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Stolen wages lifeline

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By CHRISTINE HOWES
in Cairns



The campaign for the return of tens of millions of dollars in wages and other entitlements 'stolen' from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders by successive governments has been thrown a lifeline.

The future of more than \$35 million in the Qld Government's coffers has been up in the air since the January 2006 cut-off date for claims against its \$55.6 million Indigenous Wages and Savings Reparation scheme.

And while it is still not clear whether the residual funds could be distributed to individual claimants or invested, the responsible State Government Minister has at least flagged that they'll be used for the specific benefit of Indigenous Queenslanders rather than returned to consolidated revenue, as feared by some claimants and their families.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Warren Pitt met with the Stolen Wages Working Group (SWWG) in Cairns late last week to nut out a way forward on the issue since the scheme closed with less than half of its funds dispersed and having received less than half the number of claims expected by the Government.

Mr Pitt gave an undertaking to the workshop that he would fund a joint consultation with communities by the end of September about the remaining funds, as well as the Aboriginal Welfare Fund, and predicted he'd be in a position to put a proposal to State Cabinet in November.

The news was met by mixed reactions from hope and optimism to disappointment and scepticism, along with a measure of acceptance that time was closing in on potential claimants.

Speaking after the workshop hosted by the Department of Communities, Mr Pitt conceded that in 'technical terms' the money could go back to the government.

"There was a program put out there, everyone had their chance, there was assessments made, people were paid out and in theory that was the end of the matter," he said of the original scheme.

"But I'm determined that it won't be the end of the matter, the whole money put aside will be put to good use."

The Qld Government's Indigenous Wages and Savings Reparations offer, made on 9 May 2002 and closed on 31 January 2006, was capped at \$55.6 million and distributed to living former workers (but not the families of deceased workers) at a rate of \$2000 or \$4000 each, based on age.

The offer drew heavy criticism from Elders, community members, unions, academics and other community groups, as it was seen as just a fraction of the \$500 million in wages estimated by historian Dr Ros Kidd and others to have been held back by governments from 1897 until the late 1970s.

Critics said the payments took no account of how long people had worked without access to their wages, what they were actually owed according to records, or the disadvantage faced by them and their families as a consequence.

They also believed the offer failed to recognise the contribution made by Indigenous people's labour to the State's economic prosperity over many decades and assets including housing, hostels and

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That's what we call a truckload of goodwill

These kids from far north Queensland's Cape York Peninsula might not have seen many Federal Court judges before and they were almost certainly thinking their learned guest would feel a lot cooler without the judicial robes. But they were happy to extend plenty of goodwill Justice Andrew Greenwood's way last Thursday when the Federal Court of Australia recognised their people's native title rights over a 118,000 hectare property on the western side of the peninsula.

The court granted the group exclusive native title rights over the Strathgordon

pastoral property. The determination means the group can possess and occupy the land, and carry out traditional activities like hunting and fishing. The Cape York Land Council lodged the claim in 2003 on behalf of families speaking the Wik Iyeny, Oikola, Oikol and Bakanh languages.

"As of today we are the boss and proudly take up our responsibilities to build the foundations of our children's future," declared Senior Strathgordon Elder Rosie Upton.

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The rise and rise of Robbie Crowther

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My name is Pat Green. That's my married name but my maiden name was Patricia Everett. I was born in 1939 on Cape Barron Island, my traditional country. I was one of five children; three girls and two boys.

It has been a while since I've been home to Cape Barron, but I grew up and went to school there. To me, Cape Barron was a paradise.

There was no drink and no drugs; it was just a little island with just our families on it. There were about 300 people on it then, almost all of them Aboriginal people, and it was classified as a reserve.

We grew up without our language because all of the old people had passed away before we had a chance to learn it from them, which is very sad.

I come from a big family, it goes back to the Everetts, of course, and also the Mansells and the Browns.

When I was 13, I moved to Flinders Island to finish school. It was pretty bad because we went from an Aboriginal community to a white community and we didn't get treated very well. There was a lot of racism towards Aboriginal people.

I live in Launceston now but am down here in Hobart for cancer treatment at the moment. Cape Barron Island is about 45 minutes by plane from Launceston.

I got married on Flinders Island when I was 22 years old and then moved to Tassie. We class ourselves as islanders; once you get on a plane to go to the mainland, then you're in Tassie.

I've been married twice and have six kids: Stan, Scott, Jackie, Darren, Mandy and Jamie.

And I have 17 grandchildren and three great-granddaughters. Most of them live on the coast and I get to see quite a bit of them and, of course, we get together at special times like Christmas, Easter and birthdays.

When me and my brothers and sisters were young and muttonbirding season



Launceston grandmother and great-grandmother Pat Green, 68, pictured in Hobart last week with her son Jamie, 27, and her grandson Tyrone, 5.

used to come around on Cape Barron and everyone would be together.

Muttonbirding season was around March and we'd go for about seven weeks. I did muttonbirding on lots of islands, Green Island, Babel Island, Big Dog Island, Little Dog Island. We used to sell the muttonbird and the feathers.

I used to like going out muttonbirding with Mum, and doing the washing. We only had one water tank in our house and had to use the sea to wash our clothes in. Me and my sister used to go with Mum.

We would make a big damper and we would get periwinkles and limpets off the rocks and eat them. It has been a long time, too long, since I've had a periwinkle. They were the best years of my life on that island.

I tell all of my grandkids my life story. I did two DVDs on my life story so what I can't tell them in person, they can look at when I'm gone. I gave them to the children so the grandchildren can still look at them

in years to come and say 'That's my Nan there'. You have to leave your history behind for your family when you go.

● *Muttonbirding is a seasonal harvesting activity of the chicks of petrels for food, oil and feathers.*

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OUR CHILDREN



As the host city for this year's national NAIDOC celebrations, Darwin sure turned it on for the rest of the country. The colourful Top End city hosted more than 40 events and activities during the week, many of which attracted record crowds. The annual NAIDOC March on 13 July was no exception, attracting an estimated 1000 people – many of them from interstate and in town for the National NAIDOC Awards that evening. Amongst the crowd at the march were Elissa and Tyreece Munnich, seen here bedecked in the Aboriginal colours. Merchandise from the 50th anniversary celebrations in Darwin are still available from the Top End NAIDOC Committee, phone contact 0413 510 865. Photo by Delsey Tamiano

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\$2.4m for Possum's art



The National Gallery of Australia has been revealed as the buyer of a dot painting by the late Aboriginal

artist Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri, which sold at auction last week for a record-breaking \$2.4 million.

The knockout bid more than doubled the world record sale price for an Australian Aboriginal art work.

Tjapaltjarri's work *Warlugulong* 1977 sold at Sotheby's in Melbourne on Tuesday, 24 July shattering the previous record of \$1.056 million, for the sale of fellow Northern Territory artist Emily Kame Kngwarreye's 1995 work *Earth's Creation*, in May this year.

National Gallery of Australia director Ron Radford said the painting would be a key work for the Main Central Desert Room in the gallery's new wing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art, which will begin construction in Canberra next month.

Warlugulong 1977 is one of five large canvases produced by Tjapaltjarri between 1976 and 1979, in which he combined ceremonial ground paintings and European-style topographical maps to depict his ancestral land in the NT's Western Desert.

It was first sold in 1977 to Realities Gallery in Melbourne for just \$2500.

The painting is being acquired by the National Gallery of Australia (NGA) as part of its 25th anniversary gifts program.

Although it already has the largest collection of Aboriginal art in Australia, the NGA lacks a major work by Tjapaltjarri, a pioneering artist in the Papunya Tula movement.

"I am excited by the acquisition and now work begins to raise special funds for it," said Mr Radford.



Sotheby's

An employee of Sotheby's auctioneers walks past *Warlugulong* 1977 by the late Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri. The magnificent work fetched a world record price of \$2.4 million at an auction in Melbourne last week. - AFP PHOTO

Sotheby's Aboriginal art director, Tim Klingender, described the painting's sale as 'an amazing result'.

"The painting, in my opinion, is one of the most important Australian paintings of the 20th century and certainly one of the greatest Western Desert paintings," he said.

Although the broader

Australian art industry rejoiced at the unprecedented sale price, the new record also served to highlight the modest and often poverty-stricken circumstances of many acclaimed Aboriginal artists.

Aboriginal art centres continue to lobby for payment of a royalty to artists when works is on-sold. - AAP

Hagan's N-word victory



An Aboriginal man who has campaigned against the use of the word 'nigger' on a sports oval grandstand in

southern Queensland has fended off an attempt by the committee overseeing the grandstand to bankrupt him.

In a decision handed down by Federal Magistrate Michael Burnett in Brisbane last Wednesday, the trustees of the Toowoomba Sports Reserve were unsuccessful in their attempt to bankrupt Stephen Hagan for his failure to pay the High Court costs associated with his failed attempt under the federal anti-discrimination law to have the sign removed from the ES 'Nigger' Brown Grandstand at the Toowoomba Sports Reserve.

Mr Hagan, the 2006 NAIDOC Indigenous Person of the Year and a Koori Mail columnist, has now called upon Qld Premier Peter Beattie, the Member for Toowoomba North and Attorney-General Kerry Shine and the trustees of the



Stephen Hagan

Toowoomba Sports Reserve to meet with him and put an end to the long-running racial discrimination battle.

In a move that he described as 'seeking to achieve reconciliation with the Queensland Government and the trustees', Mr Hagan vowed to work with the parties on promoting racial tolerance and awareness, rather than pursuing a battle that will end with the demolition of the grandstand later this year.

"While the United Nations recommended in 2003 to the Australian Government to

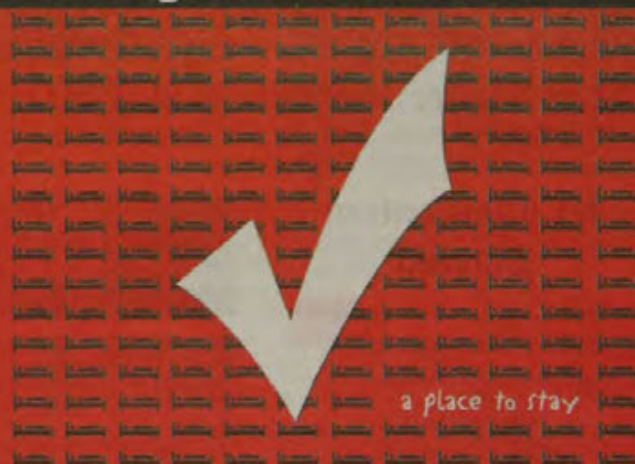
remove the sign and indicated that the federal racial discrimination law is inadequate, which they conveniently ignored, I believe that the tide of public opinion is now turning," said Mr Hagan.

"With the recent national attention that has been given to remote Indigenous communities, Palm Island and broader areas of Indigenous concern, my efforts and those of the Queensland Government and the trustees are now better spent moving forward."

"I am keen to meet with Mr Beattie, Mr Shine and members of the Trust in a bid to resolve all outstanding matters and work together."

A documentary of Mr Hagan's seven year fight to remove the word 'nigger' from the Toowoomba grandstand titled *Nigger Lovers*, directed by his wife Rhonda and co-written and produced by Mr Hagan, had its Victorian premiere at the Melbourne International Film Festival on Friday and will have its Qld premiere at the Brisbane International Film Festival later this month.

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Nominees sought for Australian of the Year Awards



Deputy Chair of the National Australia Day Council, Shelley Reys.



Do you know an Indigenous person you think would inspire all Australians? Well, here's your chance to place their

achievements 'front and centre'.

Nominations for the Australian of the Year Awards 2008 are now open and you have a month to tell the National Australia Day Council who you think should be recognised for significant achievements or community contribution.

The National Australia Day Council relies on nominations made by the public in the annual search for Australian of the Year, Senior Australian of the Year, Young Australian of the Year and Australia's Local Hero.

Nominations close on Friday 31 August.

Deputy Chair of the National Australia Day Council, Shelley Reys, said she was thrilled by the record number of Indigenous finalists in the 2007 Awards and hoped to see many Indigenous nominees again this year.

"As an Indigenous person, I appreciate that we all feel differently about Australia Day and I believe

there's room for all our views – from acknowledgement, to reflection and celebration," said Ms Reys, with reference to the reluctance of some Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to embrace 26 January as the country's national celebratory day.

"As Deputy Chair of the National Australia Day Council, I'm of the firm view that given the awards program is one of the nation's most significant awards, it should always strive to be inclusive.

"Acknowledgment and celebration are an intrinsic element of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and the awards program is a great opportunity to have one of your great, inspirational leaders acknowledged and celebrated in the deadliest way possible.

"It could be a person who's teaching our culture or language, a young person who's driving youth projects, a local hero who's always doing the community barbecue or footy pick-ups or a senior elder who helps make the community tick over, tirelessly and without fanfare.

"Who knows – like it was for the Northern Territory, Queensland and the ACT last year – someone in your

community could be chosen as an Australian of the Year, Young Australian of the Year, Senior Australian of the Year or Local Hero.

"We all learn from each other, so let all Australians learn from what a special person in your community has achieved."

Indigenous recipients of Australian of the Year Awards have included Tania Major (Young Australian of the Year 2007), Sally Goold (Senior Australian of the Year 2006), Cathy Freeman (Australian of the Year 1998 and Young Australian of the Year 1990), Nova Peris Kneebone (Young Australian of the Year 1997), Mandawuy Yunupingu (Australian of the Year 1992), Lowitja O'Donoghue OBE AM (Australian of the Year 1984), Mark Ella (Young Australian of the Year 1982), Senator Neville Bonnor AO (Australian of the Year 1979), Galarrwuy Yunupingu AM (Australian of the Year 1978), Evonne Goolagong Cawley (Australian of the Year 1971) and Lionel Rose MBE (Australian of the Year 1968).

You can nominate online now at www.australianoftheyear.gov.au or pick up a nomination form at your local Commonwealth Bank branch or call 1300 655 193 for more information.

Q'land shake-up

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Council numbers to be slashed to 72



The number of Queensland councils will be slashed from 156 to 72 under a radical State Government plan

to overhaul the local government system.

On Friday, the Local Government Reform Commission handed down its long-awaited report, recommending a drastic reduction in the number of the State's councils after a report found more than 40 per cent were financially weak.

Of the 72 councils, 36 will have no change to boundaries. Under the plan, 100 councils will be amalgamated into 34 new councils.

The report also recommends slashing the number of councillors and mayors from 1250 to 526.

It recommends major council amalgamations in the Torres Strait, Toowoomba, North Burnett, Roma, Dalby, and northern Peninsula areas.

Among the biggest amalgamations is in the Toowoomba region, which will merge with eight smaller councils including Cambooya, Clifton, Crows Nest and Jondaryan.

Caloundra City Council will merge with Maroochy and Noosa shires.

Townsville and Thuringowa



ICC Chairperson Margaret Mau: "I can only conclude that the proposed island boards 'leadership capacity' would be nothing more than imaginary."

island councils in favour of one regional authority as 'the dismantling of their cultural heritage by imposing a one-size-fits-all local government reform'.

At a special meeting of the ICC board last month, its members identified that the framework of government delivered by the State threatened Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage and community way of life.

ICC Chairperson Margaret Mau said that under the State's proposal, the island boards would have no staff, powers or direct funding.

"I can only conclude that the proposed island boards 'leadership capacity' would be nothing more than imaginary," she said.

Torres Strait Island councils provide border control, child safety, law and order, economic development and employment and have co-funded programs and projects with the Commonwealth.

Mrs Mau said each island was 'culturally distinct'.

"To change our councils is to change our 'community' and 'our way of life'. We must have a democratically elected single point of leadership on our remote islands, and the existing community council structure provides that leadership," she said. - With AAP

will merge while Redcliffe, Pine Rivers and Caboolture will do the same.

In the State's west, Barcaldine – which campaigned heavily against reforms – will merge with Aramac and Jericho shires.

Other smaller amalgamations involve merging Gladstone, Calliope and Miriam Vale shires; and Hervey Bay with Maryborough, Woomoo and Tiara shires.

The Government will legislate the changes next month.

The news will bitterly disappoint the Island Co-ordinating Council (ICC) of the Torres Strait, which had described the move to scrap 17

Strathgordon Mob's native title victory



Senior Strathgordon Elder Rosie Upton with Justice Andrew Greenwood who presided over the consent determination hearing at Strathgordon, north of Cairns.
— Photos and map courtesy of the National Native Title Tribunal.



A far north Queensland Aboriginal group has been granted exclusive native title rights over a pastoral property on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula.

The Federal Court of Australia last Thursday recognised the Strathgordon Mob's rights over the 118,000 hectare property, known as Strathgordon, on the western side of the peninsula about 415kms north-west of Cairns.

Justice Andrew Greenwood of the Federal Court of Australia presided over the consent determination.

The determination means the group can possess and occupy the land, and carry out traditional activities such as hunting and fishing.

The determination finalises the group's native title claim which was lodged on its behalf by the Cape York Land Council in May 2003.

The claim included all land and waters on the Strathgordon pastoral lease, which is held by the Poonko Strathgordon Aboriginal Corporation. Senior Strathgordon Elder Rosie Upton said the return of the land was a turning point for her people.

"Our grandfather showed the first white people who ran this station where to find permanent water, then they set up their station here," she said.

"I worked on the station for all my life, a long time for no pay, just food and tobacco. Now Australia recognises that we are the owners, nobody can take our rights away again."

"Today, we take back our land rights, we take control of our country again. As of today we are the boss and proudly take up our responsibilities to build the foundations of our children's future."

The group also reached two Indigenous land use agreements with stakeholders, including the Cook Shire Council and Queensland Government, which set out how its rights and interests will be carried out.

Chairman of the Cape York Land Council, Michael Ross, who is also a Strathgordon traditional owner, described the determination as a major victory for the

Indigenous people of Cape York.

"This is the first determination of native title in Cape York since the Wik determination in 2005," he said.

"It gives me enormous pride that the Cape York Land Council has played such a key role in building the recognition of native title for my countrymen 'as against the rest of the world'."

"We will celebrate with our families and our supporters at the Strathgordon Homestead today."

Traditional owners shared the occasion with the Qld Natural Resources and Water Minister Craig Wallace, the Member for Cook Jason O'Brien, and National Native Title

Tribunal President Graeme Neate.

Tribunal Member Graham Fletcher, who mediated the agreements, said the parties had effectively used the available time and resources to negotiate an outcome they were all satisfied with.

"The parties approached the negotiations with a willingness to reach agreement," he said.

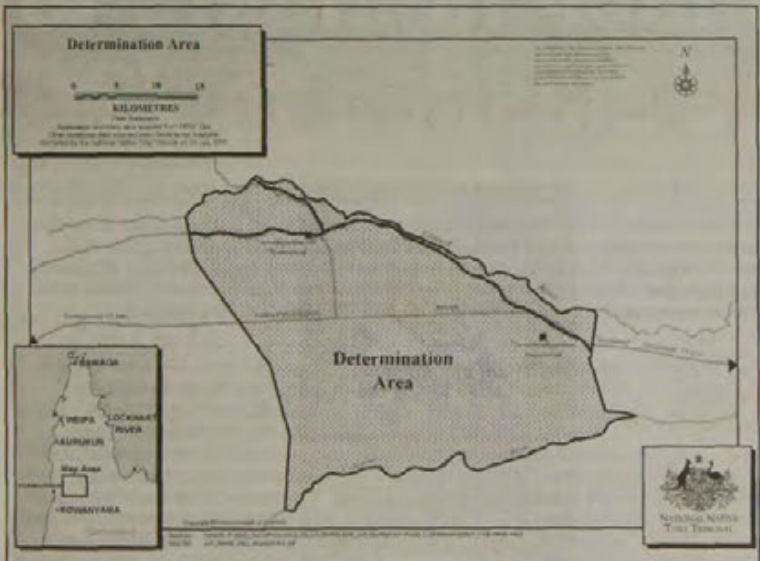
"They were able to settle the native title claim and develop ILUAs that provide them with certainty about how they will carry out their rights and interests on the ground and go about their work in the future."



Justice Andrew Greenwood of the Federal Court with children at Strathgordon Homestead last week.

"Like many other groups around Australia, they have demonstrated that negotiating native title can deliver welcome outcomes to those involved while building constructive relationships based on mutual understanding and respect." — With AAP

● A native title determination is a decision by a court, or recognised state or territory body, that native title does or does not exist in an area. The court can make the determination following an agreement between parties to a native title claim if it is satisfied that the native title claimants have proved their continuous connection to the claimed area. Determinations made under these circumstances are called consent determinations.



A map showing the area covered by the consent determination. The property is on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula, about 415kms north-west of Cairns.

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Lifeline for Qld stolen wages campaign

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hospitals that had been acquired drawing upon stolen wages.

Mr Pitt said the 2002 offer was 'under-subscribed' after payments were made to just 5213 people. Of 7598 applications lodged, more than one-third (2385) were deemed ineligible because of a lack of evidence or the comparative youth of the applicant.

At least two participants in last week's workshop had lodged successful claims but refused to accept the offers because they believed them to be inadequate.

The workshop was the result of a persistent campaign by the State's Stolen Wages Working Group to re-negotiate the amount and conditions of the offer, and to establish the rights of claimants to determine what should happen with the leftover funds.

"My commitment to them is that I want to bring this matter to a satisfactory and equitable resolution in as short a period as I can," Mr Pitt said afterwards.

The Minister said he had no intention of prolonging the consultation process, which would be carried out on a regional basis by representatives of both his department and the SWWG, along with high profile community members.

Consultations

"With agreement from the SWWG today, we've decided that I should complete any further consultations by September 30," he said.

"That will then give me time to look at the options that have been put forward and to draft a paper to take for the consideration of my Cabinet colleagues (by November).

"Now at the end of the day the Cabinet will make a decision on the issue but, as Minister responsible, it's my role to ensure that I give all the options the due weight they deserve so that a considered decision can be made."

SWWG member Victor Hart said the Minister's commitment to paying claimants 'at least some money' was a good outcome.

"Certainly it is not the amount people are entitled to but we've got them this far, we've got them committed to at least going into a process whereby people are going to be paid," he said.

"I think there's difficulty here; a lot of our old people are getting older and unfortunately passing on."

"At the same time, while we'd like to get a just and equitable reparation, we have to measure up the campaign to acquire that with just how long our old people are going to be around and that's a difficult process."

"Unfortunately (Mr Pitt is) saying that most people probably won't be paid out until the middle of next year."

"In our proposal, we asked for



SWWG members and supporters at the workshop in Cairns. Standing, from left, Yvonne Butler (Townsville/Mt Garnet), Viola Sheridan (Brisbane/Cherbourg), Mary O'Shane (Cairns), Tennyson Kynuna (Cairns/Yarrabah), Bruce Gibson (Cairns/Hopevale), Lilian Willis (Townsville/Palm Island), Victor Hart (Brisbane/Hopevale), Russell Butler Jnr (Aboriginal Rainforest Council), Peter Guivarra (Mapoon). Seated, from left, Aunty Vera Hill (Brisbane/Cherbourg), Aunty Ruth Hegarty (Brisbane/Cherbourg), Steve Mam (mainland Torres Strait Islander), Conrad Yeatman Snr (Yarrabah). Absent from pic: Alf Lacey (Palm Island) and Fred Pascoe (Normanton).

the remaining monies to be expended right now for those people who were paid off last time and for us to examine those applications that were deemed ineligible.

"I think that land rights and stolen wages are hand in hand in the minds of all Indigenous people in Queensland so this is

"It's good because we're all pretty much wanting the same thing but maybe not in the same way."

SWWG member Peter Guivarra said he was heartened by the Minister's response to their concerns after 'fairly hard and arduous' campaigning since 2002 and before.

what they're going to say, and that is what they've told us over the years."

Townsville-based claimant and SWWG member Yvonne Butler expressed disappointment.

"I feel that we've been pushed in the corner on just this small amount of money," she said. "I'm disappointed."

"We're still in that situation of them still calling the shots and still having control and I think that's what annoys me, they talk about partnerships but they're not giving us a fair go."

Senate Committee

Late last year, the issue of stolen wages took on a more national focus when a Senate committee exploring the issue found compelling evidence that governments Australia-wide had systematically withheld and mismanaged Indigenous wages and entitlements.

The committee report described the practice as a 'scandalous injustice' and recommended that the Commonwealth and State and Territory governments open up their archives to Indigenous

people to research the issue. It said the Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory, South Australian, Tasmanian and Victorian Governments should urgently consult with Indigenous people with a view to setting up compensation schemes like one operating in New South Wales.

Full compensation

The committee said that the Qld scheme should be replaced with a fairer system where claimants were paid full compensation, that the time limit for claims should be extended, and the descendants of deceased claimants should become eligible.

Since the committee report, the West Australian Government has established a taskforce to investigate the extent of theft of Indigenous wages within its jurisdiction.

Some commentators have ventured that far fewer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families would live in poverty today if their earlier generations had received their full wages and other entitlements.

"While we'd like to get a just and equitable reparation, we have to measure up the campaign to acquire that with just how long our old people are going to be around and that's a difficult process."

about giving back and getting back that rightful property that belongs to us all."

Claimant and SWWG campaigner Aunty Ruth Hegarty said it had taken the group nearly six years to find a Minister who was prepared to sit down and talk with the group.

"I think we've absolutely got a lot done in a short time," she said of the two-day meeting.

"I think he certainly has a better understanding and I know he is going to fight more for us than other Ministers," he said.

"It's been a very good two days. Yesterday, in particular, there was certainly robust debate."

"There's a lot of consultation to be done again with the wider Queensland Indigenous community, I think we all know



The Parliament House Standup in Perth on 13 July.

Saving Burrup

Story by Perth Correspondent,
KEN BOASE
Photos by ALITA BOASE



Perth-based conservation group Friends of Australian Rock Art (FARA) is considering legal action against Federal Environment Minister Malcolm Turnbull and WA

Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts over planned industrial expansion of the Burrup Peninsula in Western Australia's Pilbara region.

FARA held its latest 'Stand up for the Burrup' campaign outside Parliament House in Perth on 13 July, the same day as international 'Standups' in the United States and Italy.

More than 60 'Standups' have been held around the world since the FARA campaign began last December, including in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, South Africa, Holland, the US and Belgium, and others are being planned for London, in the UK.

Speakers at the 13 July rally in Perth included Nyongar Elder Ben Taylor, who gave the Welcome to Country address, FARA member and Injibandi woman Rachel Mason, and outgoing Federal Labor MP Carmen Lawrence.

FARA members also travelled to the Burrup on 16 July to meet with traditional owners and get a first hand look at the ancient rock carvings and petroglyphs, some of which are in danger of being moved or destroyed by energy giant Woodside's planned LNG expansion.

Last month Mr Turnbull announced that '99 per cent' of the Burrup would be listed on the National Heritage Register,



Concerned citizens in New York held a Standup on 14 July with the iconic Statue of Liberty in the background. More than 60 Standups have been held around the world since December last year. (Photo courtesy FARA Media)

except for the area known as Pluto A and Pluto B, the sites of the planned on-shore gas processing plant by Woodside.

Perth barrister Steven Walker said FARA was considering legal action against Mr Turnbull and Ms Roberts who had overruled advice from the Department of Indigenous Affairs' Aboriginal Cultural Materials Committee (ACMC) that no further development should be allowed on the Burrup.

"The State Minister made a decision under the Aboriginal Heritage Act, against the recommendations of the ACMC to permit the LNG plant to be built on the Pluto B site, and we're very actively looking at that," Mr Walker said.

"And there's Minister Turnbull's recent decision as well which leaves out the

protected area; the Pluto B site.

"Both of those we consider might be open to challenge in the courts."

During his Welcome to Country address, Mr Taylor spoke of the importance of all sacred sites to Indigenous people all over Australia.

"As I stand here today I give you the Welcome to the Dreaming Track that runs from the sacred country of the Swan River and the spirit God of the Waugal through this country up to that rock up there on the Burrup and that rock art that's stood for thousands of years," Mr Taylor said.

"The Government can save heritage prisons and race courses but when it comes to saving the heritage of our people that's been there for thousands of

years, they want to destroy it."

Injibandi woman and FARA member Rachel Mason said she and many of her people had been encouraged by the international interest and action being shown to help protect the rock art on her ancestral lands.

"FARA is a group of concerned citizens both here and around the world and we will not give up this fight," Ms Mason said.

"We will not let Woodside win and we want to get through to them to say that this is important to our heritage and culture, to us as a people, and to all Australians. So let's keep up the fight!"

Mr Walker said the importance and heritage value of the Burrup Peninsula surpassed the need for more development on the Burrup, and he said that Woodside should move its development to other sites already earmarked for industrial development.

Federal Labor MP Carmen Lawrence said that while there was growing interest from the international community to protect the ancient rock art, she was disappointed at the apathy still shown by most Australians.

"The tragedy is that most Australians are ignorant of its existence and especially its significance, and although the Federal Government has listed the area on the National Heritage Register, it is much less than the 99 per cent claimed by Mr Turnbull," Ms Lawrence said.

"We continue to be seduced by the siren call of development at any cost."

● See Page 14 for news on the discovery on an undisclosed Pilbara island of rock carvings believed to show the Aboriginal people of the area's first contact with Europeans.



Perth barrister Steven Walker.



Injibandi woman Rachel Mason.



Federal Labor MP Carmen Lawrence.



Nyongar Elder Ben Taylor talking to supporters at the FARA Standup at Parliament House in Perth on 13 July.

Message to PM John Howard

You've failed!

By DARREN COYNE



The Federal intervention in the Northern Territory has been blasted as evidence that Prime Minister

John Howard has failed to deliver on his promise of practical reconciliation.

Pat Turner, the coordinator of the Combined Aboriginal Organisations of the Northern Territory (CAO) has also predicted that the intervention will fail because it is being conducted without consulting Aboriginal people.

Ms Turner was speaking at a national forum in Sydney, organised by the Indigenous Law Centre at the University of New South Wales.

She pointed to figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics showing that Aboriginal communities continued to lack basic infrastructure such as housing, schools and medical facilities.

"When the Prime Minister came to office he said 'I'm not saying sorry, and I'm going to work for practical reconciliation'," she told the forum.

"He said 'I'm going to have houses and real things like education and employment and health'.

"Well you know what this is? You know what this intervention is? It's an admission of his failure to deliver on practical reconciliation."

Shocked

Ms Turner said she was shocked and dismayed when told about the intervention hours after it had been announced by the government. And despite the CAO quickly responding with an alternative plan for the troubled NT communities, the Government's 'silence has been deafening'.

"We asked for a short term intervention to secure the safety of children thinking at last, the great white hope has arrived," Ms Turner said. "We asked that it develop into a five-year plan, fully costed, delivering sustainable outcomes."

"That's in our initial response and we'll do further work. We're not going to lie down and let them walk all over us."

Ms Turner said the CAO had urged the Government to implement the recommendations contained in the *Little Children are Sacred* report, which has been used to justify sending in the troops, yet the Government appears to have so far ignored the majority of the report's 93 recommendations.



Pat Turner, the coordinator of the Combined Aboriginal Organisations of the Northern Territory.

Since announcing the intervention, the Government has come under fire for what appears to be a 'policy on the run' approach to dealing with the problem of systemic child abuse in some communities.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma

Ms Turner said it was 'a very long bow' to link child abuse with land rights, yet the Government appeared determined to push ahead with gutting the permit

system, and taking five year leases over Aboriginal land.

"We worked long and hard to get land rights in the Northern Territory and we're not going to give them up too easily," she said.

She warned, however, that while the Government retained control of both houses of Parliament, it could do whatever it pleased.

Other speakers at the forum, which initially was organised to look at progress since the 1967 Referendum (that gave the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Indigenous people) but was expanded to include the NT intervention, echoed those sentiments.

Forum keynote speaker, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma, said the Government was playing 'a game of catch-up' with regards to Aboriginal issues.

Mr Calma said the Government had failed to adequately articulate its policy direction and content, and had failed to engage with Aboriginal organisations and

communities.

"I have real concerns that their measures will set Indigenous people back," he said, adding that the influx of people taking part in the Government's intervention could potentially bring in more problems.

"Will they all be subject to police checks. I don't know and the communities don't know."

Mr Calma said health checks in the NT had been going on for years yet the Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough had announced them as if they were something new.

He said night patrols, alcohol bans, family violence and healthy eating programs had also been operating for years, and in many cases had been introduced after lobbying by Indigenous women.

And while he welcomed the fact that Aboriginal issues were now firmly on the agenda, Mr Calma remained concerned about the practical implementation, and many aspects of the Government's strategy.

Meanwhile, Law Professor George Williams, warned that

"He said 'I'm going to have houses and real things like education and employment and health'. Well you know what this is? You know what this intervention is? It's an admission of his failure to deliver on practical reconciliation."

— Pat Turner, Coordinator of the Combined Aboriginal Organisations of the NT.

changes to the Australian constitution back in 1967 had failed to put anything positive in place to ensure that Aboriginal people would be taken care of by the Government.

Constitution flawed

"The '67 referendum was a landmark achievement but as a constitutional lawyer I must say it (the Constitution) is flawed," Professor Williams said.

He said that without a bill of rights, Australian states and territories could not withstand any race-related legislation the Commonwealth decided to adopt.

He said the only option for a challenge to the Government's proposal to take land was if any compensation paid was inadequate.

But he said without any real detail or legislation to study, it was impossible to predict whether a challenge could be mounted, let alone successful.

The forum also heard that there was no political alternative to the Government's plan.

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Message to Labor's Kevin Rudd So have you!

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In reply to a question from the floor, Professor Larissa Behrendt, the director of research at the Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning, University of Technology in Sydney, said the Labor party had failed in its response.

"We're getting the line from the ALP. Trust us, we just want to win the election and then we'll start dealing with the issues."

"Well I don't have the faith that they have the capacity to deal with the issues and I think it's clear their policies are non-existent on how they would make things different for Aboriginal people in a practical way."

"If the ALP was serious about the Aboriginal portfolio they would have given it to someone with more nous and credibility than Jenny Macklin who has been completely missing in action on this issue," she said.

Employment program to be scrapped

The Government also has announced further reforms including a proposal to scrap the Community Development Employment Projects (SDEP) scheme program in the NT.

Announcing the move, Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough and Employment Minister Joe Hockey said CDEP would be replaced with 'real jobs, training and mainstream employment programs'.

Under the changes, they say, some 2000 people would be helped off CDEP and into real work, while others would be given better 'opportunities for training and participation by being moved onto income support'.

Mr Brough said CDEP had made a valuable contribution but had become a "destination for too many".

"We need to do much better to improve the long-term prospects for economic independence for those living in remote areas of the NT," he said.

Mr Hockey said CDEP positions that supported government service delivery would be turned into 'real jobs' wherever possible.

He said the Government also would aim to increase employment opportunities for Indigenous people by working with major mining, pastoral and construction industries.

For the communities with CDEP programs in place, the Ministers' announcement came as an unpleasant surprise.

Alison Doyle, CEO of Mabuini Aboriginal Resource Association at the remote community of Borrooloola, said the news was a



A policeman walks and talks with Aboriginal young people in Halls Creek, WA. Photo from NewsPix.

WA suicides underline need for community support

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



The strain on Halls Creek's young people is showing with reports of the suicides of four young people from the region in the last fortnight.

While police have refuted any suggestion of a link between the presence in the town of a crime taskforce and the deaths, locals have said that a climate of fear has overtaken the town.

Community members said the means existed to eradicate abuse that would not tear apart the community, but the current methods were pitting family against family.

Suicide rates of Aboriginal men in the Kimberley region are almost double that of Aboriginal men in WA overall, and over four times the State rate for non-Indigenous men.

Dr Brian Steels, researcher for the Aboriginal Medical Service in the Pilbara, said it was important for all in the community to feel supported through the current process.

"In our haste to serve justice, the presumption of innocence is placed behind

our ambitions to make arrests and we are going into communities without our best practices," he told the *Koori Mail*.

He said any intervention strategy should engage the local people and community controlled health organisations and enable due process and natural justice in an environment of support to the victim, their family and to anybody accused or charged with a crime - which could be the same family.

Safecare's Clinical Director Christabel Chamarette said because 90 per cent of child sexual abuse victims knew their abusers, either through family or friends, it was important for the taskforce to see beyond stereotypes projected by mainstream media.

"It is increasingly recognised that childhood experiences of abuse place young people and adults at risk of many problems which include substance abuse, self-harm and suicide," she said.

"They also place children at risk of next generation victimisation or offending."

"That is why it is vital to provide skilled and experienced support to families where

child sexual abuse has been disclosed and to provide treatment and help immediately to all family members."

Figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics showed Aboriginal people 35 years or younger were particularly vulnerable to fatal or non-fatal suicidal behaviours.

A spokesperson for the Ministerial Council for Suicide Prevention (MCSP) said tackling substance abuse was a key factor in preventing suicide and added that whenever disclosures of abuse occurred, people were more prone to stress.

A consultation paper is being prepared by the MCSP to examine the incidence of suicide in regional areas in WA and to implement preventative measures.

Specialist help for people feeling suicidal is limited in Halls Creek, but there are some counselling options for women and men in crisis including through:

- The Department for Community Development (DCD), telephone 9168 6114
- St Mary's Church, telephone 9168 6177
- Aboriginal Outreach, telephone 9168 5268

complete shock, while Mabuini chair Frazer Baker said the Government better have a good replacement plan.

Mr Baker said CDEP was the economic backbone of many bush communities.

"They need to have a bit of a think before making a decision like this.... It is going to be a big thing in a community like this, and

not just this community but across the Territory," he said.

NT Housing Minister and Minister Assisting the Chief Minister on Indigenous Affairs, Elliott McAdam, said changes to the system could have disastrous results for communities.

"CDEP workers at the moment get \$12,800 per annum while people on mainstream work-for-

the-dole get \$10,900," he said.

"We are looking at the most poverty-stricken people in Australia with the highest cost of living being given an 18 per cent pay cut."

Professor Jon Altman, from the Centre for Aboriginal Economic and Policy Research in Canberra, said the move could push unemployment up in remote

communities by up to 70 or 80 per cent.

"There just aren't enough jobs out there," he said.

Independent Territory Minister Gerry Wood said if the program was to be replaced it must be replaced effectively or it would create more problems in remote communities.

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Focus shifts to WA abuse

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"The Commonwealth needs to provide sufficient funding for all those who want to work, sufficient capital to provide the means to carry out that work and a proper wage not lower than the existing CDEP wage," he said.

West Australian crackdown

Meanwhile, the Government has not only continued with its NT intervention but has expanded its focus to Western Australia as the number of sexual assault cases being investigated there continues to mount.

A police crackdown on child abuse in WA has resulted in more than 30 people being charged in communities beyond the Kimberley towns of Kalumburu and Halls Creek.

When asked if he thought the situation in WA was worse than in the NT, Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough said: "I believe it is".

"Here were young girls as young as 11 being interviewed by police who didn't break down and cry when they started to recount the horrific events that have occurred with them, because they just said: 'Well, this is normal'."

Mr Brough said he believed the WA police were doing a wonderful job.

"It's snowballing really because of what's occurred in the Territory, people know that there is a seismic shift happening and that they can have the confidence to come forward," he said.

The results prompted a fiery exchange between the Prime Minister and WA Premier Alan Carpenter.

Mr Carpenter has accused Mr Howard of electioneering on the issue of child abuse, while the PM said it was time for WA to face up to its problems.

Mr Howard said the Commonwealth's offer to provide military support and health checks remained open.

"I think the people of Western Australia want the Western Australian Government to face up to the fact that abuse within Indigenous communities is quite widespread," he said.

"It's just as bad in Western Australia as it is in the Northern Territory and if what we have done in the Northern Territory has encouraged or shamed the West Australian Government into doing something, then I am well pleased."

Mr Carpenter was not impressed. "Does anyone think that what Mr Howard was doing today, yesterday, tomorrow is not related to the impending federal election?" Mr Carpenter said.

"We applied for Commonwealth assistance, we applied, we begged, for assistance for six years to deal with the issues in our Aboriginal communities and not only did we get no help but we got obstacles put in our way and support mechanisms kicked out from underneath us."

In the wake of the string of sexual assault charges, the chairman of the Goldfields Aboriginal Wati Law and Culture Association in WA, Darcy Harris, spoke out last week about what he said was the lack of respect for tribal law.

A significant part of the problem in Aboriginal communities was related to the breakdown of Aboriginal community structures, he said.

"This has eroded the authority and respect of elders (both men and women), resulting in lawlessness," Mr Harris said.

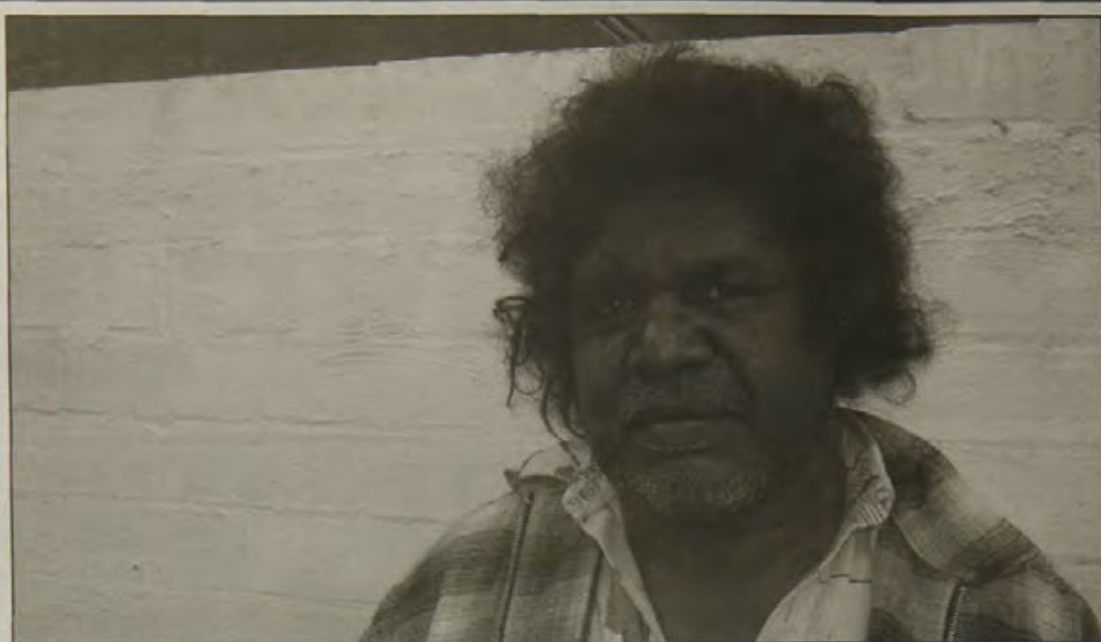
"What's happening down at the grass roots levels, we know what's wrong, we know where these problems coming from."

