lat 27°36' Long 115°29'	Mundaring
70/2914	Washington Resources Ltd	26.41km ²	41km NEly of Gingin	Lat 31°08' Long 118°18'	Chittering/Victoria Plains
70/3039	Mount Gibson Mining Ltd	55.94km ²	37km Wly of Wongan Hills	Lat 30°50' Long 118°20'	Victoria Plains
74/396	Galaxy Resources Ltd	42.95km ²	9km Wly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°34' Long 119°57'	Ravensthorpe
77/1268	Ocho Resources Ltd	99.47km ²	128km Nly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°41' Long 119°31'	Merces
80/3825	Argon Resources Limited	189.14km ²	113km Wly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°50' Long 120°41'	Halls Creek
80/3826	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	201.89km ²	39km NEly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°57' Long 120°49'	Halls Creek
80/3827	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	207.25km ²	78km SWly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°49' Long 120°18'	Halls Creek
80/3829					
80/3828	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	51.89km ²	52km Sly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°30' Long 120°29'	Halls Creek
80/3830	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	58.77km ²	91km Nly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°24' Long 120°39'	Halls Creek
80/3831	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	45.73km ²	90km Nly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°22' Long 120°35'	Halls Creek
80/3832	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	45.37km ²	92km SWly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°51' Long 120°03'	Halls Creek
80/3833	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	29.25km ²	111km Wly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°26' Long 120°38'	Halls Creek
80/3834	Daktylo Metals Pty Ltd	69km ²	80km SEly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°30' Long 120°24'	Halls Creek

Nature of the act: Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 4 July 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 party in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 4 October 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. 4 November 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.



Native Title Services Victoria Ltd

ARN 27 555 665 148
642 Queensberry Street (PO Box 431) North Melbourne VIC 3051
ph (03) 9321 5300 fax (03) 9326 4875 www.ntsv.com.au

RECEPTIONIST

Salary range: \$32K - \$38K, plus certain tax privileges.

Location: North Melbourne

Native Title Services Victoria is a small band of dedicated professional legal, research and administrators assisting native title claimant groups achieve land justice outcomes for Indigenous Victorians.

We are seeking a full-time, self starter to take responsibility for all aspects of reception. You will be responsible for managing the switchboard, greeting visitors, organising the mail and providing general administrative duties.

The successful candidate will:

- ideally be an Aboriginal person
- will have an excellent telephone manner
- have loads of enthusiasm and a preparedness to help out when needed

We are happy to train the right person

For further information, or a copy of the job description, call Nola Pollard on (03) 9321 5300 or 1800 791 779 (Freecall).

Previous Applicants Need Not Apply.



Department of Corrective Services Government of Western Australia

Offender Management Professional Development

Coordinator Aboriginal Visitors 50(d)*

Aboriginal Visitors Scheme

Position No: 2706

Level/Salary: L4 \$54,510 - \$57,609 pa PSGA

Location: Aberdeen Street, Perth

The Coordinator Aboriginal Visitors assists with the day-to-day operations of the Aboriginal Visitors Scheme. Provides supervision and guidance to a team of Aboriginal Visitors who provide support and counselling to Aboriginal detainees in prisons, juvenile detention centres and police lockups throughout Western Australia. Assists with the recruitment and training of Visitors involved in the Aboriginal Visitors Scheme. Liaises with prison/detention centre staff, legal support services, police and the Aboriginal community in matters relating to the operation of the Aboriginal Visitors Scheme.

*This position is established under section 50(d) of the West Australian Equal Employment Opportunity Act 1984 where Aboriginality is an essential criterion.

For further job related information: Please contact Laurel Sellers on (08) 9220 9400.

Offender Services

Prison Support Officer 50(d)*

Offender Management and Professional Development

Position No: 2925

Level/Salary: L4 \$54,510 - \$57,609 pa PSGA

Location: Bandyup Women's Prison

The Department of Corrective Services is looking to appoint an Indigenous Prison Support Officer to work at Bandyup Women's Prison. As a Prison Support Officer you will contribute to the overall suicide and self-harm intervention and prevention strategy within the Prison. This will involve working in a team environment with the aim of early identification and support of prisoners at risk. You will also have the opportunity to be involved with the management of the performance and training of the Peer Support Team, which includes identifying the need to and delivering designated suicide prevention training programs, such as the Gatekeeper Program. You may also be called upon to help deliver information sessions to relevant staff within the Prison.

*Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under Section 50(d) of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act 1984.

For further job related information: Please contact Linda Maule on (08) 9374 8763.

Closing Date: Monday 9th July 2007 at 5pm.

Offender Services

Indigenous Programs Development Officer 50(d)*

Offender Management and Professional Development

Position No: 5374

Level/Salary: L5 \$60,638 - \$67,017 pa PSGA

Location: Milligan Street, Perth

The Department of Corrective Services is seeking to appoint an Indigenous Programs Development Officer to monitor the cultural sensitivity, responsibility and appropriateness of offender programs delivered by the Offender Services Branch relevant to Indigenous peoples.

The monitoring of individual groups through specialist co-facilitation and the professional development of programs will constitute a large portion of this role. The successful applicant will also make recommendations for improving program content and delivery, and will provide cultural advice on assessments, written reports, and treatment and management reports on offenders.

*Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position under Section 50(d) of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984.

For further job related information: Please contact Erin Sweeney on (08) 9228 6512 or Erin.Sweeney@correctiveservices.wa.gov.au.

Job Application Package: To access information about this position, visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key the Position No. into the Search Box or Ph. (08) 9476 0011.

Closing Date: Monday 16th July 2007 at 5pm.



Shared Vision Aboriginal Corporation Inc.
Wula Wula Nga Information & Access Centre

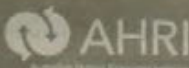
Parent/Mentor Project

We are looking for people to work through CDEP as parent/mentors to give support to Aboriginal families with young children. This will also involve some paid work. Please drop into the office at 1/114 Keen Street Lismore, New South Wales or call 02 6621 5578, email ceo@nrg.com.au for a job package.



Australian Government

Department of Education,
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Team Leader

- Indigenous and Transitions Group, Canberra
- DEST Executive Level 2* - \$93,000 - \$104,000
- Reference No: 07-212**

The Programme Development Team has responsibility for managing the development and implementation and supporting the effective delivery of the Whole of School Intervention (WoSI) strategy and the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS), both significant elements of Indigenous education programmes funded under the *Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000*.

The job will be responsible for the Programme Development Team within the Branch. The successful applicant will adopt a collaborative and collegiate approach in pursuing outcomes together with both internal and external stakeholders, consistent with the Department's 'Open ... Business' philosophy.

This is an identified position and the duties will involve the development of policy or programmes relating to Indigenous Australian people, and/or involve interaction with Indigenous Australian communities. You will need an understanding of the issues affecting Indigenous Australian people and have an ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with them.

Contact Officer: Rosa Ibrahim on (02) 6240 5055 or Auriel Bloomfield on (02) 6240 7144.

Applications close: 12 July 2007

Indigenous Education Manager

- Indigenous Group, Ceduna
- DEST Level 3 (APS 6) - \$58,668 - \$65,519
- Reference No: 07-207

The indigenous Education Manager is responsible for the effective delivery of Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST) programmes and policies within the area targeted by the Ceduna Indigenous Coordination Centre.

Working under the direction of the Port Augusta District Office Manager, the successful applicant will join a whole-of-government initiative comprising other Australian, state and local government agencies in liaising with and delivering services to Indigenous communities and individuals.

The successful applicant will have sound negotiation and liaison skills, be highly organised and be able to work independently. He or she will also have a good knowledge of DEST's Indigenous programmes and policies, and an understanding of the issues impacting on educational outcomes for Indigenous students. An understanding of the needs and priorities of communities in the greater Ceduna region would be an advantage.

This is an identified position and the duties will involve the development of policy or programmes relating to Indigenous Australian people, and/or involve interaction with Indigenous Australian communities. You will need an understanding of the issues affecting Indigenous Australian people and have an ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with them.

Contact Officer: Michele Lucas on (08) 8647 1538.

Applications Close: 12 July 2007

How to Apply

The selection documentation is available on our website at www.dest.gov.au/recruitment, or by 24 hour answering service on (02) 6240 9154.

Applications addressing the selection criteria may be emailed to 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

General Information

** These positions are a security assessed positions.

** Successful applicants for DEST Executive Level 2 jobs will be offered an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) based on individual skills and experience.

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DEST prides itself on being an 'employer of choice' and offers a work environment where Caring for Our People is priority and where social and cultural diversity are valued.



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
29/245-6	Scotia Nickel Ltd	2006.39ha	45km SE of Merces	Lat 30°03' Long 121°14'	Merces
45/445	Wedgwick Mining Ltd	428.31ha	9km SE of Nulagine	Lat 21°56' Long 120°40'	East Pilbara
45/448	Livestock Marketing Pty Ltd	318.33ha	35km E of Nulagine	Lat 21°48' Long 120°26'	East Pilbara
45/457	Bighart Enterprises Pty Ltd	287.00ha	34km E of Nulagine	Lat 21°48' Long 120°25'	East Pilbara
51/611	Zigol Ltd	783.69ha	19km E of Meekatharra	Lat 29°42' Long 118°50'	Meekatharra
51/612	Zigol Ltd	561.99ha	31km E of Meekatharra	Lat 29°42' Long 118°50'	Meekatharra
51/613	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	9ha	8km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 29°42' Long 118°27'	Meekatharra
51/626	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	51.57ha	4km W of Meekatharra	Lat 29°42' Long 118°27'	Meekatharra
51/642	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	235.47ha	55km E of Meekatharra	Lat 27°04' Long 118°36'	Meekatharra
51/717	Zigol Ltd	888.65ha	26km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°49' Long 118°30'	Meekatharra
51/732	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	387.14ha	54km S of Meekatharra	Lat 27°04' Long 118°30'	Meekatharra
51/740	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	4.7ha	35km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 28°51' Long 118°18'	Meekatharra
51/741	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	56.09ha	34km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 28°51' Long 118°18'	Meekatharra
51/778	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	661.89ha	50km S of Meekatharra	Lat 27°02' Long 118°18'	Coorale
51/781	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	695.68ha	49km S of Meekatharra	Lat 27°02' Long 118°21'	Coorale
51/782	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	376.64ha	31km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 28°49' Long 118°18'	Meekatharra
51/783	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	413.12ha	33km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 28°50' Long 118°18'	Meekatharra
51/796	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	728.02ha	21km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°49' Long 118°28'	Meekatharra
51/800	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	916.95ha	36km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°54' Long 118°22'	Meekatharra
51/806	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	5.19ha	48km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°58' Long 118°22'	Meekatharra
51/807	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	5.49ha	45km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°58' Long 118°22'	Meekatharra
51/810	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	335.43ha	45km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°58' Long 118°25'	Meekatharra
51/826	Wolfgang Gokus	309.24ha	83km NE of Meekatharra	Lat 25°55' Long 118°59'	Meekatharra
51/850	Raymond Thomas Small				
51/854	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	191.76ha	24km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°48' Long 118°29'	Meekatharra
51/894	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	92.79ha	20km SW of Meekatharra	Lat 28°44' Long 118°23'	Meekatharra
51/899-61	Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd	51.56ha	10km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°40' Long 118°29'	Meekatharra
51/892	Jindalee Resources Ltd	2046.89ha	39km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°56' Long 118°28'	Meekatharra
74/187	Jindalee Resources Ltd	952.1ha	44km S of Meekatharra	Lat 28°58' Long 118°26'	Meekatharra
	ONI Western Australia Pty Ltd	286.02ha	28km E of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°37' Long 120°20'	Ravensthorpe
	Bilton Nickel (Ravensthorpe) Pty Ltd				

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: 4 July 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 4 October 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. 4 November 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 3628.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland

Notification day: 18 July 2007



National
Native Title
Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland and Cook Shire Council
ILUA Q12006/009

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 602km² is located north of Wujal Wujal extending to about 20km south of Cooktown as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Cook Shire Council local government area.

Parties to agreement and their contact addresses:

Agnes Walker, Eileen Walker, Hazel Douglas, John Walker Jr and Peter Fischer, C/- Cape York Land Council, PO Box 2496, CAIRNS QLD 4870

State of Queensland, C/- Crown Law, GPO Box 5221, BRISBANE QLD 4001

Cook Shire Council, C/- MacDonnell's Law, PO Box 5046, CAIRNS QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

5.1 The parties:
(a) consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts; and
(b) agree to the validation of the Rossville Community Hall Area Acts, the Rossville Sport and Recreation Area Act and the Rossville Tip Site Act, to the extent they are Future Acts.

6.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2 of Division 3 of Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts.

"Agreed Acts" is defined in clause 1.1 of the agreement. Full details of the definition can be obtained upon request from the National Native Title Tribunal by contacting Karen Townrow at the Cairns Registry on 1800 640 501.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by 18 October 2007.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, CAIRNS QLD 4870 by 18 October 2007.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources and Water. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, contact
Karen Townrow on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.



PROPOSAL TO GRANT SPECIAL PROSPECTING AUTHORITY

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 Special Prospecting Authority with Acreage Option application applied for under the section 105 of the Petroleum Act 1967.

NUMBER	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	SHIRE
SPA 6067 AO	OFFICER BASIN ENERGY PTY LTD	16312.8 km ²	The application is in the Great Victoria Desert area and is defined by the following corner coordinates: NW corner at Lat 27° 29' 55.02" S, Long 127° 07' 04.9" E (GDA94), with an easterly extent of approx 99km to the NE corner at Lat 27° 29' 55.01" S, Long 128° 00' 04.86" E (GDA94). Then a southerly extent of approx 167km to the SE corner at Lat 28° 59' 55.02" S, Long 128° 00' 04.94" E (GDA94) thence extending westerly approx 96km to the SW corner at Lat 28° 59' 55.01" S, Long 127° 07' 04.96" E (GDA94), thence northerly again approx 167km to start point. Area is 16312.8km ² constituting 216 blocks within the Officer and Eucla Basins.	Lancelton (Area 16312.8 km ²) (100%)

Nature Of The Act: Grant of special prospecting authority, which authorises the applicant to carry on petroleum exploration operations, so specified as an airborne gravity magnetics survey, in the authority area for a term not exceeding 6 months from the day on which the authority is to come into force.

Notification Day: 4 July 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 this proposed future act application. The 3 month period closes on 4 October 2007. Enquiries about becoming a prescribed body corporate native title party in relation to this notice under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth or GPO Box A30, Perth WA 6837, telephone (08) 9268 7100. Those already registered as prescribed body corporate native title parties in relation to the area affected by this notice shall receive notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993. 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.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that this act is an act attracting the expedited procedure under section 237 of the Native Title Act 1993. The special prospecting authority may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 5 November 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 permit 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 application), contact the Petroleum and Royalties Division, Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone 1800 628767 (ask for extension 23813).

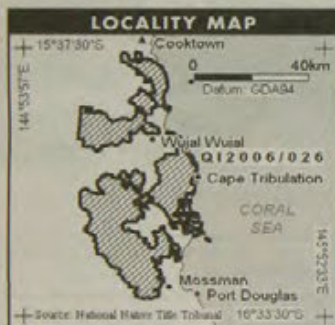
Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland

Notification day: 18 July 2007



National
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Eastern Yalanji, State of Queensland & Wet Tropics
Management Authority ILUA - Q12006/026

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 1,594km² is located north-west of Port Douglas and extending to about 20km south of Cooktown as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Douglas and Cook Shire Council local government areas.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Agnes Walker, Eileen Walker,
Hazel Douglas, John Walker Jnr and
Peter Fischer, C/- Cape York Land Council,
PO Box 2496, CAIRNS QLD 4870

State of Queensland,
C/- Crown Law,
GPO Box 5221,
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Wet Tropics
Management Authority,
PO Box 2050,
CAIRNS QLD 4870

**The agreement contains the
following statements:**

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted
by the National Native Title Tribunal]

7.1 The parties consent to the doing
of the Agreed Acts, to the extent
they are Future Acts, in accordance
with and subject to any conditions
contained in this Agreement.

8.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2,
Division 3 of Subdivision P of
the NTA does not apply to the
Agreed Acts.

"Agreed Acts" means:

- (a) the doing of a Routine
Activity;
- (b) the doing of a Procedural
Activity, subject to clause 14.2;
- (c) the doing of a Significant
Activity, subject to clause 14.3;
- (d) the doing of an act in
accordance with a Visitor Plan,
Aboriginal Cultural Resources
Plan, Weed and Feral Animal
Plan, Fire Plan or other plan
in relation to the operational
management of a National
Park, subject to

the relevant plan having been
agreed in accordance with
clause 13.3; and

(e) all acts necessary to give
effect to those acts.

"Future Act" has the meaning
given in the NTA [the Native
Title Act 1993 (Cth)].
[Full details of clauses 14.2, 14.3
and 13.3 can be obtained upon
request from the National Native
Title Tribunal by contacting Karen
Townrow at the Cairns Registry on
1800 640 501.]

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Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources and Water. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, contact
Karen Townrow on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.



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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

Indigenous Apprenticeship Program

Centrelink Call

APS 1

\$19,864 - \$33,105 (depending on age)

Pt Macquarie

The Australian Indigenous Apprenticeship is a 12 to 18 months program where full-time Apprentices are being employed at the Centrelink Call Centre. Trainees will work for Centrelink in a variety of positions which will assist in the achievement of a Certificate III in customer contact qualification. Trainees will be engaged as an ongoing APS1 employee and upon the successful completion of the Program, including meeting performance requirements and a minimum of 12 months working with Centrelink, will advance to the APS 3 level.

The positions will be based in Port Macquarie Call Centre and successful applicants will learn to build and manage relationships with customers, advise customers about products and services and provide solutions in a variety of situations.

Trainees will work in a busy and challenging workplace, in a team based environment:

- providing excellent customer service to people from a diverse range of backgrounds;
- developing skills to serve a wide range of customers in challenging circumstances;
- learning how to make decisions based on policy and legislation;
- communicating effectively with a wide range of people using different media (e.g. Face-to-face, telephone, written);
- assessing customers needs and assisting them with basic enquiries and needs
- operating in a computer based environment learning how to use on-line research tools.

Applicants must be Australian citizens, successfully complete a health check and a police records clearance. A six month probationary period will apply to all successful applicants.

These employment opportunities have been identified as open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders within the meaning of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 as per clause 4.2(6)(b)(i) of the Public Service Commissioner's Directions 1999. Applicants are required to complete a Certificate III in Customer Contact as part of the traineeship

Acceptance of an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA), with an attractive remuneration package, is a condition of joining Centrelink for successful applicants to the Apprenticeship program.

INFORMATION DAY

If you would like to know more about our Call Centre and the positions available, Port Macquarie Call Centre are having an information day on Saturday 7th July at 27 Grant Street, Port Macquarie between 10.00am and 12.00 noon. For more information regarding this information day, please ring Angela Johnson on (02) 6586 5197 or (02) 6586 5357 weekdays between Tuesday 3rd July 2007 and Friday the 6th of July 2007 during the business hours of 10am to 3pm

To Apply:

Please ring Angela Johnson on (02) 65865197 or (02) 65865357 weekdays between Thursday 5th July 2007 and Thursday 19th July 2007 during the business hours of 10am and 3pm. Your initial interview will commence at the beginning of your phone call. A current resume and current referee details will be requested of applicants who progress to interview.

Successful applicants will be required to provide evidence of an established link with their local Indigenous Community.

Applications close 3pm Thursday the 19th of July 2007

An Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package is available to all prospective Centrelink employees.

For selection documentation and
more information about working at Centrelink,
visit www.centrelink.gov.au and click on Careers

GANNAMBARRA ENTERPRISES

Gannambarra Enterprises is seeking suitable applicants for the following full-time positions. The successful candidates will be responsible for placing indigenous people into employment.

EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANT - JOB PLACEMENT

Duties: Liaising with major employer/industry groups, job network members, community based organisations, Centrelink and other service providers to establish and maintain positive networks for the benefit of our client groups.

Essential: Applicants must have current or very recent job network experience. Knowledge of local labour market linkages and business and community networks. Highly developed intrapersonal, liaison assessment and negotiating skills, and demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with employers and job seekers alike. Meet with clients on a regular basis to provide support and check for achievement of milestones and identify any extra support required. Network with support providers to link clients in with services available. Must possess a current drivers licence.

Desirable: A demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal people, an understanding of Aboriginal issues and experience in OH&S practices.

General: Applicants should provide a minimum of 2 recent references.

EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANT - MENTOR

Duties: Conduct employment assessments with each client including needs and risk assessment, an implementation plan, and follow-up as it relates to employment goals. Provide ongoing post placement support to clients and employers. Determine and assess clients who require job coaching and/or continuous support throughout their employment in the broad labour market.

Essential: Applicants must have current or very recent job network/mentoring experience. Knowledge of local labour market linkages and business and community networks. Aid clients in the development of appropriate work habits, behaviours, and attitudes suitable for the workplace. Highly developed intrapersonal, liaison assessment and negotiating skills, and demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with employers and job seekers alike. Provide ongoing post placement support to clients and employers. Must possess a current drivers licence.

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General: Applicants should provide a minimum of 2 recent references.

EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANT - PRE-EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

Duties: Work with job seekers to enable them to compete effectively for employment. Effectively manage a case load of job seekers.

Essential: Highly developed intrapersonal, liaison assessment and negotiating skills, and demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with employers and job seekers alike. Knowledge of local labour market linkages and business and community networks. Must have the ability to assess client training requirements, and liaise with registered training providers, employers and community groups. Must possess a current drivers licence.

Desirable: A demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal people, an understanding of Aboriginal issues and experience in OH&S practices.


General: Applicants should provide a minimum of 2 recent references.

Applications for all positions close: 18/07/2007.

Applicant information documentation from: James Okereyang, phone (02) 6925 7233.

Applications addressing criteria, marked "CONFIDENTIAL" to:
James Okereyang, 32 Chaston Street, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650.



GP  down south
general practice network

SOCIAL WORKER POSITION

4 days (0.8 FTE)

The South West Aboriginal Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation (SWAMSAC) is funded to operate as a holistic primary health care service and deliver health care in the South West of WA.

We are looking for an experienced social worker, psychologist, or other health professional with equivalent qualifications to join our Social and Emotional Wellbeing Team and provide quality and culturally secure rural mental health services specifically to the communities of Warren-Blackwood and Wellington-Harvey regions in WA. The services will be equally split between Manjimup and Collie.

The position is for a 0.8 FTE to be worked over 4 days / week (60 hours per fortnight).

This mental health service will be additional to our current provision and will be accessible to Aboriginal people of all ages, including children and youth.

The person we seek will have experience in the delivery of culturally secure mental health programs to children and adults, as well as hold appropriate qualifications.

Aboriginal people are particularly encouraged to apply.

An attractive salary is offered depending on qualifications and experience.

For further information about the position please contact Terese Reid, Social and Emotional Wellbeing Program Manager on (08) 97912799

An application package, including selection criteria, can be obtained by telephoning Debbie on (08) 97912779 or e-mail on Debbie@swams.com.au

Written applications addressing the Selection Criteria should be forwarded to: SWAMSAC Ms D Mooyman, marked Confidential, PO Box 1444, Bunbury, 6231; or can be emailed to the above address.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 4:30 PM Friday 27th July 2007.

Funding for this position has been made available through GP down south's Rural Mental Health Services Program provided through the Commonwealth Government's Mental Health Services in Rural and Remote Areas Project.

Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland

Notification day: 18 July 2007



National
Native Title
Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland & Brandt ILUA - Q12006/016

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 754 hectares is located 39km south-west of Cooktown in the Rossview region as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Cook Shire Council local government area.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Agnes Walker, Eileen Walker,
Hazel Douglas, John Walker Jr
and Peter Fischer,
C/- Cape York Land Council
PO Box 2496, CAIRNS QLD 4870

State of Queensland,
C/- Crown Law,
GPO Box 5221,
BRISBANE QLD 4001

John Kevin Brandt and
Michael Brandt,
C/- David Kempton,
PO Box 732, EDGE HILL QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

5.1 The parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts to the extent they are Future Acts.

6.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2, Division 3 of Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts.

10.1 The Native Title Surrender is intended to extinguish any Native

Title that may exist in relation to the Brandt area.

"Agreed Acts" means:

- (a) the Native Title Surrender;
- (b) the grant of any mining tenement under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) to John Brandt or Michael Brandt in relation to the Potential Mining Area, within 10 years of this clause having commenced; and
- (c) all acts necessary to give effect to that act

"Native Title Surrender" means the surrender of Native Title in relation to the Brandt Area to the State.

"Brandt Area" means that part of the Special Lease Area being special lease 14/50020 in relation to Lot A on SR518 (M015) granted to John Brandt under the *Land Act 1965* (Qld) and the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld) described in Schedule 3 of the agreement.

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For assistance and further information about this application, contact

Karen Townrow on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.



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Over the past 40 years AIATSIS has established itself as Australia's premier national institution for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander studies. We are responsible for a broad research program, manage world class collections of cultural and research material and publish a range of material through Aboriginal Studies Press. Together, we work to enhance the lives of Australian Indigenous peoples, increase appropriate access to the collection and enable a better understanding of Australian history by all Australians.

LIBRARY DIGITISATION ASSISTANT

APS Level 2

\$36,735

(Non-Ongoing, 12 months, 14 hours per week)

The Library Digitisation Assistant will be responsible to operating scanning software and the use of scanning hardware. Assist with web maintenance and to carry out routine digitisation of the library collection material, basic documentation and entering of data including cataloguing and any other duties as required.

Please consult the AIATSIS website www.aiatsis.gov.au to obtain the selection documentation for this position. For those without access to the internet, selection documentation can be obtained from Lauren Hewitt on (02) 6246 1178.

If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact Lauren Hewitt the Manager, Digitisation on 02 6246 1178 or e-mail: lauren.hewitt@aiatsis.gov.au

Expressions of interest are sought for the position. Applicants should provide a current resume, including the contact details of two recent referees and a brief cover letter outlining skills and experience against selection criteria.

The Recruitment Officer

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies
GPO Box 553
Canberra ACT 2601

Closing Date: COB 19 July 2007

Applications may also be forwarded by e-mail: HRTeam@aiatsis.gov.au

Applicants must address 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.

The Institute values a skilled and diverse workforce to meet the needs of the organisation in the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

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 or fax it to (02) 6622 2600.

Until 7 July: NAIDOC Week. See the website www.naidoc.org.au

Until 15 July: Guringai Festival, Local Focus - Aboriginal Art. A small selection of outstanding contemporary Aboriginal artworks from private collections in the Mosman area. Held at Mosman Art Gallery and Community Centre, corner Myahgah Road and Art Gallery Way, Mosman from 10am-5pm with free entry. Details call (02) 9978 4042.

Until 14 July: Yirra Yaakin Noongar theatre. Windmill Baby is a play of a one-woman redemption piece featuring Maymay Starr, an old Aboriginal woman who returns to the deserted Kimberley cattle station that was her home fifty years ago. Held at the Subiaco Arts Centre, Perth. Details call Michelle White on (08)

9202 1966 or email michelle@yirrayaakin.asn.au

Until 13 July: Apprentice Chef Competition. Restaurant and Catering Association Apprentice Chef Competition will be held in the "On Course" training restaurant in Wagga Wagga. Details call Katie Hankin on (02) 9211 3500 or Alison Roberts on (02) 9495 4444.

Until 15 July: Drawing Together exhibition of Indigenous Artwork. The National Archives of Australia is hosting an exhibition on some of Australia's most impressive Indigenous artworks, together for the first time, to mark the fortieth anniversary of the 1967 referendum. Details call Caroline Webber on (02) 6212 6251 or email caroline.webber@naa.gov.au or visit www.naa.gov.au

Until 18 July: The Block Dance Studio. Uncle Max Bower needs some help finishing the renovation of the children's dance studio at The Block. This is a call for all you trades out there - carpenters,

electricians, plasterers etc that would like to help finish the work. Details call Lani at the Aboriginal Housing Company on (02) 9698 9249.

Until 21 July: About FACE 8, faith and cultural exchange, which provides an opportunity for young adults to spend time in Indigenous communities in Australia and overseas. Details: (08) 8236 4240.

Until 18 July: Paint and Clay. An exhibition of paintings and ceramic works by children from Stewart House. There will also be a series of ceramic corroboree balls on display. Held at Foyer Exhibition Space, Willoughby City Council, 31 Victor Street, Chatswood from 9am-5pm. Details call Alison Clark on (02) 9777 7972 or email alison.clark@willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Until 23 July: NAIDOC Week Children's Exhibition. School children's art, poetry and stories on the theme of NAIDOC will be on display. Held at Lane

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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 Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Grantee Party
EPM13607 This application consists of three separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 66 km ENE of Boulia Centred at: Lat.22°45'S Long.140°32'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Boulia Part 2: Approx. 84 km ENE of Boulia Centred at: Lat.22°36'S Long.140°39'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Boulia Part 3: Approx. 74 km ENE of Boulia Centred at: Lat.22°38'S Long.140°34'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Boulia	Area of Part 1: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2407 a, b, g, h Area of Part 2: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2264 d, j, k Area of Part 3: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2263 o, t	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684

*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 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 2, 14th March 2007 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, COORPAROOK, 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 3803.