"Alcohol, drugs but it's also the Aboriginal structure of authority that's been pushed aside."

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Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough



Wongatha lawman Darcy Williams wants community courts set up throughout WA to deal with criminal matters. 'Since we had the establishment of the community court it's reduced a lot of those kind of problems'.

Arrests strain WA legal system, ALS

Story by Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



The Aboriginal Legal Service in Western Australia (ALSWA) has asked for a dramatic increase in resources to deal with the ramifications of the large number of

arrests of men and boys for sex crimes in the Kimberley.

The Chief Justice of the WA Supreme Court, Wayne Martin, has formed a special task force to deal with the extra pressure on the legal and judicial systems as a result of the police investigation.

So far more than 30 men and boys have been arrested in Kalumburu and Halls Creek for sex crimes and police say more charges are likely as their investigation widens to other communities throughout WA.

ALSWA Chief Executive Officer Dennis Eggington said the police investigation had created enormous pressure on the service, which was struggling to handle the workload.

"There's going to be a whole range of services needed, not only for criminal compensation matters and the family child protection matters, but of course the representation of people who have been charged," Mr Eggington said.

"There's a whole lot of other matters as well which are very worrying and that is who's keeping an eye on whether or not those people who have been arrested are being questioned properly. Most of these people we're talking about from remote and rural areas are really speakers of English as a second or third language, so have there been interpreters involved?"

Judge Martin said that his task force would consider what resources were needed to give those charged a fair hearing.

"Until we get into the exercise we won't know how valid those concerns are



Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia CEO Dennis Eggington.

but we want to be sure that we can deploy the resources that are needed efficiently and effectively and if that puts strains on the system then we're in a position to go to government and identify just exactly what additional resources we might need," Judge Martin said.

"There are going to be some infrastructure issues in relation to the region because for example there are only three useable jury courtrooms in the whole of the Kimberley."

Judge Martin said it was possible that some trials could be held in the communities.

"If a jury trial is not required either because the alleged offender elects trial by judge alone or because it's a plea of guilty, then I'd like to look at the possibility at doing these cases on the communities."

"Fortunately we've had over the last couple of years we've had the roll-out of facilities that are called multi-functional police facilities in a lot these communities, and they've been designed in such a way that they do provide spaces that are amenable to being used as courtrooms."

Wongatha (Goldfields) lawman Darcy Williams said the community court system operating in Kalgoorlie and Norseman would be the most effective

way of dealing with those arrested for sex crimes.

"Since we had the establishment of the community court it's reduced a lot of those kind of problems," Mr Williams said.

"We've got one here in Norseman and we've got one in Kalgoorlie and everything is working along good and we're working with the state government already on these things."

Judge Martin said he was very impressed with the community court system in the Goldfields and he would like to see it applied throughout WA.

"I've already spoken to the Attorney General about ways in which we can roll those community courts out all around the State," he said.

"I'd also like to see us look carefully at ways in which we can take that approach higher up into the judicial structures."

Mr Eggington said the police investigation and the resulting legal processes were also having a traumatic effect on the communities themselves.

"One of the objectives of course that we all must have within our mindset is that at some stage the community needs to go through a healing process to ensure that there is something left in the end for the community to build on," he said.

Consultation needed

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Mr Harris's comments followed an appeal from an Aboriginal women's group in WA for alcohol bans in Fitzroy Crossing.

Marrinwarntikura Women's Resource Centre chief executive June Oscar has written to Premier Carpenter asking him to visit the town to discuss alcohol and associated social problems and to consider a 12-month moratorium on alcohol sales, although the Government has not yet responded.

And in the Aboriginal community of Balgo in WA's southeastern Kimberley, Elders expressed concern about the WA police taskforce into child sexual assault, which visited their community.

Some of the Elders and middle-generation members of Balgo community approached the coordinator of the Kapululangu Aboriginal Women's Association, Dr Zohi de Ishtar, soon after the taskforce had left the community.

According to the complainants, the police taskforce had failed to inform and consult with community Elders before visiting their community, and had not involved them or parents in their questioning of young women and men.

They were upset that the police taskforce had held meetings with young women and men aged around 14 years old where they had asked them what was described as 'rude questions about sex'.

Dr de Ishtar urged both the WA and Federal governments to listen to the Elders and women, and refashion themselves as facilitators of local Indigenous initiatives particularly cultural programs and women's organisations.

"If Kapululangu had had the funding to support the community's elders in running their cultural programs over the past years and to provide a safe house for women and children as it has repeatedly requested then that could well have mitigated the sexual abuse of the children and other violence against both women and men," she said.

Nuclear dumps

Meanwhile, the issue of nuclear waste has again found its way into the debate, with the environmental group, Greenpeace reacting with alarm to news that the Government was involved in negotiations to join the controversial Global Nuclear Energy Partnership (GNEP).

The American-led group of nations, which controls the distribution, reprocessing, and storage of nuclear fuel worldwide, has approached the Howard government about its possible involvement.

Chief executive of Greenpeace Australia Steve Shallhorn said GNEP was a 'buddies club of nuclear countries that all seem to be able to trust each other to promote nuclear power globally'.

Mr Shallhorn even suggested the Federal Government had the nuclear industry in mind when it



Kerry Arabena, Visiting Research Fellow at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, speaks at a forum in Sydney titled, The '67 Referendum: 40 Years On and the Federal Government Northern Territory Plan - Where to Now? The photos below were taken at the same forum, which was organised by the Indigenous Law Centre at the University of NSW.

declared a national emergency in the NT to deal with child abuse in Aboriginal communities.

The deployment of army and police could be used to disguise a search for potential nuclear waste sites in the area, he said.

"I would not trust Alexander Downer, John Howard or George Bush when it comes to nuclear issues," Mr Shallhorn said.

Foreign Minister Alexander Downer responded saying that nothing had been signed, but confirmed the government was involved in negotiations.

Progress being made

Despite the ongoing controversy, Minister Brough has remained resolute, saying good progress was being made.

"Compared to this time last year, when many people were in denial about the extent of the problems in indigenous communities, we have come a long way," he said.

"We are under no illusion that

the road ahead will be long, and at times very rough," he said.

He said survey teams had discovered issues common across the communities visited so far, including the need for more policing, more activities for young people and improvements to housing.

"More police and health teams will be deployed over the coming weeks," Mr Brough said.

He said the government's coming legislative changes would mean that with the demise of the permit system people would only be restricted from private property, sacred sites and in some special circumstances.

Apart from the permit system, the government's intervention includes taking control of land for five years, banning alcohol and pornography, increasing police numbers, and health checks for Aboriginal children.

It is not known when the Government will introduce legislation into Parliament.

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Mary Doctor, from the Umpikorumba Housing Group in Brisbane, and Darren Parker of Wagga Wagga.



Peta MacGillivray, Rockhampton Law Centre, Stephen Hagan and Emma Langton of Maclean.



Christine Robinson of the Wirringa Baiya Aboriginal Womens Legal Centre in Marrackville, Pauline Matthews of the Domestic Violence Intervention Court Model in Cambelltown.



Lesley Norton from the Queensland University of Technology law faculty, Kristy Kennedy from the Sydney University Law faculty, Gemma McKinnon of UNSW law school and Anoj Anastasius of UNSW law school.



Yvonne Weldon, manager of the Aboriginal Policy Unit at DADHC and Ann Weldon, the chair of the NSW Aboriginal Housing Board.

\$48m Cape plan

Welfare trials to begin at start of 2008 school year



The Federal Government has pledged \$48 million in funding to Aboriginal leader Noel Pearson's plan for welfare reform trials in Queensland's Cape York communities.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough said the government had agreed to support the trials following recommendations of Mr Pearson's Cape York Institute's *From Hand Out to Hand Up* report.

"Our ultimate goal is removing the need for welfare payments," Mr Brough said in Brisbane on 18 July.

Four communities – Hope Vale, Aurukun, Mossman Gorge and Coen – will participate in the trials, which will begin at the start of the 2008 school year.

Mr Pearson's reform model, which involves the quarantining of parents' welfare payments if they neglect their children or fail to ensure they go to school, has underpinned the Federal Government's intervention into Northern Territory Aboriginal communities.

The *From Hand Out to Hand Up* report was originally scheduled to be finished in September, but Pearson handed it to Mr Brough last month.

After the funding announcement, an emotional Mr Pearson said he never thought his vision would become a reality.

"It's a day I thought would never come about," said Mr Pearson, who grew up in the Hope Vale community.

He said he always felt safe and

cared for there as a boy but, since then, Hope Vale and many other communities had been racked with the problems associated with alcohol and substance abuse, family violence, gambling and welfare dependency.

"I know that many other communities have followed that similar path of breakdown and unnecessary tragedy," he said.

The breakdown had left many communities impoverished and in crisis and many individuals in the communities would find the transition difficult. But no family would lose access to income, Mr Pearson said.

"What will be removed is the discretion on the part of people who are currently using the (welfare) money to gamble or to drink or to buy drugs – it will be that discretion that will be lost," he said.

The welfare plan has won favour with the Government but its path to acceptance in some Cape communities has been rocky with some residents embracing early phase programs such as voluntary income management but others deeply suspicious about them.

Despite this, Mr Brough said the initiative was an expression of the 'overwhelming desire of people in Cape York to ensure their children grow up in a safe home, attend school and enjoy the same opportunities like any other Australian child'.

He said the trials would promote engagement in the real economy, reduce passive welfare and rebuild social norms, particularly as they affected the welfare of children.

"Education will be at the



Cape York Aboriginal leader Noel Pearson.

forefront of the trials with \$12 million that will fund programs to improve literacy, assist parents contributing to their children's education and introduce changes to ABSTUDY allowing eligible students to study at boarding school," Mr Brough said.

"There will also be reforms to Indigenous employment services and programs to enhance incentives to take up real jobs, education or training, improve work readiness and people's capacity to find work both within and outside their communities."

Mr Brough also announced that:

- 40 Australian Government jobs in service delivery would be created by converting existing CDEP positions into real jobs.

- \$5 million would be provided to boost local job creation through infrastructure and support required for self-employment opportunities and the development of small businesses.

- Another \$2 million would be provided to extend the Pride of Place initiative which will be linked to tenancy reforms.

Mr Brough said he expected the Qld Government to pass legislation to create a Family Responsibilities Commission, made up of respected members of the community and chaired by a retired magistrate.

"The Commission will be authorised under the Social Security Act to refer Centrelink customers into an income management arrangement in certain circumstances," he said.

"The Australian Government will also provide \$5 million to contribute to the cost of case managers who will support people referred to the Commission and provide a fund from which they will be able to purchase specialist services."

Mr Brough said additional funds would be provided for conditional income management services and for the expansion of the Family Income Management program.

"Families will be required to send their children to school, protect them from harm and meet basic tenancy obligations," he said.

"Those who fail to meet these obligations will be referred to the Family Responsibilities Commission which will decide if a breach has occurred and what the consequences should be."

"The Australian Government will work together with the Cape York Institute and the selected communities throughout the duration of the trials."

A former community engagement officer for the reforms in Aurukun Philip Martin recently resigned and told the ABC's *Four Corners* program that while he believed in the principles

underpinning the Cape reform agenda, there were profound gaps between what policy makers imagined was possible and the engagement of people who had to live through radical policy change.

"The trouble is that the communities have moved at very different paces and have had very different and mixed results and responses," he told *Four Corners*.

Mr Pearson told the same TV program that 'trust and consultation must be built into welfare reform', and there must be strategies to transfer responsibility for management of that reform to the communities once the initial stages were complete.

He said that child neglect and abuse were rampant in Hope Vale, and that 26 children were removed from dysfunctional homes by government authorities over one six week period.

Federal Labor welcomed the Cape reform plan, which it said echoed its own initiative in supporting the trials.

"We basically did exactly this almost a month ago," said a spokeswoman for the Opposition's Indigenous affairs spokeswoman Jenny Macklin.

"We've committed up to \$15 million a year as our preliminary costings, which was on their advice (the Cape York Institute) of going to the upper end of what they wanted. So that's \$60 million over four years."

Meanwhile, Prime Minister John Howard announced that his Government aimed to impose a similar welfare system nationwide, to ensure that parents acted responsibly and spent money on essentials like food and clothing, instead of alcohol and drugs.

He said the system would apply to all families, Indigenous and non-Indigenous.

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Feminists summit says 'enough is enough'

Story and photo by ALF WILSON in Townsville.



More than 200 women from 15 countries have joined the chorus of opposition to the Federal Government's military-style intervention in the Northern Territory.

The women, attendees of the recent International Feminist Summit in Townsville, issued a statement describing the Government's actions as 'an invasion' and called for the military and additional police to be withdrawn from NT Aboriginal communities.

Florence Onus from the Townsville Aboriginal Human Rights Group represented Australian Indigenous people at the forum.

"The use of military and police force by the government as the solution to addressing child sexual abuse is an act of terrorism and is unacceptable," she said.

"We are totally outraged that the deployment of the military is being used to terrorise innocent women, children, elders and communities as a response to the recent findings of the *Little Children are Sacred* report of child sexual abuse inquiry.

"In response to Aboriginal women's concerns we support the calls to action that government meet with Aboriginal leaders to address these vital issues.

"The Federal Government's continuing failure to properly resource what all the evidence clearly shows is the means to address all forms of violence against Aboriginal women and children does not constitute a failure of Aboriginal communities."

The summit statement said mandatory health checks of children under the age of 16 would be unethical and a violation of their basic human rights as citizens within their own country.

"We call on all Australians to take a stand against the Howard Government's actions to these issues of violence," it said.

"This is a national disgrace and can no longer be seen as the 'Aboriginal problem' but rather the 'Australian problem' that has to be addressed.

"The naked land grab currently under way is not intended to and cannot address violence against Aboriginal women and children. This action is in itself an act of violence against Aborigines and is unacceptable.

"Why are children being continually punished for crimes committed against them? The forced removal of children from these communities is not addressing the issue of abuse whilst the perpetrators are allowed to remain in these communities to re-offend.

"We stand in solidarity with our Aboriginal sisters 'Enough is enough!'"



Some of the attendees at the recent International Feminist Summit in Townsville, which issued a statement opposing the Federal Government's military-style intervention in the Northern Territory.

Day of Action

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Cities around the country held a 'Day of

Action/Justice Day' on 14 July to highlight Aboriginal deaths in custody.

Brisbane-based right campaigner Sam Watson attended the Brisbane march, where more than 360 people gathered to rally against black deaths in custody.

There were discussions, speakers and a planning session on 'where to from here'?

Mr Watson said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were no longer going to wait and watch. He said strategies were being planned around the country.

This year marks the 16th anniversary of the release of the 339 recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Mr Watson said there had been a marked increase in Aboriginal deaths in custody. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arrests and incarcerations rates since the commission.

"Justice for Indigenous people will mean that we are represented in the judicial process and the structure of the laws that govern our community, enforcing those laws, that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people play remedy in solution to situations

where Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders break the law, and we want Indigenous people to also be a part of dealing with any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders social deviants," he said.

Mr Watson said other issues were raised during the speeches, including Prime Minister John Howard's recent intervention in the Northern Territory.

"Those communities have our love and support and we are with them during this trying time," he said.

"We are working to makes sure our children and women are safe and that we don't need heavily-armed police to show us how to deal with these issues."

During this election year, Mr Watson is encouraging all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander to enrol to vote in the impending Federal election.

"No longer can we be bystanders, we need to be a part of the politics," he said.

Mr Watson said the forced amalgamation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander local government councils was also highlighted in the discussions at the rally.

Sydney also held a rally for Justice Day attended by the likes of Lyall Munro, Pat Turner, Chicka Madden, Jenny Munro, Lola Forrester and Hetti Perkins.

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Brisbane



Democrat Senator Andrew Bartlett addressing the Brisbane rally.



Sydney



Sydney marchers in George Street.



Tracks of the invaders

Story by KEN BOASE
Photos by Robin Chapple



While protests continued around the world in recent weeks against any further gas development on Western Australia's Burrup Peninsula,

FARA member Robin Chapple was busy conducting a survey of rock art at an undisclosed location on an island off the northern Pilbara coast.

Mr Chapple assured the Koori Mail that local traditional owners were aware of his presence on the island, and had agreed that the location be kept secret to protect the rock art from vandalism and theft.

Mr Chapple said that the rock art he was surveying included a record of an observation by traditional owners of the footprints of a European and the hoof prints of a horse, most probably carved into the rock in the 1860s when British explorers first visited the area.

"Many years ago I found this island about three kilometres in length, made almost entirely of limestone and which has thousands of rock carvings of many descriptions," Mr Chapple said.

"Not many people know about it and so I've decided to do a detailed survey and write a paper on it so

I'm spending six weeks here to do that.

"It's difficult to estimate the number of carvings but one place where I've done a detailed survey is an area of less than 100 square metres and there are at least 200 carvings and I've got to go over the island metre by metre because it's that densely carved.

"There are carvings of spears, humans, spirit men, all sorts of fish and animals, crab traps and I think this would have been a major place for the traditional owners before European contact.

"A lot of tracks of different animals have been carved into the rock, and it was a set of this style of carving that really caught my eye because there is a carved record of first contact with Europeans.

"The tracks are very sharply defined and quite new in comparison to most other carvings. They're of four hoof prints of a horse or a donkey in what I would call the standing position.

"So they're tracks of a horse or a donkey standing, and approaching those tracks from the left hand side is a set of footprints with heels.

"These are footprints of shoes as opposed to the traditional open footprint with the five toes, and they have actually staggered the angle of the feet in the way Europeans walk with slightly splayed feet.

"There are three tracks approaching the tracks of the horse, the right, left and right foot and then you imagine the left foot would have gone into the left stirrup and the right foot would have been swung over the horse.

"So what these people have carved in essence is a set of tracks that they've seen because they didn't carve the person or the horse, they merely carved the tracks so it's my view that they saw the tracks but did not understand what was making them.

"It's an astounding carving and would most likely come from the first time that donkeys and horses moved through the area, which would have been in the early 1860s."



FARA member Robin Chapple.



The record of the observation of European footprints and the hoof prints of a horse or donkey. The footprints begin in the lower right of the photo and approach the hoof prints in the centre.



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Plenty on offer at League knockout



Organisers of the New South Wales annual Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival are broadening the carnival's cultural base. The 37th annual carnival

will be held in Lismore from 28 September to 1 October at Crozier Field and Oakes Oval.

Carnival co-ordinator Phil Hall told a press conference last week that the carnival would bring a huge injection of money into the Northern Rivers economy.

He said accommodation outlets in Lismore would be booked out, and in the neighbouring towns of Ballina and Casino. He expected accommodation houses as far south as Coffs Harbour and north to the Gold Coast to benefit.

While the focus will be on rugby league, there will be other elements this year.

Mr Hall said an Indigenous gospel group would perform and there would be karaoke, an Indigenous beauty pageant and entertainment for children. Each team would nominate two women, 16 and over, for the pageant.

At the press conference, Mr Hall detailed arrangements, including security, for the carnival. He said a private firm would be engaged to watch over security inside the grounds, freeing police to concentrate on other areas.

He said activities away from the two football grounds would focus on clubs owned by the Lismore Workers Club, while kids' entertainment would mainly be at the PCYC Club.



Tourists on Thursday Island wharf with a cruise ship in the background.

This pearl of a place

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON

TSI

A big increase in the number of cruise ships arriving at Thursday Island in the Torres Strait has been a great boost for the local economy.

It is understood that many tourists who would normally have travelled to Bali have opted instead to travel to the safe destination of 'TI' and some then take charter flights to outer islands.

The Koori Mail has obtained a list of tourist ships that will stop at TI in coming months.

The Reef Endeavour stopped at TI wharf on June 12 and 26, as well as July 11 and 24, and will arrive on August 7 and 21, September 18 and 25, October 16 and 23, and November 13 and 20. Coral Princess will stop there on August 8 and 22, and September 5 and 19 whilst Oceanic Discoverer arrives on October 12. Orion is scheduled to arrive at TI wharf on September 23.

Bernie McCarthy who is the Director of Corporate Services for the Torres Shire Council on Thursday Island said that a 50-seater boat also came over from Seisia (mainland) each day during the season.

"It brings the Cape York tourists over," he said. Mr McCarthy said that Council was quite keen on tourism and had formed a Tourism Steering Committee which has been proactive in recent months.

The Koori Mail was on TI during a visit by the

Coral Princess and saw tourists spend money at hotels, food, artefacts and other items.

The upswing in tourist numbers to the Torres Strait is having a two-fold benefit, according to the president of the Torres Strait Chamber of Commerce Ian 'Rusty' Tully.

"The most-important aspect is that it's raising awareness about the Torres Strait," he said. "But, as well, the fundamental importance is that the Australian and world communities are learning there are two Indigenous peoples in Australia."

"Tourists are discovering Torres Strait Islanders are different to Aborigines and have their own culture and customs."

Mr Tully said the impact on the local economy from the tourist boats, expected to reach almost 30 this year, was significant but perhaps not as much as people might think.

"Most people who come here on cruise ships are often five-star-plus people who have everything; they don't want for anything," he said.

"However, their visit is creating awareness about the area as a tourist destination in its own right, meaning they might come back for a longer stay."

"It's an appetiser for what's on offer which, in turn, feeds the existing 4WD market tracking up Cape York. We need to work more closely with the 4WD operators to encourage them to spend at least two nights on Thursday and Horn Islands. There is too much to take in on one day."

Mr Tully also rated the Torres Shire Council's new tourism strategy as an exciting development.

"As someone who serves the tourist industry, there's now a tourism organisation in place within a body on which I'm able to vote," he said.

Mr Tully, a pearl broker, says Thursday Island was now recognised 'once again' as a pearl port since he helped resurrect the industry about eight years ago.

"That development is important as TI is the birth-place of modern pearl culture techniques, where the industry dates back to the 1890s," he said. "But people must realise we are a small, niche industry with a limited potential for expansion."

"That factor must be recognised due to the fact that Western Australia, Northern Territory, Indonesia and the Philippines are producing numbers of pearl that are close to flooding the market."



President of the Torres Strait Chamber of Commerce Rusty Tully in his shop.

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Kindergarten Inclusion Support Services for Children with Severe Disabilities

The Victorian Department of Human Services is inviting applications for inclusion support services for children with severe disabilities to access and participate in funded kindergarten programs in 2008.

This incorporates State Government funding for kindergarten inclusion support services for children with severe disabilities and funding for the Literacy, Numeracy and Special Learning Needs Program (formerly known as the Special Education Program) - kindergarten component from the Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training.

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It will be funded by a benefactor donation and the Law Society to the value of \$15,000 over the two-year period.

The Bursary is open to Indigenous students who are currently undertaking a degree in law or who have been accepted to undertake such a degree at a University in NSW.

Applications close 5pm, Friday 28 September 2007.

For further information and application forms visit the Law Society website: www.lawsofnsw.asn.au or contact the Society on 02 9926 0333.



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Researchers from the Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics are seeking to make contact with anyone who has been arrested for any reason by Victoria Police in the last year. Volunteers are sought to fill in a short questionnaire as part of a wide-ranging project called "An Integrity System for Victoria Police". This project will contribute to continuing reform in policing services, and will help produce an internationally significant model for reform. The

questionnaire will take less than half an hour to complete and will be entirely anonymous.

For further information about the project, and to be sent an information pack please contact Dr Steven Curry at the University of Melbourne: Telephone: 03 8344 3852, Email: sbcurry@unimelb.edu.au or by post - Steven Curry, CAPPE, School of Philosophy, Old Quadrangle, University of Melbourne, VIC 3010.



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River history told in black and white

By DARREN COYNE



It's now easy for anyone strolling along the banks of the Wilsons River in the northern New South Wales town of Lismore to step back in time by viewing two new interpretive story panels.

The panels tell the story of black and white history in the area and were created after years of collaboration between representatives of the Wadjabul clan, part of the Bundjalung nation, the Lismore City Council, Richmond River Historical Society and Southern Cross University.

They are part of the ongoing Wilsons River Experience Walk project, which involves the creation of a number of pictorial and informative panels exploring the social and cultural history of Lismore.

The two new sites, called Galamah (Living Together) and Mirring (River Crossings), extend the walk to a spot known as Burbang Mah, or Gathering Place, which is located near the Ballina Street bridge.

Linguist Roy Gordon, who was nominated by Elders in Wadjabul Country, to work on the project, explained that the panels "tell the story of our beautiful river before and since European arrival".

"This place is like an outdoor museum, a teaching area, and it's a place where we can all come together to look and grow within ourselves with our history," he said.

Mr Gordon said education was the key to reconciliation, and by incorporating black and white history in the panels, visitors could begin to understand both perspectives and how they were interwoven.

Leonie Lane, lecturer in visual arts and design at SCU and one of the design co-ordinators for the project, said the panels told "very inclusive stories of our diverse part of the

country, both old and contemporary".

"It has been an extraordinary project to work on," she said.

Ms Lane said the Living Together - Galamah panel told the story of pre and post European settlement and was installed near a former permanent campsite of the Wadjabul people.

The River Crossing - Mirring panel focused on the river and how it has been used over time.

She said the Gathering Place - Burbang Mah panel was installed near a former huge lagoon where Aborigines gathered for traditional feasting on such things as water fowl, eels and turtles.

Ceramic pavers welcoming visitors in English and the local Indigenous language of the Wadjabul people also accompany each story site.

By the end of the walk, people should be able to speak a few words of the local Indigenous language.

Model for others

Funded by the Department of Environment and Water Resources, the project is being hailed as a model for other towns to follow.

Liz Wren, from the Trobriand Islands, who is assistant director of the Indigenous Heritage program with the department, said \$90,000 had been spent on the project.

"The program is about the identification, promotion and protection of Indigenous values," she said.

Council's riverbank project co-ordinator Lois Kelly said the two new story sites would add to the "visual redevelopment" of the river foreshore started by the council eight years ago.

"Nowhere else in Australia has a city presented its history in this way, it's certainly something the whole community can be proud of," she said.

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Burial ground a first in Victoria

By DARREN COYNE



"We are born to the land. We go back to the land to join our ancestors in the Dreamtime."

Those fitting words are inscribed on a gumleaf mosaic and steel shield in the newly created Indigenous burial ground at Echuca, in Victoria.

They were unveiled at the official opening of the burial ground, which was designed by Echuca artist Judy Atkinson.

The burial ground – the first of its type in Victoria – has room to accommodate 260 graves, with the overall design of the area resembling the Aboriginal flag.

The burial ground features four entrance poles, painted in traditional colours, which stand on either side of a central path which leads to a cluster of eight totem poles, which in turn represent Australia's states and territories.

At the far end of the cemetery is the steel shield which bears the inscription, while the ground on one side of the pathway is covered in red chips, and the other side has black chips.

"Over the years I've been to many funerals and didn't see a section for our own people," Mrs Atkinson said.

"Overall, it took about two years to complete. I came up with the concept and presented it to the cemetery trust and they were quite happy to go along with it and support the idea."

With the help of husband Clive Atkinson, and Work for the Dole participants from the job agency CVGT, the burial ground was built during a 26-week period.

The project also received a \$15,000 grant from Regional Arts Victoria.

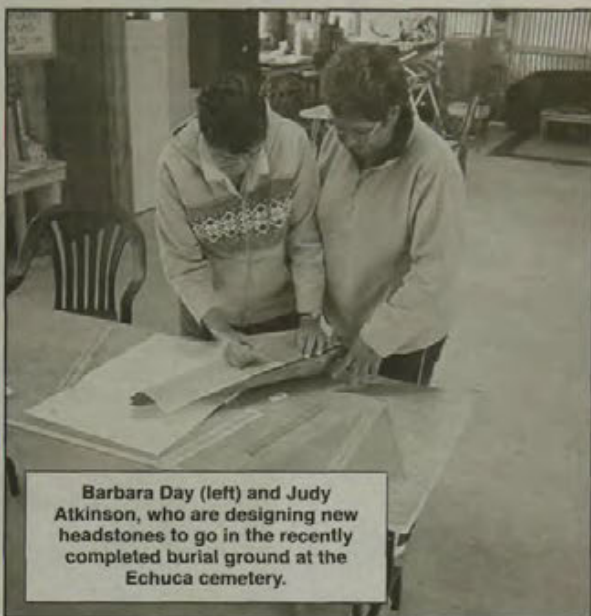
Mrs Atkinson said the town of Moama, across the border from Echuca, was about to embark on a similar project, and other towns around Victoria had also expressed interest in developing Indigenous burial grounds.

"It's up to them to get people interested in the idea and get to work," she said.

Mrs Atkinson said that as yet, no burial plots had been occupied.

"I hope we're not the first," she joked. "The way I designed it, the burial ground is environmentally friendly as it is covered in woodchips with no lawn section, and there are native trees planted throughout."

Now that the burial



Barbara Day (left) and Judy Atkinson, who are designing new headstones to go in the recently completed burial ground at the Echuca cemetery.

ground has been established, the Atkinsons have begun a new project – teaching a group of people how to make headstones.

Mr Atkinson said there were 12 Aboriginal people in the class although it was also open to non-Indigenous people.

"Participants in the class will make headstones for deceased people already in the cemetery. They can do it for a relative or for someone who would like to order one,"

he said.

"The headstones are made to order at an affordable price out of stone and timber. Concepts of headstone and design can be emailed to us, and the cost includes delivery."

Mr Atkinson said the course would run until the end of November.

The Atkinsons' registered training company called Mirribeena, which means home and welcome, is running the project.

Money for Aboriginal languages



The Lemna Government has moved to help ensure the survival of Aboriginal languages in the Sydney and Illawarra regions.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch last month announced recipients of the Government's \$260,000 Community Language Assistance Program Grants.

Recipients in Sydney and the Illawarra include:

- La Perouse's Eastern Zone Gujaga Aboriginal Corporation – \$17,000 to conduct the Dharawal Language Project to create teaching tools for the Dharawal language of Southern Sydney and the Illawarra.

"The grant will help develop a learner's dictionary, posters, flash cards and a training manual," Mr Lynch said.

- Windsor's Darug Custodian Aboriginal Corporation – \$23,000 to develop a multimedia dictionary in the Darug language of Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

Murrumbidgee Aboriginal Language and Culture Co-operative and Many Rivers Aboriginal Language Centre at Nambucca Heads have been funded for a number of projects, including:

- Two adult beginners summer schools in Gumbayngirr, Gamilaraay and one in Wiradjuri at Sydney University (\$47,000)

- Advanced summer schools in Gumbayngirr and Gamilaraay at Sydney University (\$15,000), and

- Publication of the Handbook of NSW and ACT languages, a highly anticipated linguistic resource for all NSW and ACT Aboriginal languages by Dr Jim Wafer (\$49,650).

Mr Lynch said Aboriginal people wanted to nurture their languages because they were the cornerstone of cultural identity.

"You can't have a strong culture without a language," he said. "This grants program is supporting teaching aids that will go a long way to help Aboriginal people retain their languages."

The Minister said the NSW Government was the first in Australia to adopt a formal Indigenous language policy.

The teaching aids will be made available through the NSW Aboriginal Language Research and Resource Centre – www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au



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Residential aged care facilities in metropolitan and rural regions with an interest in offering day respite are strongly encouraged to apply.

Information about the application and assessment process, including a copy of the application pack, is available for downloading after completing the Applicants' Register on the Department of Health and Ageing web site:

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All enquiries for further information about this initiative should be emailed to dayrespite@health.gov.au

The due date for lodgement is 2.00pm 31 August 2007.



Australian Government

NEW FAMILY RELATIONSHIP CENTRES AND OTHER FAMILY RELATIONSHIP SERVICES REQUEST FOR APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

The Australian Government is establishing a range of services aimed at enhancing family relationships and assisting separated families.

The Australian Government Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Attorney-General's Department are seeking proposals from applicants to establish and deliver:

- Family Relationship Centres (including Indigenous and rural outreach services)
- Early Intervention Services including Men and Family Relationship Services, Family Relationship Counselling and Family Relationship Education and Skills Training Services
- Children's Contact Services, and
- Post Separation Cooperative Parenting services.

More information about this competitive selection process, including details of proposed locations and selection documentation, is available online from 4 August 2007 at www.ag.gov.au and www.facsia.gov.au.

Hard copies of the selection documentation are available by telephoning 1800 246 009.

Successful applicants will be required to provide family relationship services from July 2008. Applicants must lodge their application by 2.00pm AEST on Tuesday 2 October 2007 at:

The Tender Box, FaCSIA/07/T589 Family Relationship Services Program, Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Module B Reception, Tuggeranong Office Park, Athlton Drive, TUGGERANONG, ACT 2900.

Neila's home

Nyoongar expat back for good this time

Story by Perth Correspondent
KEN BOASE



Nyoongar woman Neila Penny has returned home from the UK after 36 years to join the Aboriginal cause, and is determined to 'make a difference'.

Taken from her mother as a baby in 1967, Ms Penny was given up for adoption without her parents' permission to a non-Indigenous family who lived in suburban Perth for four years before migrating to England in 1971.

Ms Penny said that her adopted mother always made sure that she was aware of her Aboriginal heritage, and the family also insisted that she keep her family name of Penny so that she could one day make contact with family members back in Australia.

She had brief contact with family in 1988 when her mother died, and although she never met her father before his death in 1998, she spoke with him in a series of telephone conversations in the two years before he died.

Ms Penny began corresponding with her cousin Fred in 1999 and in 2003 she finally arrived back in Australia for a family reunion, a time she said she would never forget.

Overwhelming

"It was an overwhelming, unbelievable day that will always be in my heart, but obviously the two main people who were not there to share it with me was Mum and Dad, which I still feel really sad about today," she told the



Nyoongar woman Neila Penny, home after living 'in exile' in the UK for 36 years. "I'm hoping to get a job and I'd like to be involved in Aboriginal issues, and obviously try and make a difference." Photo by ALITA BOASE.

Koori Mail.

While visiting family in WA's south-west, Ms Penny said she had some powerful cultural experiences during a visit with her Uncle Frank to a Nyoongar sacred site in the Stirling Ranges, near the south coast of WA.

"There was this kangaroo on the path, that didn't look like a kangaroo, it had the body of a kangaroo but its face was really different, almost human, and it had ears that kind of looked forward instead of on the side and he just stood there," she said.

"Uncle Frank said he was wagging his tail like a dog, left to right, which kangaroos don't do, and he just stayed on the trail there for ages just watching us."

After four years of soul-searching back in England, Ms Penny decided to return to Australia towards the end of last year, and with assistance and support from her adopted family, arrived back in Australia as a permanent resident in January this year.

Unfamiliar

She said she was disturbed and horrified at the level of racism in Australia towards Aboriginal people, and she found racial abuse frightening and unfamiliar.

"Walking down the road and having people shouting black... nasty words but I tried to ignore it because I knew that it was probably just a one-off."

"It did kind of scare me a little bit because I've been on my own since I was 16 and lived in London for 12 years and Oxford for eight years, and to come home to my own land and have racist abuse thrown at me just randomly like that, it was frightening."

Ms Penny said she was also disgusted at the attitude of some business owners, like her local corner shop and supermarket, towards her because of her Aboriginal appearance.

"All my life in England I've worked in the hospitality trade so I've always been kind of upfront polite, nice, please and thank you, and some of the manners I've experienced over here are just disgusting," she said.

"We're all human, and should not be classed as bad people."

Ms Penny said she found it very difficult getting used to the Australian system which she found confusing after her life in the UK, and she was appalled at the pittance given to people on welfare.

However, after six months of finding her feet, she is ready to begin work in earnest and hopes to find a job where she can help make a difference for her people.

"I'm hoping to get a job and I'd like to be involved in Aboriginal issues, and obviously try and make a difference," she said. "I just want to be able to live a normal life, be happy and enjoy the sunshine that I missed out on."



Darwin City Councillor and Larrakia woman Dorothy Fox acted as Darwin Lord Mayor during June and hopes to take out the top job in the local council elections next March.

Retired midwife wants to be mayor



She has delivered 'half the babies in Darwin'. Now retired nurse and midwife Dorothy Fox wants to deliver something else - 'real change for the people of her community'.

The Larrakia traditional owner will get her chance when the people of Darwin go to the polls next March for their local government election.

Already a serving Darwin City Council member with eight years' experience, Alderman Fox says she would dearly love to take on the popularly elected Lord Mayor's role.

She came close to taking the Darwin lord mayoralty at the last elections, and now she's campaigning to go one step better. But why would a 65-year-old grandmother and community worker want to take it on?

"Because Darwin deserves better than it is currently getting," Ald Fox, a former ATSI regional councillor, told the Koori Mail.

"The current council is very business-orientated, and I believe this is at the expense of the residents."

"Business and tourism are important, but they don't live here. If I get elected, I'll work for all people - my own Larrakia and everyone else."

"Darwin is a great place, and there's room for it all here. It's just time to get things back on track for the people - all the people - who live here."

Ald Fox said the council had also been hit by the extended leave of absence of the former Lord Mayor, who was convicted in mid-July of misuse of council money.

Ironically, that leave of absence has allowed Ald Fox - the only Aboriginal

woman ever to serve on the council - to get a taste of the top job.

"All the aldermen have had one month as acting Lord Mayor. My turn was in June and it was great," she said. "It was such an honour - to be a Larrakia woman serving in the top council job on Larrakia land."

Ald Fox doesn't hold back when asked about government relations with Indigenous people in the Top End.

"The Federal and Northern Territory governments have much to answer for," she said.

"Neither has done much to help Aboriginal people. Millions of dollars have been poured in and nothing gets better."

"Something has to change. I don't know what the council can do, but I know I will be doing all I can as an alderman and, hopefully after next March, as Lord Mayor."



Federal Attorney-General Philip Ruddock launches the Keeping our mob safe strategy at Bidiyadanga, near Broome, last Tuesday.

Keeping our mob safe



A new national strategy has been launched to help remote Indigenous communities develop responses to natural disasters such as cyclones, floods and tsunamis and other emergency situations.

The 'Keeping Our Mob Safe' strategy, launched last Tuesday by Attorney-General Philip Ruddock at Bidiyadanga, on Western Australia's Kimberley coast, recognises that remote Indigenous communities have diverse and complex emergency management needs.

"The strategy provides priorities aimed at improving disaster resilience in remote Indigenous communities across the country for such natural emergencies as cyclones, bushfires, floods, earthquakes and tsunamis," Mr Ruddock said.

The strategy promotes the consideration of community needs, collaborative decision-making and appropriate resource allocation.

Obligations

It prescribes the obligation of the Federal Government and State, Territory and local governments to partner with remote Indigenous communities to improve community safety and emergency management.

Research for the strategy was funded by Emergency Management Australia (EMA) through the Working Together to Manage Emergencies initiative, and was endorsed by Emergency Services Ministers in all States and Territories.

"This truly whole-of-government project had representation from five states and several Australian Government departments, and was conducted by a private researcher who talked with Indigenous leaders affected by a wide range of natural emergencies," Mr Ruddock said.

"The key to ensuring that remote Indigenous communities are well prepared for disasters is to support community emergency management planning, ensure involvement of community leaders in decision making, provide education

about natural disasters, and empower Indigenous people through emergency management training."

The strategy identifies the diversity of communities, isolation, vulnerability and exposure to natural hazards, inadequate services and infrastructure, transient populations, accessibility issues and entrenched disadvantage as complications to emergency planning.

"Emergencies mean different things to different people," it reads.

"Emergency is defined in many jurisdictions as 'an event requiring a significant, co-ordinated response'."

"Nobody would deny that a cyclone impact is an emergency, but many emergency management organisations do not regard individual incidents as emergencies, arguing that they are resolved routinely."

"At the level of a remote community, however, incidents such as a single vehicle road crash or a schoolyard fight can require a significant coordinated response for that community."

"The concept of 'emergency', and by inference emergency management, must be viewed in context."

The strategy says that in addition to risks posed by natural disasters and seasonal factors presented by the wet and dry seasons, Indigenous consultations had identified human-generated hazards such as accidents, collapse of infrastructure, disease, excessive substance abuse/misuse, domestic violence, suicide and feuding as risks.

"The impact of these hazards on remote Indigenous communities is often greater than other communities because of their geographical and social remoteness," it says.

"As a result, the risk represented by these hazards can be substantial in remote Indigenous communities."

The release of the report was hosted jointly by the Fire and Emergency Services Authority of Western Australia (FESA) and the Bidiyadanga La Grange Community.

The 'Keeping Our Mob Safe' strategy report is available on www.ema.gov.au and from State emergency management agencies.



FESA WA's Indigenous liaison officer at Bidiyadanga, Moya Newman, spoke at the launch. She has been a driving force behind the development of the national strategy.

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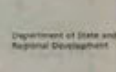
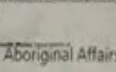
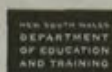
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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



Fred Cobbo
Research Officer
Cherbourg, Qld

Where do you work?
At the Indigenous Education Leadership Institute

Favourite bush tucker?
Porcupine with damper

Favourite other food?
Seafood (mud crabs, prawns, fish)

Favourite drink?
Coke

Favourite music?
R n B

Favourite sport/leisure?
Rugby league, AFL and golf

Favourite holiday destination?
Going home to family in Hervey Bay, Qld

What are you reading?
University textbooks

What are you watching?
Fox sports

What is your greatest highlight in life?
Receiving my Electrical Trade Certificate

What do you like in life?
Positive and happy people

What don't you like?
Negative people and racism

Who would you most like to meet?
Anthony Mundine

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
All my mates who I went to school with (Morgs, Asho, Tommy, Bazza, Nixs) just to name a few.

Who inspires you?
My Director, Dr Chris Sarra (The Strong and Smart Man)

If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
Fix up the Indigenous policies on education and health both at State and Federal level.

If there was one thing you would like to see happen, what would it be?
More Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in Parliament, both State and Federal.

Quote



"Now Australia recognises that we are the owners, nobody can take our rights away."

Senior Strathgordon Elder, Rosie Upton, after the Federal Court of Australia recognised the Strathgordon Mob's rights over the Strathgordon pastoral property on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula.
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Costs are not just financial

When the Prime Minister announced the Federal Government's intervention in Northern Territory Aboriginal communities six weeks ago, he said the cost of that intervention could run into the 'tens of millions of dollars'.

Perhaps Mr Howard was being optimistic. Perhaps that was all he was prepared to spend. Or perhaps that was all that was expected to remain in the black piggy bank after it had been relieved of a similar sized wad of cash being held for the new welfare reforms on Cape York that have so enamoured the Government.

Some commentators have predicted the cost of getting Indigenous communities back on the road to safe, healthy and rewarding lives will run to hundreds of millions of dollars.

In any event, it is becoming increasingly clear - especially with new focus on Western Australia's Kimberley Aboriginal communities - that the costs will be far higher than anyone has imagined, and they will not just be financial.

In the Kimberley, like many other regions throughout the country, doctors, police, legal services, the courts, counsellors and anyone else with a responsibility to provide care, support or services to struggling Aboriginal people and communities have long been close to or beyond breaking point.

With charges laid against more than 30 people in just two Kimberley communities in recent weeks, the pressure on all of these services has been ramped right up.

And the path behind is littered with families that are even more fractured than



before, frightened whistleblowers, and unresolved accusations. All in communities that are just as stricken with overcrowding, alcohol and substance abuse, unemployment, boredom, and poor health as before.

The reported escalating suicides of young people in one of these towns is about as stark an indication of despondency as there could be.

Grieving families and communities will feel the loss of these young people very deeply.

Holes will also be left when proven perpetrators of abuse are removed from communities. The removal of any such predators is good and necessary. But some of these predators are leaders who also have separate, valuable skills and cultural knowledge that has contributed to the dynamic and lifeforce of their communities. When they go, that dynamic will change and some communities will struggle to stay on an even keel.

It is crucial that governments and policy makers, as well as community leaders, turn their thoughts more to this issue right now. Any semblance of a real future for those communities - and others anywhere else that are similarly afflicted - depends upon it.

Unquote

Koori Mail - 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Homogeneous! I don't think so



Stephen Hagan

HAGAN'S VIEW

● Stephen Hagan, 2006 NAIDOC Person of the Year, is an academic at the University of Southern Queensland, film-maker, award-winning author of *The N Word* and publisher of *Australia's Blackest Sporting Moments: The Top 100 and Melly and the Bilby*
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report's publication to the release of its response during the Christmas/New Year period," NSW Liberal Leader Barry O'Farrell said.

"The failure to respond quickly to the report's findings and the refusal to fund a program to end the abuse, leaves the lemma Government effectively complicit in this sorry state of affairs," he said.

It's little wonder child abusers and women bashers in Indigenous communities outside the Northern Territory are grinning from ear to ear as the rest of the country, through the media, have taken their eyes off them and are instead focusing their collective angst on those NT perpetrators who will eventually be tracked down and dealt with by the full force of the law.

So while some Indigenous leaders are quick to condemn the actions of the Howard administration in intervening on the horrendous child abuse issues as identified by the Rex Wild, QC, and Patricia Anderson 'Little Children are Sacred' report, there are many like myself who continue to sing their praise and hope they widen their plan to incorporate a total national strategy in a similar heavy-handed approach to identify and rid all Indigenous communities of violent abusers and sexual predators – black and white.

However, I preface my comments by saying that like the majority of Indigenous people who are celebrating this historic endeavour of the Federal Government to combat child abuse – they, like myself, do not support their associated plan that involves abolishing the permit system on Indigenous land or to do health checks on children without the adherence to cultural protocols as identified by appropriate Indigenous health professionals.

The black and white leaders who make decisions on a daily basis that impact on the lives of Indigenous people ought to get with the times or move on. They also need to know that Indigenous people do live south of the line that runs from Townsville across to Broome.

In the past couple of months, I've had the good fortune of being invited to speak at a diversity of conferences in various locations, including Melbourne, Sydney, Canberra and Darwin, and many centres in between.

The one constant of all topics shared with old and new friends is the issue of identity. From informal chats at these conferences, with leaders presenting papers on the same dais to those observant and engaging attendees, I gathered a strong sense that there is on the

one hand a feeling of oneness (as being from a single Indigenous ancestry), but on the other hand a definite disquiet for their rights to be respected by others by not being pigeon-holed as homogeneous (all one people).

It would appear that they are happy to cheer on Anthony Mundine as one of their mob when he enters the boxing ring and raises his hand in victorious salute, but hate it when they are made to feel guilty by a perceived association by others when a description of a wanted serious offender is read over the radio or television news as being of Aboriginal descent.

image any of the romantic and exoticised notions of primitivism, virtue and most importantly, the decorative stone-age.

Richard shocked the more mature paying attendees by telling them emphatically that he is a reformed homophobe and racist and later told them that they were in fact all Christian racists. Before the audience could regather their collective breath, an old Jewish lady identified herself to the assembly as having escaped the concentration camp of Auschwitz and most definitely not a Christian or a racist.

Vernon, without blinking an

acknowledgement to the traditional owners of the land.

Chicka's line of "You've heard this saying a thousand times 'Where ever there is a will ... there's relatives'" brought loud applause and light relief to first time non-Indigenous attendees.

Tom Calma, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, speaking at the UNSW Indigenous Law Centre-hosted conference, came across as the calm, considered orator on human rights issues that we've known him to be and was enthusiastically received by the large audience.

Later in the day, Professor Larissa Berhendt (UTS) warmed up the lecture for the impressively outspoken NITV CEO Pat Turner by attacking the bipartisan approach adopted by Opposition Leader Kevin Rudd on the latest Howard foray into the Northern Territory Indigenous communities and insisting that the Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Jenny Macklin, not be considered for the crucial portfolio, should they gain office after the next election, for perceived incompetence on all Indigenous specific issues.

I thoroughly enjoyed the large protest march on NAIDOC day in Darwin on 13 July as I strode purposefully with my father Jim (who later that evening received the joint award of NAIDOC Elder of the Year), brother Lawrence and wife Rhonda. It was most encouraging to see the local men in the march wear on their T-shirts the powerful message of 'Strong Men, Strong Families', and to see the youth join with Elders to celebrate the most important day in our cultural calendar.

As if on cue to the words spoken by TSI Elder Bann of the need to '... fight for our rights' a serious all-in brawl erupted immediately to the left of the main stage for the post-march speeches.

It was disappointing to see all the TV cameramen rush off to film for the evening news the brawl between feuding families that took an eternity to conclude, but resolutely the speakers, before an indulgent crowd of several thousand, continued on and spoke with pride of the trailblazers who paved the way for our successes enjoyed today.

To those fighters who chose the most inopportune time to engage in personal retribution and to all those ineffectual leaders still actively involved in our communities today, I say, get with the times or move on, and in the words of Muhammad Ali I reiterate: "The man who views the world at 50 the same as he did at 20 has wasted 30 years of his life."



The Hagan family at the NAIDOC Week march in Darwin, from left, Rhonda, Stephen, Jim and Lawrence.

The matter of title is another issue that needs to be addressed as it would also seem that many of our mob don't like being called Indigenous. On the mainland they would rather be referred to as Aboriginal or better still by their traditional owner group they have direct links to.

Many speakers at the 'Who you calling urban?' conference hosted by the Australian National Museum in Canberra asked why 70 per cent of the Indigenous population that live in urban areas receive the smallest piece of the financial pie while the minority who live in remote areas receive the lion's share of Federal funds.

Many participants posed the question: "What does an Indigenous person look like – given that we are so diverse in appearance, what single facial and physical characteristic best represents an Indigenous Australian in 2007?"

At the same conference many participants were challenged, some affronted, by the controversial arguments offered by two of our most talented artists; Richard Bell, of 'white women can't hump?' fame, and Vernon Ah Kee. Vernon is a north Queensland artist on the rise who paints '... Aborigine as a worthy subject to be sure, but my intention is to strip away from the

eyelid, said '... you might think you're not a racist, but your act of choosing to move to the whitest of all white countries – Australia – was in fact a racist act.'

A deafening hush fell over the entire Vision Theatre crowd as they sank into their comfortable seating. You could have heard a pin drop.

I haven't heard that level of racial discourse since the good old days of attending, as an impressionable teenager on weekend leave from boarding school, the Black Power sessions in the back of the old FAIRA office in George Street, Brisbane, when Dennis Walker, Cheryl Buchanan and Sam Watson Jnr were at their rhetorical best.

Charles 'Chicka' Madden, debonair in full length black trench jacket on an exceptionally cold winter's day, in offering his signature Welcome To Country address: "Always was, Always will be, Gadigal land" at the 'The '67 Referendum – Forty Years On – Where to Now?' conference at Sydney's Custom House on 20 July, made the hairs on my arm stand on end.

It was also wonderful to hear all the Indigenous legal academics, barristers and lawyers, along with their non-Indigenous colleagues, commence their papers with an

Muhammad Ali (born Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr on January 17, 1942) the greatest heavyweight boxer ever, once said: "The man who views the world at 50 the same as he did at 20 has wasted 30 years of his life."

I accede to the powerful words of the great one as I also believe too many leaders are still living in the past and can't see the forest for the trees.

I would consider those remarks analogous to an Indigenous leader falling asleep on his or her watch and posing a belated question to their community: "What are the police and those fellas in the camouflage outfits in big green trucks doing in my community?"

Or the non-Indigenous political leaders who strip rural and urban communities of essential programs (employment – CDEP and housing – CHIP) and redirect all Federal funds to remote communities because they have this odorous Darwinian notion of the noble savage with one foot resting on another with his spear in ready gazing out over the horizon as representative of the 'real blackfella'.

While many Indigenous people nationally praise the action of the Federal Government in intervening in the Northern Territory on child abuse and alcohol related violence, they are however in error in saying 'what about us?'

The NSW Liberals/Nationals recently called on Premier Morris lemma to finally act on the shocking report into child sexual abuse in NSW Aboriginal communities following State Government officials dismissing the crisis as not their problem.

The 'Breaking the Silence' report was commissioned in 2003 and Morris lemma still isn't taking the issue seriously.

"At every stage the lemma Government has sought to delay or downplay this matter, from the

The four solid truths about love



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I have been to all kinds of places in these great lands. From a hippie commune in Australind, to sapphire mining in Inverell.

From Payless to Target even. Yeah, I've been everywhere, sis!

Along the way I've had the odd romance. The usual stuff the young ones go through.

At this point, I have learned four solid truthful things about it.

Love is him putting the last piece of chicken/cheesecake/food on my plate. If this happens, it means that he has been watching me and has taken notice of my desire to continue chewing.

That's a good sign. Giving the last bit of food to someone is very very serious for me as I do not part easily from a savoury. But if I do it to you, that means we're getting married tomorrow.

Love is when he sticks with you even after he has met my family.

Going between three houses all in one day, carting kids places and hardly any men around. Guess where I am. No, it's not an episode of *Big Love*, it's a usual day at home and a busy day doing nothing. For anyone to stick around that organised chaos, it's gotta be love.

Adding more crazy people to the family just makes more

gossip, I suppose.

Love is forgiving them for not being as perfect as me. As long as it was a forgivable offence – like buying plain chocolate when I wanted cashews – I look to the opportunities this creates.

Can't remember the cashew chocolate? Next time at the shop, buy two packets! Shopping is sharing quality time together with a take home gift at the end.

Love is sending an 'I love you' by SMS and email. You can't go past the two – media double whammy.

As he actually has to get up and do something to communicate with me, it

means he has to exert a little effort with his affection. Plus, you can keep those text and email messages for love emergencies. You know what I'm talking about.

It's now the middle of the year and everything lately has slipped into a routine.

As you can see, the things that I have learned are really around action. Picking up the mobile to call me, tapping out an email for me, getting me a clean plate – these are things I truly love.

● What is the one everyday thing you do to show that you love 'em? Discuss at <http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/aboriginalsingles/>

Adelaide rocks to Blak Night



Tapaya Edwards, from the APY Lands Project, performing part of inma (ceremony) at Blak Nite.



Desert Boys performed during Blak Nite.

SA

Australia's largest single Indigenous youth arts and cultural event, Carclew's Blak Nite, rocked Adelaide's east end.

More than 2000 people watched as 150 young Indigenous performers 'painted the town blak' at the National Aboriginal Cultural Institute – Tandanya, with artforms including traditional dance, hip-hop, rap, circus performances, contemporary dance and a fashion parade.

A highlight for the younger members of the Blak Nite 07 audience was the didgeridoo, traditional dance and painting workshops leading up to the start of the event.

Some young people travelled from the APY Lands for up to two days to be part of the event, which had its largest representation of young Indigenous people from regional and remote communities to date, including the APY Lands, Ceduna, Port Lincoln and Murray Bridge.

Another highlight was the first public performance of a group of young Indigenous students from Ceduna as 'The West Coast Boyz' after workshops with rap and hip-hop artist Andrew Simmons (aka MC Simplex).

Kylie Stra, middle school teacher at Ceduna Area School, said: "Since Blak Nite, there's been such a

buzz within the community, with other kids singing the boys' songs and even having them as ring tones.

"They've even performed since as part of NAIDOC Week. Blak Nite has been such an inspirational experience for the group, with positive effects flowing into their school-based learning and an increased self-esteem."

As well as celebrating Indigenous culture, Blak Nite is the closing event for the Australian Festival for young people, Come Out 2007.

Jessica Machin, Artistic Director and CEO of Carclew Youth Arts, announced to the audience that the Australia Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Board had committed to again fund the popular event in 2009 and 2011.

During Blak Nite, Aboriginal children and young people of South Australia paid tribute to those extraordinary people who campaigned during the 1960s for rights and justice for all Aboriginal people and who helped to bring about the historic 1967 Referendum.

Other supporters of Blak Nite 07 included Home Start Finance, Country Arts SA, Besen Family Foundation, AERF Foundation, the Adelaide City Council's Reconciliation Committee, and Health Promotions Positive Minds Attract.



Liz Lock, of Sydney, writes about the Durag reunion and invites readers to check out the Darug genealogy.

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Looking at the whole picture of abuse

I would like to make comment on the current discussions regarding the child sexual abuse issues that are flooding the media at the moment.

I am very concerned that a lot of blame is being put onto Aboriginal male Elders and leaders as perpetrators.

I understand and agree that there is a lot of abuse happening in Aboriginal communities (as with the wider community, where it has been rife for centuries), and also agree that much of this abuse is undertaken by physically and mentally sick men who have a very distorted view of reality, especially their own sexual boundaries.

But let me say one thing and I think this is the bit that is being missed in a lot of the discussions. While most of this abuse is being blamed on Aboriginal men and Elders or so-called leaders in the communities, we are missing the fact that common profiles regarding perpetrators involve certain traits, no matter what race or creed and that is; they hold some kind of influential position, they build trust in the victims first and they come across as being some kind of authority figure. When these traits are put together, they have a very magnetic attraction for many, especially the young and naive who are looking for direction, friendship and leadership. This is a drawback, especially for the young.

I grew up in the country and like in many other country towns in New South Wales, the

above traits were common in many of the sporting heroes of the day. They seemed to have their pick of the young girls in the community whenever they liked and in many cases without consent and no-one seemed to say a word. How could anyone say anything against someone who was looked upon as a hero, the sportsman who people paid to come and see each and every Sunday, the person who the crowd cheered for and celebrated with every win or could drown their sorrows with after each loss.

But I think one of the real crimes committed in our community was that undertaken by a certain non-Aboriginal priest. This so-called 'man of God' used to take us young boys on camps where he could create his own private evil playground far away from any adult protectors back home.

No-one considered this man could do any evil, not only was he a man of God, but he also played football with the local Aboriginal team. Whenever there was a need in the community or someone needed comforting, he seemed to always appear. When I look back now, I realise he actually built up a dependency system between himself and certain members of the Aboriginal community. This man had all the ingredients that make up the paedophile profile, he built trust, he had inner connections and held a position of authority and influence.

When I look at the bigger picture, it is easy

to see that many of us boys later became a psychological mess through drug and alcohol abuse. Some of us survived, some of us didn't, some of us found healing and some of us continue to protect the layers of pain with drugs and alcohol.

Anyone who understands the trans-generational trauma cycle would argue that there is a deep, dark ugly cyst that has begun to erupt in many of our Aboriginal communities. Especially, where many of these so-called great white non-Aboriginal male saviours settled and set up camp.

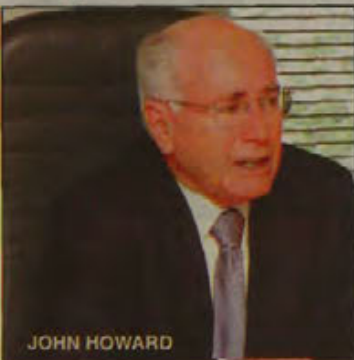
So when it is all said and done, and we begin to point fingers for blame, I hope we can look at the whole picture and not pick out selected politically motivated or emotionally charged sections.

If we are wise, we can begin to unpack the past and look at how this all began and understand that legislation alone is not enough, but education and truth is what is really needed.

When we have all the pieces of the puzzle, we can not only take the position to hold those guilty accountable, but we can look at ways of building some kind of healing process for the younger and the older victims of this inter-generational evil.

KOORI MAIL READER
New South Wales
(Name and address supplied)

Open letter to the Prime Minister



JOHN HOWARD

When intervening in Aboriginal societies, could you please bear in mind that unlike our Western culture, where child abuse has been systemic throughout the ages, whether it be Victorian children tortured in workhouses, sent up chimneys and down coal mines, or in more recent times with Catholic priests abusing so many of our sacred children, child abuse is not and has never been a part of traditional Aboriginal culture.

This can be best explained to you through the historical document of K Langloh Parker's first contact stories, *Wise Women of the Dreamtime* (commentary by Johanna Lambert), and further in *The Euahlayi Tribe: A Study of Aboriginal Life in Australia*.

It becomes very clear that the cause of the

current crisis in Aboriginal communities lies in the destruction of their traditional value system, which was diametrically opposite to our own selfish and materialistic one, and the alien and unnatural way they are now forced to live. As Ken Bone, the Cherbourg Mayor, commented on the current forced amalgamation of councils: "We were forced to amalgamate our tribes 200 years ago."

It naturally follows that the best way to address this problem is to help Aboriginal people regain their cultural integrity by re-weaving the fabric of their traditional values. A priority for them is to keep their languages alive, which are integral to maintaining culture.

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Keeping Your Say short and sweet

A big thanks to all of our readers for sending letters, poems and other feedback; we love hearing from you. We try to fit in as many reader contributions as we can. You can help us by making sure that your letters are 400 words or less and poems generally no more than 25 medium-length lines. We'd prefer letters and poems to be even shorter;

this will increase your chances of being published.

Also, even if sent via email, all letters and poems must be accompanied by the author's full name, home town/city and State/Territory, and a contact number so that we can verify content. After that, we're happy to withhold names and addresses upon request.

We will publish 'Looking For' letters as long as they do not breach the privacy of individuals mentioned.

Lastly, remember too that we're happy to consider photos alongside letters – as long as they're of a high enough resolution and standard, and as long as copyright requirements are met.

— EDITOR

YOUR POETRY

The Bush

Camping out in the bush I love
Lying back looking at the stars above
Waking up to the sound of birds
Hearing the river whispering secret words.

The smell and warmth of an open fire
The morning dew hanging on the fence wire
Fresh jew fish, cooking in a pan
Ready to feed this hungry clan.

Up late at night starry and dark
Listening to the crackle of burning bark
Telling stories of old times
Silly adventures of childhood crimes
To cool you down, go for a swim
Jump off a diving board or a tree limb.

Hunting for porkies while bush walking
Through the thick scrub, stealthily stalking
Looking for doon doons in the tree holes
To throw them on the open coals.

So you see all the things there are to do
The chances I get are only a few
Which is why I cherish these memories today
And probably more so in my old age
You sleep so deeply through the night
So you get up early, fresh and bright.

EDWARD JAMES FULLER
Via email

Government

You can't live without them but you can't work with them
They like to tie us up in red tape all us blackfellas
But blackfellas are born to be free
To be one with Mother Earth and one another.

I will not let them tie me up so that I have no power
I will not let them tie up my people so we are all powerless
We are strong and as one people we will overcome.

We will overcome our trials and tribulations
We will succeed and achieve our goals and aspirations without government
Without red tape we are free.

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Mind-numbing program

SBS TV's 'Insight' program should be ashamed for presenting such a biased and unbalanced view of the so-called 'Abused Indigenous children' debate on Tuesday 24 July.

The show smacked of patronisation in a shameless display one might have found on a commercial network and failed to feature any of the real players in this overblown issue.

Who is running the Research Department at SBS?

SBS paraded a carefully selected audience, some of whom were talking about communities they are not even originally from, in a manner that defied logic and respect.

The most embarrassing moment came in a short film on the next crop of so-called 'Indigenous leaders' all of which focussed

conveniently on Noel Pearson and Warren Mundine.

Where was the usual great Insight program debate? Where were the strong community leaders that Lowitja O'Donoghue (pictured) spoke so eloquently about? Why were there so many silent audience members? Why on earth does host Jenny Brockie assume that Warren and Noel are our leaders?

The only insight given on this

show was one of unbelievable patronisation.

Aunt Lowitja played it strictly for laughs and her final 'tongue in cheek' comment that the Howard Government's plan 'won't work' was a hilarious highlight of an otherwise mind-numbing episode of this once great show.

MARTIN PASCOE
South Yarra, Vic



Govt watching us slip into oblivion

To those who think they are running the country:

I am just wondering why you have to pass a law or legislation to help the people of the land, especially the very people you have kept down since your ancestors stepped upon the shores.

It escapes me how you can just stand idly by while the land and the people in it slip slowly but ever increasingly into oblivion.

Does your own heart and mind – if you have either – tell you to extend your hand in help of some kind? I think not.

Isn't a big stretch, you must say to yourselves, this is what we are going to do and you set about putting the plan into action.

In reality, you mob haven't progressed very far at all, still hanging around in the dead zone. If you think technology as you know it and material possessions are advancement, you are in for a big awakening.

Also, about this treaty that everybody seems to want: Why do you have to draw up yet more rules, regulations and guidelines too give people their natural and God-given rights? Isn't it about time there was an automatic decision?

Judging from your track record, the words you put on paper aren't worth much because you chop and change them like the seasons come and go and aren't they a mess lately? Not to mention the constant felling of trees that contribute to the very air we breathe, that you use for the paper.

Anyway, just some of my thoughts.

DEIDRE CURRIE
Tweed Heads, NSW

Western culture forfeited the right

• From previous page

Our society cannot help them re-build their culture – we severed our connection to nature with industrialisation and have no comprehension of how to live integrated with the natural environment.

Only they understand the multi-layered complexities of their physical and metaphysical interactions with the land and each other.

They are the only ones who can do this and they must be allowed to do it in their own way.

We can assist them in other ways though, by addressing the chronic housing shortage etc.

MAUREEN BRANNAN
Murgon, Qld

PM not worthy of office

The Prime Minister, John Howard, is a dictator and is not worthy to hold office. A dictator uses force by any means to get what he wants. If not given what he wants – as with the latest child abuse (which I add I do not support) scandal in the Northern Territory – he punishes those who oppose him, eg, with the military to carry out his commands to reduce and crush any resistance to his policies.

He cuts off funds or reduces funding. He divides and conquers, eg, North Force Aboriginal soldiers aren't in with Anglo-Saxon soldiers.

John Howard and his administration had nearly 10 years to address this child abuse issue, but didn't. Therefore I believe that it is

plain old incompetence.

There's a case of human violation of Indigenous culture rights and invasion of Aboriginal lands and the UN should be called upon to have John Howard investigated.

Whatever happened to Australian Democracy?

Other thoughts to ponder and to take in to consideration:

• ATSI, which was dismantled by John Howard's Government, was designed to bring about Indigenous self-government and from my understanding, would have addressed and assisted Elders in all these important issues – not only in central Australia, but all over.

• Well-known recorded evidence in the 1967

Referendum of the right to vote. This year is the 40th anniversary of the Referendum. John Howard's intervention in response to the NT child abuse scandal undermines right.

I'm at present writing to Kevin Rudd to seriously review or withdraw support for John Howard's headline approach to NT Aboriginal policies, taken out by the current Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough, and ask him to support ongoing programs that have already worked in communities, ie, before John Howard's military intervention.

The main reason the Australian army, navy and air force were set up, from my understanding, was to act as the first and last line of defence against attacks by invading

forces against Australia, ie a 'national emergency' and extreme danger. For example, the Japanese attack on Darwin, and Japanese mini submarines entering Sydney Harbour. In those attacks, the whole Australian country was in danger in WWII?

The central desert of NT wasn't attacked by invaders from overseas and there was no need for military intervention.

The Aboriginal child abuse scandal is nothing but a political vote-buying exercise for the upcoming Federal elections by none other than Prime Minister John Howard.

JAMES 'GURRI' DUNGAY
Djunghutti Man
Kempsey, NSW

Reconciliation: On whose terms?

With Aboriginal communities receiving a hiding in the press lately, it was great to see the story of Quenten Agius on ABC Television (Message Stick, 22 July), a man taking a stand for his people and his heritage.

Quenten has been trying to raise support and awareness around the sacred and historically significant sites at Black Point,

on the Yorke Peninsula, South Australia. The reason being that, without intervention, the area will be 'developed' and all will be lost.

As a proud Australian, I would like to publicly send my support to Quenten and to thank him for the hard work he is doing to save the artefacts, landmarks and ancient stories of our country – the heritage

of all Australians.

When we, as a country, can acknowledge our past, then we can also, truly, celebrate it.

For me, that is what reconciliation is all about. I'm sorry our Prime Minister fails to see this.

KARL TATTERSALL
Clovelly Park, SA

Gene lives on

I'm writing in reference to a story in the Koon Mail about Nggunawal people from around what is now known as the Australian Capital Territory. It is not true that the Nggunawal people are extinct. The old people have passed on – true – but the gene and spirit still lives on in Nggunawal people everywhere. We have gone forward to multiply our numbers all over Australia.

In exile? Not true. Evicted? Yes, because of farming and gold mining.

The tribal man, the main hunters we all know, what happened to them? The women, yes, the colony was in short supply. Every miner and convict needed a wife. Need I say any more?

My grandmother, Cinderella Briar, and her sister were gathering food in the bush. They were arrested for that and taken straight to Cootamundra

Girl's Home. The paperwork says 'Aboriginal protection society'. They remained there until they were 18 years old, both of their parents passed on before they were released.

Can you imagine how sad they were, with no parents in a strange land? Well, they did not know where to go or what to do.

However my grandmother, Cinderella Briar, met my grandfather George Forrester. They were married and had six children. I am their eldest grandson, but there are many more.

As the story goes (gene line) Aboriginal English and Irish, what a mixture of blood and genes but there must be thousands of people like me (a true Aussie). Believe me, I never get sunburnt.

LESLIE JOHN WOOD
Ayr, Qld

YOUR POETRY

Mulrunji

They're there to start a fight
As the dark of night
Turns a shade of blue
They are surrounding you
Mulrunji, the vice
To make your mob think twice

Was a man roaming free
No matter how he plead
He couldn't see it coming but he got it anyway
The times may change but they still feel the same.

The man did say to him
While everyone grinned
'Oh are you in trouble now'
'We're taking you downtown'.

Forget a slap on the wrist
Can't even raise a fist
Now he's in custody
They're gonna make him see.

He couldn't see it coming but he got it anyway
The times may change but they still feel the same
The kind of sacrifice
Too much for his wife.

Today's world for a man
A dark and distant land
Cut short his time of stay
His freedom taken away.

Not to mention his life
Going out in the night

He couldn't see it coming but he got it anyway
The times may change but they still feel the same.

In just 200 years
Tryin to instil fear
Oh how far have we come
Look at what we have done.

His tree will was the cost
Remember what he lost
Ask what's the solution
Time for revolution

He couldn't see it coming but he got it anyway
The times may change but they still feel the same.

JON WILLIAMS
Via email

Darug mob get together

Last month the Darug Tribal Aboriginal Corporation held its annual Darug reunion. They put on a barbecue lunch for all the Darug people we have been able to make contact with.

Through the corporation and our website, we try to make contact with as many Darug people as we can. This year, even with the wet, windy weather, we had close to 100 people share the day. We exchanged family and tribal info and shared old photos.

It's a great time to bring together as many Darug people as we can from as many of our clans as we can.

Our tribe are the traditional owners of Sydney region from the coast out to the Blue Mountains, up to the Hawkesbury and down to Appin. There are still many of us living in Sydney

and a good many live all around Australia.

The Budsworth mob are descended from Kitty, who was from Prospect clan. Most of the others are from Yarramundi's clan from Richmond. His daughter, Maria, was the first Aborigine to marry a white man. She married Robert Lock, who was transported here from Norfolk, England, for stealing geese to feed the family.

Please feel free to take a look at our Darug genealogy website at <http://darugweavers.tripod.com/ourblackandwhitefamily/>

And if your ancestry is Darug, please contact me via email on yayla55au@yahoo.com.au.



LIZ LOCK
Sydney, NSW

The author of this letter Liz Lock is pictured third from the left, with other Darug people.

Seeking Clara Varcoe

I am trying to find a good friend of mine (a sistagirl), who I have sadly lost contact with for nearly two years.

Clara Varcoe is a beautiful Ngarrindjeri soul, aged 22, from Murray Bridge and we last had contact in my home town of Alice Springs.

If any one know her whereabouts, can you please pass on this information to her, which will be deadly unnah. Nukkan Ya and stay strong.

MINUNGKA McINERNY
Cape Tribulation, Qld
ddeadly@yahoo.com.au

Living under a dictatorship

I am writing in response to Heidi Mirti's letter – Ashamed to be an Australian – in the Koori Mail on 4 July 2007.

As much as I have compassion for the Indigenous people in Australia because of all the wrongs done to them and as much as I have compassion for all people around the world who suffer continuously for no fault of their own at the hands of others, I cannot go along with Heidi Mirtl's comment about the 'indifference' that supposedly existed in Germany to allow the holocaust to happen.

Little does Heidi Mirtl know what it feels like living under a dictatorship with no freedom of speech – indifference was not the case – it was the system and the fear created by the system that determined things.

It is easy to speak off the cuff and point the finger from the safety and comfort of your armchair when you live in an environment that does not pose the same threats, as people in Germany had to live through – namely ending up in a concentration camp themselves.

Has 60 years of 'picking on Germany' improved anything around the world? Aren't horrific atrocities still a daily occurrence?

The question would be 'Why does nothing change for the better'? The answer is that, considering what is happening here, could one not say that there is and has been much indifference in a 'free' country like Australia?

But indifference is not the real reason. The real reason is not to know how to be different and how to live and express that difference. If I have the awareness, how I can bring changes, and how can I be the living example?

There's no need to put the blame out there any longer because if I have the awareness and if I am the example, I can begin to influence other in a very positive and natural way.

I do not have to be negative by feeling ashamed of being an Australian.

REINER SCHMITT
Melbourne, Vic



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Ask your GP about a flu shot – they're free for Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders over the age of 50.

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Shame, and no respect

Through thousands and thousands of years, in all of our beliefs, paintings, music, dancing, songs, storytelling about our ways of life and living our lore, there was a thing called respect. We were proud people, a caring and sharing people, a family of blood.

Now, we forget who we are.
Why? The only ones who can do that is us, no-one else, especially not the white man.

Where's our culture, language, lore? What's going on with our people?

It's our fault for believing in the white man's system, his sick games, his band-aids fixes but most of all, his maze where he leads you in the entrance, tells us 'you'll be right', gets our confidence back and leads us forward more, then leaves us.

The white man doesn't care. It was his plan in the first place. He cons you up, gets what he wants. See you later, black man.

Yet, through all this, we still believe.
Look at what is happening to us. We can stop this, all this sickness, alcohol, drugs – the white man's ways.

Wake up and smell the roses, my brothers. You are warriors of a proud and ancient race, the oldest on the earth, our mother.

I'll say it now: When the white man put his foot on our shores, he wasn't glad to see us Aborigines.

MURRUM
Wreck Bay, ACT

YOUR POETRY

Life's Lonely Road

When you walk down life's lonely road,
don't look down at this road you walk
Look ahead though the burden you may
carry is hard
Guidance from professional ones can
help and heal you
To a certain extent in what you're going
through
Be positive in thinking love from family is
a medication is life although at
Times upsets can be caused through
faults of yours or theirs but do not falter
Take a look around you, appreciate it, on
this road you walk
Stroll through the parks feel the soft
under your bare feet, and take in
The scent and the fragrant perfume of
the flowers and trees blossom around
you
Release what negative attitude you have,
hold your head up high
Set your shoulders straight, and say I'm
going to conquer this road I walk,
Why did I write this, because I have been
and conquered this road,
Now I have been diagnosed with a
serious illness, no obstacle or hazard is
going to deter me
Through the love and trust of a family
member, I'll conquer this road over again
regardless of what course I'll have to
take.

DALE BACKO
Brisbane, Qld

What did you do with my children?

That's what he'll say on the day
When you're standing in the throne room
What are you going to say?

Did you care for, encourage them, let
them be free

Or did you cut off their wings
And give them too many boundaries.

Did you lift them up, after you pushed
them down?
Or leave them there as you passed with a
frown.

My beautiful children on whom you did
tread
You trashed their hearts and spirits
Made them the walking dead.

You would have done better to have
taken their hand
Walked in unity through this land
Learn from their laughter
Their love, their ways.

In doing this you would have
Extended their days
But as it stands
I'm sorry to say

Outside the land of plenty you must stay.

DEIDRE CURRIE
Tweed Heads, NSW

Why

Your land, my land, our land
One sea, one moon, one God
Your religion, my religion, our religion
We all have faith in what we believe in
Yet we criticise one another for this

Why?

Unprovoked wars happening around us
Innocent women and children dying
Greed for land power in this turmoil
Are world leaders trying to eradicate this
To shoulder some of the blame if not

Why?

This world's not changing for the better
Poverty famine destruction

All this phenomenon happening around
us
Is it an act of God or the changing
Of power and structure of our universe
Will future generations be seeing it over

Why?

Will we ever come together as one
As we are in one heart one mind one soul
If not

Why?

DALE BACKO
Brisbane, Qld

Island Girl

Like a dream you've come to me
My island girl across the sea
I heard your voice I seen you smile
On your beautiful tropical isle.

Tender moments you in my arms
The beauty of your island charm
Hand in hand we strolled along the
beach
Gently waves broke around our feet.

Sat and watched the crimson sun
Reflecting colour of a rainbow
As it rose up from the sea
This is the place lovely island girl and me.

The island rose placed in your hair
Frangipani hibiscus flowers
Fragrant perfume in the air
Strumming guitars island love song
Come from your lips
Dance of loved swayed from your hips.

Oh Island girl I love you more
And to be with you
On your island shore.

DALE BACKO
Brisbane, Qld



Australian Government

Department of Families, Community Services
and Indigenous Affairs

National Indigenous Leadership Programs

Applications are now open for the Australian Government's
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The leadership programs have been running since 2004 with over 600 Indigenous women, men and youth completing their leadership journeys.

We are looking for individuals with drive and energy, who will embrace opportunity to develop their leadership skills for themselves, their families and their communities.

The Australian Government offers three separate programs which will run from December 2007 to May 2008:

- Indigenous Community Women's Leadership Program
- Indigenous Community Men's Leadership Program
- Indigenous Community Youth Leadership Program (ages 18 to 25 inclusive)

The Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) will pay for all travel and accommodation costs associated with the program.

To obtain application forms and information packs, visit: www.facsia.gov.au/Indigenous or phone: 1800 249 873

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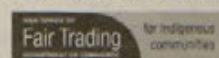
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Troy backs musos

By SOLUA MIDDLETON

NSW

Aboriginal country music star Troy Cassar-Daley has thrown his name behind a country music scholarship for Indigenous people.

The Troy Cassar-Daley Scholarship will fund an Indigenous country music artist based in NSW to attend the nationally recognised Australian College of Country Music.

Country Music Association of Australia (CMAA) Projects Officer Cath Grippo said the CMAA established the scholarship to honour Troy and his contribution to Australian country music.

"Troy's dedication to his career can be used as great inspiration to young Indigenous artists who have the desire to succeed in the music industry," she said.

"This scholarship was created to encourage young Indigenous artists to become involved in Australian country music.

"Country music has a long history with the Indigenous community, for years the likes of Slim Dusty toured extensively throughout remote regional areas and formed very close relationships with many

communities.

"The CMAA would like to encourage these relationships to continue so that the stories of our culture and country can be told through songs and music."

Thrilled with the scholarship, Troy Cassar-Daley said the CMAA Australian College of Country Music is an incredible opportunity for any artist to attend, and that he was honoured to be involved.

"The College has always encouraged Indigenous artists to apply, but now through this scholarship a placement is guaranteed," he said.

"Country music has played such an important and positive role in my life and I would encourage any Indigenous artist to follow their dreams, just like I did."

He told the Koori Mail his reasons for supporting this scholarship was to give an opportunity to the community.

"Because some people have a lot of talent but they never get an opportunity because of a lack of funding. People shouldn't miss out on opportunities because of their financial circumstances," he said.

"I've seen quite a bit of talent over the years and that was also a big reason for me supporting the scholarship.

"I hope it gives someone an

opportunity to have a look at our industry as a viable way to make a living."

Ms Grippo said that there has been some excellent interest shown from right across NSW and that applications had started to arrive from people with very diverse backgrounds.

"We are encouraging musicians, singers and songwriters to apply as the course will be beneficial to anyone of those backgrounds," she said.

The scholarship covers the tuition fee as well as accommodation and meals valued in excess of \$2600.

"The College provides an excellent opportunity for an artist to make important contacts within the music industry, learn from some of the best tutors around and perform with other talented students," Ms Grippo said.

"This course is a specialist course that concentrates on creativity and professional development."

● Applications for the Troy Cassar-Daley Scholarship will be accepted until the 31 August. For more information contact Cath Grippo at the Country Music Association of Australia on (02) 6766 1577 or email cathgrippo@country.com.au



Aboriginal country music star Troy Cassar-Daley

Review of the Juvenile Justice Act 1992

The Queensland Government is conducting a review of the *Juvenile Justice Act 1992*.

The purpose of the review is to assess current laws and policy to ensure that Queensland provides a best practice youth justice system.

Participating in the review

Any suggestions for amendments to current laws and policy can be outlined in a submission.

An Issues Paper to help in developing submissions is available at www.communities.qld.gov.au

The *Juvenile Justice Act 1992* and the *Juvenile Justice Regulation 2003* can be accessed at www.legislation.qld.gov.au

Submission process

Submissions are due on Friday, 19 October 2007 and can be emailed or posted to:

Email: legislationproject@communities.qld.gov.au

Post: **Review of the Juvenile Justice Act 1992**
Strategic Policy Directorate
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GPO Box 806
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Or you can make an online submission at www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au

Submissions will be analysed and the findings used to guide review recommendations.

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Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

Mental Health Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme: Mental Health Nursing

Applications are being sought from interested persons to apply for the Mental Health Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme. Mental Health Nursing, looking to commence study in 2008.

The Mental Health Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme: Mental Health Nursing is a long term initiative funded by the Australian Government to encourage and support people interested in undertaking postgraduate study in the field of mental health nursing.

The aim of the Scheme is to address the current shortage of qualified mental health professionals by increasing the number of students who enter and complete their study in mental health nursing. Scholarships are provided to assist students in meeting their accommodation, living and travel costs whilst at university.

Scholarship holders will receive up to \$10,000 for full time study or \$5,000 for part time study in the year 2008. Provided students continue to meet the eligibility requirements, scholarship funds will be received over the normal duration of their postgraduate degree in mental health nursing. The maximum scholarship amount for each student will be \$40,000.

Application packs are available to download on the website www.rcna.org.au. The closing date for applications is Friday 28 September 2007. Further information is available by contacting the Fund Administrator, Royal College of Nursing, Australia on freecall 1800 770 562 or email at scholarships@rcna.org.au.



Our artists on show



More than 100 artworks have been shortlisted for this year's 24th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award, to be announced soon.

A total of 307 works were submitted in the prestigious national art competition.

The award exhibition is open now until 18 November, but a winner will be announced in Darwin next week.

First prize is \$40,000 and there are also four additional media category awards for general painting, bark painting, works on paper

and three-dimensional works – all valued at \$4000 each.

The aim of the Telstra Award, as it has become known, is to recognise the important contribution made by Indigenous artists and to promote appreciation and understanding of the quality and diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art from regional and urban based Indigenous artists throughout Australia, working in tradition and contemporary media.

Last year's 25 finalists sold their artworks for a combined total of more than \$250,000.

The award winners will be announced next Friday, 10 August.



Joshua Bonson, *Skin*,
Synthetic polymer paint
on canvas.



Darnley Island Art Gang, *Darnley Island Story of the Coming of the Light*, Carmen Oul, *July 1 Christianity*, Ella-Rose Savage, *Coming of the Light*, Jimmy Kenny *Thaiday*, Dabad, Franklin Mye, *Coming of the Light*, Racy Oul-Pitt, *Coming of the Light*, Linocut on paper.



Dennis Nona, *Ubririkubiri*, Cast bronze.



Adam Hill, *I am, you are, we are uranium*,
Synthetic polymer paint on canvas.



Danie Mellor,
*Plucked from the
Landscape of the
Curious*,
Mixed media.



Tony Albert, *50perCENT feat. NOTORIOUS B.E.L.L. & Sissy*, Type C photograph.



Nici Cumpston,
Flooded Gum,
Katarapko Creek,
Murray River National Park 2007,
Giclee archival
print on
Hahnemulter
paper mounted
on gator foam.

Keeping Ngadju claim out of court



The West Australian Government and Ngadju native title claimants from the southern

Goldfields have signed an agreement to make a concerted effort over six months to negotiate an out-of-court settlement of the claim.

The 'Statement of Intent', signed in Perth by Deputy

Premier Eric Ripper and claimant representatives, commits both parties to pursue a settlement.