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

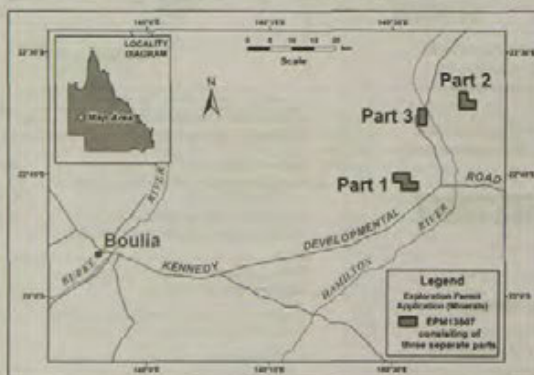
Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 233 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be renewed with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit 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 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, 233 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 25 July 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

SCOTT ANDREW LOCHHEAD has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND WATER USE approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the NEW SOUTH WALES MURRAY REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE (Darling River, Wentworth weir pool).

BOX CULVERT WITH REGULATOR - 1
at Lot 2/1106411 in the Parish of AVOCA, County of WENTWORTH
at Lot 2/1106411 in the Parish of TUGIMA, County of WENTWORTH
For WETLAND REHABILITATION of Thegma Billabong and Tinghi Creek
at Lot 2/1106411 in the Parish of AVOCA, County of WENTWORTH
at Lot 2/1106411 in the Parish of TUGIMA, County of WENTWORTH

This proposal is being supported by the Lower Murray Darling Catchment Management Authority.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0350-516200.

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the application number 982 on all correspondence.

Peter Winton, Licensing Officer
Department of Water & Energy
PO Box 363, BURONGA, NSW 2739

Commencement Date: 04/07/2007

Closing Date: 01/08/2007.

GA2 516200

RAY CHARLES VELLA has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND WATER USE approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the UPPER MANGROVE GROUNDWATER SOURCE.

One (1) BORE (replacement of existing works) at Lot 101/1000948 in the Parish of KOOREE, County of NORTHUMBERLAND for irrigation.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 02 4904 2578.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 18/07/2007. Please quote the application number 959 on all correspondence.

Bruce Westbrook, Licensing Officer, Licensing North
Department of Water and Energy
PO Box 2213, DANGAR, NSW 2309

Commencement Date: 20/06/2007

Closing Date: 18/07/2007.

GA2 516200

RAY CHARLES VELLA has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND WATER USE approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the UPPER MANGROVE GROUNDWATER SOURCE.

One (1) BORE (replacement of existing works) at Lot 572/545149 in the Parish of KOOREE, County of NORTHUMBERLAND for irrigation.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 02 4904 2578.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 18/07/2007. Please quote the application number 958 on all correspondence.

Bruce Westbrook, Licensing Officer, Licensing North
Department of Water and Energy
PO Box 2213, DANGAR, NSW 2309

Commencement Date: 20/06/2007

Closing Date: 18/07/2007.

GA2 516200

FREDERICK JOHN FLINN has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND WATER USE approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the HUNTER REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE.

65MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMP at Lot 1/37628 in the Parish of WARKWORTH, County of NORTHUMBERLAND.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 02 4904 2578.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 18/07/2007. Please quote the application number 959 on all correspondence.

Bruce Westbrook, Licensing Officer, Licensing North
Department of Water and Energy
PO Box 2213, DANGAR, NSW 2309

Commencement Date: 20/06/2007

Closing Date: 18/07/2007.

GA2 516200

MARILYN LEE MARROWS VOULLAIRE has submitted an application for a 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).

150MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMP - 1
at Lot 650/756961 in the Parish of MOURQUONG, County of WENTWORTH,
PIPELINE - 1

across Lot 650/756961 in the Parish of MOURQUONG, County of WENTWORTH for DOMESTIC supply.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 035051 6200.

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 04/07/07. Please quote the application number 852 on all correspondence (GA2 524335).

Peter Winton, Licensing Officer
Compliance & Licensing
Department Water & Energy
PO BOX 363, BURONGA, NSW 2739

Commencement Date: 04/07/07

Closing Date: 01/08/2007.

GA2 524335

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in LOWER NAMOI REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE, 2 x 125MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMPS and 4 x 80MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMPS on the Namoi River at/adjacent to Lot 1/574295 in the Parish of WALGETT, County of BARADINE.

1 x 150MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMP at/adjacent to Lot 7008/1021125 in the Parish of WALGETT, County of BARADINE, (replacement of works approval 90WA800016, additional pumps to allowing servicing of existing pumps while maintaining pumping capacity) (GA2-527917). Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0267019609.

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the application number 90WA800055 on all correspondence.

Tony Hall, Licensing Manager, Tamworth Licensing North, Department of Water and Energy PO BOX 486, TAMWORTH, NSW 2340.

Commencement Date: 04/07/2007. Closing Date: 01/08/2007.

GEORGE ISSA NEHME and SAMIRA NEHME have submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, for a bore in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE, at/adjacent to Lot 3/1083578 in the Parish of TABBITA, County of COOPER for IRRIGATION at/adjacent to Lot 2/1083578, Lot 3/1083578 and Lot 6/10751730 in the Parish of TABBITA, County of COOPER.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269 530700.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 01/08/2007. Please quote the application number 40WA404817 on all correspondence.

Steve Webb, Licensing Manager Murrumbidgee Region, PO Box 156, LEETON, NSW 2705

Commencement Date: 04/07/2007. Closing Date: 01/08/2007.

JOHN WILLIAM MASKUS has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, for a bore in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE, at/adjacent to Lot 45/751681 in the Parish of BRINGAN, County of COOPER for IRRIGATION at/adjacent to Lot 45/751681 in the Parish of BRINGAN, County of COOPER.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269 530700.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 13/07/2007. Please quote the application number 40WA404817 on all correspondence.

Steve Webb, Licensing Manager Murrumbidgee Region, PO Box 156, LEETON, NSW 2705

Commencement Date: 15/06/2007. Closing Date: 13/07/2007.

BRENDON PAUL ADAMS and THEODORE THEOPHILUS ADAMS have submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE, at/adjacent to Lot 76/751703 in the Parish of GOGELDRIE, County of COOPER.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269530700.

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the application number 989 on all correspondence.

S.F. Webb, Licensing Manager, MURRUMBIDGEE REGION Department of Water and Energy, PO BOX 156, LEETON, NSW 2705

Commencement Date: 04/07/2007. Closing Date: 01/08/2007.

MURRAY VALLEY

Ian Henry ANSWER & Christine Elizabeth ANSWER 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 3 DP270015, Parish North Deoliquin, 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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 951 on all correspondence.

Joseph HICKEY & Audrey Mary HICKEY 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 53 DP752293, Parish Osborne, County Denison

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 952 on all correspondence.

WARPAT NOMINEES PTY LIMITED has submitted an application for a Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the New South Wales Murray Regulated River Water Source (Merran Creek).

Works: 1 x 50mm pump Location: Easement within Lot 15/540814, Parish Willakool, County Wakool

Purpose: Stock water supply to Lot 5/238154, Parish Yellimong, County Wakool

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 957 on all correspondence.

Lindsay Holden, Senior Licensing Officer Department of Water & Energy, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

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Cove Library, 139a Longueville Rd, Lane Cove during Library hours and entry is free. Details call Chris Brimble on (02) 9911 3634.

Until 29 July: Indigenous Masterworks Collection. 12 masterpieces by artists who were founders of distinct painting movements. Held at Manly Art Gallery and Museum. Details call Sarah Johnson on (02) 9976 1421.

Until 31 July: Multicultural Assistant Program QLD. Grants are allocated to promote an understanding of Multiculturalism, reduce prejudice and foster community participation. Grants range from \$3,000 to \$30,000. Details call Nao Hirano on (07) 5527 8011 or mobile (0423) 511 549 or visit www.mccgc.com.au or www.multicultural.qld.gov.au

Until 31 July: British Council Realise Your Dream Awards. This is a fantastic opportunity for any Australian aged 21-28 studying or working in the creative industries to give their career a huge boost. Details call Innes Ireland on (02) 9362 6716 or visit www.britishcouncil.org.au or call the Art Gallery of NSW on (02) 9225 1779 or visit www.realiseyourdream.org.au

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

Until 3 August: NSW/ACT Regional Achievement and Community Awards now open. The Regional Achievement and Community Awards are looking for businesses that are building and sharing knowledge on combined products, services and improving the image of their local community. Details call Teesha Straney on (02) 9643 1677.

Until 17 August: Victorian Indigenous Art Awards 2007. Entries for Winning and short-listed works will be exhibited at Koorie Heritage Trust, Melbourne from 26 October to 29 November. Details call Elizabeth Liddle on (03) 9954 5000 or email lowanna.norris@dpc.vic.gov.au or visit www.arts.vic.gov.au

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 or visit www.australianmuseum.net.au

Until 26 August: State Library Exhibition. Exhibition - Interactive Art etc. Details call Alison Wishart on (07) 3840 7895 or email inquiries@reconciliation.org.au

Until 30 September: Teacher

Education Scholarships for Aboriginal people who want to become either primary or secondary teachers. The Teacher Education Scholarships provides payment of HEC's fees, financial assistance and guaranteed permanent employment on completion. Details call Janine French on (02) 9836 9263 email Janine.French@det.nsw.edu.au or 1300 301 435 or visit www.teach.nsw.edu.au

Until 31 October: The Young Achievement Australia Business Skills Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Through the program, participants establish a company, write an 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, Redfern. Start 6.30pm every second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Details call Julie Welsh on (02) 9550 9964 or email julie.welsh@worldvision.com.au or www.worldvision.com.au/birring

4 July-12 August: Aboriginal Art
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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
EPM15947	Approx. 109 km ESE from Boulia Centred at approximate Lat.23°23'S Long.140°50'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Diamantina	Area: 280 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 89 (each 1 lat x 1 long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2842 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 2843 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w 2914 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, u, z 2915 a, b, c, f, g, h, i, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x, y 2986 e, k, p 2987 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, w, x 3059 b	Cloncurry Precious Metals Pty Ltd 122 162 396

* 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. 7456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 7456, 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 7456) 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.

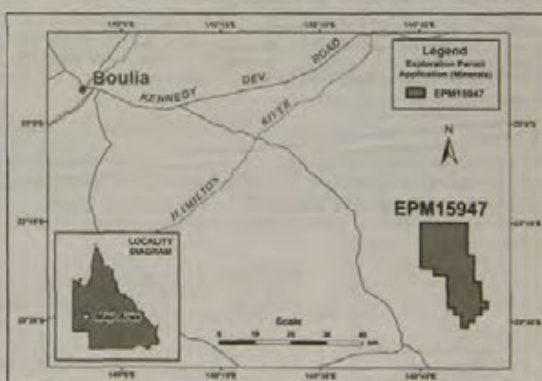
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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 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: 25 July 2007



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Awards 2007. Aboriginal artists are invited to submit works exploring the theme Past, Present and Future. Entries will be exhibited at Grafton Regional Gallery 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton. Details call National Parks and Wildlife Service on (02) 6627 0200 or Grafton Regional Gallery on (02) 6642 3177.

4 July: Biennial William Cooper Memorial Lecture. Ms Linda Burney, will deliver the lecture. It is to provide an opportunity for reflection on the recent history of Aboriginal political activism and to provide a forum for discussion of the effectiveness of differing political strategies. Held at the Monash University Conference Centre, Melbourne CBD. Details call (03) 9905 4200 or email CAIS@arts.monash.edu.au

5 July: Linden Arts. Centre of Contemporary Arts invites you to the opening of Ngurrumban: From Where We Are. This exhibition brings together for Indigenous installation artists who explore the ways in which traditions permeate contemporary life. Details call (03) 9209

5560 or email info@lindenarts.org or visit www.lindenarts.org

5 July: Award Presentation, Reconciliation Writing Competition. Held at Willoughby City Council Chambers, Level 6, 31 Victor St, Chatswood. Free entry. Details call (02) 9777 7985.

5 July: NAIDOC Week Melody Market. Celebrating NAIDOC week with Indigenous food and entertainment. Held at Chatswood Mall, Victoria Ave, Chatswood from 10.30am-12pm with free entry. Details call (02) 9777 7985.

5 July: Aboriginal Heritage Discovery Walk. Lane Cove Council presents a fun family bushwalk along the Lane Cove River from 10.30am-12pm with free entry. Bookings essential. Details call Michelle Greenfield on (02) 9911 3579.

5 July: Brass Monkey. Casey Donovan is back deadlier than ever. Good food, wine and great live music. Costs \$15 pre sale or at the door \$17. Held at the Brass Monkey, 115A Cronulla St, Cronulla. Details call (02)

9544 3844 or email gtrio@bigpond.net.au

6 July: Reconciliation Film Screening. Donation welcome. Details call Dorothy Babb on (02) 9482 2994.

6-7 July: Alice Spring Show. Annual agricultural and horticultural show held over two days includes grand parade, entertainment, sideshow alley, arts, crafts and many more. Open Friday 8am-6pm with fireworks at 7pm. Held at Blatherskite Park Showground, Adelaide. Details call Jan Dunk on (08) 8952 1651.

7 July: Aboriginal Bush Tucker Walk. An introduction to an array of bush tucker that can be found in our local bushland at Flat Rock Gully, Naremburn from 1-3pm and is free. Details call Dianne Eva on (02) 9777 7755.

7-29 July: The Annual Mil-Pra Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Exhibition. This exhibition is a sharing experience from Aboriginal artists to the youth and to all who come to celebrate our "Country" together. Held at the Liverpool Regional Museum from

10am-4pm all welcome. Details call Christine Spatz on (02) 9824 1121 or email media@casulapowerhouse.com

7 July: Sacred Lifewalk 2007. Aunty Sue Charles Rankin in her fiftieth year will set off from Kaurna Country (Adelaide, South Australia), to walk a journey of 1,500 kilometers to Uluru, NT. All are welcome to come see the walkers off and share a farewell BBQ breakfast. Held at Tauondi Aboriginal Community College, Port Adelaide, SA from 6am and will depart at 7am. Details visit www.peacepilgrimage.net/sacredlife or www.myspace.com/peacepilgrimage

8-15 July: The National NAIDOC Committee will mark the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC with the theme '50 years: Looking Forward, Looking Back'. The National NAIDOC poster competition and nominations for the National NAIDOC Awards have opened. Details: Visit www.naidoc.org.au

8-15 July: School Students Artworks. Displays of artwork by public and private school students in the Mosman, Cremorne and Neutral Bay areas on the theme of NAIDOC Week 50 Years: Looking Forward, Looking Back. Details call Frennie Beytagh on (02) 9909 0203 or email frennie@tpg.com.au or visit www.mosman.nsw.gov.au

9-11 July: Traditional Indigenous Games Workshops. Traditional games such as boomerang throwing and animal mimicking Warringah Council's five Vacation Care Centres. Bookings essential. Details call (02) 9942 2312.