Both parties have agreed not to seek programming of the claim for trial in the Federal Court until the negotiations have ceased.

The Ngadju's traditional lands extend from about 150km west of Norseman to Caiguna, in the east, an area of about 103,000 square

kilometres.

The claimants have appointed six Ngadju negotiators to represent them in discussions with the State's Office of Native Title. They'll be assisted by the Goldfields Land and Sea Council, which played a role in development of the Statement of Intent.

Ngadju claimant, Les Schultz Jnr said the agreement was a great opportunity for finally settling

the claim, which has been in the court since 1995.

"It is important that our people and State Government seize this opportunity to achieve certainty as to access and rights in the claimed area.

"The alternative is lengthy and costly court proceedings and ongoing uncertainty for development projects, which would be in no-one's best interests," Mr Schultz said.



Ngadju claimants at the signing ceremony with WA Deputy Premier Eric Ripper. Johnny Graham, Les Schultz Jnr, Mr Ripper, Eddie McKenzie, Betty Logan and Jamie Murphy.

Karen vies for a purple prize



Karen Fernando wants to be the next Jacaranda Queen. Picture courtesy of the Grafton Daily Examiner.

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Karen Fernando has her eyes on the 'purple prize' in Grafton. It could only be the title of Jacaranda Queen at the Jacaranda Festival, which is held in October in Grafton, in north-eastern New South Wales.

The 19-year-old who hails from Mungindi has lived on and off between Grafton and Brisbane for the last three years.

She said that in the past there had not been many Aboriginal Jacaranda

candidates in the past and she was the only Aboriginal candidate to compete for the title of Jacaranda Queen this year, to be announced during Jacaranda Week.

Each candidate is required to hold fundraising events for the festival and the person who has accumulated the most funds becomes the Queen.

Karen has been busily organising events while also working her café job.

"I have already organised a barefoot bowls day, and I will be running a Deb Ball in October, a golf-day and a Disco on 25 August," she said.

"The hardest part is that you can't quit, you have to keep going until the end."

Karen is very proud of her Aboriginal heritage and saw this as an opportunity to raise the profile of Indigenous people and represent her people.

"I don't see it as winning, for me it is about having a chance to represent my culture," she said.

"It's about having a go and I want to encourage other Aboriginal girls to have a go."

Karen is sponsored by Clothes Pegg, the Ngerri Aboriginal Land Council and Cutting Edge Salon.

Safe Youth – Safe Communities funding initiative

The Safe Youth – Safe Communities initiative is part of the Queensland Government's commitment to addressing youth violence in the Logan-Inala-Ipswich corridor.

Funding is available to an eligible organisation to develop a project which will reduce the level of youth violence by:

- strengthening existing youth networks
- positively engaging and supporting young people in the community and
- identifying and addressing risk factors that contribute to youth violence.

To obtain an information package visit www.communities.qld.gov.au or phone 3884 7804.

Funding submissions must be lodged by 4 pm on Monday 3 September 2007.



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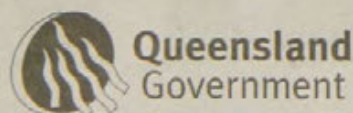
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Dancing their way to Disneyland

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Three young Aboriginal girls from Sydney will embark on an overseas adventure and will get to meet their favourite Disney characters when their dance school takes part in a dance expo at the popular American Disneyland theme park early next year.

Innovative Dance Co young dancers Shani-Lee Bolt, 6, and sisters Teliah Edwards, 6 and Toni Taylor, 9, are excited to be going to the Dance Expo in April.

Shani-Lee's mum, Kylie Wilson, said the girls' dance school heard about Dance Expo in Disneyland.

"The dance school based in Blacktown and Glenmore Park auditioned by sending a school concert video to Disneyland," she said.

"The trip and experience will be a once-in-a-lifetime and fantastic opportunity for our girls. The girls also have to dance for 30-minute performances."

The three girls learn jazz, tap and hip-hop each Wednesday as well as rehearsing every Thursday night for the Disney trip.

"Our girls are the youngest dancers from the school and also the only Koori students going," said Ms Wilson.

Shani-Lee has been dancing for three years. Toni for two years and Teliah for one year.

"The seven-day trip to Disneyland will include two performances at Disneyland, two dance workshops – one in Disneyland and one in Hollywood – and some fun stuff for the group like a tour of Disneyland, Universal Studios and Hollywood," said Ms Wilson.

This will be Shani-Lee and Teliah's first trip overseas, and Toni's second trip to America, as her grandparents live there.

Ms Wilson said they were fundraising to get the girls over to Disneyland.

"The fares for the girls are \$3000 each, and they also have to have dance costumes and shoes," she said.

"The trip isn't subsidised, so we are aiming to raise funds to pay for the girls fares, shoes and costumes."

● If there any readers or businesses would like to support the girls, they can contact Kylie Wilson on (0421) 619 617 or contact the Koori Mail.



Shani-Lee Bolt, 6, and sisters Teliah Edwards, 6 and Toni Taylor, 9, are excited to be going to Disneyland, USA

Yalari Limited, is a not for profit company committed to the empowerment, motivation and support of indigenous children throughout Australia. Yalari is located on the Gold Coast.

Yalari has a vision of providing and supporting 250 Indigenous students from rural and remote communities access boarding schools throughout Australia.

Yalari is advising Parents/Guardians and Communities that there are places available for students to apply for a scholarship under Rosemary Bishop Indigenous Education Scholarship Program in 2008.

Scholarships are open to students willing to start their senior education in Year 7 in NSW, VIC and TAS. For students in QLD and SA they will begin in Year 8. Applications can be accessed on the Yalari website.

www.yalari.org
More information: Yalari Office 07 5570 3162.
Applications close for 2008 enrolment: Friday August 31 2007.



RURAL AND REGIONAL TASKFORCE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN A COMMUNITY FORUM PARKES, 23 AUGUST 2007

The Rural and Regional Taskforce has been convened to provide advice to the Premier on key economic, environmental and social issues affecting rural and regional communities. It will be consulting with communities across NSW.

The membership of the Taskforce comprises the Hon Richard Torbay, Speaker of the NSW Legislative Assembly and Member for Northern Tablelands, Mr Steve Whan, Country Labor Member for Monaro, and Dr Col Gellatly, former Director General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The Taskforce wants to hear from interested community members to identify:

- Current and emerging factors driving changes in demand for, and the delivery of, services to rural and regional communities; and
- Potential actions to address current and emerging economic, environmental and social issues affecting rural and regional communities.

This is about getting action on the ground to deliver services that best meet the needs and the priorities of rural and regional communities.

If you would like to participate in a community forum at Parkes on the 23 August 2007, from 5.30 to 7.30pm please register no later than 20 August by e-mailing your name and contact details to rt@dpc.nsw.gov.au or phone (02) 6884 7404.

The Taskforce also welcomes submissions to the enquiry whether or not you are able to attend. Submissions should be forwarded to rt@dpc.nsw.gov.au or can be posted to the Rural and Regional Taskforce, GPO Box 5341, Sydney NSW 2001. For more information on the Rural and Regional Taskforce, and how to make a submission go to www.nsw.gov.au and follow the links.



QUEENSLAND WATER
INFRASTRUCTURE PTY LTD

Authorisation Meeting – Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) for the proposed Wyaralong Dam

Under the Native Title Act 1993

Queensland Water Infrastructure Pty Ltd (QWI) is proposing the development of the Wyaralong Dam. The dam is required to meet expected additional water demands of the South East Queensland region. QWI intends to construct and operate the proposed Wyaralong Dam in the area shown on the map below.

A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that there is a registered native title claim, Jagera People #2 (QC03/15), that covers part of the project area north of Teviot Brook, as depicted in the map below. QWI has been negotiating with representatives of the Jagera People #2 about an ILUA under which consent to the development of that portion of the Wyaralong Dam that falls within the external boundary of the Jagera People #2 native title claim would be given. Authorisation of the ILUA by the Jagera People #2 is sought in accordance with the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

Therefore, Jagera People (which includes the Yuggera, Ugarapul and Jagera groups), along with any other person who claims to hold native title in relation to that portion of the proposed Wyaralong Dam that falls within the external boundary of the Jagera People #2 native title claim, are invited to attend a meeting for the purpose of seeking authorisation of the proposed ILUA.

The meeting details are:

Location: Indooroopilly Golf Club – Meiers Road, Indooroopilly

Date: Sunday 19 August 2007

Time: 10:30am

Locality map for the proposed Wyaralong Dam



Existing native title claims over the proposed Wyaralong Dam



For further information, please contact QWI on 1800 225 384 or one of the following Jagera People Native Title Negotiation Team members:

Clarrina McDonald (Ugarapul)	0423 425 763
Michelle Thomson (Yuggera)	0423 663 689
Madonna Williams (Jagera)	0434 303 382

NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION MEETING FOR A NEW WANGKUMARRA NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION APPLICATION

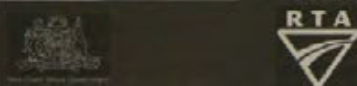
ALL WANGKUMARRA PEOPLE are invited and urged to attend an AUTHORISATION MEETING under the NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) in respect of a NEW WANGKUMARRA NATIVE TITLE CLAIM over Traditional Land in South West Queensland and North West New South Wales (see Map).

Venue: Gordon Neighbourhood Centre - Spears Drive, Dubbo, NSW

Date: Sunday 12th August 2007 commencing at 10.00am.

Contact Eddy Neumann Lawyers for information, assistance with attendance or if you are unable to attend:

Phone (02) 9264 9933 or Fax (02) 9264 9966 or
email: enl@eddyneumann.com.au



Gerringong to Bomaderry Princes Highway Upgrade Community information session

August 2007

You are invited to attend an information session on **Saturday 11 August 2007** to meet and talk to a number of the project specialists about the findings of their field investigations and initial works.

Two sessions have been organised and will consist of a presentation on each of the topics listed below. Sufficient time has been allocated for discussion.

- Flora and fauna
- Flooding
- Cultural heritage
- Traffic

Session 1: 11am-1.15pm

Session 2: 1.45pm-4pm

Location

Berry Showground Agricultural Pavilion,
Cnr Albany Street and Victoria Street at Berry

Study update

A shortlist of feasible route options is expected to be displayed for public comment later this year.

For further information please contact the project information line on 1800 506 976 or visit www.rta.nsw.gov.au.



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Helping apprentices



Embracing a positive cultural change by making the choice to employ an Indigenous Australian apprentice can help companies become community leaders, says one such employer based in

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More than 500 occupations are covered by Australian Apprenticeships from Certificate level to Diploma/Advanced Diploma qualifications in the industry areas of agriculture, horticulture, building and construction, community services and health, hospitality and food.

VECCI Apprenticeships Services has been contracted by the Australian Government to deliver Australian Apprenticeships Support Services throughout the State and has 17 offices located throughout Victoria.

The company assists employers to determine which qualifications are most suited to their staff, help the employer connect with training providers and assess eligibility for financial assistance from the Commonwealth Government.

For example, up to \$4000 in Australian Government incentives are available to employers for each eligible employee as well as additional incentives for rural and regional skills shortages, Australian school-based apprenticeships, declared drought areas, and mature aged workers.

There are also some financial benefits available to Australian Apprentices including Commonwealth Trade Learning Scholarships, tools for their trade, apprentice trade bonuses and living away from home allowance.

Not-for-profit company VICTEC has committed to employing Indigenous apprentices through its Indigenous program, which company's Indigenous program began about two-and-a-half years ago with the appointment of Aboriginal man Terry Shadforth as its Indigenous field officer.

Originally from Broome, in Western Australia, Mr Shadforth moved to Melbourne at the age of 12 on a school scholarship and lived with host parents.

He began a refrigeration apprenticeship and was employed with Frigrite refrigeration for 32 years. He moved up in the company and became a supervisor and Victorian Project Manager overseeing jobs.

Mr Shadforth was approached by the Plumbers Union to work with VICTEC to mentor a group of young Aboriginal plumbing apprentices from WA and NT.

That mentorship has encompassed a range of initiatives, including a cultural exchange program with St Mary's College, in Broome, and an Indigenous Co-op program in Broome where local Broome students who complete Year 12, go through a 12-month trades and job readiness program to prepare for future training and employment.

VICTEC travels to Broome to talk to these potential students who are interested in a trade based apprenticeship in Melbourne, and provides support, such as accommodation in Melbourne and travel in the first year of their apprenticeship.

Tehani Mahony is one of VICTEC's many success stories of Indigenous students within the apprenticeship program.

She is completing a four-year plumbing apprenticeship and works with host employer AG Coombes.

She gave up her university nursing studies in Broome to begin her apprenticeship in Melbourne after being invited by VICTEC to join the program.

Tehani's hard work and dedication were recognised as the winner of the 2006 NAIDOC Achievement Award.

"Tehani has demonstrated great aptitude, diligence and enthusiasm throughout her plumbing apprenticeship, especially being a female and indigenous person in a male dominated trade," Terry Shadforth said. "She'll be a great asset to the plumbing industry and her community."

Once she completes her apprenticeship, Tehani hopes to open her own plumbing business back home in Broome.



● LEFT: Plumbing apprentice Tehani Mahony (left) with Terry Shadforth who works for not-for-profit company VICTEC as an Indigenous field officer and mentor.

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For this exciting event world leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Dr Ella Simmons, Vice President and Heather Dawn Small, Director of Women's Ministries, will be our special guests.

In addition to presentations by Heather Dawn and Dr Ella, delegates will join work groups that will begin the process of developing strategies to address these issues in their respective home regions.

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Expression of Interest

Area Health Advisory Council Membership

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced persons to join the South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Advisory Council.

The AHAC:

- Directly advises the chief executive
- Is responsible for facilitating the involvement of health consumers, local community members and clinicians in the development of policies, plans and strategies for the provision of health services
- Is comprised of clinical and community representatives who ideally live or work within the Area Health Service.

Criteria. Members will have strong community or clinical links with a commitment to improving health services. A commitment to teamwork, consultation, advocacy, strategic thinking, critical analysis skills and cultural sensitivity are also required.

Applications are particularly encouraged from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, women, people from culturally diverse backgrounds, young people and people with disabilities.

Inquiries / Application kit: Visit www.sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au or contact Ross Johnston, Manager Community Participation, Telephone: 9314 6022 • E-mail: ross.johnston@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 20 August 2007



Department of
Environment and Climate Change

AUDIT OF SYDNEY WATER CATCHMENT

In accordance with the Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998, the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) is undertaking an audit of Sydney's drinking water catchment. The audit is undertaken every two years to provide a snapshot of the health of the catchment.

This audit will focus on the priority subcatchments within the Sydney Water Catchment area. The priority subcatchments are:

Lower Cocks River	Mid Cocks River	Upper Cocks River
Mulwaree River	Upper Wollondilly River	Wollondilly River
Warriambi Creek	Wingecarribee River	Kangaroo River

The audit will be assessing the condition of the catchment using indicators relevant to raw water supply, managing water resources, land condition and ecosystem health.

The DECC is inviting interested parties to make a submission presenting any information or data covering the audit period from 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2007 that may assist the conduct of the audit, and to provide comments relating to the state of the catchment in this period. While submissions may relate to any part of the catchment, the audit particularly welcomes information or data relating to the priority subcatchments.

Please send submissions to:

Sydney Water Catchment Audit
c/- Strategic Science Section
NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change
PO Box A290
Sydney South NSW 1232.

or email them to: swca2007@environment.nsw.gov.au

The closing date for the receipt of submissions is 3 September 2007. Inquiries regarding the audit and its terms of reference can be made to Neale Philip on (02) 9995 5624.



Course participant Annie Patterson gets boating instruction from AACC trainer Paul Tracey.

Mixing the old and the new



Community rangers from Kowanyama, on the Cape York Peninsula, are patrolling their homelands with new skills, melding traditional land management techniques with those taught by a registered training organisation.

Thirteen Aboriginal staff are working to ensure the continued care and maintenance of the Kowanyama Aboriginal Trust Lands, including Deed of Grant in Trust Lands (DOGIT), Oriniers and Sefton pastoral leases on the Cape after undertaking the Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management through the Australian Agricultural College Corporation (AACC).

The course was run in conjunction with 18 months of field-based experience as a component of the Kowanyama Aboriginal Lands and Natural Resource Management Offices training and employment program.

"That course was alright for me," said course participant Annie Patterson.

"I really enjoyed all that training, but the best part was the boating course, where we learned to drive the ranger boat."

Experienced trainers from AACC's Mareeba campus travelled to the community to deliver the training and of the 15 enrolments, 13 participants completed field-based training and the formal training period last February.

"Of those completing, five gained their full Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management (General) with the rest gaining a statement of attainment for competencies completed," trainer Paul Tracey said.

"Overall, it was a very positive and socially relevant course consisting of project-based

training and assessment reflecting the actual work the trainees did in their roles as Homeland rangers.

"Two of trainees have been employed by the KALNMO as rangers, some of the remaining trainees – as part of their CDEP arrangements – are fulfilling their roles as Homeland supervisors, monitoring and managing environmental concerns in their homelands.

"There are also a number of short-term employment opportunities being offered to the trainees, including cultural mapping, fauna monitoring (sea turtles), and intensive weed management programs which may see them employed under six-month contracts."

Homeland Ranger co-ordinator Arvid Hogstrom was pleased with how well the trainees participated in the Certificate Course and said that KALNMO would certainly discuss future training opportunities and requirements with AACC to see how they could further assist.

"The training course provided a good background in land management and general workplace practices," he said.

"It will provide a good grounding for Kowanyama's ranger program and for NRM activities being carried out across the DOGIT."

● Kowanyama is located on Aboriginal Trust Lands on Cape York Peninsula and has a population of about 1200 people. The community comprises the direct descendants of the Indigenous inhabitants of the Lower Mitchell and Alice Rivers and neighbouring areas now held by pastoral tenants.

Royalties from MRM, at last



The operators of one of world's largest zinc mines has made its first royalty payment to the Northern Territory Government ... after 12 years.

On 16 July, McArthur River Mine (MRM), near the Gulf of Carpentaria, handed over \$13.06 million, which is half of the total royalty payment for 2007.

MRM was the first major mining development following the High Court's 1992 Mabo decision recognising native title.

Despite this, the company – owned by Swiss Mining Giant Xstrata – has paid no royalties to date. But because of a controversial \$110-million project to divert the McArthur River by 5.5km, transforming the mine from underground to open

cut and extending its life, MRM general manager Brian Hearne said the company was making more money.

One of the three largest mines in the Territory, MRM started processing operation in 1995 and Mr Hearne said an economic impact study found it had so far generated \$3.5 billion worth of economic benefits to the region.

Last month, MRM officially set aside \$32 million to be managed in a trust fund for the Aboriginal people of Borroloola, where the mine is located.

Mr Hearne said the royalty payments were calculated based on revenue, operating costs, capital deductions, exploration expenses and other deductions approved by the NT Treasurer. –AAP



Mark Olive with students Tammy Bennell and Hiroshi Masatora who hope to open their own restaurants.

Spicing up cooking course

Story by KEN BOASE
Photo by ALITA BOASE



Celebrity chef Mark Olive (also known as 'the Black Olive') was the guest speaker and lecturer at a special 'taster' chef's course at West Coast TAFE in Perth last month, introducing 25 Indigenous students to Indigenous cuisine and general knife skills.

The unique four-day taster course was an introduction to the trade and those interested will go on to complete a two-year chef's course at the TAFE hospitality and catering school, emerging as fully qualified chefs.

During the course, students will have the opportunity to do on-the-job paid training and Mr Olive said the program was a great opportunity for Indigenous students to be inspired and work towards their dream of becoming a qualified chef or even managing their own restaurant.

"I've been involved in a lot of courses around the country, but really I think this is unique because it does give the kids support," said Mr Olive, a Bundjalung man from northern New South Wales.

"I think it will be an insight for Indigenous people that you can go out there, you can go and run your own café, there's an opportunity there, and doing this course will give them the groundwork for that."

Mr Olive introduced students at the taster course to an impressive range of Indigenous herbs and spices, which they can incorporate into their expertise when they graduate from the two-year course.

"We do have a unique Australian cuisine here, it is uniquely Australian, it is Indigenous and it's been here for thousands of years."

"People haven't tapped into it. Our national cuisine is not a Fosters and a pie, so I think we've now created an industry and are starting to build an industry that's exciting. It's new and it's uniquely Indigenous."

One of the students, Hiroshi Masatora, said he planned to use his Aboriginal-Japanese heritage to influence his cooking, as well as other family influences including Malaysian cuisine.

"I like to cook so I decided to do this chef's course, and during the taster course we learned how to use a knife and we tasted the different herbs," Mr Masatora said.

"I want to be a chef and one day own my own restaurant or work in mines or even go overseas."

"I like Malaysian food because of my uncle married into the family and he's a chef and he cooks all kinds of seafood up in Broome, where I come from."

Nyoongar mother-of-four Tammy Bennell, who is already an experienced cook, said she wanted to do the course as a gift to herself after raising her children and cooking for big family occasions and public feasts in her home town of Brookton.

"I've been cooking since I was 13 and we do things like kangaroo stews and dampers, lasagne and spaghetti bolognese to feed big crowds like at NAIDOC Week in Brookton," she said.

Black films on new website

Moving image clips from the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) are among more than 500 Australian clips now available on the internet.



Australia's audio-visual heritage is accessible as never before with the launch of a new website, australianscreenonline, developed by the Australian Film Commission (AFC).

The \$2.4 million initiative offers the public access to a vast collection of excerpts of Australian feature films, television drama, documentaries, news reels, home movies and other historical material.

The website contains clips gathered from the collections of the AFC's partners in australianscreenonline, including the National Film and Sound Archive, The National Archives of Australia, the ABC, SBS and AIATSIS, and from the country's independent production sector.

That figure is expected to grow to more than 2500 clips by July 2008 and will continue to expand.

Launching the website in Sydney, Federal Communications Minister Helen Coonan said the website would prove a treasure trove for film lovers and an educational resource for students.

"Australia has a rich cinematic and television history," Senator Coonan said.

"Now, for the first time, all Australians, regardless of where they live, can access and explore this heritage."

"australianscreenonline will also provide a platform for us to showcase our cultural history to the rest of the world."

AFC chair Maureen Barron said Australians could now sample footage from the past 100 years.

"This unique project provide access to Australia's audio visual heritage in the digital age," she said.

"Nothing as comprehensive as this is freely available elsewhere."

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Community gets new sports oval

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



The tiny northern New South Wales community of Malabugilmah, north-west of Grafton, recently opened the fields of its new sporting oval.

The Malabugilmah football oval and wetlands project took a little under two years to complete and was managed by Yabur Yulgun CDEP Aboriginal Corporation.

Marketing manager Haydon Burford said the project was initiated after the concerns of semi-raw sewerage running into the local creek were raised by local residents.

"The project aimed to redirect and recycle the effluent in holding tanks to clusters where the process would result in the final product being very clear water which was then pumped on to the oval," he said.

"The oval, when the turf is fully activated, will be a competition standard oval of very high quality," he said.

"It will be used by surrounding communities such as Tabulam for raining, school carnivals, and more."

The official oval opening attracted around 60 people.

"It was a really good day," said Mr Burford. "There was a great sense of pride and achievement there from the people that worked to the community."

"They could see the results of the hard yakka. For people to look back and see what they did, if we can do it in our community then others can do it in their communities."

"This not only created employment or the duration of the project, but here are now four workers who will end to the needs of the oval."

"Some of the workers came out certified in a range of different expertise."

"It was a joint venture between the Malabugilmah community and Yabur Yulgun, as well as support from many groups."

The oval project was the subject of a Share Responsibility Agreement between Yabur Yulgun and the Australian Government.

It is understood the NSW Government will provide sporting equipment and a Sport and Recreation co-ordinator to organise sports programs and coaching clinics, while the Clarence Valley Council will help with maintenance and develop an asset management plan.



The Malabugilmah football oval is ready being put to good use by local sporting groups.



Some of the CDEP team from Yabur Yulgun CDEP Aboriginal Corporation who worked on the Malabugilmah football oval and wetlands project.

● INSET: Allan Boota (left) received a Student Achievement Award for his participation in the project.



NSW Department of Corrective Services



2007/2008 Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program

Applications for funding under the 2007/2008 Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program are invited from eligible incorporated, non-profit, community-based organisations that provide services to victims of violent crime.

The aim of the program is to provide opportunities for offenders, through profits from prison labour programs, to make reparation to the community through financial assistance to victims of crime support organisations.

A maximum funding allocation of \$15,000 per organisation is currently available for non-recurrent projects and resources. Applications which seek to assist the following priority target groups are particularly encouraged: children & youth; people in rural and isolated areas; Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people; people from a non-English Speaking Background; people with disabilities; and older people.

For application forms and further details, please contact Ms Tova Podjarski by e-mail at Tova.Podjarski@dcs.nsw.gov.au or telephone on (02) 8346 1064

Application forms can also be downloaded via the Department of Corrective Service's website at: www.dcs.nsw.gov.au - Community Engagement - Community Funding Programs

Applications close Monday 10 September 2007. Ref: 0707-34

Public notice Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment for Edmondson Park

The Growth Centres Commission and Liverpool City Council have commenced the preparation of a Development Control Plan (DCP) for Edmondson Park, a precinct of the South West Growth Centre.

Expressions of interest are being sought from interested Aboriginal groups or persons to participate in aspects of the Edmondson Park release area Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment. The Edmondson Park release area is located in south west Sydney within the Liverpool and Campbelltown local government areas, positioned between Camden Valley Way and the Hume Highway.


Interested Aboriginal groups or persons are required to submit a written expression of interest that outlines their cultural interest in the area, and their ability to provide Aboriginal cultural heritage information about the area. Identified interested parties will be notified and registered for a future consultation meeting to be held in August.

Any group or individual wishing to participate in the Aboriginal Heritage Study process for Edmondson Park must register their interest in writing to the Growth Centres Commission at PO Box 1457, Parramatta NSW 2124 providing the information requested above. Expressions of interest must be received by 5pm Wednesday 15 August.

Maps identifying the Edmondson Park area are available from www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au or by contacting Maria Fabian at Liverpool City Council on 02 9821 9500.



A CDEP worker training in earthworks during the oval project.



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A 'Blak Friday' to remember



More than 1500 people frocked up and rocked on at the National NAIDOC Awards in Darwin on 13 July, 'Blak Friday'.

This year was the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC and the week had a theme of 'Looking Forward, Looking Blak'.

The Koori Mail featured many of the award winners in our previous edition, but here are pictures of others who joined the celebrations, held under the stars, and featuring a fireworks display on the lawns of Darwin's Sun City Casino. At the end of the fun-packed evening, National NAIDOC

Chairman Aden Ridgeway presented ACT NAIDOC Chairman Maurice Walker with a message stick for Canberra, which will be the national focus city for the 2008 national NAIDOC celebrations.

NAIDOC began in 1957 and takes its name from the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Events are now held around Australia to celebrate the history, achievements and diverse and unique cultures and traditions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

— Photos by SOLUA MIDDLETON and SIV PARKER



Senator for the NT Nigel Scullion (right) with Adam Giles.

CEO of NT Health David Ashbridge and Ann Writza.



Cynthia Sarigo with her son and daughter Lindsay and Aileen Bunn.



Desi O'Brien and Marita Hunter, of Darwin.



Peter Detourbet, Peta May and Ilija Jacobs.



Above, from left, Chris Wilson, Jayee Fuller, Camille Lew-Fatt and Brad Welsh.

Michael Long, John Berto and Kirk Whelan.



Travis Wyatt, Jeremy Boucher and Gavin Garland, of Darwin.



● LEFT: NAIDOC officials, from left, Heidi Andrews, Brooke Iancevic, Leanne Townsend, Aden Ridgeway (Chairman) and Anne Martin.



● LEFT: Rear, from left, Barbara Cummings, Cynthia Sarigo, Sherie Foster; front, Rose Damaso, Maria Sarigo and Judy Kennedy.

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Jonathan Dodson, Tonia Armstrong and Deleane Hotze, of Darwin.



Ilija Jacobs and Jaylene Chevalier, of Darwin.



A happy group: Erin Lew Fatt, Darren Peacock, Lindy Quall, Djon Grant and Jodie Lew Fatt.



Leah Ahmat, Jodie Lew Fatt and Lindy Quall.

Michael-John Graham and Kay Villafior, of Darwin.



Fireworks over Darwin.



Marcia Langton.



ACT NAIDOC Chairman Maurice Walker with a message stick for Canberra as the host city of the 2008 national NAIDOC celebrations.



Tony and Yvonne Wood, from Imparja Television.

Wes Miller.



Award presenter Nova Peris.



NAIDOC Chairman Aden Ridgeway presents Artist of the Year Leah Purcell with her award.



Banawurun, featuring Troy n Trevelyn.

NAIDOC 2007 – National Awards – Darwin, NT



I've got your back, brother. A didgeridoo player accompanies Yothu Yindi lead singer Mandawuy Yunupingu.



Reconciliation Australia co-chair Jackie Huggins.



Former Olympic track athlete and hockey player Nova Peris grooved on stage with Yothu Yindi.



The fireworks were spectacular.



The Yothu Yindi dancers.



● ABOVE: The Hagan mob, from left, Rhonda, Stephen, Jim and Lawrence.



● LEFT: Indigenous Person of the Year Mark Bin Bakar and his wife Tania, to whom he paid tribute in his acceptance speech.



Andrew Beams at the VAIEA Movie Day.



Stella Bamblett, Kiewa Austin-Rioli, Kiara Russell at the VACSAL Variety Night.



Ricci Marks Aboriginal Young Achiever of the Year 2007, Dot Bamblett.



Jessica Russell, Naomi Bamblett, Savannah Williams and Alita Thorpe at the VACSAL Variety Night.



Latisha Austin, Caleb Austin, Tyron Austin, Nathan Hutchinson (front).



Lesha Bamblett and Wanika Ellis at the VACSAL variety night.

Kids steal the show

Story and photos by JIRRA LULLA HARVEY in Melbourne



Amongst the hundreds of shivering NAIDOC marchers rugged up in red, black and yellow, one small hand painted sign stood out.

Standing solemnly at Federation Square in Melbourne's CBD, Wendy Brabham, a respected leader in Koori education held a large sheet of paper. It read 'We Look After Our Children'. Adversity has a way of cementing community ties. As the rest of Australia looked on in pity and shame, as news programs debated what to do about so-called 'Aboriginal problems', we united for another successful NAIDOC with 10 days of Indigenous achievement and celebration.

There was a focus on children's activities, and the little ones came out en masse. The Hoyts Cinema Complex came alive with the giggles of hundreds of Koori kids at the VAIEA (Victorian Aboriginal and Islander Education Association) Movie Day.

The 'littlies' stole the show again at the VACSAL (Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Services Association Ltd) Variety Night, as they popped, locked and dropped it for a shocked but lively audience.

While the 50th anniversary was primarily a time to honour and celebrate past achievement, in Looking Forward and Looking Back, the Victorian Aboriginal community acknowledged outstanding future leaders. Mr NAIDOC Victoria Mali Ingram and Miss NAIDOC Victoria Joleen Ryan were among the crowd of well-wishers as Dot

Bamblett and Jamie Lee McConnachie were named the 2007 Ricci Marks Aboriginal Young Achievers of the Year.

Ms Bamblett has crammed more into her 22 years than many people achieve in a lifetime. She is the mother of two young children and the career of two more children, all under the age of five. While undertaking secondary teacher training at the Institute of Koori Education at Deakin University, she volunteers at the Victorian College of Koori Education in Glenroy, with hopes to one day be the school's principal. She is the coach and club secretary of the Cougars basketball team. She is the kind of coach that picks the kids up if they need a lift, the kind that digs into her own pockets if they don't have proper uniforms.

The articulate Ms Lee McConnachie is, in true ambassador form, fighting for young blackfellas to be heard at all levels. Currently undertaking a law degree, Ms Lee McConnachie sits on the Victorian Indigenous Youth Advisory Council, was a 2007 National Youth Week spokesperson, has been selected for the 2007 National Youth Roundtable, and has spoken at the Future Leaders Forum and volunteers at the Children's Court.

As we celebrate the past 50 years of NAIDOC, we can rest assure the next 50 are in good hands.

● In our last edition, we forgot to credit Alison McColl-Bullock of iCatching Photography for photos of the Melbourne NAIDOC official flag raising. We do so here.



Janita Harrison and Shelina Harrison.



Henry Johnston.



Ricci Marks Aboriginal Young Achiever of the Year 2007, Jamie Lee McConnachie.



Female Elder of the Year Margaret Woods (centre) with her husband and Janine Haynes.



Malcolm Anderson, Warren Milera, Male Person of the Year Brian Butler, Tracey Cox, and Female Person of the Year Auntie Doreen Kartinyeri.



Warren Milera his mum.



Neil and Vikki Gillespie



Auntie Josie Agius and friend.

Having a ball in Adelaide



Janine Haynes and Garth Dodd accepting an award for his son Travis Dodd who was named Sportsman of the Year.



Adelaide 'turned it on' for NAIDOC Week with a range of well-attended events encompassing the State NAIDOC Awards, entertainment, community gatherings and political messages. The packed program for the week included a ball and awards night, a flag raising ceremony and Lord Mayor's

Morning Tea at Adelaide Town Hall on Monday 9 July, a further flag raising at Golden Grove Police Station, a special NAIDOC Mass at St Francis Cathedral, and a colourful street march from Victoria Square to a Family Fun Day in Elder Park, on the banks of the River Torrens, on Friday 13 July. Activities at Elder Park included music, a free barbecue, face painting, fashion parade and stalls.

South Australian NAIDOC Chair Janine Haynes said NAIDOC Week celebrated the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"This year NAIDOC has an even greater significance as it celebrates its 50th year of existence," she said. "The events are open to all people to join in and celebrate our culture."

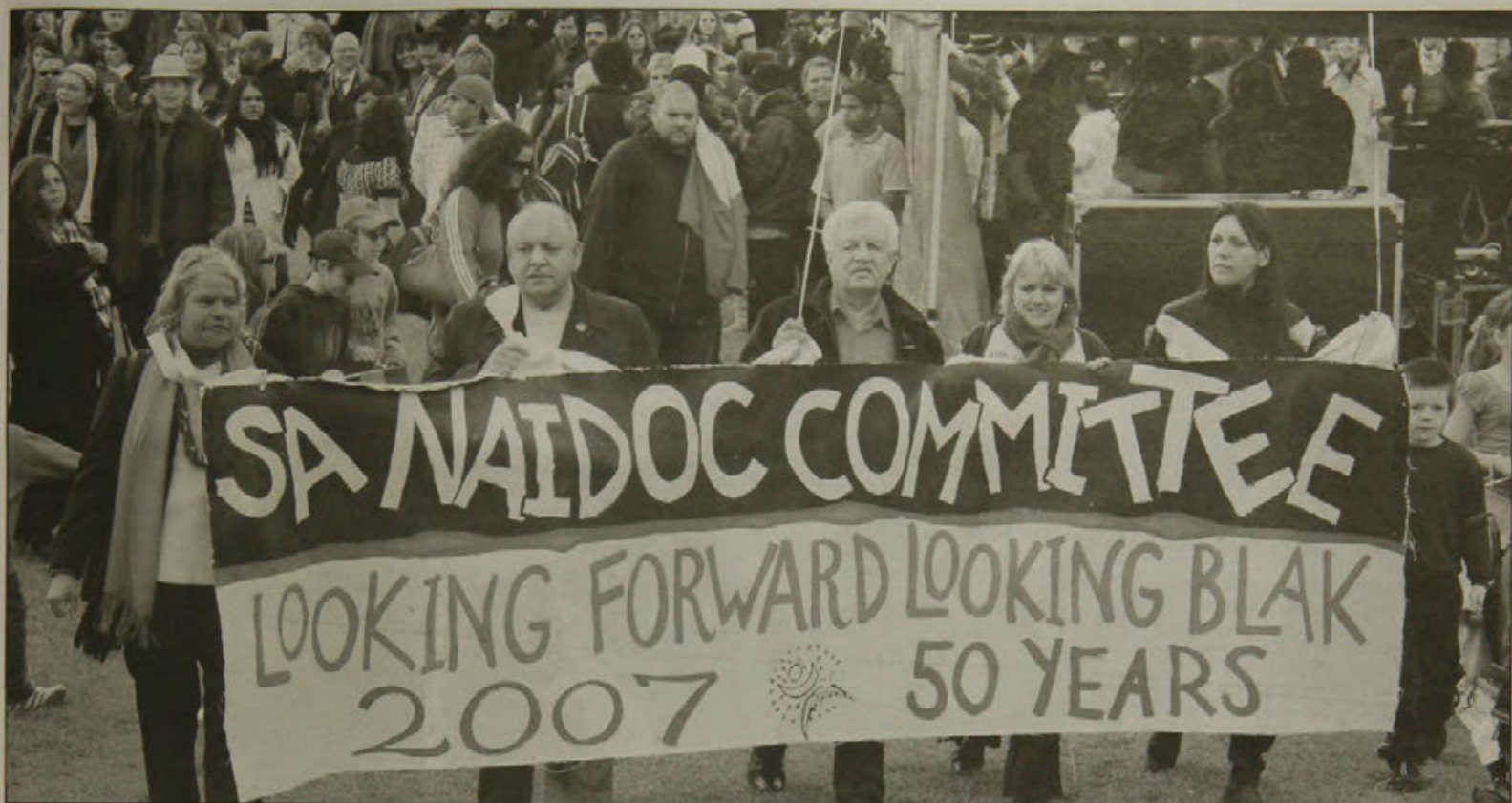


Aunty Mat and Angela Sloan



Malcolm Anderson (Male Elder of the Year) and Janine Haynes.

NAIDOC 2007 – Adelaide, SA



Some of the folk taking part in the NAIDOC march at Elder Park in South Australia. In the centre is Brian Butler, SA NAIDOC Male Person of the Year.



Aunty Muriel Van Der Byl's display.



Jamie Goldsmith and friend.



The march through Elder Park.



These marchers were proud to fly the Aboriginal flag during the NAIDOC march.



Ivan Copley with SA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jay Weatherall and Angus Sloan (in front).



Young models taking part in the Youth Fashion Parade.



How cool do these fellas look? They were taking part in the fashion parade as part of NAIDOC celebrations.



Sharon Meagher takes part in the march.

Non-Aboriginal support strong



NAIDOC Week in Port Augusta, South Australia, was a huge success and enjoyed strong support from the local non-Aboriginal community, according to the Chairman

of the Port Augusta celebrations, Vince Coulthard.

"We had far less funding this year, however, our community got behind NAIDOC and we have just had one of the most successful NAIDOC weeks ever in Port Augusta," Mr Coulthard said.

"This year we have had local non-Aboriginal businesses and organisations who supported our week financially and people also turned out in greater numbers to support the events.

"This is what NAIDOC Week is all about, the whole community coming together to share and celebrate Aboriginal culture and the important role our people play in this community.

"We have worked hard over the years to get more of the wider community involved in our NAIDOC celebrations and it seems, in the 50th year, we were successful and we look forward to this involvement continuing."

Mr Coulthard said the Port Augusta celebrations included a cultural day at Davenport, featuring traditional cooking and dancing.

"We had a lot of non-Aboriginal people as well Aboriginal community members sharing damper, kangaroo and emu, cooked in the traditional way," he said.

"We also had many other events throughout the week, with many community organisations organising their own NAIDOC events.

"The whole week had a real community feel. On Friday we had more than 300 people marching, which is the biggest march we have seen for some time."

Mr Coulthard thanked the many people, businesses and organisations who worked to make Port Augusta's celebrations a success.



Anna Caponi and Port Augusta NAIDOC Chairman Vince Coulthard.



Paul Tanner signing the NAIDOC banner.



Umeewarra Media at the march.



Alena Coulthard was Queen of the Youth Ball.



The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags left the Port Augusta NAIDOC march.



What a cutie!
Ethan Johnson
at the Mini Ball.

Focus on community and health

Photos by NAOMI MORAN



There was a strong focus on community and health at a family day held in Lismore during NAIDOC

Week.

A sizeable crowd soaked up sunshine, while others sought the shelter offered by shady trees in Heritage Park, near the Wilsons River, in the northern NSW city.

Child and family health agencies, Northern Rivers Community Transport, Centrelink, and Aboriginal

community liaison officers at the Lismore police station were amongst community organisations that ran information stalls about their services and activities.

Lunch was a tasty and free sausage sizzle; there was karaoke entertainment, and there was a 'Sea of Hands' from local children and a banner for children to sign their names or make a handprint to remember the day.

The day was organised by the local NAIDOC Committee and the Department of Community Services (DoCS) in Lismore.



All smiles for NAIDOC were from left, Laura, Lisa and Jamelia.



Local Aboriginal Police Liaison Officer David Briggs entertains the crowd with karaoke.



From left, Greg, James and Chris caught up for yarns and laughs on the day.



Auntie Carmel Knight takes a seat to enjoy the day.



From left are Salina, Leonie, Barrie and Linda from Northern Rivers Community Transport.



Health workers Laurel Moran and Virginia Paden.



A time for family. From left, Jennifer, Tina and Lee King.



● LEFT: Penina and baby Ebonee.

● RIGHT: Bo Donovan and his fiancé Radoijka Lopic.



Taking a break from a game of footy on the day was Clayton Morris Jnr.



● LEFT: From left, David, Anne, Ray, Clifford, Ashton, Priscilla, Emily and Marie.

● RIGHT: From left, Uncle Gilbert King, Laurie Mercy and Uncle Harry Walker.



Shine, they did!

Story and photos by
DELSEY TAMIANO



It is always heartening to witness the amazing ability Indigenous people have to shine despite the rising waves of adversity, and shine they did during

NAIDOC Week in Darwin, in the Top End.

Darwin was the national focus for NAIDOC long before the Territory became a national focus for other more political agendas and thousands of people gladly left the bitter cold of the southern states to experience NAIDOC in the natural warmth of the Top End's tropical climate.

With more 40 events and activities hosted by the Top End NAIDOC groups of Darwin and Palmerston, they were not disappointed.

The events saw record crowds, which almost tripled in some cases, and there were a number of memorable occasions.

One of those was at the opening Family and Community Day event held at Marlow Lagoon, Palmerston.