9-10 July: The 3rd National Cultural Collaborations Forum. The Forum is designed for human resource professionals across all industries in both the public and private sector and will address ways in which all cultures come together within Australian workplaces. Held in Alice Springs. Details call Bambi Gordon on (0418) 47 97 35 or email bambi@regionaleventsaustralia.com or visit www.culturalcollaborations.net.au

9 July: Troy Cassar-Daley Album Launch. Held in Melbourne at Northcote Social Club from 8:30pm onwards. Details call Northcote Social Club on (03) 9489 3917 or email admin@northcotesocialclub.com

10 July: Sporting Grants and Information Workshop. The workshops will deliver an information

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

Mr Chris Natt MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, CI- Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licences in accordance with the applications made therefor.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 25951 sought by AGRICOLA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 111 720 597 over an area of 6 Blocks (19 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the TENNANT CREEK locality.



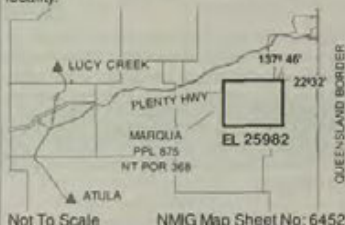
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Exploration Licence 26042 sought by ARNHEM RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 112 776 360 over an area of 241 Blocks (769 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the CRAWFORD locality.



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Exploration Licence 25982 sought by BRALICH HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 060 990 632 over an area of 391 Blocks (1239 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the TOKO locality.



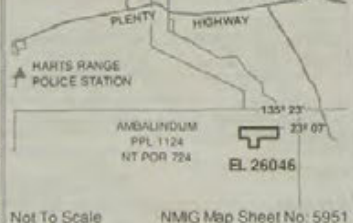
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Exploration Licence 25983 sought by BRALICH HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 060 990 632 over an area of 400 Blocks (1265 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MARQUA locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 6352

Exploration Licence 26046 sought by NEWERA URANIUM LIMITED, ACN 118 554 359 over an area of 5 Blocks (16 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 5951

Exploration Licence 26048 sought by NEWERA URANIUM LIMITED, ACN 118 554 359 over an area of 10 Blocks (32 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 5951

Exploration Licence 26012 sought by TOUCHSTONE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD, ACN 120 126 838 over an area of 126 Blocks (377 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the UNDOOLYA locality.



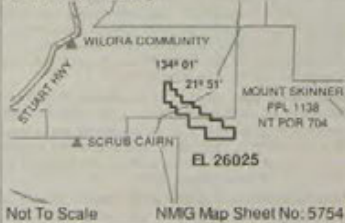
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Exploration Licence 26045 sought by TRI-STAR ENERGY COMPANY, ARBN 089 539 695 over an area of 478 Blocks (1490 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the DAY locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 5948

Exploration Licence 26025 sought by URAMET MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 124 251 396 over an area of 34 Blocks (108 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the HOME OF BULLION locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 5754

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 Centrepoin 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: 04 July 2007



WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

MURRAY VALLEY

Michael John FLORANCE 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 1 DP238626, Parish Barrooga, County Denison
Purpose: Water Supply for Nursery

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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 973 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484732).

ALDEBARAN PASTORAL COMPANY PTY LTD has submitted an application to amend an existing Water Supply Works & Water Use Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source.

Works: 1 x Bore (additional)
Location: Lot 1/606054, Parish Monimail, 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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 50CA504237 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484732).

TOWOOL PTY LTD has submitted an application for a Water Supply Works & Water Use Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source.

Works: 1 x Bore
Location: Lot 89 DP756332, Parish Towool, 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 01/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 988 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484732).

Lindsay Holden, Senior Licensing Officer
Department of Water & Energy
PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

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forum to community members highlighting this Department's and other's Sport and Recreation Grants, Programs and Services that are available to Aboriginal people. Held at South Tweed Sports Club from 6-8pm. Details call Miranda Bolt on (02) 6618 0400 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

10 July: Indigenous Male Actor needed. There is an upcoming tour of Barracking presented by the Red Dust Theatre in Central Australia. The Indigenous actor should be aged 17- early 30's to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call (08) 9953 3305 or mobile (0411) 498 503 or email redrusttheatre@swtch.com.au or visit www.redrusttheatre.com

10 July: Aboriginal/Japanese/Vietnamese Photographic Exhibition. The people of Vietnam, Japan and Aboriginal Australia have all faced challenges of war, famine, drought, plague, invasion and destruction and yet they have each cultivated a sense of inclusion that is remarkably unique and individual. Open 8.00am-6pm weekdays and all are welcome. Details call Kim Turnbull on (03) 9686 8100 or Wayne Quilliam on (0413) 812 222 or visit wqphotography@optusnet.com.au

10-13 July: PCYC School Holiday Program. The theme is arts, crafts and music. A Black Friday disco will be held for primary school children only and is divided into two age groups. The first for years 1-4 and the second for years 5 to 7. Activities start from 10am-1pm with a sausage sizzle from 1pm-2pm each day at Geraldton. Details call PCYC on (02) 9921 1317.

10 July: NAIDOC on the Peninsula 2007. A free public family event featuring Indigenous singers and musicians bush tucker barbecue and talk, face painting and more. Held at AIATSIS, Canberra from 11.30am - 3.30pm. All welcome. Details call Danika Nayna on (02) 6246 1108 or Chris Ryan on (02) 6261 4225 or visit www.aiatsis.gov.au

11 July: Defence ATSI Memorial Service. This service will be held to honour Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and servicewomen commencing 12pm at the ATSI Memorial, located in bushland 350 metres behind the Australian War Memorial towards Mount Ainslie in Canberra. A light lunch will be served. Details call Rose Hays (02) 6266 8690 or email Rose.Hays@defence.gov.au

11-12 July: 15-19-year-olds conference. Held at the Novotel, Brighton Beach, Sydney, and will focus on learning needs and teaching strategies for retention and participation of 15-19-year-old students in education and training. Details: Kim Proctor (02) 9244 5597 or email 15-19Conference@det.nsw.edu.au

11-13 July: Indigenous Studies and Indigenous Knowledge Conference. The conference is an attempt to engage a discussion in the profession on the education and curriculum issues in Indigenous Studies areas and to support current trends to incorporate Indigenous Knowledge into the Indigenous Studies curriculum. Keynote and plenary speakers. Details call Martin Nakata on (02) 9514 1902 or visit www.isik.org.au

11 July: NAIDOC 50 Years Looking Forward, Looking Back. Town Green Celebrations and Family Fun Day. Bush tucker, free sausage sizzle, face painting, traditional and Contemporary music and dancing, hip hop workshops and many more. All welcome. Details call Jake Chatfield on (0428) 104 089.

11 July: Digby Dreaming. Digby will conduct an artist talk at the opening with recent art works from Digby Moran. Held at 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton from 10am-4pm. Details call (02) 6642 3177 or email gallery@clarence.nsw.gov.au or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

11 July: Sporting Grants and Information Workshop. The workshops will deliver an information forum to community members highlighting this Department's and other's Sport and Recreation Grants, Programs and Services that are available to Aboriginal people. Held at Lismore Workers Club from 6-8pm. Details call Miranda Bolt on (02) 6618 0400 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

12 July: Matthew Doyle Presents 'Wuruniri'. Matthew Doyle will present a program for all ages, spanning traditional Aboriginal culture and contemporary dance. Young people will be invited to join him in contemporary dance and learn about Aboriginal culture. Held at Mosman Library, 605

Military Rd, Mosman at 3.45pm. Bookings essential. Details call (02) 9978 4191.

13 July: National Indigenous Television. NITV is Open for Business and calling for all program submissions and ideas. This is an opportunity for your programs and ideas to be on a national service for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and communities. Details call Krystal Perkins, on (02) 9959 3888 or M: 0448 488 572 or email krystal.perkins@nitv.org.au or visit www.nitv.com.au

13 July: NAIDOC Aboriginal Golf Day 2007. Men's A, B and C grade Comp, Ladies Comp, Junior Comp and visitors Men's and Ladies Comp. Held at Toronto Country Golf Club from 7am with an 8.30am start. Costs \$45 per person including greens fee, breakfast and lunch. Prizes include over-all winners, runners up, longest drives and nearest to pins. Details call Les Ahoy on (02) 4935 8000.

14 July: Imparja Camel Cup Carnival. This is a fun filled day with various camel races. Plenty of food and drink stalls. Gates

open at 10.30am with race starting at 1pm. Details call (08) 8952 6796 or email info@camelcup.com.au or visit www.camelcup.com.au

14 July: Koori Netball Carnival. Netball NSW with NSW Sport and Recreation are hosting this carnival with teams coming from across NSW including the Far West team from Brewarrina, Goodooga and many more. Held at the Dubbo Netball Courts. Details call Jacinda Spicer on (0439) 321 791 or Susan Parry or Bron Coleman on (02) 6884 9815.

14 July: Walla Mulla Family and Support invites you to become involved in the annual NAIDOC family day of celebration, being held in Forbes Street Reserve, Woolloomooloo (between Cowper Wharf Road and Best Street). Details: Kay (02) 9368 1381 or (0422) 292 651 or email kay@wallamulla.org.au

15 July: Sydney Harbour Trust Celebrates NAIDOC. This is a free afternoon to celebrate NAIDOC week at North Head Sanctuary, Manly. Performance

by 'Freshwater' starts at 1.30pm. Walking tours approximately one hour will start at 12noon and 3pm. Bookings essential for walking tours. Details call Tania Quax on (02) 8969 2100 or visit www.harbourtrust.gov.au

15 July: Public Performing Arts Jam Session. Featuring local artists Jabiru Entertainment, Jumbal Dreamin, Gumbayngirr Elders Choir - Nambucca Valley, People of the Reeds Artists Fashion Parade, Shane Gordon - Local Traditional Dancer and Guest Artist is James Henry grandson of Uncle Jimmy Little. Held at G Country Art Gallery and Emporium North of Grafton from 10.30am onwards. Details call (02) 6644 5794 or visit www.gcountry.com.au

17 July: Sporting Grants and Information Workshop. The workshops will deliver an information forum to community members highlighting this Department's and other's Sport and Recreation Grants, Programs and

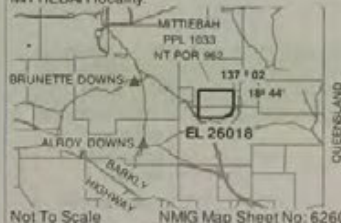
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 26018 sought by MANTLE MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 107 180 441 over an area of 377 Blocks (1225 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MITTIEBAH locality.



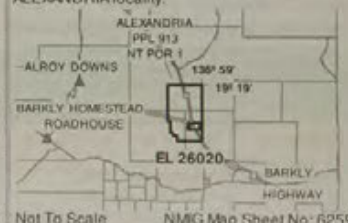
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Exploration Licence 26019 sought by MANTLE MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 107 180 441 over an area of 340 Blocks (1102 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MITCHELLO localy.



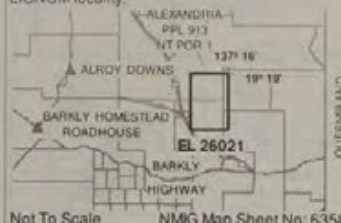
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Exploration Licence 26020 sought by MANTLE MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 170 180 441 over an area of 336 Blocks (1074 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the ALEXANDRIA locality.



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Exploration Licence 26021 sought by MANTLE MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 107 180 441 over an area of 408 Blocks (1321 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the LIGNUM locality.



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Exploration Licence 26024 sought by THUNDELARRA EXPLORATION LTD, ACN 085 782 994 over an area of 6 Blocks (20 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



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Exploration Licence 26009 sought by WESTGOLD RESOURCES NL, ACN 009 260 306 over an area of 4 Blocks (13 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the RANFORD HILL locality.



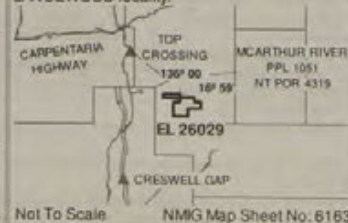
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Exploration Licence 26028 sought by WESTGOLD RESOURCES NL, ACN 009 260 306 over an area of 34 Blocks (102 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the MALLAPUNYAH locality.



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Exploration Licence 26029 sought by WESTGOLD RESOURCES NL, ACN 009 260 306 over an area of 34 Blocks (108 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the LANGEWOOD locality.



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Exploration Licence 26007 sought by GREGORY LANCE WOOD and SANDRA MAUREEN WOOD, over an area of 7 Blocks (23 sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years within the RANFORD HILL locality.



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Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the Mining Act authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term sought for commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a 'native title party' within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5 NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973 Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the Native Title Act. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

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Services that are available to Aboriginal people. Held at South Grafton Club from 6-8pm. Details call Miranda Bolt on (02) 6618 0400 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

17-19 July: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Thursday Island, Queensland. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

18 July: Sporting Grants and Information Workshop. The workshops will deliver an information forum to community members highlighting this Department's and other's Sport and Recreation Grants, Programs and Services that are available to Aboriginal people. Held at the Coffs Harbour Ex-Services Club from 6-8pm. Details call Miranda Bolt on (02) 6618 0400 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

20 July: Training for Supporting Families of Prisoners. This one-day workshop will provide practical information about the NSW prison system and how imprisonment affects the families you work with. Resources will be provided on the day to support you in your work with this disadvantaged group. Held at Bankstown Sports Club from 9.30am-4.30pm

with morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided. Details call Melanie Trail on (02) 9724 3807 or email connect@woodville.org.au or visit www.woodville.org.au

20 July: Charity Golf Day. The event will be a 3 person Ambrose with 6 players in each group. All six players in a group must be either AGU handicap golfers playing for the Stan Bowden Memorial Cup or non-handicap golfers competing for the Carol Kendall Memorial Shield. Details call Ryan Sadler on (0405) 593 881 or Bill Pritchard on (0408) 888 698 or email eo@absec.org.au

20 July: Call for Expressions of Interest. This is an all Aboriginal advisory Board who determine the policies of the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office. The Board is currently looking Expressions of interest from interested Aboriginal people in being appointed to the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office Board. Details call Russell Taylor on (02) 8836 9428 or Jean Pasfield on (02) 8836 9446 or email jean.pasfield@aho.nsw.gov.au

24 July: 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 with federal employment laws to help you understand how they apply in your workplace. Held at the Workers Club, 231

Keen Street, Lismore. Details call Rae Hamilton on (02) 9020 4618 or 1300 361 968 or web www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au

29 July: Parramatta Filmmakers meeting. 7-9pm Mars Hill Café. For details contact (02) 8571 9111, visit www.performancespace.com.au or email lilys@performancespace.com.au

3 August: Brisbane's 2007 Indigenous Jobs Market. The main aim is to connect Indigenous jobseekers with employers. This provides an opportunity for jobseekers to talk directly with employers, education institutions, training providers and employment service providers. Held at the Brisbane City Hall from 9am-2.30pm. Details call Marcia Laurie on (07) 3340 2342 or email mlaurie@gbacc.com.au

4 August: National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day. Details: Muriel Bamblett, SNAICC Chairperson (03) 9489 8099 or Julian Pocock, SNAICC Executive Officer (03) 9489 8099.

6 August: Hurstville Aboriginal Advisory Committee meeting. All welcome. Held every six weeks at the Civic Centre, Level 1, Meeting Room 2. Details: Louise Durmush (02) 9599 0233.

6-10 August: EMS in Agriculture. Held in Hobart. Detail call Donna Harris on (03)

6423 6008 donna.harris@qtainc.com.au

7-9 August: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Derby, WA. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

9 August: This is the International Day of the World's Indigenous People.

10 August: Satellite Youth Engagement Workshop. Indigenous young people between the ages of 18 to 30 years are invited to this workshop to network and explore relevant issues impacting on Indigenous youth. Held in Adelaide. Details call Grant Paulson on (02) 6273 9200 mobile (0418) 872 717 or web www.reconciliation.org.au

14-16 August: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Mullewa, WA. Details call Leah Boonthanom on (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

14 August: Ti Tree Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

15 August: Ali Curung Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

16 August: Tennant Creek Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

18 August: Katherine Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

19 August: Timber Creek Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

21 August: 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 with federal employment laws to help you understand how they apply in your workplace. Held at the Ex-Services Club, Orange. Details call Rae Hamilton on (02) 9020 4618 or 1300 361 968 or web www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au

23-25 August: Three performances at Darwin Festival. Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17 to early 30s to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@switch.com.au

26 August: Parramatta Filmmakers meeting. 7-9pm, Mars Hill Café. For details contact (02) 8571 9111, visit www.performancespace.com.au or email lilys@performancespace.com.au

28-30 August: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at

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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
EPM13249 This application consists of two separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 38 km SE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat 20°20'S Long 140°12'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Concurry Part 2: Approx. 31 km SE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat 20°15'S Long 140°12'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Concurry	Area of Part 1: 26 km ² Block Identification Maps: Concurry Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1' lat x 1' long) Block Number Sub-blocks 243 b, s, w, x 315 b, c, g, m Area of Part 2: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Concurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1' lat x 1' long) Block Number Sub-blocks 243 c, d	Universal Resources Limited 090 468 018

*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 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 2, 14th March 2007 and Native Title Protection Conditions 1 (1a), 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 3803.

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

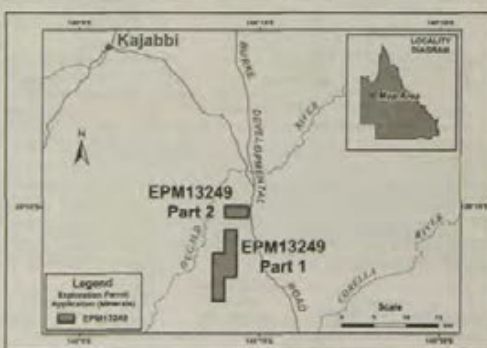
Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8700 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be renewed with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit 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 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, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8700 or 1800 640 501.

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Alice Springs, NT. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

1-9 September: National Poetry Week. This year's themes are: Between, Wild Parties, House Arrest, Fruit, Freedom, Loud, Friendship and Open Books to be interpreted in any way you like. Details: Uzz Murphy (0428) 237 882 or email uzzmurphy@bigpond.com or contact the poets union (02) 9818 5366 or www.poetsunion.com

2-8 September: National Child Protection Week. This event provides individuals and communities with a range of opportunities to participate and contribute to the prevention of child abuse and neglect and promote their own programs and projects. Details call (02) 9211 0224 or email contact@napcan.org.au

4-7 September: Hear, Speak, Live Conference. The conference will focus on otitis media and its impact on the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people. Held at Seaworld Nara Resort, Gold Coast, Qld. Details: Bonny Marsh (07) 3250 8509 or email RCH-deadlyears@health.qld.gov.au

4-6 September: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Port Augusta, SA. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

6-8 September: Alice Springs Festival, Circus Lawns and Araluen Barracking is a collaborative original new theatre work. We are looking for an Indigenous actor, aged 17- early 30's to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a Central Australian Indigenous community who is being considered for AFL drafting. Details call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503 or visit reddusttheatre@swtch.com.au

14 September: Aboriginal Regional Small Business Awards. These awards recognise successful Indigenous businesses within the Murrumbidgee and Binalia regions of NSW. Held in Dubbo, NSW, and will include the awards presentation, dinner, a guest speaker and entertainment. Details: Scott or Stephen (02) 6862 5511 or 1800 069 723.

14 September: Satellite Youth Engagement Workshop. Indigenous young people between the ages of 18 to 30 years are invited to this workshop to network and explore relevant issues impacting on Indigenous youth. Held in Alice Springs. Details call Grant Paulson on (02) 6273 9200 mobile (0418) 872 717 or web www.reconciliation.org.au

18-20 September: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Kempsey, NSW. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

25-27 September: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in themselves and their culture. Held at Dubbo, NSW. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

25 September: 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 with federal employment laws to help you understand how they apply in your workplace. Held at Multi Purpose Centre 108 Ellsworth Drive, Mt Druitt. Details call Rae Hamilton on (02) 9020 4618 or 1300 361 968 or web www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au

30 September: Parramatta Filmmakers meeting. 7-9pm Mars Hill Café. For details contact (02) 8571 9111, visit www.performancespace.com.au or email llys@performancespace.com.au

1 October: Hurstville Aboriginal Advisory Committee meeting. All welcome. Meeting is held every six weeks at the Civic Centre, Level 1, Meeting Room 2. Details: Louise Durmush (02) 9599 0233.

5-7 October: Working Together Conference. The aim is to provide a forum for enhancing the profile, skills and culture of Aboriginal communities

including health, education and employment strategies, enterprise and cultural development. Details call (02) 6650 9800 or visit www.lganconference2007.com

9-12 October: 2nd National Indigenous Land and Sea Management Conference. (Caring for Country, our People, our Nation, our Responsibility.) Themes include Governance, Traditional Knowledge, Heritage, Youth, Partnerships and many more. Held in Coddwell, All welcome. Details: Phil Rist (07) 4066 8300 or email eo@girringun.com.au

13-14 October: Girringun Cultural Festival. The Great Australian Corroboree following the conference. All welcome. Details: Phil Rist on (07) 4066 8300 or email eo@girringun.com.au

16-18 October: Croc Festival. The event aims to inspire and motivate Indigenous and non-Indigenous young Australians in rural and remote communities to take pride in

themselves and their culture. Held in Shepparton, Vic. Details: Leah Boonthanom (02) 9417 4122 or Mobile (0411) 860 741 or web www.crocfestival.org.au

20-21 October: All Blacks Carnival 2007: Will be held at the Junior Leagues Ground Mann Street. All welcome. Details email info@nzrugby.co.nz. Or visit www.allblacks.com

23 October: 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 with federal employment laws to help you understand how they apply in your workplace. Held at Campbelltown City Centre. Details call Rae Hamilton on (02) 9020 4618 or 1300 361 968 or web www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au

26 October: Satellite Youth Engagement Workshop. Indigenous young people between the ages of 18 to 30 years are invited to this workshop to network and

explore relevant issues impacting on Indigenous youth. Held in Perth. Details call Grant Paulson on (02) 6273 9200 mobile (0418) 872 717 or web www.reconciliation.org.au

28 October: Parramatta Filmmakers meeting. 7-9pm Mars Hill Café. For details contact (02) 8571 9111, visit www.performancespace.com.au or email llys@performancespace.com.au

11 November: Remembrance Day

12-15 November: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Basketball Association 2nd Annual National Basketball Championships held in Perth. Nomination fee \$250. Divisions available for teams: U14, U16, U18 and A grade men and women. Registrations close 14 September. This is a drug and alcohol-free event. Details: Nikita Ridgeway on (0415) 095 661, or go to www.atsibasketballassociation.com.au

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
EPM15804 This application consists of two separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 46 km WNW from Mount Surprise Centred at approximate Lat.17°56'S Long.143°56'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge Part 2: Approx. 59 km WNW from Mount Surprise Centred at approximate Lat.17°51'S Long.143°51'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area of Part 1: 68 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 21 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1727 a, c, j, k, n, o, p 1728 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, k, l, m, n, o, p Area of Part 2: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1655 a, t, g	KS Mining Pty Ltd 120 136 754
EPM16033	Approx. 22 km E from Mount Surprise Centred at approximate Lat.18°09'S Long.144°31'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Etheridge	Area: 241 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 74 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1806 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x 1807 f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1808 l, m, q, r, v, w 1878 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h 1879 b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, p, q 1880 a, b, t, g	Chant's Geo Services Pty Limited 103 376 432

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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 Culture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102. Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

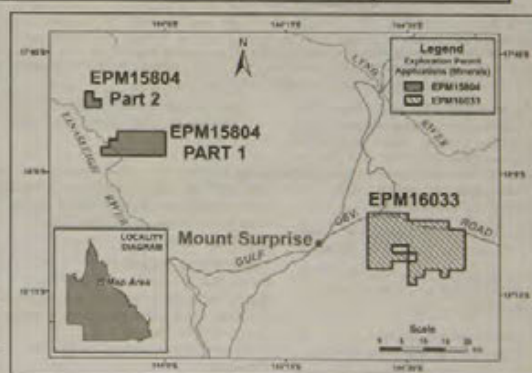
Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification 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 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.

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Natural Resources and Water

League eyes off the 'black flash'

By ALF WILSON

Boigu Island speedster Michael Marama is one of the fastest rugby league players in Australia and looks set to be signed by NRL club Manly.

Boigu Island is Australia's northern outpost, within sight of Papua New Guinea and is far away from metropolitan Sydney.

Many past Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander players have been denied the chance to make it into the big time because of the tyranny of distance.

Despite the thousands of kilometres from the NSW capital to Boigu, the 18-year-old Marama has

already been to Sydney this year to trial with Manly.

The pacey Marama has won the last two Torres Strait Sprints to unearth the fastest man in the Torres Strait held during the annual Island of Origin Series on Badu Island.

This year the flying Marama dashed along the 100m course of the Badu Island football oval to record 11.5 seconds.

Marama beat his cousin Louis Marama and Badu local Pinau Blanket.

Boigu Island has a proud record of producing male and female sprinters and 20-year-old Sarah Tom won the women's event for the

fourth year in row, clocking 12.8 seconds.

"I am confident that Manly will sign me as they have shown a lot of interest," Marama told the Koori Mail.

He said he had fun when he trialled with Manly in February and they wanted him back.

"They are a very strong club and treated me well," he said.

Marama is already being rated as at least a potential equal of South Sydney winger Nathan Merritt, an Aboriginal, who was last year's leading NRL try-scorer.

Marama proved his ability when he lined up on the wing for the Boigu Island side Malu Kiai the first

round of the 2007 Island of Origin Series.

Malu Kiai was pitted against champion team Kulpiyam, which history now records won the grand final two days later, beating Mulga Tigers 44-40.

Marama showed uncanny speed to score two sideline tries and left visitors bewildered over his raw acceleration.

"That kid has the ability to be one of the best players in the Australian NRL," said Sydney visitor John Davis.

Kulpiyam has one of the best defensive records of any Torres Strait team and their backs were left in awe of his attacking skills.

Malu Kiai coach Richard Anau said Marama was one of the fastest rugby

MICHAEL MARAMA



league players in the country.

"With the right opportunity, Michael will prove himself and he could be a great NRL player," Anau said.

Boigu Island has a permanent population of just 300.

Hopefully, Marama can adjust to the different lifestyle if he is signed by an NRL club.

Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Queensland
Notification day: 18 July 2007

National Native Title Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland & Marshall ILUA
- Q12006/014

Description of the agreement area: The agreement area of approximately 15 hectares is located 26km south-west of Cooktown in the Helenvale region as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Cook Shire Council local government area.

Parties to agreement and their contact addresses:

Agnes Walker, Eileen Walker, Hazel Douglas, John Walker Jr and Peter Fischer, C/- Cape York Land Council, PO Box 2496, CAIRNS QLD 4870

State of Queensland, C/- Crown Law, GPO Box 5221, BRISBANE QLD 4001

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"Agreed Acts" means:
(a) the Native Title Surrender;
(b) the dedication, use and management of the Road Opening Area as a road under the Land Act 1994 (Qld); and
(c) all acts necessary to give effect to those acts.

"Native Title Surrender" means the surrender of Native Title in the Native Title Surrender Area to the State [the Native Title Surrender Area is defined in Schedule 2 of the agreement].

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Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

Nostalgic day in Tasmania

Story and picture by
Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



The AFL's Indigenous Round came to Tasmania when reigning premiers West Coast

Eagles travelled to Launceston's Aurora stadium to receive a 35-point beating by the Hawthorn Hawks at the Hawks' second home.

While many football supporters will remember the match for other reasons, Aborigines in Tasmania will remember it for their community's involvement in proceedings.

In recognition of what was previously called the Dreamtime Round, Aboriginal players Chance Bateman and David Wirrpanda captained their respective teams for the day; Aboriginal Auskick kids played on the big surface; there was a welcome to country from a Tasmanian Aboriginal Elder; Aboriginal musicians entertained with a pre-match performance, and past Aboriginal footballers enjoyed the official match function with all its trimmings.

The 75 Aboriginal Auskick kids who took the opportunity to strut their stuff before a crowd of more than 18,000 in grid games before the main event had travelled from all over the State.

Aunty Phyllis Pitchford gave a welcome to country, in which she declared her love of football, followed by a performance by an Aboriginal band, the Corner Coes.