Local songstresses Shellie Morris and Mandy Garling collaborated in a tribute to

the late ex-front man of the Warumpi Band. Their moving rendition of *My Island Home* brought a tear to many eyes in the crowd.

Later that evening, people were again taken on an emotional trip back down 'memory lane' as the evacuees from the bombing of Darwin, survivors of cyclone Tracy and seniors of the Stolen Generation gathered together to share memories of harder times.

Big favourite

The traditional art of storytelling was shown to be alive and well as the Different Countries – One Mob Traditional Dance Troupe performed to enthusiastic audiences throughout the week. The troupe's dance skills and obvious sense of humour was enjoyed by thousands and proved to be a big favourite with the crowds.

A delicious spread of traditional island delights topped with a great line-up of traditional and a contemporary performance was enjoyed by hundreds at the Torres Strait Cultural Night. Mrs Bonita Mabo, widow of the late Koiki Mabo was a special guest at the

celebrations, as was the 'Queen of the Kimberley' and NAIDOC Person of the Year 2007, Mark Bin Bakar (Mary G).

Aboriginal Hostels Ltd did well to feed a hearty breakfast to more than 1000 people who travelled to Darwin from all parts of the Territory and beyond to take part in the annual NAIDOC March on NAIDOC Day. Many of the marchers wore bright orange shirts bearing the 'Strong Men, Strong Families' slogan in a silent but powerful statement.

March facilitators had the crowd chanting 'What do we want? JUSTICE! When do we want it? NOW!' and several emotionally charged speeches condemned the Howard Government for using the recent child abuse report to demonise Indigenous men and to justify taking back control of Aboriginal land effectively abolishing the permit system.

Fun day, concert

The Family Day and Concert at Mindil Beach was a huge success, with more than 2500 people attending. The concert line-up included local favourites the Mills Sisters, Shellie Morris, local rap outfit Pott Street, the Pigram Brothers, Warren H

Williams, Mary G and Troy n Trevelyn.

Youth also remained a strong focus with cinemas, sports, a disco and workshops covering bush tucker and medicines, weaving, writing and recording songs, art, performing arts, circus, film, hairdressing and cooking.

Other events included a combined church service, speakers' corner, quiz night, the Darran Darra art exhibition, seniors and aged care luncheons, Berrimah Farm open day, Women's Business Larrakia Aboriginal Women's Conference, Jailhouse Rock Concert at Berrimah Prison, outdoor film nights and the National NAIDOC Ball and Awards Ceremony. During his speech, National NAIDOC Chairman Aden Ridgeway thanked Top End NAIDOC for putting on such an extensive program of events and activities.

The 50th anniversary Top End NAIDOC T-shirts were a favourite item of clothing worn by many throughout the week and are still available for purchase with several other items of NAIDOC merchandise. Costs are: Table flags \$15, T-shirts \$10, caps \$6 and keyrings \$2. For all inquiries, call (0413) 510 865.



Children played a big part in the march in Darwin's CBD.



● ABOVE:
Michael McMahon
and Jacob
Howden sampling
their handywork.



● LEFT: AFL
legend and YMCA
Co-ordinator Mick
McLean with
Lesley
Scharnberg, one
of the many
NAIDOC
volunteers.



● LEFT:
Palmo Beatz
Disco dance
competition
winners.

● RIGHT:
Girls from
Palmerston
Indigenous
Village (15
Mile) at the
Palmo Beatz
Disco.



Terry Mills, MLA, with Trish Jones and Joan Millins at the Seniors' Luncheon.

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Girls breakin' it down at the Palmo Beatz Disco.



Yowanl and the boys from the northern suburbs at the Palmo Beatz Disco.



Different Countries – One Mob Dancers at the march.



Lots of Palmerston locals were at the Palmo Beatz Disco.



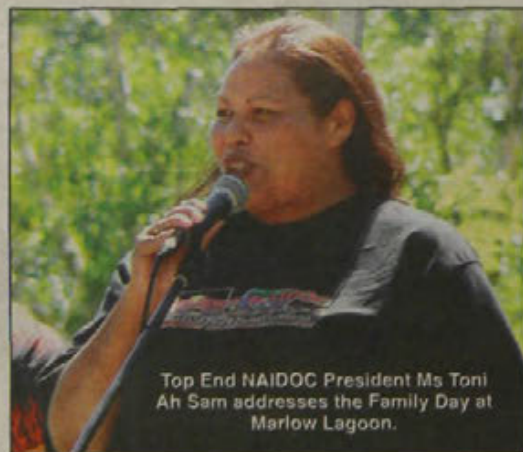
Bradley Nichaloff was at the Darwin march.



A participant in the Darwin NAIDOC march.



Warren McGrath (far left) and the GTNT mob2.



Top End NAIDOC President Ms Toni Ah Sam addresses the Family Day at Marlow Lagoon.



Wairuk Band frontman Phillip Goodman.



The Bading family, from left, Mahliah, Michael, Vicki and Greg.



Harold Thomas, designer of the Aboriginal flag, speaks at the Palmerston flag raising ceremony.



School children carry the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.



A crowd at Central Park watch dancers.



Raquarn Sailor, 3, has a good view from the shoulders of Steve Peel.



Part of the crowd enjoying the action

Townsville turns out

Story and photos by Townsville correspondent ALF WILSON



This year's Townsville NAIDOC Week celebrations were the far north Queensland city's most successful on record if numbers in a street march and concert at the end of the week were anything to go by.

Hundreds of people assembled in Ogden Street before marching through Denham Street, along Walker Street, and then down Stanley Street before arriving at Central Park for the Reconciliation and Bridging Concert where the crowd numbered in the thousands.

Many marchers carried Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander flags and large crowds lined the streets to watch. Amongst the marchers were Shalom Christian College students from Doomadgee, Mornington Island, Mount Isa and other communities.

Central Park, on the banks of Ross Creek, played host to the concert and community fun day which featured traditional Aboriginal and Islander dance. Children enjoyed balloons and the jungle slide.

Food stalls did a roaring trade, and other stalls focussing on health, finances, jobs and culture were also well-attended.

Obe Geia was at Central Park and said he had never seen so many people gathered there for such a day.

"Everybody is having a good time," Mr Geia said.



Marchers with the Aboriginal flag.



Donna Clements at the ATO stall at Central Park.



Traditional dancers lead the march



This young fellow has no need to march. He's got a ride.

Swagman Campbell calls all of Oz his home

By ALF WILSON



Campbell Irving admits he has one of the most unusual occupations of any Indigenous person in Australia.

The 52-year-old is a swagman and busker who travels around the country with his billy and sleeping bag and is recognisable by his bushy beard and long hair.

For the past 20 years, Mr Irving – who has both Aboriginal and Maori heritage and was born in New Zealand – has roamed the country and the Koori Mail caught

up with him in the Townsville Mall on 14 July.

"I live at no known address and consider myself a modern Waltzing Matilda. I hitchhike between cities and have been to all States except Tasmania," he said.

"I am off to Cairns in a few days and have been in Townsville for NAIDOC Week and have been busking in the mall. I also went to the NAIDOC fun day over at Central Park."

Mr Irving caught up there with hundreds of the many Indigenous people he has met during the past few decades. One was 4KIG Manager Velma Gara.

"Campbell is known around the

country and is always welcomed," Ms Gara said.

Mr Irving follows the country music festival circuit and is a regular at places like Tamworth each year.

He hitchhikes most of the time and loves spending nights out in the scrub under the stars. When it rains, he'll sleep in his swag under the end of a bridge or wherever he can find shelter.

"Out of sight out of mind and when I am in Townsville I camp out at Happy Valley or with members of the folk club," he said.

Mr Irving particularly enjoys billy tea.

"But I never drink while I am

working which is doing my verse as a busker," he said. "I am a street performer and have even travelled up to the Torres Strait region at the top end and the Koori people of NSW know me well," he said.

Mr Irving is a fanatical supporter of the Port Adelaide football club and tries to get to see them when he can.

"But when I am in the bush there is not often a TV," he lamented.

Mr Irving said that there was no town in Australia that he could call home.

"I never know where I will be from one day to the next. Like a true swaggie," he said.



Campbell Irving in Townsville Mall during NAIDOC Week.

Marchers at the Cairns NAIDOC Week celebrations.



● ABOVE:
Cairns
NAIDOC
Committee
Co-ordinator
Lisa Lui and
Chair Mary
O'Shane.



● LEFT:
Junkurri
and Jemma
O'Shane.



Suzanne Williams and Mary Saveka, from Cairns.



Donna Dewis, Germaine Jacobs and Shamaiah Sullivan.



● ABOVE:
Donna
Maloney and
Katie
Cook.

● LEFT:
Anna
David,
from
Hammond
Island.



● LEFT: Yagal Burns,
Cherrie Simpson,
Mhurigan Burns and
Terry Burns.

● RIGHT: Duncan
Roughsey, Trevor
Parsons, Douglas
Fewings, Moad
Fewings, Eddie
Fewings and Bradley
Doolan.



'They can't take it away from us'

Story and photos by Cairns
Correspondent
CHRISTINE HOWES



NAIDOC march.

"It makes me feel really proud, even though the hard work is still there."

Ms O'Shane was amongst nearly 300 people who marched in this year's street event.

More than 40 stalls crowded Fogarty Park at the Cairns event, while exclusively local music acts dominated the sound shell.

Mrs O'Shane said the day was always special.

"It symbolises what people before us have fought for, for what we have today, but we're still fighting for things we feel we've not achieved yet," she said.

"The struggle is continuing to go on and these are the things we want the wider community to know, that this is very important for us to do even after 50 years."

Co-ordinator Lisa Lui, in

between cooking hamburgers and ensuring the day ran smoothly, said the day had been well-supported by Cairns City Council and local businesses.

"It's great because this is only the second year that ATSIC hasn't been involved with NAIDOC so this is pretty much a community-driven event now," she said.

"I'm really happy it's happened like this because the NAIDOC Committee is only six people who have been to every meeting and they've backed NAIDOC and helped make today a success."



● LEFT: Dakota
Bradley, Shlyse
Norman,
Angelina
Redpath, teacher
aid Debbie Jose
and Caleb
Plithakis, from
Machans Beach
State School.

● RIGHT: Jim
Archer (Djungan)
and Ron
Richards
(Ewaniam).



Having a ball in Burnie

Story and photos by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



He may have been eliminated from Australian Idol's top 50 singers this year, but 19-year-old singer/songwriter

Dewayne Everettsmith reckons his new NAIDOC Tasmania Aborigine of the Year award more than makes up for things.

Dewayne received the award at the State's NAIDOC Ball in Burnie, later declaring the NAIDOC award meant more to him than winning a music competition.

"It gives me great honour to be Tasmanian Aborigine of the Year and I couldn't be more proud to be a Tasmanian Aboriginal person," said Dewayne.

Dewayne said even though he had signed an award nomination form quite a while before NAIDOC,

with his busy job as a youth worker, performing commitments and travelling back and forth to the mainland for a string of Australian Idol auditions, he had forgotten all about it.

"Obviously (I felt) great; proud, but very surprised. I didn't have a speech prepared," he said.

Dewayne was nominated for his contribution to youth, health, music and dedication to the Aboriginal community and his respect for Elders.

Other Tasmanian Aboriginal people to be nominated were Sollest Briggs, Trudy Maluga, Pat Green and Marie Hughes.

There were also prizes presented for Belle, Beau, Matron and 'Old Coe' of the Ball. Choosing the winners would not have been an easy choice - Tasmania's Aboriginal community had donned their best gear and travelled from around the State for the occasion.



● ABOVE: Edmund Mansell, Terry Kettle, Tony Burgess and Donald Burgess.

● LEFT: Dewayne Everettsmith with his NAIDOC Tasmania Aborigine of the Year award.

● BELOW: Colin Hughes, Shane Hughes and Nathan Edwards.



● ABOVE: Cody Summers, Jake Avery, Nathan Maynard, Leonard Maynard, Shane Hughes and John Riley.

● LEFT: Jason Searles, from Burnie, and Fiona Newson, from Launceston.



● TOP: Just some of the Maynard mob: Nathan, Denika, Erica, Candy-J, Rikki-Lee, Grant and Sara.

● ABOVE: Cassie Davey, Luke Mabb, Luana Towney and Stacey Maxwell sign a commemorative flag at the ball.

● LEFT: Yvonne Browne, Brendan Murray, Careen Brown and Chelsea Radford from Burnie.



Lizbeth Johnson marches.



Auntie Viv takes the microphone.



Karyn Roberts and son Harrimiah, who got himself beautifully painted up in the appropriate colours.



Frazer Roberts tells it like it is.



Plenty of Aboriginal flags were flying during the march.

Nimbin unites



Chris Baldwin danced to lead the march.



The small village of Nimbin in northern New South Wales celebrated NAIDOC Week with a march, some good bush

tucker and plenty of dancing. Everyone met at the Nimbin Community Centre, which flew Aboriginal flags, and a huge spread of food was enjoyed. Then everyone gathered for the march, which was led by dancer Chris Baldwin.

Auntie Viv Laurie marched just in front of the Aboriginal flag, which was carried by Johnny Bales, Mark Towney and Burri Jerome.

After marching to Cecil Street and back, it was time for more food, including roo burgers cooked by Mark Towney.

Speakers included Johnny Bales reading some beautiful Aboriginal poems, Auntie Viv Laurie, Frazer Roberts and Lizbeth Johnson, who a minute's silence in memory of those who had gone before.



Mark Towney.

Sydney staff celebrate in style



Staff from the Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) in Sydney at their NAIDOC Week function at Customs House. The event included a speech by Reconciliation Australia Co-Chair Jackie Huggins and was attended by the NSW Governor, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir.



Doing their community proud. Back row, from left, Dane Prasad, Kimberley Fisher, Kieran Conlon, Karissa Bong, Shane Daylight, Tameal Conlon, Sarah Fraser, Matthew Burns, Raylee Parsons. Front row, from left, Ronisa Munday, Tykeesha Fisher, Aaliyah Masso-Cummings, Talisha Thompson, Nakita Bond and Brianna Harrison.



Michelle Webb.

Michelle named scholar of the year

WA Michelle Webb has won the 2007 NAIDOC Perth Scholar of the Year Award, recognising her outstanding accomplishments in Indigenous education.

Michelle, a Curtin University of Technology graduate, has been working in Indigenous education for the past six years and is currently using her talents as the Coordinator of the Aboriginal Bridging Course in the Centre of Aboriginal Studies (CAS) at Curtin. She is also one of the first Indigenous people in Australia to graduate with a Master of Human Rights Practice.

Associate Professor Anita Lee Hong, the Head of CAS, commended Michelle's leadership, dedication and enthusiasm to Indigenous education.

"Michelle's commitment resulted in 19 Indigenous bridging course students graduating from the program in 2006, with 14 of them enrolling into mainstream degrees," Assoc Prof Lee Hong said.

"She has inspired so many Indigenous students to be enthusiastic about learning, have higher expectations of themselves and strive towards higher academic outcomes."

"Michelle leads by example to show that they too can succeed and teach future generations."

Michelle said it was an honour to receive such a prestigious state award.

"I'm very proud to have been awarded with the NAIDOC Perth Scholar of the Year Award," she said.

"The community recognition and the opportunity to further promote educational opportunities for Indigenous people has made this a really wonderful experience for me."

Michelle, of Wattle Grove, has tutored individuals, lectured in Indigenous Cultural Studies to mainstream and international students and was also part of the Indigenous Australian Cultural Studies team that was awarded the Neville Bonner Award for teaching excellence at the 2004 Australian University Teaching Awards.

A formal affair

QLD The City of Ipswich celebrated 50 years of NAIDOC celebrations with a special debutante ball.

About 240 people, including Mayor Paul Pisasale, traditional owners Uncle Ken and Auntie Amelia Dalton, and Ross Anderson, and Mrs Elaine Anderson of the Ugarapul people, attended the ball.

Five debutantes were selected, and all money raised will go towards Kambu Medical Centre's Christmas tree event in December.



Dr Antoinette Daylight, Mayor Paul Pisasale, Ms Shirley O'Chin and Dr Derek Chong. Mayor Pisasale commented that it was rare anywhere in Australia to be in a position to honour two doctors from one community on NAIDOC Day 2007.

The event last year attracted 700 children and included lots of presents and food.

As well, \$500 from the ball will go to the Elijah Simpson Foundation, which has been set up to

help Indigenous children with severe illnesses, and their families.

A number of awards were also presented to people and organisations that contribute to the Indigenous community. They were:

● The Rudy Sandy Memorial Encouragement Award won 2007 by Police Citizens Youth Club Ipswich for the outstanding programs they are running for youth on orders through the courts.

● The Vince Bunda (Snr) Memorial Award was won by Samantha Sherwood for her diligence and perseverance in her medical studies with

Kambu Medical as a health worker.

● The Heather Bonner Memorial Community Award went to Dr Antoinette Daylight for her high achievement in education.

● IDEA INC Achievers Award went to Doctor Derek Chong, who will graduate in about four months after many years of study to fulfill his life's ambition.

● The Bob Anderson Memorial Award won by Mr Ross Anderson for his dedication to the Ugarapul people, his availability to do Welcome to Country presentations and for 'caring for country'.

Panther makes a special appearance at Baralaba school

QLD Penrith Panther Rugby League star Rhys Wesser was the special guest for Baralaba State School during NAIDOC Week at the Dreamtime Cultural Centre in Rockhampton.

Baralaba School students gave Rhys a big bush welcome and treated him to a great day out with Aboriginal dancing, didgeridoo playing and boomerang throwing organised by the staff at Dreamtime.

The students were excited to see Rhys as many students will never get to see their NRL heroes in action on the playing field.

Rhys thanked the school for inviting him as he had never personally been

invited to a NAIDOC Week celebration before.

As a thankyou gift, he was presented with a Baralaba Panthers Rugby League T-shirt and cap.

Rhys' visit to Rockhampton was made possible due to donations from Newcrest Mining, Cracow and Anglo Coal, Moura.

NAIDOC Organiser, Lesley Bligh said "I would like to thank the Penrith Panthers for allowing Rhys to attend the day, Newcrest Mining, Anglo Coal, Baralaba State School, Indigenous Co-Ordination Centre, Department of Communities, PCAP Funding and the staff at Dreamtime for making the day a great success."



Penrith Panther Rugby League star Rhys Wesser with students from Baralaba State School.



Krystal Kickett



Will Shake Spears Dance Group.

Songs of pride

Story by JAN AITKEN, Photos by SUSIE WALKER



They say you can experience four seasons in one day Melbourne, and organisers wondered whether it would rain or be fine for the first Yinga

Indigenous Music and Culture Festival in Eltham on 7 July during NAIDOC Week.

In the end, it was sunny – until two o'clock at any rate. So in winter sunshine the Mayor of Nillumbik welcomed all to the event after a Welcome to Country from Joy Murphy, Senior Elder of the Wurundjeri.

A fire burned slowly in the town square as gum leaves sent smoke over those gathered there. Then Dennis Fisher from 3KND, 'Den the Fish' took over the job of MC and into the town square came the Will Shake Spears Koorie Dance group. There in suburban Eltham, vigorous dancing accompanied by the didg, clap sticks and belly calls brought the 40,000-year history of Australia alive.

Jazz singer Liz Cavanagh treated the crowd to a range of original songs. Shane Charles temporarily left his daughter Tamara running the Indigenous BBQ to play didg, and speak about the history and

meaning of the instrument. Resplendent in purple, local choir the Chocolate Lilies added variation to the programme with songs with an Indigenous flavour.

There were information, products and bush tucker stalls from the likes of the Koorie Heritage Trust, Native Oz Cuisine and Edendale Farm.

In nearby tents Wurundjeri artist Mandy Nicholson told stories and painted with children, Eltham bookshop sold Indigenous writing, photography and references. Shire and the Nillumbik Reconciliation Group (NRG) handed out information brochures and there was a donation of 150 native

plants, which were sold for a donation to Elizabeth Hoffman House, an Indigenous Women's Refuge.

Performances by the Grenadines and Jarrah topped off the programme.

Yinga was organised by Susie Walker with help from Pam Pederson and Rebecca Lee from the Nillumbik Reconciliation Group and funded by Nillumbik Shire Council. President of the NRG, Jan Aitken, described it as a great success.

"We estimate that about one thousand people passed by and quite a few stayed to listen for a time so there was a gallery audience," she said.



From left, Ben Feher, Susie Walker, Pam Pedersen, Rebecca Lee and Dennis Fisher.



Liz Cavanagh sang at Yinga.



Men's Tingari Cycles by Elmore Gobbi

Art comes from a healing place



The City of Port Phillip marked NAIDOC Week with an exhibition of 50 paintings by Aboriginal men and women involved in art classes at the Salvation Army Crisis Centre and Winja Ulupna, an Aboriginal women's residential drug and alcohol recovery house established in St Kilda in 1976.

For the last seven years, Ann Holt, who lectures in art and design at Monash University, has been offering a weekly three hour painting workshop to

the women staying at Winja Ulupna.

"At any one time up to eight women attend the painting workshops which we hold in an old uniting Church hall in Hotham Street, East St Kilda. Over seven years, well over 100 women have participated in the program," she said.

"As part of the Winja Ulupna program, we visit galleries and museums to get some insight into both historical and current art practice.

This is the sixth exhibition in seven years involving paintings by women

from Winja Ulupna. The Creative Ministries Network, an agency of UnitingCare of the Uniting Church in Australia, funds the program and sometimes buys a number of paintings from participants. Some of these are part of this exhibition.

The exhibition also includes artworks from the seven Aboriginal men and women who spend a day a week at the Salvation Army Crisis Centre paintings workshop. Paintings in the exhibition, which runs to the end of July, range from \$75 to \$1000.



St Kilda Dreaming by Bronwyne Liddle Perrule.

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Margaret Watson, Gloria Pang, Thelma Ahwing, Ivy Watson and Margaret Body grab a bite to eat at the NAIDOC Elders lunch.



Mount Isa City Council ladies team plus one, from left, Chantel Harley, Kristy Poppel, Marian Radecker and Zachary Hart.

Mt Isa celebrates

Story and photos by ALEISHA ORR



Bradley Robson and Matt Parsons enjoyed learning painting techniques.



THE Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags flew high in Mount Isa for NAIDOC Week 2007.

Celebrations began with a flag raising ceremony and came full circle after a packed calendar of events and ended with a flag lowering ceremony.

The NAIDOC week schedule provided a variety of options for locals to get involved.

Big crowds attended the Elders' lunch and NAIDOC week dance.

Appearances by *Yamba the Honey Ant* were a hit with children, as well as family movie nights and a blue light disco.

The march through the centre of Mount Isa was the highlight of the week ending at George McCoy Park where a Family Fun Day was held.

The atmosphere was relaxed but festive as families browsed the stalls and enjoyed the entertainment and children's activities on offer.

Organisers described this year's march as the biggest in memory, with more than 250 people uniting to march in solidarity.

The NAIDOC versus City Council challenge was well attended. An art competition was added to the 2007 celebrations. Entrants of all ages created pieces to reflect the national NAIDOC theme of *Looking Forward, Looking Back*.

Local businesses, organisations and schools were given extra inspiration with a visit by Young Australian of the year Tanya Major during the week.

NAIDOC week committee members said having a number of significant anniversaries throughout the year – 40 years since the 1967 Referendum, 15 years since the Mabo decision and 10 years since the Bringing them home report about the Stolen Generations – encouraged people to get involved in the 50th NAIDOC Week.



James Taylor, Tamara Hogan, Ngaire Hutton, Christine McKay, Sari Sihvola, Shirley Quinlan, George Wilde, Kieran Dempsey and Matt Parsons work together at the arts workshop.



Geraldton Midwest NAIDOC Week Volunteer of the Year Kathy Councillor.

'Morning voice' named top volunteer



The 'morning voice' of Radio MAMA Kathy Councillor was announced as the Geraldton Mid-west NAIDOC Week Volunteer of the Year on 11 July.

The announcement was made at a NAIDOC Week celebrations at the Bundiyarra Aboriginal Corporation Complex in Geraldton, during which Kathy was hard at work hosting Indigenous Community Radio Station Radio MAMA's first outside broadcast. She was unaware of being announced as the winner. "It came as a total surprise," said Kathy. "I was in the middle of our broadcast wondering

why all the people we looking and waving as I could not hear with my headsets on.

"This is a great honour I enjoy my work at the station and hope that my contribution makes a difference for our listeners and if we can do or say some positive things then I'm happy."

Radio MAMA station manager Barry Anderson said Kathy was 'a fabulous asset to our station and as a volunteer she does make a difference'.

"Her morning program is designed to enable Aboriginal communities and the people providing services to them to have an outlet to talk to and deliver their message to

our Aboriginal community," he said.

Kathy is passionate about many issues, as well as her family, darts and creating a program that can help Aboriginal people now and in the future.

"We now have most of the equipment for Radio MAMA to really start making a difference and my program will start to look more deeply into issues that affect our people and will get involved in more activities to help provide a better future for our families," she said.

The MAMA morning show can be heard weekdays on the Indigenous Community Radio Station Radio MAMA 100.5FM.

NAIDOC 2007 – Lakes Entrance, Vic



Hartley Kirby and Doug Edwards share a laugh at the NAIDOC celebratory feast that followed the march.



Linda Kennedy and Sally Hood enjoyed listening to the music of Kutcha Edwards.



Beth Larkins catches up with Lake Tyers Elder Rita Hood at the NAIDOC celebrations.



Josie Mullett and granddaughter Tiarni relax after a kangaroo lunch.



Koori Bubs Swim Program children enjoyed the Indigenous story telling and puppetry by Koori Education Consultants, Yarn Strong Sista.



Tyler Leslie and Jasmine Simpson from the Koori Bubs Swim Program enjoyed the Indigenous story telling and puppetry by Koori education consultants Yarn Strong Sista.

Happy times at Lakes Entrance for NAIDOC



Victoria's Lakes Entrance community celebrated the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC with a feast of visual arts, story telling, film, and a street march.

The packed program of events was hosted by the Lakes Entrance Koori Elders Group and included 'Yarn Strong Sister' – Indigenous

story telling and puppetry with local primary school preps and participants in the Gippsland Lakes Community Health's Koori Bubs Swim Program, a NAIDOC art exhibition, the march attended by more than 250 people and featuring Kutcha Edwards, a film night featuring the Australian Film Commission's *Black Screen*, a NAIDOC Elders Dinner, and a youth event tagged 'FreeZA'.



Chantelle Hood and daughter Kaylene get set to watch the Australian Film Commission's *Black Screen*.



Lakes Entrance Elders Eileen Gordon and Fay Harrison at the opening of the Koori Art Exhibition. Eileen and Fay are pictured with the bark canoe built by Fay's family.



Elders Frank Marks and Ida Harrison enjoyed their time catching up with the mob at the NAIDOC Elders Dinner.



Well-known Indigenous musician Kutcha Edwards entertained the mob over lunch.



Lakes Entrance Elder Phyllis Andy with Pat Shaw at the NAIDOC Elders Dinner.



Daniel Jack, David Jack, Keith Bryant Jr and Keith Bryant Sr.



Around the NAIDOC 50th anniversary cake are, from left, Eileen Kenny, Marie Bull, Gloria Hood, Frank Harrison and Fay Harrison and Edie Terrick (seated).

Healthy results



Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation, in the far west of New South

Wales, has taken out four out of 11 categories in the 2007 NSW Aboriginal Health Awards.

The awards acknowledge and nurture excellence in the provision of health services to Aboriginal people and communities in NSW by recognising individuals, teams and organisations that show outstanding practice in the field of Aboriginal health.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch announced the awards at a ceremony held in

Sydney on 10 July, which culminated with the announcement of the 2007 Hall of Fame Award winners, Uncle Joe and Aunty Pearl Trindall.

"Uncle Joe and Aunty Pearl have made a significant contribution to Aboriginal health and the Aboriginal community in Tamworth and surrounds," said Mr Lynch.

"For over 60 years they have worked tirelessly advocating for equality and promoting understanding of Aboriginal culture. Supporting each other and their community, while being instrumental in the establishment of Aboriginal corporations that have included

health, childcare and legal services, Uncle Joe and Aunty Pearl provide an outstanding example of the success achieved through strong partnerships."

More than 200 people were in attendance at the awards ceremony with special guests including Jeff McMullen, CEO of Ian Thorpe's Fountain for Youth.

The 2007 awards included three new categories: The Minister for Health Award for Aboriginal Health, the Director-General Award for Aboriginal Health and the Enterprise and Resourcefulness Award.

Two health services – the Maari Ma Health Aboriginal

Corporation and the Hunter New England Area Health Service – were awarded the inaugural Minister for Health Award for their dedication and achievements in improving Aboriginal health in their areas.

Maari Ma CEO Richard Weston said to win four of the 11 categories was outstanding.

"The recognition we received this year I believe underscores the importance of our work and the goals we are trying to achieve – to improve the health status of Aboriginal people in our region and bridge the gap in life expectancy between Aboriginal and non Aboriginal people," Mr Weston said.

"While there is a long way to go it is recognition that we are on the right track."

Mr Lynch said the strong field of nominations illustrated the commitment of government and non-government organisations and community to the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in NSW.

"Finalists and winners represent the breadth of projects and programs being undertaken across NSW by individuals, agencies and organisations and which address the complex health issues facing Aboriginal people," Mr Lynch said.

NSW Aboriginal Health Awards 2007 – Winners and finalists

Category 1 - Excellence in Program and Service Delivery

Winner: Adult Health Checks in Far West NSW, Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation.

Finalists: *Shake A Leg* Aboriginal Health Promotion Program, Aboriginal Health Unit, Hunter New England Health; and *Koori Kidneys Need Kindness* Kidney Health Education for Aboriginal Communities, Awabakal Aboriginal Cooperation and the Renal Services Unit of Hunter New England Health.



Maari Ma CEO Richard Weston with Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch, who is also the Minister Assisting the Health Minister.

Category 2 - Innovation in Aboriginal Health Winner

Winner: *Clean Teeth, Wicked Smiles* School Oral Health Program, Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation.

Finalists: Inaugural Aboriginal Health Promotion Series, the Collaborative Centre for Aboriginal Health Promotion; and *A Trial of a Biological Treatment System* in Wallaga Lake, Greater Southern Area Health Service and NSW Health.



Bernie Kemp and Maari Ma CEO Richard Weston accept the Excellence in Program and Service Delivery Award from Dr Denise Robinson, Chief Health Officer and Deputy Director of General Population Health.

Category 3 - Strengthening Aboriginal Families and Children

Winner: *Djilang Djalay: Many Girls Project*, Durri Aboriginal Medical Centre

Finalists: *Safe Motherhood Program*, Dharah Gibinj Aboriginal Medical Service; *Healthy Start 0-5 Years Program*, Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation.

Category 4 - Working Together to Make a Difference

Winner: Chronic Disease Workshops - Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council (AH&MRC) and the Alliance of NSW Divisions of General Practice.

Finalists: Aboriginal Antenatal Outreach Service in collaboration with Aboriginal Medical Service Western Sydney and Nepean Hospital; Ms Diana Dalley, Bala Muuji Aboriginal Health Service.

Category 5 - Enterprise and Resourcefulness

Winner: NSW Rural and Remote Aboriginal Nursing Strategy, NSW Health.

Finalists: *Alcohol and Other Drugs Foundation Skills Course*, Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council (AH&MRC) and TAFE NSW; and *Our Communities Aboriginal Hearing Health Database*, Greater Southern Area Health



Tirell Kennedy and Maari Ma CEO Richard Weston accept the Innovation in Aboriginal Health Award from Dr Robinson.

Service; and *Hands of Help* Indigenous Health Experience for Medical Students, Hands of Help/University of Sydney.

Category 6 - Excellence in Workforce

Winner, Individual Award: Dr John Wiggers, Director, Hunter New England Population Health.

Winner, Team Award: *Growing Our Own Greater Western Area Health Service Aboriginal Trainee Program*; Certificate IV in Aboriginal Health (practice) and Certificate III in Business Administration - Greater Western Area Health Service

Finalist: NSW Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Network (ADAN), Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council (AH&MRC).

Category 7 - Innovation in Chronic Care

Winner: *Tick On...Kick On...* Aboriginal Vascular Health Project, Justice Health.

Finalists: *Using Knowledge to Safeguard our Nations*, A Collaborative Approach to Vascular and Renal Health in Aboriginal Communities Within the Countries of North-Eastern NSW, Hunter New England Health; and Aboriginal Vascular Health Program, Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service.

Category 8 - The Gail May Award

Winner: Mr Joe Mieni, Bourke Aboriginal Medical Service

Finalist: Aunty Beve Spiers, Cessnock Correctional Centre.

Category 9 - Director General's Award (chosen from all other Finalists)

Winner: *Healthy Start 0-5 Years Program*, Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation

Category 10 - Minister for Health's Award for Aboriginal Health

Joint Winner: I Hunter New England Area Health Service

Joint Winner: I Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation.

Category 11 - The Hall of Fame

Winner: Uncle Joe and Aunty Pearl Trindall.

Finalists: Yvonne Howarth AM; and Ms Dorothy Shipley.

Taking care of our kids' health



Gurriny Yealamucka Health Service Chair Rev Mick Connolly with some local children.

HEALTH SERVICES
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GYHS CEO David Baird.

Story and photos from Cairns
Correspondent **CHRISTINE HOWES**



Yarrabah's Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services Aboriginal Corporation is about to become the first Aboriginal community in Queensland to employ their own GP in a major step towards community controlled health care for the community.

GYHS CEO David Baird said the organisation was well on the way to Aboriginal control over the planning, prioritisation and management of primary health care services after a deed of commitment between State and Federal health departments was signed early last year.

The agreement will mean that GYHS will take over many of the services currently provided by government by 2010.

"Queensland Health will still have a presence in the community and still provide a service, but they're wanting us to employ and manage all the doctors," Mr Baird told the *Koori Mail*.

"A doctor employed by Gurriny would not just be able to do their own thing, the doctor will have to be aligned to the strategic directions of GYHS which is more about holistic care.

"It's more about the primary health care, it's about how we establish stronger links with social health and other sectors in the community."

Mr Baird said while the GPs focus would be on primary health care it was also about linking into existing social health programs.

"I think (the employment of a GP) will lend itself to that really well," he said.

"At the moment we have men's health and women's health programs, we've had our pharmacy service for more than a year now, and we've had health promotion for about a year.

"A Child Care Links program has just been established and we've now taken under our wing the

Justice Group, which is simply that we're auspicing their funds from council which had that responsibility previously.

"We also have youth crime prevention officers, where it might be hard to think where the link to health is but it's an opportunity, I guess, to see how we can engage with other programs."

Mr Baird said that, with a rate 80 to 90 births per year the aim for a better health service was about giving children the best life chances possible.

GYHS chair Rev Michael Connolly said that over a decade or more there had been a 'catch cry' for Indigenous people to own a process where they could give 'decent, thoughtful input into health issues'.

"Gurriny began with a group of local people of Yarrabah who were truly concerned our people were not making headway in the search for good health that would at least raise our life expectancy to be in line with wider Australia," he said.

"They believed that we had the wisdom of the older folk and the education of the young people to provide health workers for a local health team.

"Our culture is steeped in relationships and the vision of the group was that our people would present themselves for healing far more readily if the healers were themselves majority Indigenous.

"What is required for the success to continue is for Governments of all political hues to adopt our vision and provide all the necessary political will to bring it about."

Australian Indigenous Doctors Association President Dr Mark Wenitong said the move was one of the most important steps from a community perspective.

"Once you're providing that service it will be seen as the most significant service for the community," he said.

The bottom line is that people, when they're sick, want to see a doctor and Gurriny, getting itself into that space where they can provide a clinical service, will be a really significant shift."

Fighting back with heart-felt music



Singer Pascoe-Braun is using his debut EP *Big Night Out* to map out his life experiences as an Aboriginal man and Stolen Generations survivor and to highlight the issues that face Indigenous people.

He says the title *Big Night Out* encompasses the Indigenous sense of community and big nights out with each



Koori Hip Hop artist Casey Atkinson who designed the cover of Pascoe-Braun's *Big Night Out* EP.

other, as well as the consequences from those big nights.

"This EP is all about Indigenous people, but I have tried to write the songs from a general perspective in the hope the EP can also help others who have experienced the same stuff," he said.

"I have written songs about our mothers and fathers, our ancestors and another about the power of inspiration as provided by Indigenous role models. I want these songs to help people."

Pascoe-Braun also raises concerns about Aboriginal homelessness in his music.

"I was in Adelaide recently and it broke my heart to meet up with several of my old friends who also went through adoption and fostering and they are sleeping out night after night in the West End cemetery with gravestones as their only shield from the freezing weather," he said.

Pascoe-Braun says it's hard being an Indigenous male with all the pressures in the media.

"We can't let the media or the current right wing Federal Government paint us all as men with the same brush for much longer," he said. "We must all vote this time."

"Urban Indigenous people are very strong and often cop the fallout from what happens in remote Indigenous communities."

Pascoe-Braun was removed from his Alice Springs family and taken to Adelaide at just six weeks old. He says he doesn't

blame anyone any more for his removal, because he believes such blame can lead to self-abuse.

"We sometimes do that through excessive behaviour and binge drinking," he said.

"It's something I have to control about myself every day and although I am not entirely over it yet, I am well on the way as long as I can identify the problems because that's what it's all about."

The stage name Pascoe-Braun, is derived from his two families, both adopted and biological.

"I went back to my family (The Brauns in Alice Springs) but also kept up with my adoptive family (The Pascoes of Adelaide) so Pascoe-Braun is my final chosen stage name as I'm not willing to give up one or the other," he said.

"It doesn't matter whether you grew up with your family or not, it's about you as a person, how you can adapt to life with all its prejudices and discrimination and the fact that you are as strong and Indigenous as anyone else."

"Colour shading should never have anything to do with how Indigenous you are."

Pascoe-Braun performed his sellout show *That Old Black Magic* at the 2002 Adelaide Cabaret Festival and has since performed at the Melbourne Festival in the Famous Spiegeltent and as host of *Tribal Expressions* at the Victorian Arts Centre during the 2006 Commonwealth Games.



Pascoe-Braun

Art with a cutting edge

Story and photos by ALF WILSON



When Waanyi artist Gordon Hookey heard that the police officer charged with the manslaughter and assault Palm Island man Mulrunji

Doomadgee had been acquitted, he was moved to put colour to canvas.

The 46-year-old Mr Hookey created a painting of his view of the verdict for Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley and the painting is currently on show at Townsville's Umbrella Gallery.

Mr Hookey likes to paint and then let people draw their own conclusion from the finished product.

His exhibition entitled *Contempt Free Heart, Contemporary Art* showcases bold paintings that communicate frank and often-humorous comment on the politics, history and the status quo in Australia.

"Gordon is a highly respected artist of international acclaim," said Umbrella Studio spokeswoman Vicki Salisbury. "His work is represented in contemporary art galleries in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne as well as significant National and State collections including the National Gallery in Canberra."

Mr Hookey is from the Waanyi people of the Gulf of Carpentaria and has been interested in painting since



Gordon Hookey in his art studio.

he was a boy.

"I had worked at Mt Isa Mines as an industrial builder and now travel around with my art," he said.

Also at Umbrella Studio is an Institute of Modern Art project of short video works by a mix of emerging and established Queensland artists, Richard Bell, Grant Stevens, Marianne Templemann, Vernon Ah Kee, Chie Yamada, Sandra Selig, Peter Alwast, Van Sowerwine, Chris Benne, Archie Moore, Jemima Wyman, Paul Mummie, Emma McLean and Daniel McKewen.

The exhibition opening showcased contemporary dance and a theatrical performance by North Queensland's

only Indigenous Theatre Company, *Big Eye Theatre*.

For the past two years the 18 member group has been performing in Townsville, presenting original plays, poetry and musical collaborations that blend traditional knowledge with contemporary interpretations of relevant social issues.

Mr Hookey's painting about the Hurley acquittal is entitled *Wreck-Con-In*. The exhibition closes on 5 August.

For information contact Gallery Director, Vicki Salisbury on telephone 07 4772 7109 or via the website www.umbrella.org.au

Centre stage for artists



Acclaimed Indigenous artists from Queensland will be taking centre stage at a major international arts festival in Europe later this year.

The Lockhart River Art Gang are showing their new and vivid paintings to art lovers and dealers from around the world and their next stop is Italy.

The Art from Australia exhibition is part of the prestigious Spoleto International Arts Festival and will be held in the Italian province of Umbria, some 125 kilometres north of Rome, between September and October 2007.

Queensland Premier Peter Beattie said it was another milestone for the Art Gang community on Cape York Peninsula who have already been shown in France, England, USA, South Korea and Australia.

"This time they will be at the Art from Australia (Arte dall'Australia) exhibition at the Civic Gallery of Modern Art in Spoleto, and I know Queenslanders will share with me in wishing these artists every success," Mr Beattie said.

More than 25 new paintings will be exhibited in Italy, including works by Rosella Namok, Samantha Hobson, Fiona Omeenyo, Silas Hobson and Adrian King.

"Congratulations to Rosella, Samantha and Fiona who are all success stories in their own right. They each joined the Lockhart River Aboriginal Community Arts and Cultural Centre in their teens, and are now experiencing widespread recognition," Mr Beattie said.

"Art is helping to pave the way towards economic independence for Indigenous communities and it is a window into a unique culture."

The State Government has provided \$50,000 in funding for the agency's Spoleto initiative to enable two Lockhart River artists to attend the festival, take part in speaking engagements and promote the Qld artists taking part in the exhibition.

Bangarra stands tall with true tales

By MARGARET SMITH in Sydney



The 2007 season of the award-winning Bangarra Dance Theatre has the company's first ever piece inspired by Torres Strait Islander dance.

Emeret Lu (old things) is driven by the choreography of dancer Elma Kris, who performed in Bangarra's *Unaipon* and *Boomerang* and toured the United Kingdom with *Bush*.

Kris has a mixed Papuan New Guinean and Aboriginal heritage, and was brought up on Thursday Island.

She studied visual arts at Cairns TAFE before returning to her island to teach art. But a year later, she heard about the National Aboriginal Skills Dance Association (NAISDA), which has spawned some of the country's top Indigenous dancers, and realised she could also promote her island's culture through dance.