The Corner Coes is Uncle



After kicking the most goals in the Auskick games, ten year old Issac Sainy's day just kept on getting better when he met David Wirrpanda.

Ronnie Summers, accompanied by fiddle player, 14-year-old Merinda Sainy, and back-up vocalist and guitarist Fiona Newson. They sang *Manalargenna*, written by Ronnie's wife Dyan.

The band also performed a version of an old football song about the rivalry between Cape Barren Island and Flinders Island football teams, in which the majority were Aboriginal players. The song was revised especially for the day, with references to Hawthorn and West Coast football teams.

Past Aboriginal footballers from Tasmania joined in the official match function. Not only did they get to mingle with other football greats and have a superior view of the match, but reminisced on football playing days gone by.

The BIG men of league



From left are Joseph Whap, Dennis Harry and Joseph Au.

By ALF WILSON



Weighing in at 140kg, Torres Strait Island forwards Joseph Whap and Joseph Au are amongst the heaviest players in Australia.

The pair lined up for Mabuag Island side Zuguthiyam at the recent Island of Origin carnival on Badu Island and the Josephs' created plenty of interest.

They dwarfed hooker Dennis Harry, who tips the scales at 70kg – when the Koori Mail snapped them in a scrum and preparing for another.

The 32-year-old Au lives on Badu Island and was making a comeback after 10 years away from Island of Origin matches.

"My family is from Mabuag and I feel very fit and we players are very close to each other," Au said.

Aged 26, Whap was an imposing sight when he motored up the field at full steam and it took a number of opposition defenders to tackle him.

"I enjoy playing the game and it is good

being with the lads as we all support each other," Whap said.

Harry is aged 28 and it didn't escape him that he was just half the weight of one of his props in the front row.

"Two of me would weigh as much as one of them," he said.

The veteran forwards provided great experience for many of the young Mabuag players.

Zuguthiyam looked likely to be thrashed in their Origin matches after a first round 54-0 loss to eventual grand finalists Mulga Tigers, from Badu, who lost the big game 44-40 to Kulpiyam.

However, Zuguthiyam benefited by a second game forfeit win over Injinoo team which could not make it from the NPA due to transport problems.

The 30-0 result they gained from the forfeit gave them some hope of reaching the final four.

In their third game, Zuguthiyam lost 28-12 to Arkai Brothers, from Kubin Village, on Moa Island, which went within six points in a semi-final of making the grand final.

They're not all Cowboys fans in the deep north

By ALF WILSON



While the majority of Torres Strait Islanders support the North Queensland Cowboys in the National Rugby League competition, five Badu Islanders are

not so passionate about the team.

Eseli Bairra, 25, Samuel Guligo, 21, Dick Blanket, 56, Gary Guligo, 47, and Wayne Saub, 25, have no wish to see the Cowboys win their first premiership.

The day the Koori Mail met up with the five, they were celebrating Samuel's 21st birthday.

"We realise that most islanders love the Cowboys, but we all barrack for other NRL teams," Eseli said.

Eseli is a fan of the Auckland Warriors. He reckons the Warriors can make the top eight and give the trophy a shake.

"I just like forward Steve Price and they have a good side," he said.

For the birthday boy Samuel, his favourite team is the Sydney Roosters because he has always

gone for them.

"I just like the way they play the game even though they aren't going all that well in 2007," he said.

The oldest of the five, Dick Blanket, loves the Brisbane Broncos, having supported them before the Cowboys entered the competition.

"They are out of the top eight but as premiers, have to be respected and I think they will come good in the second half of the season," Mr Blanket said.

Gary Guligo is another Broncos follower who feels with their star-studded line-up, can go all the way again.

"They have so many good quality players," he said.

Wayne Saub also is a died-in-the-wool Broncos supporter. "Everybody here on Badu goes for a team in the NRL and most hope the Cowboys win the flag," he said.

The five conceded that if their teams did not win the premiership, they hoped the Cowboys would.

As long as it was not at the expense of their teams.



From left, Eseli Bairra, 25, Samuel Guligo, 21, Dick Blanket, 56, Gary Guligo, 47, and Wayne Saub, all non-Cowboys supporters.

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National Native Title Tribunal



Eastern Kuku Yalanji, State of Queensland and Douglas Shire Council ILUA – Q12006/011

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Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

Storm clouds



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Koori Mail rugby league columnist David Liddiard assesses how the NRL teams are performing at this stage of the season and gazes into his crystal ball.

Storm

At the start of the year, I recognised that most experts had installed Melbourne Storm as early favourites for the Telstra National Rugby League premiership, but personally felt that grand final day might see the Brisbane Broncos lining up against the North Queensland Cowboys.

With the representative season reaching its conclusion, the entire focus will be on the run to the finals series and I cannot say my early prediction is looking strong at this stage.

Melbourne's early favouritism has been justified, but I still have reservations about moving Greg Inglis to five-eighth, although his undoubted class still shines through.

Inglis is a rare talent who undoubtedly has the ability to play anywhere in the back line, but his move into pivot has been a qualified success because it has been much easier for defences to nullify his attacking brilliance closer to the ruck.

It has also placed additional pressure on him to create for others rather than just follow his natural instincts.

Nevertheless, the Storm are probably the most well-drilled outfit in the NRL and coach Craig Bellamy has already shown the capacity to lift his side to success without having all his top stars available.

The side's performance against the Warriors in Auckland without the full array of Origin stars remains one of the great team performances of the season.

The discovery of Will Chambers has also been an exciting revelation of the talent that lies outside the main States. Will is an athletic outside back who

comes from Gove, in the Northern Territory, having joined Brisbane Norths in 2006 where he was a member of the Colts premiership team.

He is one to watch.

Cowboys

The Cowboys appealed to me on a number of levels at the start of the year, but the major reason for my support was that they would be driven by the intense disappointment of last season.

This proved to be the case with early season form confirming them to be one of the early favourites for the title.

But then I had the personal experience of witnessing them leak over 130 points in two disastrous weeks against the Roosters and the Storm.

Any side can have a day in the NRL where the opposition can run up a huge score, but two successive defeats of this magnitude suggest there are greater underlying problems.

But the Cowboys have too many class players to be written off.

Four key players will have a huge impact on the Cowboys' hopes for the remainder of this season.

Matt Bowen is in rare attacking form and can turn any match on its head.

In an otherwise dismal match played in dismal conditions in front of a dismal crowd against the Roosters, he scored one of the great tries of this season.

His is a unique talent that cannot be properly defended against.

Anybody who has followed my columns this season will know my opinion of Jonathan Thurston, who, I believe is now rightly seen as the marquee player in our game.

His absence for a major part of last season condemned the Cowboys to a position outside the eight.

Where Bowen can turn a game, Thurston can control a match from start to finish.

If he can capture his representative form during the finals series, there is little doubt he could be lifting the Telstra trophy at the end of the grand final.

The return of Ty Williams is another bonus for the team and if he can fill the centre position and find the form that gained him Origin selection, then I believe the side will gain a missing dimension.

As great as these players are, they will also require some help 'up front' and Carl Webb must ignite the forwards to allow the 'pretty boys' to shine.

Webb is made for finals football and is capable of bringing some much-needed sting back into the Cowboys' defence.

The Cowboys must now be ranked on the second tier.

Broncos

Meanwhile, the Broncos are languishing in the bottom half of the table,



Storm's Greg Inglis takes the ball during an NRL match at Ericsson Stadium, Auckland.

— AAP Image

although this does not mean I am discounting them as they remain a classy and professional side across the paddock.

The big question still being faced by the team is whether they can achieve the great heights of last season without Shane Webcke.

At the start of the season, all pointed to Sam Thaiday as being ready to fill those shoes.

His meteoric rise last season to State of Origin, grand final winner and Australian representative meant his progress in the toughest position of all had been fast-tracked.

Injury has robbed him of the chance.

At the same time, Justin Hodges who — outside Darren Lockyer — was the most dominant performer for the Broncos last year, has struggled to find top form.

In recent weeks we have witnessed a return to his dominant best and I still believe him to be the premier centre in the game.

He will be critical to the Broncos' chances of retaining the title.

It has been pleasing to see Ian Lacey get a number of opportunities in the top grade — another example of perseverance being rewarded.

Bulldogs

The Bulldogs were the other side I included as absolute certainties for the finals, with the club's imposing tradition being my main reason for that support.

Despite threatening to lose touch with the other teams, I still believe they can be a force this year.

A major factor in the club's return to premiership contention will be the continued fitness and form of Willie Tonga.

Tonga has had a horrendous run with injuries over the past two years and is yet to reach his true potential.

He had an average start to the season and seemed to be losing the belief that his form would return.

However, while form is temporary class is permanent, and in recent weeks we have seen the awesome combination of power and deft footwork return as Tonga rediscovers the magic.

Rabbitohs

At the start of the year two sides that had captured the imagination of the broader rugby league public — the resurgent South Sydney Rabbitohs and the new boys on the block — the Gold Coast Titans.

Both could be happy with their current position on the table.

Given its historically strong link with indigenous communities the once mighty Rabbitohs have taken on a new lease on life under the ownership of Peter Holmes a Court and Russell Crowe.

Confidence and leadership are two important qualities and the Rabbitohs have imported these qualities in spades with the likes of Roy Asotasi, Dean Widders, David Peachey and David Kidwell.

The most important area that the Rabbitohs have focused on under coach Jason Taylor has been to develop a strong and committed defence.

In achieving this they have established a credibility they have not enjoyed since they have re-entered the competition.

If they can now continue to develop a more adventurous style of attack, they may still threaten come finals time, but they will need the likes of Nathan Merritt, Shannon Hegarty, Beau Champion and the seemingly forgotten Yileen Gordon to get more quality ball.

Titans

The Gold Coast Titans have surprised many with the quality and consistency of their form.

Scott Prince has shown why he was such a key signing for the new franchise with his masterly control and astute kicking game ensuring the Titans will be competitive every time he is on the field.

If not for Jonathan Thurston, he would be an automatic selection for Queensland in any Origin side.

His combination with Preston Campbell is the real key to the team's chances.

While the Titans definitely need their top side on the paddock, their attack is relatively impotent without the irrepressible Campbell present to take the pressure off Prince.

Josh Lewis has been a great acquisition and Mat Rogers has performed

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beyond my expectations, but the Prince-Campbell combination is only second to the Thurston-Bowen combination in terms of potency and importance to a side's chances in the competition.

Watch for the likes of Chris Sandow and Shannon Walker to get their opportunity in the future.

Dragons

The St George-Illawarra Dragons have been devastated by injury as well as being affected by the high turnover of senior talent from their squad at the end of last year.

This will not necessarily be a negative thing given that it will give others the opportunity to step up to the plate.

Richie Williams move to the Panthers is indicative of the instability that seems to have plagued the club.

A creative player who has shown great promise in the lower grades, he finally got the chance to prove his wares in the top grade but fell out of favour soon after.

Nathan Brown will be under pressure to maintain his position despite the fact that he is obviously a coach of talent.

The Dragons did pick up Michael Lett in the mid-season merry-go-round and it is hoped that he will gain an opportunity to show his wares in the top grade.

Sharks

Meanwhile, the Dragon's neighbours in the Sutherland Shire have adapted well to the new style of coach Ricky Stuart.

Stuart has instilled a mental toughness into the Sharks squad that has been sadly missing in recent seasons, but it is difficult to see him improving the club's performance beyond making the finals series too dramatically in the first season.

After sorting out the issue of Brett Kimberley and Adam Dykes in the halves, Stuart has forged a defensive pattern that is amongst the strongest in the NRL.

There is scant Indigenous talent at the club and that is perhaps another reason why the Sharks will not be major contenders this year.

Roosters

Stuart's previous club – the Sydney Roosters – have also struggled in what they claim to be their centenary year.

They appear to lack the necessary firepower in the forwards to be true contenders this year.



Brad Tighe in action during round three of the NRL match between the Knights and the Riders at Canberra Stadium on 2 April.

They have a forward pack heavy on age, but light on speed and agility and even the experience of coach Chris Anderson has been unable to overcome this issue.

The club has also been distracted by the departure of the likes of Jamie Soward, who probably had realistic ambitions of sealing a permanent first grade spot.

Mitchell Pearce beat him and Josh Lewis for the position and the Roosters have continued to have a dismal season for such a proud club.

One player who has always entertained is Amos Roberts who – no matter where the Roosters have finished on the table – finished somewhere in the top try-scorers for the season.

Alongside his team-mates, Roberts has struggled during the season and it would not surprise to see him in a Rabbitohs' jersey next season.

Eels

My old club Parramatta has exceeded my expectations after starting the season with the introduction of a new coach and an interesting array of characters for him to handle.

It will be interesting to observe how Michael Hagan and the player leadership team have forged a productive partnership.

The dynamic Timana Tahu, whose return from injury is eagerly anticipated, will only add to the team's firepower as they approach the finals.

Tahu is a supreme athlete and the finals would be a fitting stage for him to farewell the game as he prepares to cross to rugby union next year.

Panthers

Further down the M4 Motorway, the Penrith Panthers have not had the most settled of seasons.

New coach Matt Elliott had to put up with pre-season distractions as well as the saga of whether Craig Gower would stay at the club.

Elliott is the right man for the club, but he will not achieve his goals this year.

Rhys Wesser's recent injury is the final nail in the coffin and the club can begin to plan for next year.

Richie Williams will be part of that plan.

Raiders

Elliott will still have a soft spot for his previous club in the Canberra Raiders, who coped with a mass exodus of senior players.

Nevertheless, they made one astute buy with the appointment of the unheralded Neil Henry as coach who has proven to be a great success at club and State of Origin level as assistant to Mal Meninga.

Henry is a players' coach with the ability to extract the best from his charges.

His quiet unassuming manner is a benefit as he tries to mould a

talented group of youngster who are still largely unknown to the wider rugby league public.

The name Goodwin is synonymous with attacking rugby league and in young Bronx Goodwin, we have a player with the potential to match his old man 'Lord Ted' in the excitement stakes.

Thom Learoyd-Lahrs has seemingly recovered from his chronic back injury and is ready to fulfil his potential.

He has already shown he is capable at the highest level.

The Raiders may continue to surprise if they make the eight.

Tigers

West's Tigers are another club that had a disappointing season last year, but I still cannot quite see them returning to their glories of two years ago.

Apart from the injury to Benji Marshall, the other major factor to have been the absence of Scott Prince.

Prince was 'ying' to Benji's 'yang' and I doubt whether Scott's value to Marshall's meteoric rise has ever been fully appreciated.

The Tigers have played some entertaining football, but they will look back to the game against Parramatta Eels as the day their weaknesses were exposed.

Sea Eagles

The Sea Eagles are a side I struggle to warm to despite the presence of my old team-mate in

Des Hasler as coach.

You cannot deny that Hasler has the team performing like a true contender, but they will still need Jamie Lyon to play an inspiring role for the team.

Unfortunately, I cannot see him being a force at five-eighth.

To be effective, Manly need Travis Lane at five-eighth and Lyon in the centres.

The injury to big George Rose was a tragedy for him personally and the fans who were enjoying the rise of this crowd favourite providing the type of entertainment only the big men are capable of.

Knights

This brings me to the Newcastle Knights and the introduction of coach Brian Smith to the ranks.

Smith has had to deal with the retirement of Andrew Johns and the community backlash as he starts a clean-out of the ranks.

Smith as always has moulded a competent and competitive outfit who will compete for a spot in the eight until the end.

Brad Tighe has emerged as a quality centre and I am still shaking my head that the club has let him go to the Panthers next season.

At least this has been balanced by the emergence of Luke Walsh, who will entertain for many seasons to come.

Warriors

I leave my final comments for the New Zealand Warriors, who have quietly emerged as a strong finals contender.

I always have a strong sense of brotherhood when I visit the Warriors and I believe will improve the most this season.

If they make any of the big games, watch out because they could be capable of anything.

Steven Price and Rueben Wiki provide the most formidable leadership in the team.

Their recent performance against the Panthers was no fluke.

So there it is. On balance, the Melbourne Storm have to be pronounced favourites, with Manly and the Cowboys certain to be there.

But I truly believe that there are only two teams capable of beating them... the Broncos (who are no certainties for the eight) and Parramatta, whose backline is capable of matching the Storm for size and athleticism.

Whatever the case, the finals series beckons as a whole new competition once the warring parties decide who will have an invite to the ball...

I can't wait!

Hey, Presto's

DEANO'S LEAGUE



With DEAN WIDDERS

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I remember well one of my early visits to the Cape when I visited Arukun for a youth leadership camp how warmly I was welcomed by the whole community. To this day I still receive emails and messages from some of the friends I made up there.

In what has been a hard week for many Aboriginal people, the warmth of that visit was rekindled when I saw footage of Preston Campbell visiting the tiny community of Pormpuraaw.

Pormpuraaw is located on the west coast of Cape York and is about 660km north-west of Cairns.

With a tiny population of about 700, it is rare that a person of Preston's standing would be able to visit.

Preston's visit was important on a number of levels as he was there to help launch a Queensland Government Healthy Communities program.

He was there to bring a ray of sunshine into the daily lives of the community's kids and leave some key messages.

But he was also there to reflect on the amazing journey of a young kid from Tingha who has overcome all the

doubters to be one of the true personality players in the NRL.

"It means a lot to me to do something like that," Preston said. "I know what it's like to grow up in those little places."

"It's just something different for those kids and maybe it gives them a glimpse of what they can do or achieve if they set their minds and hearts to it."

There is sometimes criticism of visits when a personality like Preston flies in and out without leaving a long-term legacy or developing a relationship with the community.

Spark imagination

There is a lot of truth in this, but visits like this can spark the imagination as it did for Preston those many years ago in Tingha.

"It's something I can definitely relate to," Preston said.

"I remember when I was a young fella growing up, big Mal Cochrane came to our little school when I was in Year 2 and it is something I've always remembered."

"Then, when I was in high school, Paul Sironen came out and to see a guy who you watched on TV standing there in front

of you, I remember getting so excited."

Judging by the response of the kids on the video and the smiles on their faces in the photos, Preston received a similar reaction from the kids.

"It was a bit of an eye-opener," Preston said of his experience.

"I've never been that far up and to be honest, it would have been nice to spend a few more days up there."

"The kids were that excited and they certainly know their footy."

"Being in the middle of nowhere, they don't have free-to-air TV, but they manage to get some Foxtel, so they know all the teams and the players."

"Most of them were Cowboys and

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● Pictures on this page and the facing page show Preston Campbell and admirers during his visit to the tiny community of Pormpuraaw. They were supplied by the Gold Coast Titans.



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Broncos supporters, but there was a few Titans jerseys there as well."

For Preston though, it is not about gaining more fans: it is something more basic and more powerful than that.

"I try to do as much of that sort of thing as I can in the local schools on the coast as well," he said.

"It's not something I have to do - I love it.

"You go in and you organise a game of touch footy or something and it brings a smile to the kids' faces.

Campbell's smile definitely won over the hearts of the people of Pormpuraaw, but

they in turn had their own special weapon to win over Preston.

"They cooked me up some barramundi," Preston recalled.

"I've never had barra before in my life, it was a beautiful fish.

"I enjoyed it that much that they insisted I pack some up and take it home to my wife and family.

"It was a wonderful experience.

"I'd love to go back there."

And I'm certain that like in so many of our communities, you would always be welcome, Preston.

See you on the field when you come up against the mighty Rabbits!



Bats rescued after ordeal in wet Outback

By ALF WILSON

It was a weekend that nine Lake Nash Bats AFL footballers would like to forget.

First, they copped a 15-28 (118) to 3-11 (29) hiding from Tigers

in the Mt Isa Australian football competition.

Then, on the way home to the Northern Territory, they were rescued by helicopter after their Toyota Troop Carrier became bogged.

The footballers were due home on Sunday afternoon, but when they had failed to show up, Mount Isa police were advised and North Australian Helicopters began a search at 11am the following day.

By 2pm, the nine had been located and rescued and as a bonus, another group of four who had been stranded 40km from Lake Nash, were also picked up.

The nine players left their vehicle on a washed out road on Sunday and walked about 56 km before being found.

But a police spokesman told the North West Star newspaper they were not impressed by people using unsealed roads in or after heavy rain in the area.

"Members of the public need to be aware of the dangerous road conditions and the impact they have on resources, which could potentially be avoided by using some common sense and patience," a police spokesman said.

Mount Isa AFL president Maddo

Fidler said word had spread fairly quickly that the Lake Nash Bats had not arrived home on Sunday Night.

"Which was surprising as there hadn't been any local rain on the day, but obviously it was raining out Urundangi way," he said.

"But after a couple of phone calls to the Aboriginal community of Alpururulam on Monday, we were relieved to hear they finally made it home safe. Thanks to North Australian Helicopters and the police."

Mr Fidler said the Lake Nash Bats had been playing in the competition for more than 10 years and the other Lake Nash side, Bushie Bulldogs, for not so long.

"Lake Nash Bushie Bulldogs have been playing for four years. Both teams travel about 300 km.

Alpururulam is situated next to Lake Nash Station, in the Northern Territory. The two Alpururulam teams don't play any home games.

Mr Fidler said that Lake Nash teams had been an important part of the local league, with many talented footballers.

"I believe it also gives not only the players, but the community in general something to look forward to. Lake Nash Bats have won two premierships, defeating Rovers two years in a row in 2003 and 2004, and Adrian Williams won the Cargill Medal for best player in the AFL Mount Isa competition in 2005," he said.

In the other Mount Isa match in round nine Rovers, 10-16 (76) beat bottom team Buffs 10-15 (75) in a cliffhanger.

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The Swans' history goes back to the days of the South Melbourne Bloods and our passionate fans know what it is like to wait for a taste of premiership success.

Geelong's patient army of fans has been waiting patiently since 1963 to bring the flag home.

This year their patience might not be fully rewarded, but there are encouraging signs that they are on the road to success.

Two key figures in this journey have been Matthew Stokes and Travis Varcoe, both of whom are stand-outs, but have yet to realise their full potential.

Varcoe also carries the extra expectation of wearing the jumper of the most famous figure in Geelong's history – Polly Farmer – but as a result, he gets some one-on-one advice to boot.

The reintroduction of No 5 has coincided with more regular appearances of the great man, and that means Varcoe gets the chance to get some quality time with him.

"It's a great buzz when you get to see him in the rooms at half-time or at the end of games," Varcoe says.

"It's amazing the feeling he brings to the club and the amount of excitement he generates.

"I have spoken to him a few times about the number. It's a great honour to be part of that history with the jumper.

"He just said pretty much don't worry about the number or anything, just have fun and do what you do and make it your number.

"I have taken that advice. It's not like you are running around looking at your number or thinking about it."

Varcoe's form has more worried his opponents as they come to grips with his trademark forward-line pressure and tackling skills ensuring the opposition knows he is there.

He is also a renowned goal sneak but it is his continued defensive pursuits that have kept him in a well-settled Geelong side.

His success this year has been in direct contrast to last year's debut season when a badly broken foot prevented him from justifying the wraps placed on him.

Patient

The club stayed patient last year as he missed the entire pre-season then returned in round five to play about 10 mediocre games in the VFL.

Finally injected into the senior side for the NAB Cup semi-final, he sharked two goals, then repeated the dose in his AFL debut in round two against Carlton.

After his first full pre-season, Varcoe is now displaying the form that saw him so highly regarded, and is determined to keep it up.

"I am working my butt off to stay in, because it's a very special team to be part of. My job is to hold the ball in and buzz around and be a nuisance to the backline," he said.

"I just do my job, putting forward pressure

on and that is basically what you want from your small forwards. The bigger guys love it if you get a goal out of it, or just even keep it in there."

Varcoe admits he is still swept up in the joy of living out a boyhood fantasy.

"It's a bit surreal, I guess," he said. "It's your dream of doing it and it is why you are at the club."

"I don't know how to explain it, but every time you take another step, you think, 'Am I really doing this?'"

Matthew Stokes is a brother player sharing this dream and has



Geelong's Matthew Stokes in action during the AFL round 11 match between against Essendon at the Telstra Dome, Melbourne, 9 June 2006.
— AAP Image

likewise experienced a rollercoaster ride from a battling SANFL player to where he is now – playing with one of the premiership favourites.

Stokes recently starred in

Geelong's thrashing of the Brisbane Lions, but his composure is hardly surprising when you consider he first started kicking goals for the NTFL Palmerston Magpies' senior side at the tender age of 14.

"I'm pretty happy where I'm at right now," Stokes said.

"I'm doing a role within the team that's obviously keeping me in the side and I'm getting a kick and we're winning, so I can't complain.

"And I definitely feel like I'm part of the side this year. Last season I felt like I was part of it, but I wasn't an integral part.

"This year I feel like I'm in the best 22 players at the club."

Maturity

Stokes shows a fair bit of maturity for his age and will not be drawn into talk of breaking the 44-year premiership drought that has haunted Geelong.

"We try not to read and listen to the hype that's around about premierships," he said.

"Obviously we read it and take it on board but we try not to get too carried away.

This is where the senior players will need to steady the ship, but at the same time they should be careful not to extinguish the sheer energy and exuberance of youth that can provide the whole team with a new level of energy.

Geelong is a team on the way up.

The challenge for the Swans when we meet them is to prove that we are not a team on the way down.

But then, that is always the true test of champions. Until next time... Keep Dreaming!



Gary Ablett Jr and Travis Varcoe of the Geelong Cats celebrate a goal during the Cats' match against the Carlton Blues in Melbourne on 7 April.
— AAP Image

Rising stars

New crop being groomed to enter AFL ranks

By PETER ARGENT



A 'finishing school' for the next crop of AFL footballers – the national under-18 Australian rules

carnival – is being held around Australia.

In a break from the tradition from the previous couple of years, round one started in Perth and Adelaide for division one (Vic Metro, Vic Country, South Australia and Western Australia) last weekend, while the opening fixture of the division two combatants (Queensland, Tasmania, Northern Territory and NSW-ACT) were played before AFL matches in Sydney at Telstra Stadium on Saturday 23 June.

This event culminates with the final two rounds at Skilled Stadium, Geelong, and MC Labour Park (formerly Princess Park, Melbourne) from Thursday 5 June to Wednesday 11 July.

Among the Indigenous talent at the titles are three West Australians, three Croweaters and two lads from Queensland,

CYRIL RIOLI



along with a good percentage of the Northern Territory team.

Last year's division two title winners, the Queensland Scorpions, have two Aboriginal footballers from the Morningside club. Originally from

Kowanyama, in Cape York, Cameron Josiah is a rugby league convert, who, at 179cm and 71kg, has shown immense talent as a blisteringly quick, small forward.

A product of Shalom College in Townsville, Brandon Roughsey is from Mornington Island, off Cape York.

"Last year Cameron kicked seven goals for the Manunda Hawks in the Cairns senior grand final," AFL talent manager Kevin Sheehan said.

"Brandon is a naturally gifted athlete who played his football for Thuringowa Bulldogs before coming down to Brisbane, playing generally as

a half back. Both were excellent performers in the Country Cup."

In Adelaide, South Australian coach Brenton Phillips confirmed the three members of his Aboriginal contingent, Eagles player Jared Petrenko, and the Roosters duo of Zac Millar and Kriston Thompson, were considered as members of its best side.

Petrenko was on the brink of making his SANFL debut in the 2006 grand final, being first emergency in the Woodville West Torrens team as a 16-year-old.

SANFL debut

Millar, a member of the State under 18 team last year, also made his SANFL debut during the 2006 finals series, for North Adelaide.

Thompson is originally from Quorn-Willsden Football Club, north-east of the rural city of Port Augusta.

"Zac captained the side against New South Wales and has shown leadership qualities," Phillips said.

"A competitive type with a strong body, he is an inside player who has finesse and strong hand skills."

"Kriston is a typical wingman

with pace, creativity and impressive delivery of the ball.

"Jared will be used as a defender, as well as a part of our on-ball rotations, having pace, a good side-step and the ability to read the play well."

Over in the west, the Sandgroppers will unleash small forward Chris Yarran at the under-18 titles – he was a member of the AIS-AFL initial tour of South Africa earlier this year.

Another excitement machine is Perth Football Club player Cruise Garrett.

The third member of the trio is Jarrah Jacky, who hails from Broome.

"Jarrah is a small forward, who is clever around goals and is currently playing for the Subiaco Lions in the WAFL competition," coaching and talent co-ordinator for Western Australia Karl Pirrottina said.

"Cruise is a noted high-possession winner and loves winning the hard ball, while Chris is one of those footballers who are exciting every time they get their hands on the ball."

"All three will be expected to play a significant roll with this team."

Typical of a team coming out of the Northern Territory, there are a number of highly-skilled

Aboriginal players moving through this system.

Able to use six over-age players (born in 1988), head coach Damian Hale selected Indigenous talents Austin Wonaeamirri, who is playing league football at Norwood; Stewart Rioli, Danny Measures and Jethro Calma-Holt.

Among the other players back for a second season at this level for the 'Thunder' is a young man with a big football heritage, Cyril Rioli, along with Kingsley Whitehurst, Bradley Campbell and Cameron Stokes.