'Fascinating'

"When I came to Sydney I was learning both Aboriginal dance and T.I. dance and I found that fascinating," she told the Koori Mail.

"I also had to learn other techniques such as jazz dance. I asked myself how am I going to put my black foot into a ballet shoe?"

But she drove herself forward for five years and choreographed two pieces that brought her acclaim. *Bupau Ipikazil (Bush Woman)* and *Bupau Mabigal (Bush People)* were followed by appearances in some Australian films, work with AIDT and performances for Albert David's *Dance Clan*.

She formed her own dance company, *Bibir (Strength)* and choreographed the Torres Strait Islander component of the Sydney Olympic Games Opening Ceremony in 2000 before being invited to join Bangarra.

When the company's artistic director, Stephen Page, asked Kris to choreograph a new work for its 2007 season, she saw it as an exciting development. Her new work was influenced by a book written by her Cairns art teacher Lindsay Wilson about Mer (Murray) Island culture.

"It's about the traditional way of life of the Torres Strait and I knew I had to explore it further," she said.

"It made me value the old things of my past – how my people survived in those days, and how they passed knowledge down from one generation to another. The tools and artefacts they used, the ritual and charm objects, and the lifestyle they had."

Murray Island is very lush and Kris set



A harvesting scene in *Emeret Lu*.
Photo by Justine Walpole

her new work 'in a mouth-like cave that from a distance resembles a magical dugong'.

"The challenge was how to make the contemporary dance piece have a good structure, so my people could identify with it, and also Australian mainland people as well," she said.

Visited Murray Island

In October last year, Kris went to Murray Island and asked the Elders permission to use their stories in her work. She recorded their music and songs, and the sounds of the island such as wind, birds and water. She also asked Bangarra for traditional tutors to be sent down to Sydney to teach their songs and dance to the company's dancers.

She said she felt lucky to have guest dancer Smilan Sinak, from the Torres Strait, and other Islander dancers such as Patrick Thaiday and Waangenga Blanco in the company, and had also found Stephen Page very supportive.

"He's helped me grow so much, and to try not to doubt myself," she said. "Islander people are shy people, but now I want to choreograph more."

True Stories Emeret Lu will be sharing *True Stories* bill with Francis Rings' new piece, *X300*, about the legacy of the nuclear tests at Maralinga, in South Australia, including the displacement of Rings' own family. Rings said the

Elma Kris and Waangenga Blanco rehearse *Emeret Lu*.
Photo by Stephen Oxenbury



work re-created the 'deadly silent black mist that rolled along the ground when the blasts occurred, and explores the blindness that affected so many'.

She researched the work by reading transcripts from the Royal Commission reports, viewing old footage accompanied by Bangarra composer David Page, and hearing radio recordings from the chief scientists.

"The efforts to warn the Indigenous people weren't extensive enough," she said.

"My aunty was sent away by the Government. It's heart-wrenching to listen to her story. They are still healing now even though it was in the 1950s".

But she said that despite the work being somewhat difficult to choreograph, it reassured her in a way.

"Even with bombs being dropped on

their land, they wanted it cleaned up," she said of her people.

"They saw it as providing a future for generations to come".

X300 is extremely timely, with the Federal Government moving into the Northern Territory with the intention of leasing back Indigenous land, which some people suggest is linked to the expansion of nuclear mining and the storage of nuclear waste.

"Every Indigenous person in this country should be very worried about the true intentions of this Government with regard to 'interventions' on our land," said Rings.

● *True Stories* will be performed at the Sydney Opera House from 3 August until 1 September. Another work by Rings – *Unaipon* – will open in Adelaide soon.



Bangarra guest dancer Smilan Sinak opening *Emeret Lu*.
Photo by Justine Walpole



Armada Redevelopment Authority chairman Gerry Gauntlett, artist Janice Lyndon, who was judged best local artist for her piece *Carnarvon Gorge WA* and Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan in front of *Carnarvon Gorge WA*.

Artistic wonders of Armadale



The rich Indigenous history of the Armadale area of Perth was highlighted recently by the third annual Moorjitch Mar-daa art award and exhibition.

Organised by the Armadale Redevelopment Authority (ARA), the award is open to Indigenous artists from the Armadale region, about 30 minutes from Perth's central business district, and across Australia.

State Planning and Infrastructure Minister and Armadale MLA Alannah MacTiernan said the exhibition highlighted the incredible artistic talent of the Nyoongar community.

"This event has gone from strength to strength in the last three years and is fast gaining a reputation not only as WA's premier Indigenous art award, but as one of Australia's most prestigious," Ms MacTiernan said.

"The standard of this year's entries was extremely high and showcases the incredible diversity of works produced by Indigenous artists."

"This year the judges have selected Nyumitja Laidlaw's untitled piece as the winner of the \$5,000 prize."

"The ARA also provided this year an additional prize of \$500 for the best piece by a local Armadale area artist, which has been won by Janice Lyndon."

Moorjitch Mar-daa is Nyoongar for great painting and the event is held as part of NAIDOC Week celebrations.

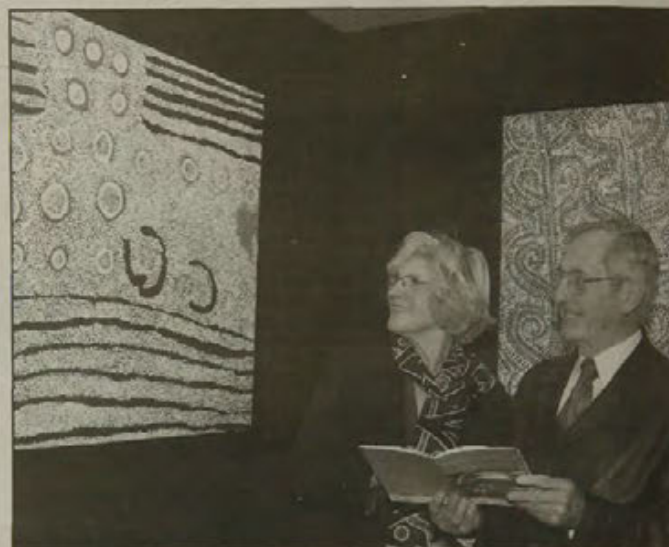
This year, 90 entries – up almost 30 per cent on last year – were received from the Perth and south-west area and as far afield as the Northern Territory and Queensland as well as the Warburton, Pilbara, Gascoyne and south-west regions of WA.

Entries included traditional Aboriginal dot paintings, landscape paintings, glass works, grass woven sculptures and wall hangings.

The works were exhibited at exhibition at the former St Francis Xavier Church in Armadale from 7 to 15 July.



Artist Noeleen Brockman with her piece *Honey Ants* which received a highly commended nomination from the judges.



Exhibition curator Elisabeth Rechichi and Armadale Redevelopment Authority Chairman Gerry Gauntlett admire the winner of the exhibition, Nyumitja Laidlaw's untitled piece.

Winner

- Nyumitja Laidlaw, *Untitled* (associated with The Seven Sisters Dreaming)

Highly Commended

- Tjyllyungoo Lance Chadd, *Frog Dreaming*
- Janine McAullay Bott, *Long Bush Basket Weave*
- Noeleen Brockman, *Honey Ants*
- Karen Reys, *Looking for Culture, Looking for Identity*

Local Artist Prize

- Janice Lyndon, *Carnarvon George WA*

Best Emerging Prize

- Wendyke (Wendy) Hayden, *Family – Koora – Gone*



Tjyllyungoo Lance Chadd with his highly commended piece *Frog Dreaming*.

Wanted: Short stories from all round Australia



If you're a regional writer eager to be discovered, the 2007 ABC Radio Short Story Project could be the opportunity that you've been waiting for.

The sixth annual ABC Radio Short Story Project is calling for original, previously unpublished stories of up to 800 words in length.

Stories should be imaginative but need not necessarily be fiction, and while the writers must live in a rural or regional area, the subject matter need not be regional.

Last year's entries ranged from travellers' tales through memoirs of war to fantasy, romance and crime fiction.

Primarily, organisers are looking for short stories that will make great radio – as ten winning entries will be produced and then broadcast on ABC Local Radio and ABC Radio National.

The winning writers each will receive a \$700 cash prize.

A further 10 runners-up will have their stories published on ABC online and will receive a \$50 ABC Shop gift voucher.

More than 1500 entries were received last year from emerging and established writers living as

far afield as Fitzroy Crossing (WA), Edith Creek (Tas) and Byron Bay (NSW).

"Being one of the winners was an incredible honour," said Victorian writer Kate Perry, whose story, *Blue Sky*, was a 2006 judges' favourite.

"It reminded me that years of living, thinking, feeling and playing with words is sometimes for a purpose greater than the joy of the process."

Her advice to other writers is: "Follow your urge – write the story and enter – you never know!"

This year's entries will be reviewed by three judges, all with significant backgrounds in

literature and radio. The judges are award-winning Tasmanian author Amanda Lohrey, independent editor/publisher Bruce Sims and ABC Radio National producer, Anne McInerney.

Bruce Sims' tips for entrants are to include "an arresting opening, no wasted words (economy is the essence), a dramatic situation, even if on a small canvas, and a twist or surprise".

Amanda Lohrey said: "The old truism about it being harder to write a short story than a long one has something going for it. I'll be intrigued to see what the entrants

come up with."

The ABC Radio Short Story Project aims to recognise and encourage the wealth of diversity and creativity in regional Australia. It is open to Australian residents living outside State and Territory capital cities (although residents of Hobart and Darwin are eligible to enter). Entries close on Friday 17 August 2007. The winners will be announced on ABC Local Radio and on Bush Telegraph on ABC Radio National on Thursday 1 November 2007.

Further information and entry forms are available at abc.net.au/shortstories or by phoning 1300 723 802.



Kerrie Battese (NPWS), winning artist in the open section, Karla Dickens, award judge Djon Mundine, Hilton Naden (NPWS), and Grafton Regional Gallery Director Jude McBean.

Calling Victorian artists



Bunjilaka, the Aboriginal Cultural Centre at

Melbourne Museum, is seeking artwork by Victorian Koorie artists to be exhibited in its Birrarung Gallery.

The Birrarung Gallery is dedicated to creating an understanding and public awareness of art forms from Victoria. Each year, the gallery holds three exhibitions showcasing work by Victorian Koorie artists as part of the ongoing commitment to promote the talent of the Koorie community.

Applications for the Birrarung Community Exhibition Program 2008 opened on 12 July – offering Koorie artists, either as individuals or as communities, the chance to feature in an exhibition on display in Bunjilaka.

The successful applicants will have their exhibition on display for a period of four months throughout 2008.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for both emerging and established Koorie artists," said Bunjilaka Manager Caroline Martin.

"This program gives Koories the chance to exhibit artwork in one of Australia's finest cultural centres, where their exhibition will be appreciated by thousands of Museum visitors."

All forms of artwork will be considered, including fibre craft, woodwork, glasswork, fashion, painting, photography, pottery, jewellery, music, theatre and performance.

Exhibitions that meet the following criteria will be considered:

- Artists must be Indigenous from Victoria
- Artwork must be available to be on display for four months
- Artists must be able to transport their exhibition to and from the Birrarung Gallery
- Artists must be available for opening events
- Artwork must come without pest management issues

Previous community exhibitions include *Footprints Through the Bush* – Koorie Elders Talkin' Up Country, an exhibition showcasing the work of six Koorie Elders, *City Style*, *Country Youth* and *Gunnal Yukan (Mother)* Stories by Ray Thomas.

Artists wishing to participate in this unique program can obtain expressions of interest forms from Melbourne Museum, vic.gov.au/bunjilaka. For further public information, phone 03 8341 7368. Applications close on 30 November 2007.

Best in the show



Indigenous art buffs in the Northern Rivers region of New South Wales have a little more time to soak up some of the area's best Indigenous artwork.

The National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Northern Rivers Region Aboriginal Art Award 2007 is being held in collaboration with Grafton Regional Gallery.

The Past Present Future exhibition started on Wednesday 4 July and award winners were announced at the official opening on 11 July.

The competition was judged by internationally-acclaimed Aboriginal artist and Bundjalung man Djon Mundine OAM who said he was very impressed with the high quality of the entries. He announced to guests that several works that were of a winning quality but the \$3000 main prize in the open category went to Lismore-based artist Karla Dickens for her acrylic and collage work on canvas *Then, Now, When*.

Karla's work reflects freedom from the past, hope in the present and love for the future. It was the second time Karla has won the award.

Other artists earning prizes were Garth Lena in the 3D category with his timber sculpture *Mother and Sisters*. Teresa Anderson and Jenny



Youth Award winner Courtney Gibson with judge Djon Mundine.

Frost with their painting *Journey Meeting Coincidence* took out the Collaborative Prize and Courtney Gibson went home with the Youth Award for her work *Who I am*.

Eight Highly Commended awards were also handed out on the day.

Director of Grafton Regional Gallery, Jude McBean, said the People's Choice award of \$1,000 was still to be awarded.

"Members of the public are encouraged to come in and vote for their favourite," she said. "The award is sponsored by the Southern Cross University's Gribi Indigenous College and the winner will be announced after the exhibition finishes on 12 August."

The exhibition organised by National Parks and Wildlife and Grafton Regional Gallery is in its sixth year and is bigger and better than ever with more than 70 entries on display. Past present Future will be on show at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy Street Grafton until 12 August.

Film festival bound for Adelaide



The Australian Film Commission will tour the Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival to Adelaide later this month.

The festival will screen at the National Aboriginal Cultural Institute – Tandanya from 16-18 August and it's a free event.

Curated by producer Darren Dale and award-winning director Rachel Perkins, Message Sticks features the latest Indigenous shorts, feature films and documentaries from Australia and around the world.

"The themes of this year's Festival are wide-ranging and captivating," said Sally Riley, Manager of the Australian Film Commission's Indigenous Branch.

"The wonderful thing about Message Sticks is that you get to see the issues that are at the forefront of Indigenous filmmakers hearts and minds. It's a snapshot in time for us as a community."

The program features 13 short films titled *Bit of Black Business* (BOBB) by emerging Indigenous

Australian directors.

These extraordinary films provide a powerful and insightful portrait of Indigenous Australia in the 21st century.

Among the BOBB films are Warwick Thornton's *Nana*, about a very special nana; Jacob Nash's *Bloodlines*, about finding heritage in urban Australia; Pauline Whyman's *Backseat*, based on her own personal journey as a foster child meeting her biological mother for the first time.

Alice Springs film director Trisha Morton Thomas will introduce her films *Kwayte* and *Destiny in Alice*, a funny and satirical documentary which looks at the lives of outback lesbians, through the eyes of three local gay women.

Dena Curtis, also from Alice Springs, will talk about her film *Hush*. Ethel and her friend Mary resort to an unlikely occupation at night to top up their pensions.

Crocodile Dreaming is a modern day, supernatural myth about two estranged brothers, played by iconic Indigenous actors David Gulpilil and Tom E. Lewis and directed by Darlene

Johnson. The brothers struggle to come to terms with their traditional roles and identities and are reconciled through the spirit of their mother.

Also screening is Rhoda Roberts personal documentary *A Sister's Love*, which follows the Indigenous performer, journalist and festival director as she travels home to confront the brutal murder of her twin sister.

It is the latest film from award-winning director Ivan Sen.

When the Natives Get Restless, is a powerful documentary about the infamous Gordon Estate, in Dubbo.

It speaks for the first time about the issues the Aboriginal residents face in a regional Australia.

Dark Science follows Swedish scientist Eric Mjoberg to the Kimberley region of WA in the early 1900s as he seeks the missing link.

Entry to all screenings is free. There's no need to book, but seating is limited so get there early.

For more information visit www.afc.gov/blackscreen or www.tandanya.com.au

Program

Thursday 16 August from

7.30pm

Nana

Kwayte

Hush

Friday 17 August from

7.00pm

Done Dirt Cheap

The Turtle

Days Like these

Sharpeye

Crocodile Dreaming

Saturday 18 August from

1pm

Dark Science

When the Natives Get

Restless

Bit of Black Business

(shorts); Jackie Jackie; Two

Big Boys; Too Late; Back Seat;

Bloodlines; and Custard

followed by the documentary *A Sisters Love*.

Employment

Indigenous Job Opportunities



● LEFT: Graduates of the Yaama Dhinawan Training College in Darlington. The Les Tobler Construction Training Centre at Eveleigh was named after Les Tobler, who initiated the Indigenous training program and was instrumental in bringing the NSW Government on board with their financial assistance and agreement to employ Indigenous workers from the program in the Redfern Waterloo redevelopment.

● BELOW: From left, Andrew Ferguson (State secretary CFMEU), Les Tobler, his wife Kathleen and son Rohan Tobler.

Constructing their futures



NSW

A course initiated a few years back by the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) is set to reach new heights.

The union is Australia's main trade union in construction, forestry and forest products, mining and energy production.

A few years ago, the CFMEU established the course to help young, unemployed Indigenous men gain basic skills and qualifications, and a job, in the building industry.

It developed a partnership with TAFE NSW to help fund and deliver the course, and more recently it reached an agreement with the NSW Government and the Redfern Waterloo Authority to continue the training and to ensure a minimum number of Indigenous workers are employed on all projects undertaken in the area.

For instance, the new Channel 7 building to be built shortly will provide up to 60 Indigenous jobs at various stages of construction.

"Of the people who have done the course, we have a success rate of about 80 per cent gaining sustained employment," the union said.

"We have also extended it to older Indigenous people who are long-term unemployed and we have also had about 20 women do the course."

Fourteen young Indigenous men received certificates for their successful completion of the Job-Ready Course in construction at Lidcombe College of TAFE on 13 July.

That might not be remarkable, but the six-week course was the first of its kind specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in the NSW construction industry.

The awards ceremony, during NAIDOC Week, had a particular energy and enthusiasm because it marked the fulfilment of long-held dreams for the organisers and their hopes for the future to benefit Indigenous youth and the wider Australian community.

The course was developed thanks to the initiative of CFMEU Aboriginal Liaison Officer Les Tobler, along with Indigenous construction company, Gunai Constructions.

They found strong support for the idea at Lidcombe College of TAFE and a partnership between the CFMEU and Lidcombe College was quickly formed. Head Teacher of Construction, Colin Warn played a key role, along with Mr Tobler, and Gunai Constructions' Murray Free and Chris Bell.

"My main function is to try to break the barriers down for our young people, to give

them access to the industry and an opportunity to get the skills that other people obtain; to enable them to be their own self and start to do things for themselves in their own community," Mr Tobler said. The Southern Sydney Institute of TAFE Aboriginal Unit provided funding for most of the course.

"I'm proud to stand here today and see all those nephews of mine with all those smiling faces," Mr Tobler told the gathering of parents, teachers and union officials at Lidcombe College of TAFE.

All 14 students are ready to work in the construction industry or to go on to complete apprenticeships. The course has allowed them to obtain their Green Card induction into OHS standards and basic skills in plan reading, carpentry, concreting and scaffolding, with tickets for hoist and forklift handling and driving and explosive tools operation.

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Yarrabee Community Aged Care Program (CACPs)

Yarrabee Community Aged Care Program operates a community care programme for elderly Indigenous persons in the Northern Rivers, the office is located in Alstonville NSW.

Administration Assistant

The service is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced person to act as its Administration Assistant, reporting to the Community Care Manager.

The service is funded by the Department of Health and Ageing and services 35 clients, with a care team, of approximately 14 part time Indigenous care workers.

This position is responsible for providing administrative support to Yarrabee Aged Care services for 5 days a week and assist in case management of clients.

Application packages are available by contacting: Mr Gavin Brown on (02) 6628 0644 or email yarrabee@bigpond.net.au

Community Care Manager

The service is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced person to act as its Community Care Manager, reporting to an elected board of management.

The position holder leads a busy team and is responsible for ongoing case management of clients and day to day management of staff. Assessment of clients and development of appropriate packages of care are crucial to this role as is the ability to support and consult with care recipients and their carers.

Application packages are available by contacting: Ms Cherie Leon on (02) 6628 0644 or email yarrabee@bigpond.net.au

For further information about this position: You are invited to contact the Acting CACP Manager on (02) 66 28 0644.

Yarrabee supports innovation in service planning and delivery and candidates for these positions will be required to address a range of selection criteria as part of the application process. The successful candidates will be required to undergo relevant statutory checks.

The Social and community services (SAC's) award is applicable and remuneration payable under this award will be negotiated according to qualifications, skills and experience.

Although no Ethnic or other restrictions will be placed on intending applicants, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons are encouraged to apply.

Application close: Friday 7th September 2007.



AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF AIDS ORGANISATIONS INC.

ABN: 91 708 310 631

AFAO Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS & Sexual Health Project Administration Officer

Part Time Position: 21 hours per week

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AFAO is the national peak organisation representing the community response to HIV/AIDS. AFAO's members include AIDS councils, and organisations representing HIV-positive people, sex workers and injecting drug users.

AFAO is seeking a skilled individual to join the AFAO Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS and Sexual Health Project Team in the position of Administration Officer.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Project is responsible for leading AFAO's work in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS and sexual health work, especially as it relates to gay, sistergirl and transgender people. This position is responsible for the coordination of administrative work supporting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Project Team and associated advisory groups. A demonstrated understanding of current HIV/AIDS and sexual health related issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (especially ATSI gay men and sistergirls), demonstrated experience in working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander projects in community-based settings, as well as excellent communication skills and good writing skills, are essential.

The successful applicant will be responsible for:

- Working with AFAO projects and AFAO's members to improve understanding of, and services to, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander gay men and sistergirls;
- Working with members of the Indigenous Strategic Alliance (ISA) to support their volunteer work;
- Coordinating administrative processes for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Project work and the ISA;
- Undertaking sexual health education and project work relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, nationally; and
- Providing advice to AFAO and its members on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sexual health and related issues.

The position is an ongoing, part-time appointment (21 hours per week), subject to continuing funding from the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing.

This position is an identified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander position, and applications are restricted to Indigenous Australians. The nature of the work also requires that the position be further identified for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person who is gay, sistergirl or transgender.

Employment will be subject to the terms and conditions of the AFAO Enterprise Agreement and AFAO Affirmative Action for Employees with HIV Policy.

All applicants must address each of the stated selection criteria as well as their ability to perform the duties of this position in their letter of application. This information is available on the AFAO Web site at www.atao.org.au, or may be obtained by contacting Andrew Sajben at AFAO on (02) 8568 1105 or asajben@atao.org.au.

Applications close 5.00 pm, Friday 31 August, 2007.

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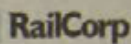
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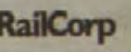
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For more information please contact: Emma Webb (Company Manager) or Diat Aferink (Cultural Director) on 08 8341 1150 or Email: emma@kurruru.org.au

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Ranger Grade 1/2, Kyogle, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number DECC07-282. Total remuneration package valued to: \$67,039 p.a. (\$43,646-\$67,415) Salary package includes base salary, an additional 17% loading for working weekends and public holidays, annual leave loading and employer contributions to superannuation scheme. Progression criteria apply to movement within the salary scale.

The position provides effective management of natural, historic and Aboriginal heritage conservation by undertaking, coordinating and supervising projects and field based activities. **Selection Criteria:** A degree or equivalent relevant to the field operations of the Department. Ability to work with the Department's statutory obligations as they apply to conservation of natural, Aboriginal and cultural heritage and resources and ability to undertake environmental assessment. Superior communication skills both verbal and written, negotiation, community relations and liaison skills. Current Driver's Licence and ability to operate four-wheel-drive vehicles. Demonstrated organisational and project management skills and ability to work as part of a multi-function team. Willingness to fly in light aircraft and preparedness and ability to be involved in incident management duties including fire fighting. Capacity and willingness to exercise delegated authority for law enforcement. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Progression through the scale is dependent upon achievement of identified competencies. The position of Ranger, including fire fighting related activities, is very physically demanding, requiring heavy muscular activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Rangers must meet the requirements of a specific medical with a clearance to undertake the fitness test to a moderate level, and task based physical assessment in order to undertake this position. The Position Holder will need to obtain certification at the appropriate level prior to undertaking fire fighting/incident control duties. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Mark Geyle (02) 6632 0000 Email: mark.geyle@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: (02) 6627 0200 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 6118, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

GA170203



MAGISTRATES' COURT VICTORIA KOORI COURT SUPPORT OFFICER

Grade 3, MC2192
Ongoing \$47,295-\$57,425

Koori Court division of the Magistrates Court
The Koori Court is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement and was initially established as a division of the Magistrates Courts in Victoria.

The Koori Courts currently sits at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Warrnambool, Mildura, La Trobe Valley and Bairnsdale Magistrates' Courts. There is one Children's Koori Court based at the Children's Court in Melbourne.

We are looking for an Aboriginal person to perform a number of functions within the Melbourne Koori Court Unit including providing advice and reports to the Court and relevant bodies in relation to services and programs available to Koori persons; provide assistance to Koori defendants before the Koori Court and their families regarding court outcomes and obligations; provide relief, support and assistance to Koori Court Officers and Koori Courts across the state; educate, promote and engage the community in the operation of the Koori Court and criminal justice system and build, maintain and foster links between the Koori Court and the Aboriginal community; maintain and collect statistical data in relation to Aboriginal defendants before the Koori Courts. You will have a sound knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal culture and society and an ability to communicate effectively with Victorian Aboriginal people, including children and young persons.

For further information position descriptions are available from Careers @ Vic Gov, or by telephoning 9628 7758. For further information contact Mr

Rudolph Kirby, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 9628 7758.

Applications are to be forwarded to:
Human Resources

Melbourne Magistrates' Court
GPO 882C, Melbourne 3001 Or email to:
rudolph.kirby@magistratescourt.vic.gov.au

Applications close on 17 August 2007.

This is a designated Indigenous Position which has been granted exemption status by VCAT (Ex No. 183/2002 and extended by application No A106/2005). The Koori Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

GA170203

Liaison and Development Officer Aboriginal Employment

An opportunity exists to play a pivotal role in Adelaide City Council's commitment to reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The position supports Council's Aboriginal employees providing mentoring and support services on a regular, programmed basis as well as responding to immediate support requirements as they arise.

Applicants will require experience in coaching and mentoring people, a strong knowledge of Aboriginal culture and the ability to influence others. To champion the Council's Aboriginal Employment Program the incumbent will need to be proficient at developing positive and effective working relationships at all levels in the organisation.

Applications close 5pm on 3 August 2007.

For further information, please contact Trevor Stutley on 08 8203 7675 or visit www.adelaidecitycouncil.com/employment

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

TEACHER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

Teacher, St. Heliers, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 67363. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Information Technology and Employability Skills programs to inmates, and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes subjects relating to Employability Skills (such as jobseeking skills, workplace communication), and/or Certificate IV in Information Technology. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning areas will meet all qualification criteria. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created.

Inquiries: Jacinta Ledin (02) 6542 4316 Email: jacinta.ledin@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Jacinta Ledin Email: jacinta.ledin@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resource Officer, Ground Floor, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW

Closing Date: Friday 03 August 2007

GA170203

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

CONTACT CENTRE OPERATOR ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER IDENTIFIED

Clerk Grade 2/4
Housing Contact Centre
Liverpool

Temporary Full-Time and Part-Time (2 positions)
Position No. DOM-07-07062

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,570 per annum (salary \$49,012 pa - \$56,701 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Working within a fast paced and demanding environment. Responsive telephone based services to Department of Housing Clients of indigenous and non-indigenous backgrounds, primarily diagnosing maintenance problems and organising repairs.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander Identified.
- Understanding and knowledge of general maintenance repairs.
- Experience using and navigating information systems/databases.
- Capacity to work in a high volume call environment.
- Problem solving skills including, listening, questioning and negotiating.
- Proven customer service ability and empathy when dealing with a diverse range of clients.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: There is one (1) temporary full-time position and one (1) temporary part-time position available. Temporary positions are for a period of up to 12 months (extensions are dependant on availability of work and satisfactory conduct) under the terms of PSEM Act 2002. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Identified applicants with a disability are encouraged to apply. Applicants MUST obtain the information package, which contains the full details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria.

Information Packages: Telephone: 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bzlink.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Kathy Watson, telephone: (02) 9612 6103

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or email: JobsDOH@bzlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

GA170203

National Film and Sound Archive

A Division of the Australian Film Commission

An important opportunity to help to bring Australia's Indigenous film and sound heritage alive.

Archivist Indigenous Collections

AFC Level 6 (APS Level 6)

\$59,710 - \$68,113 pa (plus super)

Reference: 88030

Location: Canberra

The Australian Film Commission (AFC) is an Australian Government statutory authority that aims to enrich Australia's cultural identity by fostering an internationally competitive audiovisual production industry, making Australia's audiovisual content and culture available to all and developing and preserving a national collection of sound and moving image.

The National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA) is Australia's audiovisual archive, collecting, preserving and sharing a rich cultural heritage of images and sounds of film, television, radio and recordings.

The NFSA's Indigenous Collections Branch provides focus for the responsible management of this material and for building strong supportive relationships with relevant indigenous communities. We are seeking an energetic and enthusiastic person to become a part of the curatorial team at the NFSA which is an exciting player in the wider cultural environment. The successful applicant will provide archival expertise and support for the Indigenous collection. This includes providing advice and guidance on Indigenous collection matters and liaising with appropriate communities and government bodies. Assisting with NFSA representation and promotion of its Indigenous policies and practices is also a component of this position.

Tertiary qualifications in communications/media, Australian history, Indigenous studies or archives, librarianship or a related discipline from a recognised institution are highly desirable, as is experience working with remote indigenous communities.

Incumbent must be of Indigenous Australian background, who identifies as an Indigenous Australian and is accepted as such by the community with which he/she is associated. This is an indigenous identified position. The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act.

Selection documentation can be found on our website www.afc.gov.au/jobs. If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact Elizabeth McIven on 02 6248 2086 or email elizabeth.mcniven@nfsa.afc.gov.au

Applications addressing the selection criteria, stating relevant qualifications and experience, should be forwarded to recruitment@afc.gov.au or addressed to:

The Recruitment Officer
Australian Film Commission
GPO Box 2002
Canberra city ACT 2601

By close of business: 9 August 2007



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Centrelink is part of the Human Services Portfolio working with the Department of Human Services and other Human Service Agencies to deliver Centrelink services to 6.5 million Australians. We employ people in a wide variety of challenging and interesting jobs around Australia. Merit based selections ensure we have a talented and diverse workforce with a broad range of skills and abilities. Applicants must be Australian citizens.

Customer Service Advisers

Call Centre

Centrelink Call

APS 3-4 (Centrelink 2)

\$42,673 - \$53,047

Bunbury

- Excellent career opportunity
- Various Full-time and Management Initiated Part-time positions available

If you are keen to join a professional team providing high quality customer service in a fast paced environment and have a genuine interest in meeting the needs of customers, then you may be the right person for this position.

We require people who meet the following criteria:

- A customer focused attitude that is conducive to delivering optimum customer service;
- An excellent telephone manner and rapport;
- Ability to problem solve and deal with complex customer enquiries;
- Computer literacy (Windows) and intermediate keyboard skills;
- Willingness to work in a busy and challenging environment;
- Strong team skills

Call Centre experience is not essential however customer service experience will be viewed favourably. Comprehensive training will be provided.

Applicants must successfully complete a health check and a police records clearance. A six-month probationary period will apply to all successful applicants.

To Apply:

Please proceed to our website www.ipa.com.au Under the Job Search heading, please enter the job reference number 601LC200212762CLBUN and complete the application as requested. Applicants are encouraged to apply online, however alternatively you can call (08) 9224 6700 between the hours of 9am to 5pm Monday - Friday WST, should you not have access to internet.

Applications close 5pm Monday 6th August 2007

Indigenous Apprenticeship Program

Centrelink Call

APS 1

\$19,864 - \$33,105 (depending on age)

Townsville

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 the Townsville 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.

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.

To Apply:

Please lodge a current resume and current referee details by post to PO BOX 906, Aitkenvale, attention to Marie Dennis. Alternatively applications can be lodged by email to ccn.recruitment@centrelink.gov.au (please quote Townsville Indigenous Apprenticeship in all communication/documentation) Applicants will then be phoned as a part of the selection process.

For further information please ring Marie Dennis on (07) 4760 3120 or (07) 4760 3100 weekdays between Monday 23rd July 2007 and 6th August 2007 during the business hours of 10am and 4pm.

Successful Applicants will be required to provide evidence of an established link with their local Indigenous Community.

The selection committee is not obliged to accept any phone interview calls from applicants after the closing date. Applicants not completing the phone interview will not be considered further.

Applications close 4pm Monday the 6th of August 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

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People Development & Training Branch

Manager - Indigenous Employment Programs (Identified Position)

Executive Level 1 \$73 348 - \$79 210

Tuggeranong Ref: 2007/196

Contact: Simone Schreiter + (02) 6212 0222 or email: simone.schreiter@centrelink.gov.au

This is a new position within the Entry Level Program team. The team is responsible for the management of Centrelink's National Graduate Program, Apprenticeship Program, Indigenous Cadet/Scholarship/Contract Management Development Programs, and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Program. As the Indigenous Employment Programs Manager, you will have a strong leadership role within the team and be responsible for the development of entry-level recruitment initiatives to increase the attraction, retention and career development of Indigenous employees within Centrelink.

This is an identified position. Centrelink's identified positions policy aims at ensuring the efficient, effective and culturally sensitive development and delivery of policies and programs affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Indigenous and non-Indigenous people who have specific knowledge and understanding of Indigenous Australian cultures and issues, and the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Indigenous communities are encouraged to apply.

Applications close, Monday 6 August 2007

An Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package is available to all prospective Centrelink employees and is a condition of joining Centrelink for all Executive Level 1 and Executive Level 2 applicants who are new to the Australian Public Service.

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Australian Government

Department of Education,
Science and Training



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The NSW/ACT State Office has the responsibility for the implementation within the State / Territory of Government programmes and policies in the education, science and training portfolio, and the achievement of operational performance. Under direction of the IEU Manager, the Education Officer facilitates the effective delivery of Indigenous education programmes to stakeholders within the region. They promote the Department's initiatives and liaise with Indigenous communities and public and private organisations including Indigenous Co-ordination Centres (ICC's) regarding community based education activities and plans.

Education Officer

- NSW State Group, Lismore
- DEST Level 2 (APS 5) - \$52,989 - \$55,998
- Reference No: 07-237

Extensive travel within the Region is required and a current driver's licence is essential.

Contact Officer: Ms Wendy Ruttley on (02) 6626 4322

Education Officer

- NSW State Group, Sydney
- DEST Level 2 (APS 5) - \$52,989 - \$55,998
- Reference No: 07-238

Extensive travel within the Region is required and a current driver's licence is essential.

Contact Officer: Ms Kristal Morris on (02) 9298 7280

Education Officer

- NSW State Group, Kempsey
- DEST Level 2 (APS 5) - \$52,989 - \$55,998
- Non-ongoing opportunity for approximately 12 months
- Reference No: 07-239

This non ongoing employment opportunity is available for approx 12 months and will be based in the Kempsey District Office to support clients within the Taree area. Extensive travel within the Region is required and a current driver's licence is essential.

Contact Officer: Ms Ange Pearce on (02) 4974 1783

These are Identified Positions and the duties of these positions 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.

Applications close: 9 August 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.

www.dest.gov.au

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.



Bourke Aboriginal Health Service

RE-ADVERTISED POSITION VACANT

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PRACTICE (NURSE) MANAGER

Are you looking for a challenging, exciting and rewarding career in Aboriginal Health, managing a supportive, progressive and welcoming team?

Due to the restructuring and expansion of our service, the Bourke Aboriginal Health Service has a position for a full time (38 Hour week) PRIMARY HEALTH CARE/ PRACTICE (NURSE) MANAGER.

Previous management experience is part of the essential criteria. Conditions:

- Pay Structure is under the NSW Public Hospital Award at a Nurse Manager Level 1.
- Award - Nurses other than Hospital Award

The attractive Salary Package Includes:

- Full salary sacrifice
- Gazetted Aboriginal Celebration Leave Days
- Family home with concession rental provided available in the near future (building negotiations underway)
- Private use of a company vehicle.

The Primary Care/Practice Manager is not an Aboriginal Identified position but Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

To apply, interested applicants must obtain an Employment Package which contains:

- A comprehensive overview of the position
- The essential and desirable criteria to be addressed
- Working with children and criminal record check forms to be completed
- Relevant essential documents.

Inquiries welcomed to: CEO - Judy Johnson or Deputy CEO - Jane Williams. Ph: (02) 68 723 088.

Applications addressed to: Bourke Aboriginal Health Service, PO Box 362, Bourke NSW 2840.

Applications Close: Close of business 10th August 2007.

The Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 makes it an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence (a Prohibited Person) or a Registrable Person under the Child Protection (Offenders Registration) Act 2000, to apply for, undertake or remain in, child-related employment.



TEAM LEADER KOORI COURTS

Grade 5, MC2193

Ongoing \$67,557-\$81,738

Koori Court division of the
Magistrates Court

The Koori Court is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement and was initially established as a division of the Magistrates Courts in Victoria.

The Koori Courts currently sits at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Warrnambool, Mildura, La Trobe Valley and Bairnsdale Magistrates' Courts. There is one Children's Koori Court based at the Children's Court in Melbourne.

We are looking for a person with well developed interpersonal skills, including the ability to supervise and support a multi-disciplinary team, to perform a number of functions including professional advice, coaching and direction to staff on effective, professional practices and standards; develop and co-ordinate the implementation of quality assurance systems in line with organisational standards and best practice requirements; liaise with court staff and stakeholders on the Koori Court development and implantation issues; establishing effective consultation and negotiation processes and encouraging innovative solutions; deal with and resolve complex problems to ensure that the Koori Court Model is maintained and enhanced; identify key issues and recommend strategies to ensure Koori Courts organisational standards are maintained and to provide reports and briefings with details analysis and recommendations on a regular basis to key stakeholders to report on the Koori Court progress highlighting any potential gaps/trends.

You will have a demonstrated knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal culture and society and an ability to communicate effectively with Victorian Aboriginal people.

For further information position descriptions are available from Careers @ Vic Gov, or by telephoning 9628 7758. For further information contact Mr Rudolph Kirby, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 9628 7758.

Applications are to be forwarded to:

Human Resources
Melbourne Magistrates' Court
GPO 882G
Melbourne, 3001

Or email to:
rudolph.kirby@magistratescourt.vic.gov.au
Applications close on 17 August 2007.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. The Koori Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

THE TREASURY

OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE

The State Debt Recovery Office, a division of OSR, provides efficient and timely processing and enforcement of fines owed to the Government and Commercial Clients.

ASSESSOR (ASSESSMENT)

Clerk Grade 1/2, Lithgow, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 06018. Total remuneration package valued to: \$55,567 p.a. (\$46,320-\$50,356) includes leave loading and employers contribution to superannuation.

Analyse data and provide administrative support to a team that assesses various client applications and requests under the Fines Act, communicate decisions to clients in a timely manner. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality Demonstrated commitment to client service outcomes Ability to perform duties in a process-driven, high-volume environment Good oral and written communication skills Ability to work independently and as part of a team Well developed administrative and office skills Common selection criteria also apply.

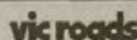
Notes: Aboriginal designated position as authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. An eligibility list may be created for any future vacancies that may arise. These may be either temporary or permanent positions.

Inquiries: Richard Cant (02) 6354 7301.

Information Packages: Nicole Griffiths (02) 6354 7178.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Employee Relations & Consultancy, GPO Box 4042 SYDNEY NSW 2001 or apply online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday 03 August 2007.



For people going places

Indigenous Traineeship Opportunity (Wodonga)

VicRoads manages the Victorian road network and its use as part of the State's overall transport system.

A 12 month Indigenous traineeship is now available at the VicRoads Wodonga Customer Service Centre. This traineeship includes both on the job and formal training including the opportunity to complete a Certificate III in Business Administration.

The successful candidate will demonstrate

- good people skills (essential)
- previous customer service experience (highly regarded)

The successful candidate will participate in the VicRoads Indigenous Staff Network activities.

Resumes can be forwarded

by mail to:

Jane Kenny
Inner Eastern Group Training
PO Box 1246 BOX HILL VIC 3128
or email to janek@iegt.com.au
Trainee wage information is also available by contacting Jane Kenny on (03) 9897 3666.

*This is an Identified traineeship position within the VicRoads Indigenous Employment Strategy. An exemption has been granted by VCAT under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995. (A113/2006) Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

** Applicants with Certificate III qualifications and above need not apply. Exemption No. A327/2006 National Training wages apply.

For more information

Contact Wendy Harris, VicRoads Indigenous Employment Coordinator on (03) 9854 2099 or email wendy.harris@roads.vic.gov.au

To find out more about VicRoads, visit our website at www.vicroads.vic.gov.au

Applications close on Friday 10 August 2007.



JOIN OUR TEAM

Have you got the skills we need?
Want to work in a flexible and professional environment?
The North Coast Institute encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for our vacant positions.

Check our website on:
www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm



ABORIGINAL AND ISLANDER COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE BRISBANE LTD

ALTERNATIVE CARE SUPPORT WORKER

Indigenous Family & Child Support Service (IFACSS)
2 Positions available • Based at East Brisbane

The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS) provides a holistic approach to address the health and well being needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in Brisbane and surrounding areas. The Indigenous Family & Child Support Service (IFACSS), auspiced by AICHS, ensures Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their families have the right to culturally appropriate advocacy, support, resources and information during the child protection and alternative care process.

We are seeking applications for two Alternative Care Support Workers to provide support to existing Foster Carers (General and Kinship Carers) and will be responsible for the recruitment, training and assessment of such Carers. The Alternative Care Support Worker responds to requests from the Department of Child Safety to provide safe care for children in the care and protection of the Director General and liaises with and develops partnerships with a variety of agencies.

SCAN SUPPORT WORKER

Suspected Child Abuse & Neglect
Indigenous Family & Child Support Service (IFACSS)
• Based at East Brisbane

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We are seeking applications for a Scan Support Worker to collect, collate and document information for presentation at Zonal SCAN meetings. To carry out this task effectively, the SCAN Support Worker is required to liaise with IFACSS Child Protection Workers.

TEAM LEADER - RECOGNISED ENTITY

(Child Protection)
Indigenous Family & Child Support Service (IFACSS)
• Based at East Brisbane

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We are seeking applications for a Team Leader - Recognised Entity (Child Protection) to work proactively with at risk families and when necessary, works jointly with the Department of Child Safety. This position coordinates and supervises a team of four (4) Family & Child Support Workers - Recognised Entity (Child Protection).

FAMILY & CHILD SUPPORT WORKER
RECOGNISED ENTITY

(Child Protection)
Indigenous Family & Child Support Service (IFACSS)
4 Positions available • Based at East Brisbane

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We are seeking applications for Family & Child Support Workers - Recognised Entity (Child Protection). This position works proactively with at risk families and when necessary, works jointly with the Department of Child Safety.

These positions are classified in accordance with the Social and Community Services Award (SACS) - Level 6. AICHS (IFACSS) is a non profit organisation which offers access to Salary Sacrifice Fringe Benefits Tax entitlements.

Please contact Lyn Guidry on (07) 3217 4112 if you have a specific enquiry regarding any of the above vacancies. For Position Descriptions only please contact Vicky Drahm on (07) 3393 0055.

Closing Date and Submission Details: The closing date for all applications will be 4.30pm Wednesday 15th August 2007.

Please submit your Resume and application addressing the selection criteria to: Confidential, Kym Hearn, HR & OD Advisor, PO Box 8112, Woolloongabba Qld 4102.

AICHS is an equal employment opportunity employer and applies merit based selection techniques to ensure that the best person for the position is selected. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for vacant positions.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

BILBI - Biambul Indigenous Language Business Institute requires a part time office administrator.

Selection Criteria: The position is: Aboriginal identified (as permitted by the provisions of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991). Need to be willing to learn a NSW Indigenous Language. Sufficient literacy levels to use written material and basic computer literacy. Interest in Indigenous Languages and culture.

Statement of Duties:

- Assist in the day to day running of the Institute
- Attend office 3-5 days part time/Keep diary of appointments
- Redirect call to appropriate person or answer enquiries where able.
- Manage basic software resources including MYOB.
- IT assistance provided.
- Collect and post mail

Written applications by 18th August 2007.

Rate of Pay

Annual income of \$10,200. Options for extension in future.

Probationary Period

10 weeks (1 school term)

Employment information

Please contact George Fisher: 02 87216787 or 0419167274

Email contact George Fisher: buralinga@optusnet.com.au



Australian Government

Aboriginal Hostels Limited

Aboriginal Hostels Limited is a company owned and financed by the Australian Government. Through our Central Office located in Canberra, and eight Regional Offices, we operate and fund hostel accommodation throughout Australia. We have a policy of offering employment and training opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Applicants for the advertised positions will need to demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies.

Canberra

Central Office

Accommodation Services Division

Assistant Manager

APS Executive Level 1

\$67,772 - \$75,911 pa, plus superannuation

Manage and direct the activities of the Hostel Operations Section. Develop, implement and review operational policy procedures in respect of service standards, hostel classifications, budgets, grants administration, tariffs and performance of both company owned and community operated hostels.

Further inquiries: Jasmine Koehler

Telephone No: 02 6212 2080

Selection documentation: Ben Appo

Telephone No: 02 6212 2081 or from our website.

Senior Project Officer

(2 positions)

APS Level 6

\$54,263 - \$61,038 pa, plus superannuation

This position requires excellent communication skills and well developed analytical and interpretative skills.

Duties include:

- As a team leader undertake major complex evaluations and projects;
- Assist in developing, implementing and reviewing strategic research and evaluation programs; and
- Assist in developing, implementing and reviewing operational policy and procedures in respect of service standards, hostel classifications, budgets, tariffs and performance of hostels

Secretariat Officer

APS Level 6

\$54,263 - \$61,038 pa, plus superannuation

We are seeking a highly motivated person to fill the position of Secretariat Officer. The successful applicant will be responsible for: - coordinating ministerial correspondence and submissions; liaising with and advising officers in other parts of the organisation on ministerial correspondence; reviewing work practices and identifying opportunities for streamlining and optimising efficiency; providing staff training; assisting with the management of work teams.

Further inquiries: Aileen Blackburn

Telephone No: 02 6212 2093

Selection documentation: Aileen Blackburn

Telephone No: 02 6212 2093 or from our website

ted noffs foundation

• Indigenous Adolescent and Family Counsellor

• Schools Counsellor

Full-Time, based in Mt Druitt

We invite applications from mature-minded, experienced people to provide counselling, case management support and/or brokerage services for vulnerable Indigenous young people aged eighteen years or younger who are experiencing or at risk of experience of misusing alcohol and/or other drug related harms. You will conduct full assessments, develop appropriate care plans, provide individual, group and family counselling. Interviews on the 10th August 2007.

Remuneration will be negotiated according to qualifications and experience.

We are also looking for a Schools Counsellor (covering schools in Western Sydney). You will be required to provide counselling and group work to adolescents who are attending school and are at risk of alcohol and/or other drug-related harm. Assistance will also be provided to schools for the development of strategies and support structures for these students.

A person prohibited by the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 is not eligible to apply.

For an Information Pack for either role, please refer to our web site: www.noffs.org.au or phone Kate Ruhan, HR Assistant on (02) 8383 6619 or Email ruhan@noffs.org.au.

Join our team

Dubbo

Oxley Circle ITYP & Dubbo ITYP Hostels

House Manager (2 positions)

APS Level 3

\$42,880 - \$45,503 pa, plus superannuation (salary package includes: accommodation, food and utilities up to \$9,300 pa).

Provide residential support for young Indigenous people aged 16-24 years and manage an accommodation facility for up to 10 residents.

We are seeking two motivated people to manage group houses or similar accommodation and provide residential support for young Indigenous people from rural and remote areas who will be undertaking apprenticeships or similar training. Experience in working with young people is an advantage.

Duties include:

- managing the day-to-day running of the accommodation;
- assisting residents to develop living skills (e.g. cooking, budgeting) and a healthy lifestyle; and
- liaising with training providers, parents and communities to assist residents to adapt to living and studying away from home.

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply. On-the-job training will be available. Drivers Licence is desirable.

Further inquiries: Anna Strzelecki

Telephone No: 02 6212 2083

Selection documentation: Anna Strzelecki

Telephone No: 02 6212 2083 or from our website.

Written applications addressing the selection criteria close 5pm, 24 August 2007 and should be sent to: Recruitment Officer, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 30, WODEN ACT 2606.

Conditions of Employment

The successful applicants will be required to undergo a medical assessment during the probationary period. Satisfactory completion of a police records check is required for these positions. The successful applicants will be offered an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA).

Aboriginal Hostels Limited is committed to Australian Public Service values, merit principles and Workplace Diversity.

These are identified positions.

Human Resources Division

OH&S National Officer

APS Level 5

\$49,254 - \$52,270 pa, plus superannuation

We are seeking a highly motivated person to fill the position of OH&S National Officer. The successful applicant will be responsible for the planning, development, implementation and promotion of the Company's Occupational Health and Safety policies, including identifying, assessing, prioritising and controlling risks to the health and safety of staff and clients, including conducting on-site inspections. Provide advice and training to management and staff on their rights and responsibilities under the OH&S Act and provide advice and support to Workers Compensation case managers.

Further inquiries: Matthew Brwers

Telephone No: 02 6212 2037

Selection documentation: LoToyo Hall

Telephone No: 02 6212 2041 or from our website.

Written applications addressing the selection criteria close 5pm, 17 August 2007 and should be sent to: Recruitment Officer, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 30, WODEN ACT 2606.

Melbourne

William T Onus Hostel

Night Attendant

APS Level 1

\$31,235 - \$33,810 pa, plus superannuation

We are seeking a highly motivated individual to fill the position of Night Attendant. The successful applicant will be responsible for the general security of the hostel and its occupants and checking in late arrivals.

Further inquiries: Garth Grant

Telephone No: 03 9489 6701

Selection documentation: Russell Weston

Telephone No: 03 9642 2775 or from our website.

Written applications addressing the selection criteria close 5pm, 17 August 2007 and should be sent to: Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, Box 4860, MELBOURNE VIC 3001.

Sydney

Sydney Regional Office

Regional Administration Officer

APS Level 5

\$49,254 - \$52,270 pa, plus superannuation

We are seeking a motivated person who will be responsible for the day to day administration of the Regional Office. Other duties include financial returns, preparing regional budget, supervision/identifying training and development needs of regional staff, recruitment and personnel/payroll administration and liaising with Central Office.

Further inquiries: Greg Hazel

Telephone No: 02 9310 2777

Selection documentation: Yasmine Khan

Telephone No: 02 9310 2777 or from our website.

Written applications addressing the selection criteria close 5pm, 17 August 2007 and should be sent to: Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, GPO Box 783, STRAWBERRY HILLS NSW 2012.

RESEARCH MONITORING & EVALUATION OFFICER

Are you looking for an opportunity to work in a team responsible for promoting the growth of sustainable Indigenous business? This role is responsible for managing research and data modelling projects associated with the evaluation of KBN performance against key strategies and objectives, including the preparation of reports and briefings.

The Koori Business Network works with both public and private sector organisations to support the start up, growth and development of Indigenous businesses to ensure their sustainability. A key feature of the Koori Business Network programs is its emphasis on helping Indigenous businesses gain access to relevant business support, marketing and training resources

To apply online and access position description and selection criteria please visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 12 August 2007

For further information on DIIRD visit

www.diird.vic.gov.au



VICTORIA POLICE

ABORIGINAL ADVISORY UNIT- ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

Unit Objective: The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer will perform a liaison role between Victoria Police and the Indigenous communities, fostering mutual trust, understanding and respect between Police and local Indigenous communities. The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer will contribute to accomplishment of the key objectives of the Victoria Police Aboriginal Strategic Plan, the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement Phase 2 and the Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Program.

VPSG-3 ABORIGINAL ADVISORY UNIT, COMMUNITY & CULTURAL DIVISION, OPERATIONS CO-ORDINATION DEPARTMENT, SALARY RANGE \$47,295-\$57,42

POSITION NUMBER: LIAISON 53 - WARRNAMBOOL, LIAISON 54 - SWAN HILL, AND LIAISON 55 - DANDENONG

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS EXEMPTION APPLIES - ONLY ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THESE POSITIONS.

Duties:
In partnership with Indigenous groups, develop and maintain a knowledge of Indigenous issues within the local area and maintain a contemporary knowledge of relevant legislation, policies and procedures. Contribute to establishing effective communication and networking between Police members, local Indigenous community members and other government and non-government agencies. Establish and maintain a positive partnership environment in which Indigenous communities are encouraged to communicate and interact with Police members to resolve issues and actively promote awareness of the role of Victoria Police within Indigenous communities. Assist in developing, implementing and providing appropriate training programs dealing with Indigenous issues. Represent Victoria Police as required at meetings, forums or events that relate to Indigenous issues. Participate in the development and implementation of appropriate strategies to improve service delivery to customers based on customer needs. Prepare briefing notes and reports.

To obtain position description (including Key Selection Criteria) and to apply for the position online please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au, or alternatively applications addressing the Key Selection Criteria should be forwarded to HR Combined Services Group, 5th Floor Building C, 637 Flinders Street Melbourne 3005

Contact for position description including key selection criteria: Sherese Theolus 9247-3432

Contact for further information: Jacqui Mason 9247-5245

Note: All positions require security clearance, which will include fingerprinting. The successful applicants will be bound by the Victorian Public Service (Non-Executive Staff - Victoria) Agreement 2006. Closing date for all applications is midnight Friday 17th August 2007



"DoCS gives Aboriginal men the opportunity to assist families in our community."
Michael Duckett, Senior Aboriginal Caseworker

Want to play a part in creating a better future for your mob?
Have experience working with Aboriginal children, families and communities?
Want to work where your community skills and experience are valued?
Want to work where you are supported with ongoing training and development?

A future to get excited about Become a caseworker with us.

New Aboriginal caseworker positions now available in Sydney's southern and western suburbs and regional NSW.

- salary package up to \$78,951 p.a.
- flexible working conditions
- professional development and training
- great career options

Applications close 31 August 2007

Visit www.community.nsw.gov.au/careers or www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

or phone 1800 149 919 or email:

indigenoucaseworker@community.nsw.gov.au

NSW HEALTH NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Apply online: www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au/apply

Application kits may be obtained from: www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au
Phone: 1800 196 991 or email:
RecruitmentServices@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au

RICHMOND COMMUNITY OPTIONS - BALLINA

Aboriginal Case Manager

Allied and Community Health

Perm Full Time

Position No: 7254/06

NCAHS considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Salary: AHEO, \$38,878-\$73,003 pa

Enquiries: Jan Dilli, (02) 6686 9829

Closing Date: 17 August 2007

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Brighter Futures Early Intervention Program

Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation is looking for suitably qualified and experienced Aboriginal people to work as Case Workers, Family Support Workers and Bankstown, Liverpool and Fairfield Areas.

CASE MANAGERS

1/1 Bankstown/Fairfield & Campbelltown; p/1 Liverpool

We are looking for people with case management skills to work as part of a multi-disciplinary team on this DoCS funded program providing ongoing support to local Aboriginal families at risk.

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKERS

1/1 Campbelltown; p/1 Liverpool

We are looking for enthusiastic people to support Indigenous families. You will be responsible for providing practical support and skill development to "at risk" families in their homes.

PARENTING WORKERS - 1/1

This role will assist parents to enhance their parenting and coping skills to build positive parent-child relationships, increase their understanding of child development and prevent the development of unstable relationships. Experience in Early Childhood or Family Nursing would be useful experience for this position.

ADMIN ASSISTANT - p/1

We require an experienced Admin person for 3 days (17 hours) per week to support the functioning of this team. The person will be stationed at the AMS in Airds (Campbelltown). All applicants for the above mentioned positions must be prepared to submit to a Working with Children Check. It is illegal for a Prohibited Person to apply for these positions. Information kits including application forms and full selection criteria are available from HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTANTS, phone (02) 49408700.

CLOSING DATE 10 August 2007.



PROJECT OFFICER KOORI COURTS

Grade 4, MC2194

Ongoing \$58,550 - \$66,431

Koori Court division of the
Magistrates Court

The Koori Court is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement and was initially established as a division of the Magistrates Courts in Victoria.

The Koori Courts currently sits at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Warrnambool, Mildura, La Trobe Valley and Bairnsdale Magistrates' Courts. There is one Children's Koori Court based at the Children's Court in Melbourne.

We are looking for a person with well developed analytical, research and conceptual abilities together with creative problem solving skills including interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to consult and negotiate particularly in the context of managing relationships with a diverse range of people, including senior management, project teams and key stakeholders; ability to promote the Koori Court by identifying, developing and enhancing key relationships and linkages with internal and external stakeholders; provide support to project activities in project planning and management as well as sourcing or preparing relevant documents; ability to prepare well-informed, accurate and timely reports, briefs and papers on complex matters relating to Koori Courts; ability to manage ongoing project work regarding the Koori Courts.

You will have a demonstrated knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal culture and society and an ability to communicate effectively with Victorian Aboriginal people. For further information position descriptions are available from Careers @ Vic Gov, or by telephoning 9628 7758. For further information contact Mr Rudolph Kirby, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 9628 7758.

Applications are to be forwarded to:

Human Resources

Melbourne Magistrates' Court

GPO 882G

Melbourne, 3001

Or email to:

rudolph.kirby@magistratescourt.vic.gov.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. The Koori Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES

CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER, LITERACY/NUMERACY

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07431. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$66,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Responsible for assisting in the implementation and delivery of education and vocational training programs, providing case management support, and teaching literacy or literacy and numeracy programs up to 10 hpw. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes subjects in Literacy/English or Literacy/English and Numeracy/Maths. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning areas will meet both qualification criteria. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent and temporary positions.

Inquiries: Jo McAlpin Ph: (02) 8346 1458 Email: Jo.McAlpin@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Linda Ernst@dcs.nsw.gov.au or Ph: (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 10 August 2007.



ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

Grade 3, MC2195

Ongoing \$47,295-\$57,425

DANDENONG MAGISTRATES COURT

The Magistrates' Court of Victoria is the third tier of Victoria's court hierarchy, and is established by the Magistrates' Court Act 1989. Together with the Supreme and County Courts and the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT), the Magistrates' Court forms part of the Justice Portfolio of the Attorney General of Victoria.

The position of Aboriginal Community Engagement Officers is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement.

The aim of the Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer is to address the issue of over-representation of Indigenous people in the Victorian justice system by working with Indigenous clients when they enter the court system. In addition, the service helps Aboriginal people to maximise their chances of rehabilitation through culturally appropriate and sensitive intervention. The purpose of this service is to assist and advise the Court of matters relating to cultural issues that exist for Indigenous people in Victoria; provide advice and access to services for Indigenous offenders and families that come in contact with the Court; raise awareness within the criminal justice system of cross-cultural issues; provide advice and report to Magistrates and relevant Court staff in relation to appropriate courses of action for Indigenous offenders; liaise with members of local Aboriginal communities to inform them of the court process; and consult, negotiate and liaise with Government agencies and non-Government organisations to coordinate service delivery and promote knowledge of issues relating to Aboriginal persons. You will have a demonstrated knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal culture and society and an ability to communicate effectively with Victorian Aboriginal people.

For further information position descriptions are available from Careers @ Vic Gov, or by telephoning 9628 7758. For further information contact Mr Rudolph Kirby, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 9628 7758.

Applications are to be forwarded to:

Human Resources

Melbourne Magistrates' Court

GPO 882G

Melbourne, 3001

Or email to:

rudolph.kirby@magistratescourt.vic.gov.au

Applications close on 17 August 2007.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. The Magistrates' Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

Residential Support Worker

Various positions available across NSW

There are few jobs as personally rewarding as those that help improve the quality of life of other people. As a Residential Support Worker with the NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care, you will provide care and support to people with a disability living in community-based group homes and respite centres.

The work is not always easy but the rewards are great and it will bring out the best in you. The needs of the people we care for vary, so you'll need to be flexible, adaptable and positive.

Comprehensive, accredited training is available to those successful in joining our organisation.

For more information or to apply on line, visit www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au or phone 1800 185 466.

Total remuneration package valued up to \$53,403 per annum including salary (\$39,306-\$48,394 pa) and employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.



The NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care is an equal opportunity employer



An initiative of the NSW Government

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OFFICE OF FAIR TRADING

For information on Commerce please see www.commerce.nsw.gov.au. For Information Packages please call (02) 9372 7194. Please quote position number.

REGISTRY SERVICES OFFICER (ABORIGINAL)

CLERK GRADE 1/2, TAMWORTH, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number 2007/176. Total remuneration package valued to: \$55,568 p.a. (\$46,320-\$50,356) Package includes salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

To work cooperatively within the team to enable applications for orders by the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal to be quickly and accurately processed in a client focused and resource efficient manner. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Good customer services skills in a high volume work environment. Able to resolve problems and make decisions. Good communication, interpersonal and conflict resolution skills. Able to work in a team. Good organisational and time management skills. Good data entry skills with a high level of accuracy. Able to quickly learn Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal processes and procedures. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Position is a targeted position under the Department of Commerce's Aboriginal Employment Strategy for the employment of an Aboriginal person in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. An information session will be held on 3 August 2007 at CITTT Registry 3-5 Kable Corner Complex, Cnr Kable Ave & Darling Street, TAMWORTH. All interested applicants should attend where possible.

Inquiries: Janice O'Connor / Tamara Belle-Mayers (02) 6764 7502 / (02) 9372 7672.

Information Packages: Email info@commerce.nsw.gov.au quote 2007/176.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: You can apply on-line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or if by post to: Dani Pather, HR Shared Services, Level 6, McKell Building, 2-24 Rawson Place Sydney 2000.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007. PSN/C 984006.

THE TREASURY

OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE

The State Debt Recovery Office, a division of OSR, provides efficient and timely processing and enforcement of fines owed to the Government and Commercial Clients.

SENIOR ASSESSOR (ASSESSMENT)

Clerk Grade 3/4, Lithgow, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 05/019. Total remuneration package valued to: \$62,569 p.a. (\$51,784-\$56,701) includes leave loading and employers contribution to superannuation.

Analyse data and provide administrative support to a team that assesses various client applications and requests under the Fines Act, communicate decisions to clients in a timely manner. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality Demonstrated commitment to client service outcomes Strong analytical and decision making skills in order to respond to complex issues in a changing environment Ability to guide and coach staff working in a team handling high volumes of technical processes Capacity to interpret and apply legislation in an operational environment and adhere to policy and guidelines Demonstrated ability to plan and organise work, manage competing demands, and meet outcomes while working individually and participating as a team member Excellent oral and written communication skills with high level, accurate clerical and computer skills Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Aboriginal designated position as authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. An eligibility list may be created for any future vacancies that may arise. These may be either temporary or permanent positions.

Inquiries: Richard Cant (02) 6354 7301.

Information Packages: Nicole Griffiths (02) 6354 7178.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Employee Relations & Consultancy, GPO Box 4042 SYDNEY NSW 2001 or apply online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday 03 August 2007.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF IN NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

We invite applications from people who are interested in working in a non-teaching role in NSW public schools. Please phone the principal for more information or to request an information package. Vacancies currently exist at the following schools:

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT

- Armidale High School - 67727466
- Dorchester School - 46293879
- Lake Cargelligo Central School - 68981008
- Macintyre High School - 67221555
- Moama Public School (Preschool) - 0354821564
- Nowra East Public School (Preschool) - 44213539

TEACHERS AIDE SPECIAL

- Gurrakool School - 43401353
- Nowra High School - 44214977

TEACHERS AIDE PRESCHOOL

- Kingswood Park Public School - 47214414

- Sarah Redfern Public School - 98201499
- Toukley Public School - 43964275

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Armidale High School - 67727466
- Mount View High School - 49902566
- Plumpton High School - 96257020
- Raymond Terrace Public School - 49872083
- Rutherford High School - 49325999
- Sydney Distance Education High School 93830200
- Toormina High School - 66533077
- Walgett Community College - High School 68281022

For full position criteria and to apply for these positions go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au. Closing date for applications is **Friday 17 August 2007**. Only Australian citizens, permanent residents or people with appropriate permits to work in Australia are eligible to apply.

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for these positions. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION



Australian Government Department of Defence

Defence Indigenous Cadetship Project (DICP)

Are you currently studying an undergraduate degree full-time on-campus?

Are you highly motivated with good communication skills?

Would you like to work in an environment that is challenging and rewarding?

Then Defence might be the employer for you!

What Defence can offer you:

- Defence is one of Australia's largest employers.
- There are a wide range of diverse careers available in Defence.
- Employment opportunities around Australia and overseas.
- Continuous learning and career development opportunities.
- Employment in a diverse range of skill areas.

What is the cadetship all about?

- You will be a civilian non-uniformed Australian Public Servant of the Department of Defence.
- You will study full-time during Semesters and do a total of 12 weeks work placement each year.
- You could be doing your work placement at any Defence location throughout Australia.
- Once you have completed your degree you will be advanced to a higher level.

What Defence is looking for:

Areas of study can be in (but not limited to):

Linguistics	Computer Science	Commerce
Science	Health and Allied Services	Physics
Engineering	Land Management	Arts/Humanities
Accounting	Contract Management	Management
Law	Project Management	Economics
International Relations	Environment and Heritage	Strategic Studies
Asian Studies	Mathematics	Research

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 8690 or at equity@defence.gov.au. For more information about Defence visit www.defence.gov.au.

Aboriginal Health Worker

Department of Health and Community Services

Aboriginal Health Worker Class 3 (\$45 801 - \$52 294)

Paediatric Unit - Alice Springs Hospital

Permanent

If you are a highly motivated Aboriginal Health Worker with demonstrated sound knowledge and experience in acute clinical care and enjoy the challenge of a busy ward environment then we would like to hear from you!

This role requires an applicant who can function autonomously whilst collaborating closely within a multidisciplinary team to provide care for children and families.

For further information contact Sandi Tohi Clinical Nurse Manager on (08) 8951 7640 or email sandra.tohi@nt.gov.au

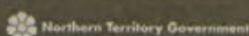
Applications should address the Selection Criteria. Please refer to the contact details below for a copy of the Selection Criteria and Job Description.

Quote vacancy number: 3667

Closing date: 10 August 2007

Contact us now

Phone: 1300 659 247
Email: alicerecruitment.dcs@nt.gov.au
Visit: www.nt.gov.au/jobs





Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing

There's no better time to join our team.

The Department of Health and Ageing is focussed on achieving better health and active ageing for all Australians. We need capable and motivated people working with us to make this happen. Our simplified recruitment and selection process makes it easier for you to apply. If you would like to join our team, and can meet our job requirements, we invite you to apply for a position with us to build better health, better care and a better life for all Australians.

REGULATORY POLICY AND GOVERNANCE DIVISION GOVERNANCE AND AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS BRANCH SEVERAL SECTIONS

Do you have a keen eye for detail? Do you have well developed analytical skills? Would you like an opportunity to gain a better understanding of corporate governance issues affecting agencies in the Health and Ageing portfolio? If so, you may be able to help us in analysing how organisational structures contribute to achieving business outcomes.

The Department of Health and Ageing is looking for people to work with its agencies to continually improve corporate governance and operations. We have a number of unique opportunities to work on governance issues with a range of health agencies and to contribute to advice on appropriate organisation structures for new agencies.

You will need to be able to analyse complex issues, think strategically and communicate effectively in dynamic policy context. You will be someone who enjoys problem solving by building and utilising strong relationships with central agencies and a range of professionals in legal areas, relevant tribunals, and line divisions of the department.

EXECUTIVE LEVEL 1 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR \$73,626 - \$80,648

SEVERAL EXPECTED POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1013
CANBERRA

Supervising a small team you will be responsible for the preparation of advice and briefings. Your work will involve liaising with and cultivating productive relationships with line areas of other divisions of the Department, portfolio agencies and central government agencies.

Contact officer: Teresa Ward on 02 6289 7469 or rpgdjobs@health.gov.au

APS 6 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER \$59,912 - \$67,590

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1012
CANBERRA

You will provide technical and administrative expertise to the section and assist in the preparation of advice and briefings. Your work will involve liaison with line divisions of the Department and portfolio agencies.

Contact officer: Sue Williamson on 02 6289 9421 or rpgdjobs@health.gov.au

APS 5 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER \$54,310 - \$57,322

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1019
CANBERRA

As a member of a team you will assist in the preparation of advice and briefings. Further you will be required to liaise with line areas in other divisions of the Department and portfolio agencies and provide some administrative support to the section.

Contact officer: Steven Lang on 02 6289 4483 or rpgdjobs@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies
or Angelie Baker on 02 6289 3239 (rpgdjobs@health.gov.au)

POPULATION HEALTH DIVISION CHRONIC DISEASE AND PALLIATIVE CARE BRANCH ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER POPULATION HEALTH POLICY SECTION

EXECUTIVE LEVEL 1 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR \$73,626 - \$80,648

Reference Number: 07-1007
CANBERRA

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population Health Section seeks to support and guide effective engagement of the Population Health Division in delivering better health outcomes for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities. We are seeking a motivated professional to work as part of a small team providing high level policy advice on Australian Government population health strategies and programs impacting on the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The occupant of this position will assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander related policies, initiatives, resources and guidelines as well as supporting collaboration with related policy areas of the Division and Department, particularly with the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health.

Contact officer: Craig Ritchie on 02 6289 7755 or craig.ritchie@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Catherine Clynes on 02 6289 7819
(catherine.clynes@health.gov.au)

Positions close 16 August 2007, 7pm AEST unless otherwise noted.

Further information and application forms are available in our Applicant Kit, available online (www.health.gov.au/vacancies) or by phoning the contact person for the job.

Hearing or speech impaired applicants can obtain the selection documents 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.

POPULATION HEALTH PROGRAMS BRANCH SEVERAL SECTIONS

APS 6 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER \$59,912 - \$67,590

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1025
CANBERRA

Responsibilities will include providing support to a particular program, activity or service; undertaking high level, complex project work; problem-solving in complex and sensitive situations; managing relationships with internal and external clients and stakeholders; developing a range of correspondence, including Ministerial and Departmental briefs, procurement and program management documentation and providing secretariat support.

Successful applicants will have high level interpersonal, oral and written communication skills, and demonstrated high level organisational skills with experience in managing projects. Applicants should demonstrate the ability to liaise and negotiate with internal and external stakeholders. Demonstrated experience in procurement and contract management would be desirable.

APS 5 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER \$54,310 - \$57,322

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1026
CANBERRA

Tasks include drafting and/or coordinating input for briefs, minutes, reports, department and ministerial correspondence, media releases and speaking notes; stakeholder liaison, administration of tender processes and contracts; research and analysis; and secretariat duties.

Contact officer: Alan Keith on 02 6289 3263 or alan.keith@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Penny Hartley on 02 6289 6977 (penny.hartley@health.gov.au)

APS 4 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICER \$49,933 - \$52,759

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1027
CANBERRA

Responsibilities include processing invoices and date using SAP system, maintaining spreadsheets on allocations and payments, performing regular reconciliations, supporting committees by undertaking travel, accommodation and meeting room bookings and copying and dispatching meeting papers, and providing general administrative support for a section or team within the Branch.

Contact officer: Claire Kellie on 02 6289 8869 or claire.kellie@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Penny Hartley on 02 6289 6977 (penny.hartley@health.gov.au)

BUSINESS GROUP PEOPLE BRANCH ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY PLANNING SECTIONS

APS LEVEL 6 PROJECT OFFICER/CLIENT SERVICES \$59,912 - \$67,590

SEVERAL POSITIONS

Reference Number: 07-1021
CANBERRA

As part of a team, contribute to the development and delivery of a range of Human Resource strategies, policies and services. Positions in the Policy and Planning and Organisational Development sections are responsible for direction setting of strategic HR for the department. Duties may include Project management including delivery of the annual staff survey and a range of workplace priorities; development, implementation and evaluation of HR policy and guidelines; management of and point of contact in the branch for the web based tools used to provide accurate and timely HR information to the department; preparation of briefs/correspondence on contemporary HR issues for the Senior Executive; and acting as first point of contact via telephone with Branch clients as part of the People Branch client service model.

Contact officer: Ainslie Langshaw on 02 6289 5300 or ainslie.langshaw@health.gov.au

Selection documentation: www.health.gov.au/vacancies or Mel Kehlet on 02 6289 4455
(mel.kehlet@health.gov.au)

Visit our web site at: www.health.gov.au

Career in Corrections Borallon Correctional Centre Ipswich Area

There are a number of vacancies for Custodial Officers at the Borallon Correctional Centre. An entry level training program is scheduled to commence 27 August 2007, which will provide the initial training required to start a career in corrections. On successful completion of the program you will be supported in obtaining a Certificate III in Correctional Practice (Custodial) during your first year of employment.

Custodial Officers have three main roles, which are: to manage and supervise prisoners in a safe and secure environment; to encourage rehabilitation by challenging behaviours and role modelling; and to identify and deal constructively with welfare and other needs of prisoners.

The successful candidates will have:

- Excellent communication, negotiation and people skills;
- Problem solving and decision making skills; and
- Strong interest in offender rehabilitation and public safety.

This can be the first step in a new career, so we would like to provide you with an opportunity to discuss a career in corrections with Centre staff on Tuesday 7th August 2007.

It is necessary to register for the Information Session by contacting Anthony Davenport on (07) 5467 0011 during business hours.

Please fax your resume and application letter to (07) 5467 0016 or e-mail anthony.davenport@correctiveservices.qld.gov.au



ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY CONSTABLE POSITION

Port Lincoln - West Coast Local Service Area

Applications are invited from Aboriginal persons who seek an Aboriginal Community Constable position working from the Port Lincoln Police Station in the West Coast Local Service Area.

Applicants should have a desire to work with Aboriginal people and have knowledge of local Aboriginal community issues. Possession of a current driver's licence is essential.

A Community Constable is required to carry out a role emphasising a community approach to policing and develop positive relations between police and the Aboriginal community.

The successful applicant will participate in a 12 week recruit training course at the Police Academy, Taperoo.

Salary will commence at \$38,970.00. Entitlements include six weeks annual leave. Applicants should submit their resume in writing together with an application form to:

Recruiting Section

South Australia Police
30 Flinders Street Adelaide SA 5000
Telephone (08) 8204 2244

Application forms are available from the Recruiting Section and should be returned to that Section by Friday 17th August 2007.

For further information you should contact the Community Constable Coordinator, Senior Sergeant Don Barrett phone (08) 8204 2268 or Email Donald.Barrett@police.sa.gov.au

The South Australia Police is an equal opportunity employer and promotes a smoke free environment.



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Bourke Aboriginal Health Service

RE-ADVERTISED POSITION VACANT

EYE HEALTH WORKER/CO-ORDINATOR

Are you looking for a challenging, exciting and rewarding career in Aboriginal Health, working full time (38 hour week) as part of a supportive, progressive and welcoming team? We certainly have the position for you.

We are looking for a person with qualifications as an Aboriginal Health Worker or a Nurse who would be interested in working in Eye Health Care, in partnership with the Prince of Wales Outback Eye Team and the Bourke Hospital.

Eye Health training will be provided.

Award Structure & Pay

- Health Union of Australia (Aboriginal Health Award) 2002 or
- Nurses Other Than Hospital Award - Pay structured under the NSW Hospital Award

The attractive Salary Package Includes:

- Full salary sacrifice
- Gazetted Aboriginal Celebration Leave Days

The Eye Health Coordinator is not an Aboriginal Identified position but Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

To apply please obtain an employment package which outlines:

- A comprehensive overview of the position
- The essential and desirable criteria to be addressed
- Working with children and criminal record check forms to be completed
- Relevant essential documents.

Applications addressed to: Bourke Aboriginal Health Service, PO Box 362, Bourke NSW 2840.

Inquiries welcomed to: CEO - Judy Johnson or Deputy CEO - Jane Williams. Ph: (02) 6872 3088.

Applications Close: Close of business 10th August 2007.

The Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 makes it an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence (a Prohibited Person) or a Registrable Person under the Child Protection (Offenders Registration) Act 2000, to apply for, undertake or remain in, child-related employment.

Graham House Community Centre Murgon

Several positions are available for new programs at Graham House:

Men's Program: This is a Referral for Active Intervention Ancillary program involving Group Facilitation and Client Support for men across the South Burnett who display violence in their relationships. The position is 30 hours per week. \$19.59-\$20.14 per hr.

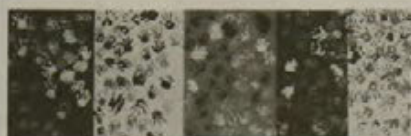
Family Intervention: This is a Dept of Child Safety funded intensive Family Support Program servicing clients registered with Dept Child Safety across the St Burnett. There are two 35 hpw positions and one trainee position. \$19.59-\$20.14 per hr.

Healthy Pregnancies: This is a Health Dept funded program to increase the positive outcomes for pregnancies of Indigenous women in the St Burnett focusing on the Cherbourg area. One full-time position. \$22.23-\$25.07

Closing Date: COB Monday 27th August.

For information packages for any of the positions phone 07 4168 2828.

Successful applicants will require a Bluecard and Provisional or Open C Driver's Licence.



LAKE TYERS HEALTH AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Social and Emotional Worker
Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust

Hours negotiable up to full-time

Lake Tyers Health & Children's Services provides health, social support, medical and children's services to the residents of the Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust.

The social and emotional worker will be required to deliver a culturally appropriate, confidential, health referral and support service to people of all ages and families at Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust.

If you have -

- A tertiary qualification in Social Work or equivalent and are committed to ongoing professional development,
- Demonstrated experience in social welfare practice involving clients with complex needs, and
- An understanding of, and sensitivity to local indigenous culture,

we would like to hear from you.

Applications should address the key selection criteria, include the names and telephone numbers of two referees, and be sent to:

Barry Sellings - Manager
Lake Tyers Health and Children's Services
PO Box 1147
Lakes Entrance Victoria 3909

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.

Closing Date for Applications: Friday 17th August 2007

Before applying, you are strongly advised to obtain a detailed position description by telephoning Jacinta at Gippisland Lakes Community Health on 5155 8341 or Maggie at Lake Tyers Health and Children's Services on 5155 8500.

5155 8500

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT SENIOR (TRADE) OVERSEER VEGETABLE PROCESSING

Senior Overseer, St Heliers, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07426. Total remuneration package valued to: \$73,401 p.a. (\$64,250-\$64,250) Total remuneration package includes a fixed salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An incidental allowance (currently \$3,777 pa) also applies during occupancy of this position.

Responsible to the Manager of Industries for the daily operation and organisation of work related activities including the supervision of staff and the training of inmates. **Selection Criteria:** Trade certificate or relevant qualification in Food Processing, Commercial Cookery, or allied trade. Experience in supervising staff in a production or service related industry. An understanding of manufacturing procedures and systems. Demonstrated ability to motivate, supervise and instruct skilled and unskilled workers. Proven communication, interpersonal, organisational and conflict management skills. Sound experience in operating within set budgets and operational plans. Demonstrated ability to work within a quality management framework and proven customer service skills. Commitment to the implementation of the Way Forward principles and Work Readiness program. Willingness and ability to work in a flexible manner within a team environment. Current driver's licence and have a willingness/ability to drive within NSW. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Applicants must satisfy Correctional Officer entry requirements. Certified copies of qualifications must accompany application. 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 the Hunter/Newcastle/Central Coast area.

Inquiries: Bill Holland (02) 6542 4395 Email: infocsi@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages:

www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers/Trade_Positions

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resources Officer, Career Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

Closing Date: Friday 03 August 2007.

Careers @ Justice

DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE



PROJECT OFFICER, COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Indigenous Issues Unit

Grade 4, \$58,550 - \$66,431

Position No: DJ6357

The Indigenous Issues Unit is primarily responsible for co-ordinating implementation of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) across the Victorian Government and justice system.

The Project Officer, Community Programs is a newly created position to assist the Manager with the administration and coordination of the Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee (RAJAC) as well as providing a high level of administrative support to the committee. The successful applicant is also required to provide assistance to the Coordinator, Koori Recruitment and Career Development Strategy.

This is an Identified Position and for more information please see www.careers.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 10 August 2007.

www.justice.vic.gov.au

Our Values: Community - Together - Integrity - Respect - Happen @ One Justice



Rewarding excellence

Professor/Associate Professor and Director of Centre

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Academic Centre

Salary range: Professor \$123,961 per annum
Associate Professor \$96,232 - \$106,018
Plus 17% superannuation

Nathan campus

Griffith University is committed to excellence in teaching and research. The University has five campuses and 35,000 students in the high growth Brisbane-Gold Coast corridor. The University has an excellent working environment and a positive culture which supports staff development and encourages innovation, diversity and creativity.

Griffith University intends to support and promote research, learning and scholarship in the field of Indigenous Knowledges, and is establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Academic Centre. This Centre will be a focal point for curriculum development and research in Indigenous Knowledges, and for coordination of, and support for, a network of Indigenous academic staff across the University.

The University now seeks to appoint a foundation Director to the Centre. The position will also encompass an academic appointment in an Academic Group.

The successful applicant will be a recognised Indigenous scholar in any discipline. They will hold a doctorate in an appropriate field, will have a strong track record of research achievement, strategic leadership and management of research, and the ability to adapt to change and liaise successfully with both internal and external stakeholders. In leading the Centre it is essential for the successful applicant to be experienced in developing courses related to Indigenous Knowledges and in conducting research in Indigenous issues.

This is an identified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander role under sections 45 and 125 of the Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act 1991.

The appointment is for a five year fixed-term at Professor or Associate Professor level.

The University reserves the right to appoint by invitation, not make an appointment, or withdraw from the recruitment process at any time.

Enquiries: Theresa Burke (HR Adviser) t.burke@griffith.edu.au

Applications Close: 29 August 2007

To Apply:

- 1 | Go to www.griffith.edu.au/hcm/employment/ for further information on the position and selection criteria or phone 07 3735 4010 if you do not have internet access.
- 2 | Follow the specific application process for that position.
- 3 | Applications can be lodged in electronic or hard copy form. All applications will be acknowledged.

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Anti Discrimination Commission

Assistant Human Rights Officer (Identified) - AbTSI Unit (Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.)

Category: Administration
Salary: \$52 437 - \$57 663 p.a.
Location: Brisbane

REF: QLD/COM2237/07
Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au
Enquiries: Phone: (07) 3109 9226

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Child Safety

Community Resource Officer - Child Safety Services Division
Category: Health and Community Care

Salary: \$60 770 - \$66 050 p.a.
REF: QLD/CHS2226/07

Location: Mackay/Rockhampton

Key Duties: To promote the relationship between non-government service providers and the department through funding, licensing and partnership mechanisms to ensure that non-government services deliver quality, relevant and responsive services which are compliant with service agreements, quality assurance and licensing.

Team Leader (Specified) - Child Safety Services Division (Specified - Applicants must provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Health and Community Care
Salary: \$78 020 - \$83 658 p.a.

VRN: QLD/CHS2187/07

Location: Cooktown

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 Cooktown Branch Office.

Skills/Abilities: Possession of a degree from a recognised tertiary institution in social work, human services or behavioural sciences is mandatory.

To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7693 or E-mail:

vaccs@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Communities

Senior Program Officer (Specified) - Program Management (Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Policy and Planning

Salary: \$34 863 - \$37 300 p.a.

REF: QLD/COM2224/07

Location: Brisbane

Key Duties: To assist with development, implementation and evaluation of operational policy related to homelessness, and coordination of policy and program initiatives.

Skills/Abilities: Highly developed interpersonal and written communication skills including: ability to: liaise, consult, negotiate and prepare complex reports and submissions. Communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Program Coordinator (Specified) - Service Delivery (Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Community Engagement

Salary: \$69 726 - \$74 600 p.a.

VRN: QLD/COM2210/07

Location: Woodridge

Key Duties: Liaise with government and non-government agencies for coordination and delivery of culturally appropriate programs that address criminogenic and support needs of young people in accordance with case plans, consistent with departmental policies, procedures and legislation.

Skills/Abilities: Lead a team to develop, deliver and review individual and group programs to meet statutory service requirements.