One to watch

A member of the famed Motlop clan, Marlin, who excelled at under-16s level last season, will be another player to watch.

Marius Clarke, the younger brother of St Kilda pair Xavier and Raphael, is making his first appearance at this level, as is Paul Campbell, the younger sibling of promoted Kangaroos rookie Matt.

"Fifteen of our 25 players are of Aboriginal descent this year," Hale said.

"That's down a little on previous years, but still a good contingent."

● In 2006, 53 footballers were selected in the AFL national draft and a further 18 rookies were drafted from players competing at these titles. At least 11 of these were of Indigenous descent. Nearly 70 of all current AFL footballers have progressed through these championships.

JARED PETRENKO



JETHRO CALMA-HOLT



Opponent a tough nut – Mundine

World-ranked Briggs questions whether 'Choc' has self-belief

Australia's world-ranked light heavyweight Paul Briggs has questioned whether Anthony Mundine has the self-belief to defeat champion international boxers Mikkel Kessler or Joe Calzaghe.

Mundine earned a unanimous points decision over tough Argentinian Pablo Zamora Nievas to retain his WBA world super middleweight title on the Gold Coast last Wednesday night.

In the lead-up to the fight, former rugby league star Mundine spoke confidently about challenging WBO titleholder Calzaghe or undefeated WBC and WBA champion Kessler in a 'super fight'.

But Briggs said after the fight he doubted whether Mundine, 32, really believed he could beat Denmark's Kessler or Welshman Calzaghe after struggling to put away a courageous Nievas over 12 rounds.

"Anthony will talk it up, but the reality of the situation is completely different to what he thinks in his head," said Briggs, who watched the bout in his role as a pay TV commentator.

"It'd be great to see him fight like this against the elite guys because I truly think he's got the goods to be able to beat them, but does he believe that?"

"He's got the skills and he can do it, but every time he's really stepped up to the elite guys, he's got beaten."

"He talks about never getting beaten again and that's great. It's easy to carry on when you're fighting blokes like he fought last night."

Mundine used his lightning jab and evasive skills in the ring to wear down Nievas, who had never previously gone beyond six rounds.

"It was a frustrating fight in the sense that he (Mundine) couldn't put the guy away and they're the fights that you learn from," Briggs said.

"It's only going to do him benefit and no harm at all."

Mundine described Nievas as 'definitely the toughest fighter I've fought in my career'.

"It goes to show these so-called experts, they don't know sh...," added Mundine, who improved his record to 29-3 (22KO).

"They don't know nothing about the real professional elite stage of sport."

Despite straining a right biceps muscle early in the fight, Mundine was able to outclass his plucky opponent, who was at long odds to cause an upset.

"I won pretty much every round and I proved I'm one of the superior fighters in the world and I'm only going to get better," boasted Mundine.

"My jab is the key. I'm super quick." –AAP

Khyarne a proud Aussie Budgie



Indigenous team contests international tournament



The Budgies, a team of Australian Indigenous schoolgirl netballers, did not exactly set the court on fire, but for Khyarne Biles, of Dubbo, it was an memorable experience.

Khyarne was ecstatic to find out she had been selected in the Budgies' side to represent Australia in the Schoolgirls Championship in New Zealand.

As a 16-year-old student who attends Dubbo Senior Campus in Year 11, Khyarne was over the moon to receive the phone call informing her that she had been selected as one of the ten Indigenous girls who would travel to New Zealand in May to compete in the highly acclaimed Schoolgirls Championship against teams from all over New Zealand and Australia.

"It was an honour to be selected. I never thought a girl living in a regional town would ever get the chance to play at

such an elite level," Khyarne said.

Having played competitive netball for a number of years as a defence player, for the local A grader and Dubbo representative, the New Zealand trip was a reward for her hard work and determination.

Khyarne, helped by her family and local business sponsorship, raised money through a trivia night to help cover her costs.

"It was a great experience playing for the Budgies in New Zealand. We had a great team from across Australia and I am looking forward to next year for the opportunity to compete again," she said.

For the record, the Budgies played about six games in the tournament and failed to win one, but they came close to victory in their game against Pacifica, a team made up of girls from throughout the South Pacific.

The Australian representative Schoolgirls team beat New Zealand Schoolgirls by one point in a cliffhanger final.

NAIDOC golf day

NAIDOC Week celebrations in the Newcastle region will include an Aboriginal golf day at the Toronto Country Golf Club on Friday 13 July.

The \$45 entry fee will include green fees, breakfast and lunch.

There will be an 8.30am shotgun start.

Prizes will be awarded in men's A, B and C grades, women's and juniors divisions, and visiting men's and women's.

For details, contact Les Ahoy on (02) 4935 8000.

Winner takes all

A winner-take-all prize of \$1000 is up for grabs in the 100-metre NAIDOC Gift at Gordonvale, near Cairns, on Saturday 4 August.

The Gift will be the feature event of the Djarragun College NAIDOC celebrations.

The college has organised the event in conjunction with the Djarragun Sports Academy, Cape York Partnership and the Australian Government.

Another event will be the Djarragun College Gift, with cash for the winners in the secondary schools boys' and girls' sprints, and prizes for the two runners-up in each category.

There is a \$30 entry fee for the NAIDOC Gift, and \$25 entry free for the Djarragun College Gift. Nominations close at noon on Friday 27 July.

The celebrations will start at 9am at the Mulgrave Little Athletics Club, Johnson Park, Gordonvale.

Bowen signs with Titans

North Queensland winger Brenton Bowen (pictured) has signed a two-year deal with NRL club Gold Coast from 2008.

Titans coach John Cartwright said Bowen had blistering pace and would add to the squad's depth.

"Brenton is another player that we spoke about early in the piece when first starting to assemble the team," Cartwright said.

"He reads the game very well and he offers blinding speed on the flank."

"He's proven to be quite a try-scoring machine when given the opportunity and he'll add great depth to our squad with his ability to slot in at wing or in the number one jumper."

Bowen, the cousin of



Cowboys fullback Matt Bowen, has scored six tries from 13 games for North Queensland this season.

"I really think the club has a big future and I want to be a part of it," he said about the Titans.

"I am hoping that I take my game to the next level at the Titans and with the staff at the club, I am confident that I can."

–AAP

Dubbo to host to big Koori netball carnival



Young Indigenous netball players from across the State are being encouraged to attend a special Aboriginal netball carnival next month at Dubbo, in the central west of NSW.

The Koori Netball Carnival is run in partnership with NSW Sport and Recreation, Netball NSW and the Dubbo Netball Association.

The carnival will be held on Saturday 14 July at Nita McGrath Netball Complex, Macleay Street, from 9am.

NSW Sport and Recreation spokeswoman Bronwyn Colman said the aim of the netball carnival was to encourage young Aboriginal people from across NSW, particularly the country, to participate in a healthy and active lifestyle.

"Sport and recreation activities are a great way to get involved in the community – the Dubbo Pinaros Netball Club is a shining example of how organised sport

can really make a difference," she said.

Netball NSW regional development officer Jacinda Spicer said she hoped Indigenous teams from all over NSW would take part.

"The carnival is not just about competing to win; it gives young Aboriginal netballers a chance to hone their skills and mix with kids interested in the same sport," she said.

The carnival will have two divisions – juniors (14 years and under) and seniors (15 years and over).

Prizes will be awarded to the runners-up and the winning teams in each division, as well as a special medal for the most outstanding player in each age group.

For further information or to obtain registration forms, contact Jacinda Spicer from Netball NSW on 0439 321 791 or Susan Parry and Bronwyn Colman from NSW Sport and Recreation on (02) 6884 9815 or (02) 6362 6623.

Look out next year!



Ethan Dagg in action in the Finke Desert Race.



SA Aboriginal youth from the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands have endured their first gruelling desert race as a team – and with flying colours.

The Department for Families and Communities sponsored 18 participants in this year's Finke Desert Race.

They raced under the banner of the APY Racing Team. There were 17 in the bike section and one in the buggy section.

The team geared up through the department's dirt bike training program – an initiative of its Substance Misuse and Youth Programs, aimed at providing a healthy focus for young people on the APY Lands in the far north of South Australia.

The Finke event was a two-day, multi-terrain race through desert country from Alice Springs to the small Aputula community in the Northern Territory, from 9-11 June.

APY Racing's top three riders were Ethan Dagg, 21, from Ernabella, who came in overall 99th spot; Alfred George, 35, from Fregon, who finished



Young rider Ethan Dagg adjusts his helmet in preparation for the Finke Desert Race.

141st, and Amos Frank, 19, from Fregon, who finished 162nd.

Peter Kay, Manager of the department's Substance Misuse and Youth Programs, said the riders did better than expected in their first year as a team under a single banner.

"Not only are these riders able to give the commitment necessary to even get into this event, they are also showing a competitive level of skill and this is only the beginning – we can't wait to see what next year will bring," Mr Kay said.

"Nearly 500 bikes were entered in the event, in total, and only 347 bikes made it from start to finish, indicating how tough this race is."

"Fourteen of APY Racing's 17 initial riders finished the race and even picked up some impressive positions along the way. Most of the other riders in our team came in between positions 198 and 272, with a few having minor accidents along the way, yet still keeping on until the

finish line."

Last year, the department supported seven people from the APY Lands in the race, but not as a single team under the APY Racing banner.

This year, the Australian Government, through the Indigenous Co-ordination Centre at Port Augusta, also helped with team sponsorship.

Mundraby our newest boxing champion

● From back page

Matt Meredith.

"I am very happy to win the Australian title and the atmosphere out there was electric," Mundraby told the *Koori Mail*.

Before turning pro, the hard-punching and much-travelled Mundraby had an impressive amateur record of 51 wins from 56 bouts.

Lindgren now has a three-win and two-loss record and had been confident of a win against Mundraby before a big home crowd.

In the main fight, former Townsville boxer Les Sherrington took less than one round to knock out Ingham's highly-ranked Shaun Quagliotto.

The 23-year-old Sherrington retained his Australian super middleweight title which he won at Townsville's Rugby Union grounds last February, beating Sonni Michael 'The Jungle Boy' Angelo.

Sherrington is now based on the Gold Coast, and was far too skilled and fast for Quagliotto and the bout was stopped one minute and 19 seconds into round one.

The fight night was promoted by Townsville Hawks Club's trainer Dennis Clancy.

The morning after the fight, Mundraby was surrounded by family and friends.

Included were his mum Marissa, dad Fred Senior, 20-year-old girlfriend Michelle Detaurbet and baby Isabella, sister Gemma, 12, brother Vincent, 11, sister Laurissa Mundraby and her partner Nathan Nolan and their 15-month-old Jeffrey, and close family friend Tintinara Ghee, 23, from Murray Island.

"We are just so proud of Fred who did a very good job to win," proud mum Marissa said.

Trainer Burows said the referee told him that Mundraby was as good a boxer as he had seen at that age.

"I have no doubt that Fred has a big future in front of him as he is so young," Burows said.

Mundraby displayed his Australian and Queensland title belts with delight and praised Burows, Samardin and his uncle Arama Tabuai, a veteran boxer from Saibai Island, in the Torres Strait, and known as the 'Warrior'. "Bob has been with me as a trainer since I was a boy and Cliff and uncle Arama have been wonderful," he said.

Mundraby will have his next bout at Coffs Harbour in August when will meet a Papuan Guinean.



The day after ... Fred Mundraby, holding baby Isabella and with his arm around girlfriend Michelle Detaurbet, is pictured with, back row, dad Fred Snr, mum Marissa, Nathan Nolan, Laurissa Mundraby holding 15-month-old Jeffrey, family friend Tintinara Ghee, and trainer Bob Burows; front, Mundraby's sister and brother, Gemma and Vincent.



Look out
next year!
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The Voice of Indigenous Australia



A young Emu takes flight



Young Indigenous basketball sensation Patrick Mills, of Canberra, flies out of Australia

today with the Australian Emus to contest the world World Under 19 Championships in Serbia.

The point guard is described as being as tough as they come and is blessed with outstanding speed and court leadership.

Australia won the 2003 Under 19 World Championship in Greece.

The Emus will play in Spain ahead of the 2007 FIBA World Championship in Novi Sad, Serbia from 12-22 July.

Mills is one of eight Emus on scholarship at the Australian Institute of Sport.

His parents, Yvonne and Benny Mills, live and work in Canberra.

Mills has not long returned from an Emus tour of France.

There, the Aussies had five wins and one loss and came second in the tournament,

beating France (European champions) in the last game by four points.

Mills was awarded best point guard of the tournament and he and fellow Australian Andrew Olgivy were selected in the All Star Five team, chosen from all players competing in France.

The other three positions were taken by players from France (shooting guard), Lithuania (forward) and Israel (forward).

Mills has had a very successful career and was named Young Sports Person of the Year at the Deadly Vibes Awards.

He will be heading off to California on 27 August to take up a four-year university scholarship with St Mary's College, Moraga, near San Francisco.

His ambition is to one day play for Australia in the Olympics and for the Boomers in the Senior World Championships.

His idol is Brisbane Broncos rugby league coach Wayne Bennett.



Mundraby our latest boxing champion

By ALF WILSON



Yarrabah-born Aboriginal boxer Fred Mundraby won the Australian bantamweight

professional boxing title when he floored Leigh Lindgren three times before the referee stopped the fight at the Townsville Entertainment Centre on 23 June.

The end came just one minute and nine seconds into round two of a scheduled 10 rounds.

Previous titleholders have included former world champions Jimmy Carruthers and Aboriginal boxer Lionel Rose.

The 19-year-old Mundraby, pictured above holding baby Isabella and with his girlfriend Michelle Detaurbet, has been trained for the past nine years by BB Club's Bob Burows at Gordonvale, near Cairns.

Since Burows moved to Mount Isa four months ago for business reasons, Mundraby has been trained at Cairns by unbeaten retired professional Cliff Samardin.

The Australian bantamweight title was the main under-card to the Australian super middleweight title fight between Les Sherrington and Shaun Quagliotto.

Mundraby has now won all five bouts as a professional, including the Queensland bantamweight championship when he beat

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'Choc' wins, but fight goes the distance



Anthony Mundine lands a right to the head of Argentinian Pablo Daniel

Zamora Nievas while defending his WBA Super Middleweight title at the Gold Coast Convention Centre, last Wednesday. Mundine won the fight that went the full 12 rounds.

The 32-year-old former rugby league star had predicted he would put Nievas 'to sleep' within four rounds, but the South American slugger wasn't going to lie down easy, despite coping plenty of punishment in front of a crowd baying for blood.

Mundine improved his record to 29-3 (22KO).

— AAP Image



● See Page 94 for more on the fight.