Principal Policy Officer (Statistics) - Office for ATSI Partnerships

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Policy and Planning

Salary: \$78 020 - \$83 658 p.a.

VRN: QLD/COM2236/07

Location: Brisbane

Key Duties: Contribute to the implementation of a performance measurement framework to support Queensland Government Indigenous policy frameworks: design and review data collection systems to ensure the quality of data and performance information and to measure community performance against agreed social targets; negotiate with other statistical service providers; manage projects and support regional offices, directorates and branches to improve service delivery.

To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7675 or E-mail:

vaccm@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Communities

Principal Policy Officer - Office for ATSI Partnerships (Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Policy and Planning

Salary: \$78 020 - \$83 658 p.a.

REF: QLD/COM2237/07

Location: Brisbane

Key Duties: Contribute to the development and maintenance of an explicit and transparent policy development model and policy capacity building strategy for the directorate and the department; negotiate and consult with a range of stakeholders including senior government officers, peak Indigenous organisations and other interest groups; develop, implement and support cross portfolio linkages to ensure effective, coordinated and high quality strategic policy advice.

Manager (Specified) - Service Delivery (Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Community Engagement

Salary: \$86 442 - \$91 425 p.a.

REF: QLD/COM2209/07

Location: Woodridge

Key Duties: Establish, lead and manage a Youth Justice Service Centre, including human, financial and technological resources to achieve the objectives of statutory service delivery.

Skills/Abilities: Establish and maintain effective collaborative partnerships with government and community agencies to assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of a range of culturally appropriate systems and services including diversion, early intervention, restorative, rehabilitative and reintegrative strategies.

Director (Specified) - Office of Rural and Regional Communities (ORRC)(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Community Engagement

Salary: \$105 660 - \$110 115 p.a.

REF: QLD/COM2188/07

Location: Brisbane

Key Duties: Effectively develop and implement a cultural competence framework for the Department of Communities to improve service delivery outcomes for Indigenous people and communities. Effectively develop and implement resources, systems and processes to enable and support regional and central operations to enable the department to effectively deliver Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander initiatives.

Skills/Abilities: Your suitability for the position will be assessed on the basis of your relevant experience and capability as a Communicator; Relationship Builder; People Leader; Capability Builder; Willing Innovator; Focused Achiever and Values Engager in relation to the principal accountabilities of this role as detailed in the position description.

Regional Executive Director (Specified) - Service Delivery (Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Category: Senior Executive

Salary: \$146 807 - \$169 964 p.a. Total Remuneration Package

REF: QLD/COM2232/07

Location: Cairns

Key Duties: Lead the coordination of service delivery, engagement and planning for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities within the region, ensuring quality partnerships are developed with Indigenous communities and organisations, and state and commonwealth agencies, and ensure their input into the delivery of such services.

Skills/Abilities: To be successful in this role, you require the following skills/capabilities: 1.Communicator: Consults, interacts, converses and writes effectively. Communicates effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and has knowledge of both cultures and societies from an historical and contemporary perspective. 2.Relationship Builder: Develops and maintains productive working relationships. Recognises and articulates the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and consults in accordance with cultural protocols. 3.People Leader: Provides support guidance and direction to others. 4.Willing Innovator: Encourages innovation and creativity in others to improve business performance. 5.Focused Achiever: Ensures that tasks are completed with a focus on the required outcome.

To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7675 or E-mail:

vaccm@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Disability Services

Project Manager - Strategic Policy Directorate (One (1) temporary full-time position)

Category: Project Management

Salary: \$86 442 - \$91 425 p.a.

REF: QLD/DSQ2225/07

Location: Brisbane

Director - Strategic Policy Directorate

Category: Senior Executive

Salary: \$115 459 - \$120 804 p.a.

REF: QLD/DSQ2265/07

Location: Brisbane

To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7689 or E-mail:

vaccsq@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Disability Services

Director - Strategic Policy Directorate (One (1) temporary full-time position)

Category: Senior Executive

Salary: \$115 459 - \$120 804 p.a.

VRN: QLD/DSQ2266/07

Location: Brisbane

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7689 or E-mail:

vaccsq@corporatelink.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Environmental Protection Agency

Ranger (Indigenous Identified) - Longreach District, Parks Division (The EPA has determined that as a genuine equal opportunity measure, this position will be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.)

Category: Primary Industry and Environment

Salary: \$38 066 - \$40 566 p.a.

Location: Longreach

REF: QLD/EN2552/07

Key Duties: General estate development duties eg. construction of walking tracks/fencing/recreational facilities. General estate maintenance duties eg. maintaining roads/firebreaks, grounds/walking tracks, buildings, plant/equipment.

Skills/Abilities: General estate maintenance and development support, operate/maintain plant and equipment required for general park maintenance. Participate/support others in a team.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Phone: (07) 4938 6906 or E-Mail: hr.rok@csq.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 10 August 2007

Housing

Management Accountant - Business Management, Housing Finance

Category: Accounting and Finance

Salary: \$69 725 - \$74 599 p.a.

Location: Brisbane

JAR: QLD/HO2492/07

Key Duties: Provide financial management support and assistance to the Service Area and General Manager; implement, analyse and manage the budget process across the Service Area; analyse and compile financial data and provide complex financial documentation.

Skills/Abilities: Cash and accrual budget management experience, provide advice to management on financial and performance management issues, produce complex financial reports.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Phone: (07) 3238 3998 or

E-Mail: jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Daniel Short Phone: (07) 3224 5046

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

Team Manager - Policy and Research, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing (Two positions are available)

Category: Policy and Planning

Salary: \$86 441 - \$91 424 p.a.

Location: Brisbane

REF: QLD/HO2380/07

Key Duties: Lead and manage a small team of policy officers within the Policy and Research which supports and provides high level of advice relating to issues impacting, housing outcomes for Indigenous people in Queensland.

Skills/Abilities: The position undertakes complex research, analysis and policy development projects to inform Indigenous housing issues.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Phone: (07) 3238 3998 or

E-Mail: jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 6 August 2007

Manager, Financial Improvement Branch - Financial Strategy and Performance Unit, Housing Finance

Category: Accounting and Finance

Salary: \$86 441 - \$91 424 p.a.

Location: Brisbane

REF: QLD/HO2384/07

Key Duties: Responsible for ensuring continuous improvement and development of financial management practices within Financial Services and across the department. Provision of high level business improvement advice and assistance to Service Areas.

Skills/Abilities: Demonstrated experience in providing a range of complex consultancy, facilitation, project management and training and development services; large and complex computerised accounting systems and processes; high level consultation/negotiation skills.

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Phone: (07) 3238 3998 or Email:

jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Daniel Short Phone: (07) 3224 5046

Closing Date: Monday, 6 August 2007

Police

Police Liaison Officer - Central Region

Category: Community Engagement

Salary: \$36 105 - \$38 659 p.a. (\$21 046 - \$31 816 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

Location: Mackay

REF: PO305/07

Position Description: Internet: www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Enquiries: Acting Sergeant Nigel Dalton (07) 4968 3437

Closing Date: Monday, 13 August 2007

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMS DIVISION

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.

EDUCATION OFFICER ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

EPO Class B, Parramatta, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number DECC07-260. Total remuneration package valued to: \$84,802 p.a. (\$68,117-\$76,848) Salary package includes base salary, annual leave loading and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

This position coordinates the planning, implementation and evaluation of Aboriginal environmental education projects which engage and involve Aboriginal communities and promote understanding of Aboriginal people's unique relationship with the land.

Selection Criteria:
The position is an identified Aboriginal position and therefore Aboriginality is a requirement of the position.

Experience in promoting opportunities for the involvement of Aboriginal communities including community elders, different family groupings, organisations and individuals in the design, implementation and evaluation of projects.

Strong communication (both written and verbal) skills, and well developed interpersonal, liaison, negotiation, presentation, group facilitation and customer service skills.

Strong organisational skills with an ability to meet tight deadlines and operate within budget.

Proven experience in the facilitation and coordination of all facets of environmental or similar programs and initiatives. (This includes planning, developing, implementing, and evaluating programs).

Experience in the research, writing and production of resource materials for programs.

Experience in preparing correspondence, submissions and reports. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is an identified Aboriginal position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Karen Paroissien (02)8837 6050 Email: karen.paroissien@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: (02) 8837 6055 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 10 August 2007

24/07/2007

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
EPC1090	Approx. 17 km SW from Clermont Centred at Lat.22°55'S Long.147°10'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the areas: Belyando and Peak Downs	Area: 565 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 179 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2489 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 2490 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 2491 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 2492 a, f, g, h, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2561 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 2562 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 2563 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 2564 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, q, v	Swan Cove Enterprises Pty Ltd 076 507 849
EPC1091	Approx. 37 km W from Rubyvale Centred at Lat.23°25'S Long.147°20'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the areas: Jericho, Emerald, Peak Downs and Belyando	Area: 459 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 146 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2919 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 2920 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 2921 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 2991 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 2993 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 2994 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	Swan Cove Enterprises Pty Ltd 076 507 849
EPC1095	Approx. 63 km WSW from Rubyvale Centred at Lat.23°27'S Long.147°05'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the areas: Jericho and Belyando	Area: 393 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 125 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2917 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 2918 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 2989 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 2990 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 3061 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	Swan Cove Enterprises Pty Ltd 076 507 849
EPC1096	Approx. 42 km WNW from Rubyvale Centred at Lat.23°10'S Long.147°24'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the areas: Peak Downs and Belyando	Area: 858 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 272 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2703 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 2704 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 2705 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 2706 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 2707 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 2708 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 2775 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 2776 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 2777 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 2778 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 2779 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	Swan Cove Enterprises Pty Ltd 076 507 849

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The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 1456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 1456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000. Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 1456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 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.

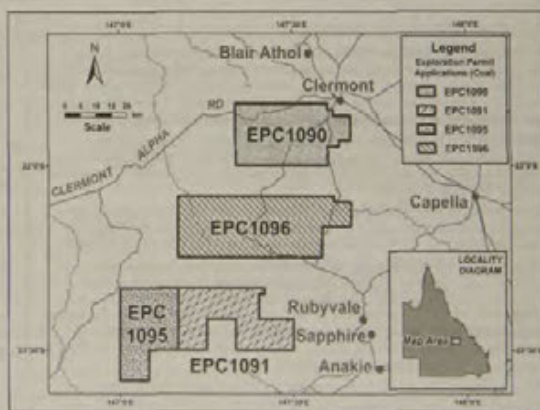
Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification 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: 22 August 2007



CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER (ATSI IDENTIFIED)

Clerk Grade 2/4

Northern NSW HS Division - Inverell

Permanent Full-Time

Position No. DOH-07-07040

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,570 per annum (salary \$49,012 pa - \$56,701 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Client Service Officer is responsible for the effective provision of a variety of housing services to a diverse range of clients and expected to be committed to providing quality service in the context of complex and difficult social issues.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Commitment to the principles of social housing and must be willing to undertake Certificate IV in Social Housing.
- Understanding and responsiveness to the needs of people with special circumstances including Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders, people from non-English speaking background and people with disabilities.
- Ability to identify client needs, apply housing eligibility criteria and provide appropriate assistance.
- Skills in interviewing, negotiation, conflict resolution and decision-making.
- Ability to communicate information orally and in writing (including writing reports and submissions) in a style appropriate to the intended audience.
- Ability to prioritise and carry out a range of tasks under competing demands.
- Computer literacy and current Driver's licence.
- Common selection criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OHS).

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. The successful applicant will be required to demonstrate proof of Aboriginality. 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.

Information Packages: NSW Businesslink (02) 8626 4100 or e-mail: HRNorthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Fran Dodson, Client Service Team Leader (02) 6792 4577

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or post to: NSW Businesslink, Northern Regional Service Centre, PO Box 1140, Lismore NSW 2480 or email to: HRNorthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Friday 10 August 2007

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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
EPM14766 This application consists of three separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 75 km ENE from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.18°54'S Long.145°39'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple Part 2: Approx. 67 km ENE from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.18°48'S Long.145°33'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple Part 3: Approx. 74 km ENE from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.18°51'S Long.145°38'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple	Area of Part 1: 58 km ² Block Identification Map: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 18 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2468 f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2469 f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2540 c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z Area of Part 2: 36 km ² Block Identification Map: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2395 n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z Area of Part 3: 26 km ² Block Identification Map: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2468 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h	Michael Curtain
EPM16049	Approx. 78 km SW from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.19°30'S Long.144°27'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Dalrymple	Area: 45 km ² Block Identification Map: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 14 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2957 u, v, w, x, y, z 2958 v, w, x, y, z 3030 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	U308 Limited 113 446 352
EPM16070	Approx. 31 km SW from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.19°10'S Long.144°43'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Etheridge and Dalrymple	Area: 117 km ² Block Identification Map: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 36 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2673 g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2674 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2744 c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2745 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2746 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	Anglo American Exploration (Australia) Pty Limited 006 195 982

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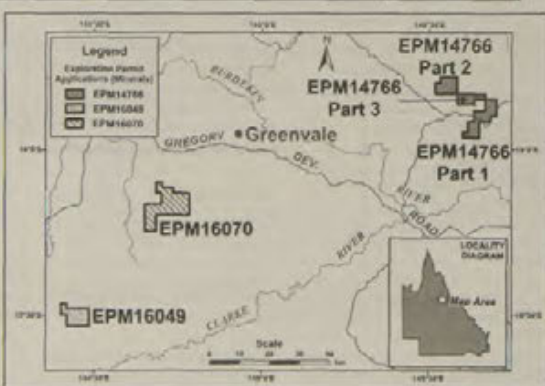
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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



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Natural Resources and Water

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING & ACCOMMODATION SUPPORT INITIATIVE SENIOR LIAISON OFFICER

Clerk Grade 9/10

Office of Community Housing
Head Office, Ashfield
Temporary Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-07058

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:

Implements the Housing and Accommodation Support Initiative by developing operational policies and problem solving strategies, and identifying service gaps.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated capacity to build effective interdepartmental and stakeholder relationships.
- Proven ability to develop and manage projects involving multiple partners that are responsive to local needs.
- Demonstrated understanding of the NSW Mental Health Service and social housing systems.
- Proven high level oral and written communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines and balance competing work priorities.
- Proven effective project management skills.
- Proven high level analytical and conceptual skills.
- Demonstrated high level negotiation and influencing skills.
- **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 advertised position. Previous applicants need to reapply. This is a temporary full-time position for a period of 18 months under the terms of PSEM Act 2002. Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains full details about the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Lauvina Wong (02) 8753 8271.

Information Package: Joel Smith (02) 8753 8245.

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 10 August 2007.

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NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

SENIOR CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER (PRIVATE RENTAL SPECIALIST)

Clerk Grade 5/6

Northern NSW HS Division
Hunter Area, Newcastle
Temporary Full-Time
Position No. DOH-07-07026

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 Private Rental Brokerage Service (PRBS) helps people who have complex needs and are homelessness facing homelessness, to find and maintain private sector tenancies using a variety of strategies.

Selection Criteria:

- Appropriate tertiary qualifications in the Social Sciences or demonstrated extensive relevant work experience.
- Excellent communication skills, negotiation, facilitation, mediation and problem solving.
- Demonstrated experience in case management of people with complex support needs.
- Understanding of, and demonstrated ability to work with human service agencies.
- Capacity to develop an understanding of the private rental market business environment and relate to real estate agents and landlords.
- Ability to advocate on behalf of clients to facilitate access to housing and support services.
- Ability to contribute to a team and find innovative solutions to issues.
- **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: An eligibility list may be created as part of this recruitment and may be used to fill other temporary vacancies for this role. General induction and job specific training for the successful applicant will be conducted in Sydney following appointment. Appointment will be in terms of Section 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002 for a period up to March 2008. This is a advertised position and previous applicants will need to reapply. Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains the full details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Diane O'Brien on (02) 4926 9308.

Information Package: NSW Businesslink (02) 4960 4635 or email: HRHunter@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or email to: HRHunter@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: NSW Businesslink, Hunter Regional Service Centre, PO Box 2160, Dangar NSW 2309.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

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NSW HEALTH HUNTER NEW ENGLAND

Application kits may be obtained from
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au or the Application Kitline on
(02) 4985 3272 or email jobs@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au
Apply on-line
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/apply/apply.htm/default.cfm
Eligibility lists may be created

ADMINISTRATION/MANAGEMENT

Aboriginal Trainee Clerical Support Officer Waratah

Temp Full Time, 12 mths Position No: 55588
Salary: \$252 00 pw
Confirmed Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person (under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act).
Assists to provide efficient and effective administrative and clerical support to Personnel File Management and Recruitment & HR transaction functions.
Enquiries: Julie Clarke, (02) 4985 3339, or
Elva Smith (02) 4985 3276
Closing Date: 10 August 2007.

ALLIED HEALTH

Aboriginal Social Worker Armidale Health Service

Perm Full Time Position No: 55065
The Aboriginal Social Worker is responsible for supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and their families, in dealing with health related issues as either an in-patient or out-patient of Armidale Rural Referral Hospital (ARRH).
Enquiries: Sam Ackling, (02) 6776 9683,
sam.ackling@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au
Closing Date: 17 August 2007.

Hunter New England Health Promotes the Values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage, Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and provides a smoke-free environment. Successful applicants will be expected to abide by the Code of Conduct and be committed to ethical practices. Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Criminal record checks will be undertaken on recommended applicants. Provision of documented evidence of protection against specified infectious diseases is required. Salary and conditions are in accordance with relevant award/enterprise agreements.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Chair of Cooperative for Aborigines Limited

Tranby Aboriginal College

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (ABORIGINAL IDENTIFIED POSITION)

The Board of Management of Tranby Aboriginal College invites applications for the position of Executive Director.

The Executive Director will be responsible for the achievement of Tranby Aboriginal College's strategic and operational objectives through effective management and administration of the academic and operational functions of the College. Of particular importance is the championing of Tranby's values and an ongoing commitment to social justice issues as they affect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Australia.

Specific duties include: Provide mentorship and direction to staff members to ensure they contribute their best performance and rise to their full potential; maintain thorough management of the financial position of the College and report financial status to the Board on a regular basis; negotiation with government and non-government agencies regarding funding programs to ensure ongoing financial support for College activities; management of the College financial investment portfolio; ensure that all positions are resourced with competent and appropriately qualified staff and conduct regular reviews of staff performance against agreed objectives and identify learning and development opportunities as required; ensure that Tranby complies with all statutory requirements in relation to relevant employment practices in general and in particular with the Occupational Health and Safety (NSW) Act (1983), and Equal Employment Opportunity provisions; ensure that all Commonwealth and State legislative and regulatory requirements are maintained in relation to Tranby's status as a Registered Training Organisation, Australian Quality Training Framework, compliance, NSW Vocational Education and Training Act and other relevant statutory obligations.

CREDENTIALS REQUIRED

- 7 to 10 years experience in senior leadership roles. Specific experience in teaching institutions while not mandatory is desirable.
- A degree or diploma in social sciences, commerce and/or management or equivalent professional experience. Teaching qualifications and a Certificate IV in Assessment & Workplace Training would be well regarded.

CREDENTIAL SELECTION: Aboriginality, Understanding of Aboriginal Culture and Experience working within Aboriginal Communities. Tertiary Qualifications in relevant field(s) or proven experience deemed equivalent; Extensive Knowledge of the Vocational Education and Training Sector; Extensive experience with Human Resource Management; Proven Communication Skills; Financial Management; Administrative and Facilities Management Skills; Demonstrated experience in report writing and analytical skills in relation to program delivery. Proven ability in policy development and implementation; Extensive knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO); Ethical practices and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS); Current NSW Driver's Licence.

REMUNERATION PACKAGE

An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful candidate that will include the provision of a company motor vehicle. Special tax concessions will apply in line with the not-for-profit nature of the College.

Applications including a detailed Resume should be marked "confidential" and sent to Mr. Robert Coombs MP, Chair Board of Directors Cooperative for Aborigines Limited t/a Tranby Aboriginal College, 13 Mansfield Street GLEBE NSW 2037 or email to mshipp@tranby.edu.au. Information in relation to the position can be obtained from Maurice Shipp A/Executive Director on (02) 9660 3444 or via email on mshipp@tranby.edu.au. Applications should be received no later than 17 August 2007.



NOTICE TO GRANT MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following miscellaneous licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO & PURPOSE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
69/11 Search for Groundwater	Independence Group NL AngloGold Ashanti Australia Ltd	776.32ha	254km N'y of Rawlinna	Lat 28°47' Long 125°44'	Laverton

Nature of act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 1 August 2007.

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **1 November 2007**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **1 December 2007**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

Notice 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
EPM15995	Part 1: Approx. 21 km WNW from Forsyth This application consists of two separate parts Centred at approximate Lat.18°29'S Long.143°27'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area of Part 1: 166 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 51 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2151 n, o, p, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2154 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w, x 2155 a, b, c, f, g 2225 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, s, t, u	Douglas Resources Pty Ltd 104 826 959
	Part 2: Approx. 14 km WNW from Forsyth Centred at approximate Lat.18°33'S Long.143°29'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	Area of Part 2: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat x 1°long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2226 v, t	

* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) i.e. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code e.g. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 2, 14 March, 2007 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 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.

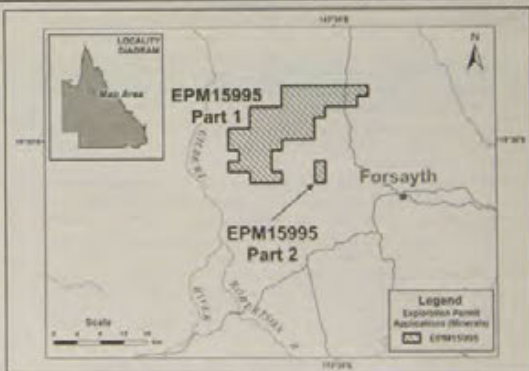
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 22 August 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



NOTICE TO GRANT GENERAL PURPOSE 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 general purpose lease applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
45/276	Moly Metals Australia Pty Ltd	4442.74ha	38km S/W of Shay Gap	Lat 20°51' Long 120°04'	East Pilbara
59/37	Lotus Minerals Ltd	897.84ha	79km W/W of Paynes Find	Lat 29°09' Long 116°53'	Perron
59/38	Lotus Minerals Ltd	4291.02ha	77km E/W of Morawa	Lat 29°09' Long 116°48'	Perron

The purposes for G45/276 are: Aerodrome, tunnel, pipelines, access roads, tailings dam & evaporation pond, stockpiling of overburden, mined material & topsoil, communication infrastructure, minesite accommodation & associated infrastructure, domestic waste and refuse disposal, sewerage treatment & potable water treatment plants, processing plant and associated infrastructure and power plant and transmission facilities.

The purposes for G59/37 & G59/38 are: For erecting, placing and operating machinery thereon in connection with the mining operations carried on by the lessee in relation to which the general purpose lease was granted, for depositing or treating thereon minerals or tailings obtained from any land in accordance with this Act and for using the land for any other specified purpose directly connected with mining operations.

Nature of the act: Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 1 August 2007

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **1 November 2007**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **1 December 2007**), there is no native title party in relation to the area of the leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

Notice 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
EPM15557	Approx. 119 km NNE from Karumba Centred at approximate Lat. 16°28'S Long. 141°20'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Carpentaria	Area: 328 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1° lat x 1° long) Block Number Sub-blocks 328 j, k, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 329 f, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 330 i, q 400 c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, r, u, x, y, z 401 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 471 z 472 c, d, e, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 473 a, b, c, f, g, h, i, m, n, q, r, v 543 e 544 a, b, c	Mineral Sands Limited 103 006 542

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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, 2001 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 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) 3696 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.

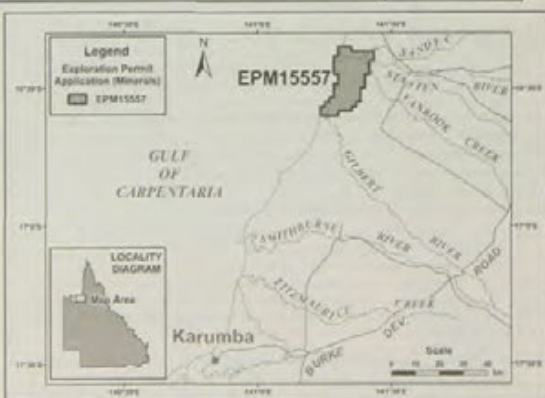
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Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

BILBI - Biambul Indigenous Language Business Institute requires a full-time TRAINEE for teaching the Wiradjuri language in inner city schools. You will be enrolled in a block program in a Sydney based University to undertake a Dip Ed in Language (2yrs) then continue in a Bachelor of Education in Indigenous Studies (2 yrs).

Selection Criteria: Need to be Aboriginal & be willing to learn the Wiradjuri language; sufficient literacy levels to use written material and undertake a university degree; able to gain clearance to work in schools with the children; current driver's licence; willing to undertake B Ed Degree (Block release course at Catholic University or Sydney University) as part of the training program.

Statement of Duties: Indigenous Language Tutor 3 days a week. Study and training program 2 days a week. 4 weeks annual leave. Learn to produce Indigenous language learning resources.

Written applications by 17th August 2007.

Rate of Pay: Annual income of \$33,390.

Probationary Period: 10 weeks (1 school term).

Employment Package: Please contact George Fisher on 0287216787 or 0419167274.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT TEACHER (ABORIGINAL), LITERACY OR LITERACY & NUMERACY

TEACHER, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time/Permanent Part-Time, Vacancy Number 07358. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Literacy or Literacy & Numeracy programs to Aboriginal inmates, and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes Literacy/English or Literacy/English & Numeracy/Maths subjects. Experience teaching adults Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. In this position the applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created.

Inquiries: Jo McAlpin (02) 8346 1458 Email: jo.mcalpin@dcs.nsw.gov.au. **Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, (02) 6845 3730.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resource Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

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CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER, VOCATIONAL TRAINING

TEACHER, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07434. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employers contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for assisting in the implementation & delivery of education & vocational training programs & providing administrative & case management support for these programs. This position may be required to teach OH&S and/or Forklift up to 10 hpw. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree, Diploma or Certificate IV in a vocational area which includes qualifications in OH&S and/or Forklift or equivalent. Experience teaching adults Understanding of the Australian Apprenticeship system. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is a previously advertised position. Applications submitted will be carried over. A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created and used to fill future permanent and temporary positions within the area.

Inquiries: David Gould (02) 8346 1455 Email: david.gould@dcs.nsw.gov.au. **Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, ph: (02) 6845 3730.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resource Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

DA170007

UNITING CARE MENTAL HEALTH

Mental Health Families and Carers Education Officer

Develop and nurture effective partnerships with families and carers, consumers, Sydney West Area Health Service and NGOs that support families and carers of people with a mental illness. Develop, deliver and evaluate quality education and training programs to increase resilience and coping skills for families and carers.

This position is 38 hours a week.

Families and Carers Support Worker

An opportunity exists for a position within a multidisciplinary team to provide assistance and advocacy for families and carers supporting a person with a mental illness in Western Sydney. The successful applicant will possess excellent interpersonal skills and ability to communicate with a diverse range of people.

For further information: Please call (02) 8842 8289.

Applications close: 21st August, 2007.



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

POLICY OFFICER

Clerk Grade 7/8

Strategic Policy & Planning
Office of Community Housing

Head Office, Ashfield

Permanent Full-Time

Position No. DOH-07-06896

Total remuneration package valued up to \$84,855 per annum (salary \$69,466 pa-\$76,896 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Contribute to the development of high level policies and provide research, data analysis and reporting assistance to the Strategic Policy and Planning team.

Selection Criteria:

- Policy development and data analysis experience.
- Understanding of service delivery in human services environment.
- Good written communication skills and demonstrated ability to prepare policy documents and performance reports.
- Good interpersonal, consultation and negotiations skills.
- Conceptual, analytical and problem solving skills.
- Tertiary qualifications in policy development, economics, human sciences, management or related discipline or equivalent.
- **Common selection criteria:** Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

Job Notes: Applicants MUST obtain the information package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Information Packages: Manju Ravindran (02) 8753 8246.

Inquiries: Clive Morgan (02) 8753 8486.

Applications to: Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or email: JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

Closing date: Friday 10 August 2007.

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Bourke Aboriginal Health Service

TWO ABORIGINAL IDENTIFIED POSITIONS VACANT

Due to the restructuring and expansion of our service, the Bourke Aboriginal Health Service has positions vacant for interested persons working full time in Primary Health Care.

Aboriginal Health Worker or Nurse - to work closely with the Health Manager.

Aboriginal Health Worker or Nurse with a focus on Social & Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) and Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) - to work closely with the SEWB Regional Coordinator.

(This position supports our current SEWB team and is gender specific, accordingly only "male" persons can apply).

Award Structure & Pay

- Health Union of Australia (Aboriginal Health Award) 2002 - level 3/1 to level 4/3 or
- Nurses Other Than Hospital Award - Pay structured under the NSW Hospital Award

The attractive Salary Package Includes:

- Full salary sacrifice
- Gazetted Aboriginal Celebration Leave Days

To apply for any of the above positions the applicant must address the essential and desirable criteria and complete the working with children and criminal record check forms contained in the Employment Package which can be obtained by contacting the Bourke Aboriginal Health Service, PO Box 362, Bourke NSW 2840. Inquiries welcomed to: Judy Johnson or Jane Williams Ph: (02) 68 723 088.

Applications Close: 10th August 2007.

Aboriginal Identified - (An applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 NSW).

The Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 makes it an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence (a Prohibited Person) or a Registrable Person under the Child Protection (Offenders Registration) Act 2000, to apply for, undertake or remain in, child-related employment.



Department for Planning and Infrastructure
Government of Western Australia

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170 AND TO COMPULSORILY ACQUIRE NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

I Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTernan, MLA, Minister for Lands, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 170 of the Land Administration Act (LAA) 1997 that it is proposed to take those interests in the land described in the Schedule for the purposes specified. AND for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (as amended) (NTA), that any native title rights and interests in the land described in the Schedule are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified. It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedule in respect of the land described in the Schedule as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165 of the LAA.

SCHEDULE

PARCEL OF LAND: JLAND DESCRIPTION: 1. Whole Lot 322 on Deposited Plan 52823, being unallocated Crown land Volume 0000 Folio 000 Area: 1.125 hectares; 2. Whole Lot 323 on Deposited Plan 52823, being unallocated Crown land Volume 0000 Folio 000 Area: 9750 square metres; 3. Whole Easement as shown on Deposited Plan 53825, being unallocated Crown land Volume 0000 Folio 000 Area: 5167 square metres.

PLAN/DIAGRAM: Deposited Plans 52823 and 53825. **LAND SITUATED IN:** Shire of Exmouth. **NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN:** All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "LAND DESCRIPTION" other than interests of the Crown. **PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED:** 1. Concrete Batching Plant and Limestone Block Plant and 2. Easement for Access. **PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT:** Lots 322 and 323 are to be a s79 lease to Exmouth Quarries and Concrete for the purpose of Concrete Batching Plant and Limestone Block Plant and an easement for access to these lots will be granted. **REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT:** The land has been identified as suitable for the above use. **DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED:** 1 June 2007. **DPI FILE:** 60213-2006-01RO. **DPI REF:** 061260.

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: DPI, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cathy Pumphrey, Department for Planning and Infrastructure, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08)9347 5098. **OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED:** Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 OR Midland Square, Midland no later than 15 November 2007. **MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND:** A person may not enter into a transaction in relation to the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands. **NATURE OF THE ACT:** In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes. **NOTIFICATION DAY:** The notification day is 15 August 2007.

NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 15 November 2007. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272. Dated 14 June 2007.

ALANNAH MacTernan, MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS

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
EPM15870	Approx. 28 km NE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°32'S Long.140°43'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 32 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 10 (each 1'lat x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 465 h, j, k, n, o, p, r, s, t, u	Exco Resources N.L. 080 339 671
EPM16078	Approx. 52 km NNW from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°14'S Long.140°28'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 16 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1'lat x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 174 s, t, x, y 246 c	Queensland Mining Corporation Limited 109 962 469

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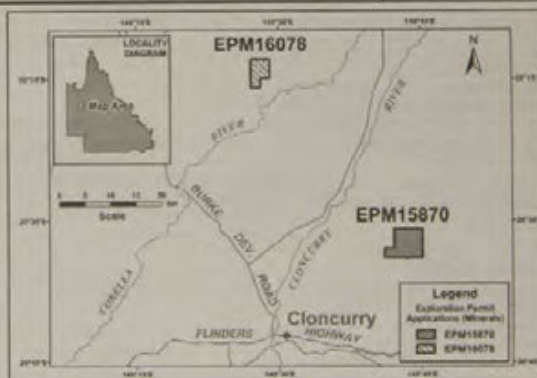
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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

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
30/209 39/975-88, 39/1010-21, 39/1028-30 39/1048-52 51/004, 53/532-3	Darbygold Gold Pty Ltd Independence Group NL	800.49ha 27223.29ha	12km SW of Merdes 210km N of Rawlinna	Lat 30°09' Long 120°31' Lat 29°15' Long 124°31'	Coongah/Merdes Merdes
53/612	Norman Lorne Eagle Mining Pty Ltd Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd Hunter Resources Pty Ltd	19.42ha 1005.94ha	14km SW of Maskatharra 78km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°41' Long 118°24' Lat 26°45' Long 120°59'	Maskatharra Wiluna
53/613	Eagle Mining Pty Ltd Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd Hunter Resources Pty Ltd	822.62ha	75km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°40' Long 120°58'	Wiluna
53/613	Eagle Mining Pty Ltd Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd Hunter Resources Pty Ltd	819.78ha	77km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°43' Long 120°59'	Wiluna
53/917	Eagle Mining Pty Ltd Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd Hunter Resources Pty Ltd	132.08ha	65km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°39' Long 120°52'	Wiluna
53/918	Eagle Mining Pty Ltd Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd Hunter Resources Pty Ltd	168.50ha	62km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°38' Long 120°50'	Wiluna
53/934 53/947 58/721	Newmont Wiluna Gold Pty Ltd Newmont Vandal Operations Pty Ltd Lotus Minerals Ltd	49.5ha 175.81ha 761.66ha	71km E of Wiluna 64km E of Wiluna 80km E of Morawa	Lat 26°44' Long 120°55' Lat 26°30' Long 120°52' Lat 29°00' Long 116°49'	Wiluna Wiluna Perangul

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: 1 August 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 1 November 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. 1 December 2007), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (CTH) in relation to the area of the mining leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Northern Territory of Australia
Notification day: 15 August 2007



National
Native Title
Tribunal



D12006/003 Pine Hill CLA ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The Agreement Area of approximately 117,600 hectares is located along the Stuart Highway approximately 15 kilometres south of Ti-tree and 130 kilometres northwest of Alice Springs, as shown in the locality map.

The Agreement Area falls within an Unincorporated Local Government Area.

Parties to agreement and their contact addresses:

Lindsay Bird Ampetyane, Harold Paise Ampetyane, Dorothy Ampetyane, Bunny Ampetyane and Archie Glenn Angal (Registered Native Title Claimants for DC99/4)
C/- Central Land Council,
PO Box 3321,
Alice Springs NT 0871

Central Land Council
PO Box 3321,
Alice Springs NT 0871

Northern Territory of Australia
C/- Department of
Planning & Infrastructure,
Level 1, Alice Plaza,
Alice Springs NT 0870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Defined terms:

'agreed acts' means the acts described in Schedule 1.

[Schedule 1 of the agreement describes the following agreed acts: the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold over Proposed NT Portion 6108 as delineated on Survey Plan S2001/0001, the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold to the Ilkwarin Yuel Aboriginal Corporation over Proposed NT Portion 6109 as delineated

on Survey Plan S2001/0002; the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold over Proposed NT Portion 6110 as delineated on Survey Plan S2001/0003; and the declaration of a road reserve over the area described in Schedule 4.]

3.1 The parties consent to the doing of the agreed acts, subject to the conditions contained in this ILUA, being undertaken at any time following the execution of this ILUA.

4.1 The Parties agree that:

(b) the doing of an agreed act wholly extinguishes native title in the area covered by the agreed act;

(c) the declaration of a road reserve wholly extinguishes native title in the area covered by the declaration;

(d) the doing of compensation act B1 wholly extinguishes native title in the area covered by the act;

[Schedule 1 of the agreement defines the compensation acts. Act B1 is the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold over Proposed NT Portion 6109, described above.]

10.1 The parties acknowledge and agree that Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Act [the Native Title Act 1993 (CTH)] does not apply to the surrender of native title or to the agreed acts.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Central Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (CTH).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Darwin, NT 0801 by 15 November 2007.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Infrastructure and Planning (NT). 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
Barbara McInnes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

Cawarra Women's Refuge Aboriginal Corporation Co-ordinator and Casual Support Workers/Child Support Workers

Full-Time Positions

In these positions an applicants race and gender is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 31 and Section 14d of the Anti-discrimination Act, 1977.

Cawarra Women's Refuge Aboriginal Corporation is offering challenging employment for community minded people with strong communication skills, a good listener, prepared to become part of a team committed to the delivery of crisis accommodation for Aboriginal Women with dependant children escaping Domestic Violence related Services from an Aboriginal Cultural perspective to the local Aboriginal community of Western Sydney from our centre based in Penrith. The successful applicants will be responsible to the Management Committee and will be required to work to a statement of duties.

Salary and Terms & Conditions of employment are based on the Social and Community Services Award.

Relevant criminal record and Working With Children checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment/appointed to positions within Cawarra Women's Refuge Aboriginal Corporation.

Selection Criteria and Statement of duties can be obtained by ringing on 02 4721 8922.

All applications to be addressed to the Chairperson in writing and either sent by postage to: P.O. BOX 730, KINGSWOOD NSW 2747 or e-mailed to cwrac@pacific.net.au by close of business 4.00pm Friday August 10th 2007.



Community Relations Commission
For a multicultural NSW

THE PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR CRS,

Clerk Grade 1/2, Sydney, Permanent Full-Time, Job Reference No
CRC07/164. Total remuneration package valued to: \$55,568 p.a.
(\$46,320-\$50,356) Total remuneration package includes employer's
contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Assist in coordinating and supporting the activities of the Director to ensure that administrative matters are dealt with expeditiously and appropriately provide a wide range of administrative services to the Director. Selection Criteria: Aboriginality: Understanding or an ability to gain an understanding of relevant legislation, policy guidelines, the activities and operations of the Commission and the operation of community groups. Extensive experience in providing administrative support and meeting competing priorities and deadlines. Experience in a range of computer applications including Microsoft Office Word, Excel, database experience, email and Internet. Demonstrated research and written and verbal communication skills. Proven ability to operate independently and collaboratively to ensure effective coordination of activities. Understanding of the principles of multiculturalism and EAPS. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Please note that this is a readvertised position and previous applications will be brought forward.

In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Richard Acheson (02) 8255 6786. Information Packages: Maria Komandina (02) 8255 6785.

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 03 August 2007.



District Manager

- Located on Palm Island
- Total Remuneration up to \$93,270 per annum (Including superannuation and leave loading)

A challenging opportunity exists for an experienced construction and building maintenance management professional to join QBuild to achieve client satisfaction and be responsive to local and regional issues on Palm Island.

Operating in a dynamic corporate environment you will have direct responsibility for managing the operations of the QBuild Palm Island Office and delivery of building services on Palm Island.

For Role Description and details on how to apply go to www.jobs.qld.gov.au, email jobvac.dpw@csq.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 3224 5048 quoting QLD/QB2414/07.

For further information contact Rod Gear on 07 4799 5402.

Applications close Monday 6 August 2007.



QBuild
Queensland Government
Department of Public Works

Kurruru Indigenous Youth Performing Arts Inc Boys Program Officer

Kurruru Indigenous Youth Performing Arts is looking for an experienced arts worker/community worker for an 18-month position of **Boys Program Officer**, to coordinate our Boys Program. The successful applicant will work with Kurruru to coordinate a series of projects, workshops and other arts and cultural activities for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and boys.

Please contact Kurruru for a detailed job and person specification.

Applications are due 5pm Friday 17 August 2007.

For more information please contact: Emma Webb (Company Manager) or Diat Allinink (Cultural Director) on 08 8341 1150 or Email: emma@kurruru.org.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men are strongly encouraged to apply.

NSW HEALTH SOUTH EASTERN SYDNEY ILLAWARRA

PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL

Receptionist

Aboriginal Community Health Centre

Temp Full Time Position No: POW07/268

Being of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Enq: Kristin Mboothu, (02) 9382 8066,

kristin.mboothu@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Apps: phhpowhr@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 10 August 2007.

For further information, or to apply for a position, visit www.sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au or contact the enquiries person.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

We can offer Registered Nurses from overseas Temporary Business Sponsorship up to four years under arrangements with the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs, and NSW Health. We are committed to LEO, QW&S, Ethical Practice, and the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a smoke-free environment. Salary and conditions (including generous employer superannuation and salary packaging) are paid in accordance with the relevant award/agreement. All Applicants are subject to a satisfactory Criminal Record Check. Prospective Persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment. Eligibility Lists will be kept for up to 12 months.

Butucarbin Aboriginal Corporation

Community Development Worker

Community Services Worker SACS (State) Award

Grade 4 Year 1-4

This is an identified position under s.14 of the

Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Demonstrated organisational skills.
- Demonstrated oral and written communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability in community development.
- Demonstrated ability to be self motivated, work independently and as part of a team.
- Experience with Microsoft Office.
- Demonstrated ability to liaise with government and non-government agencies.
- Current driver's licence, own comprehensively insured vehicle.

Desirable:

- Relevant Tertiary Qualifications

Ring Christine Foshew between 9am-4pm on (02) 8806 4938 or 0421992568 for packages.

Mark applications 'Confidential' and address to:

Christine Foshew

Butucarbin Aboriginal Corp.

PO Box E18, Emerton NSW 2770.

Closing Date: 13th August 2007.

Butucarbin Aboriginal Corporation

Aboriginal Administration Officer

Community Services Worker - SACS (State) Award

Grade 2 Year 1, 10 hours per week

This is an identified position under s.14 of the

Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Demonstrated office management skills.
- Experience in developing and maintaining data and record keeping files.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Experience with Microsoft Office, including Publisher, Excel and PowerPoint.
- Demonstrated ability to be self motivated, work independently and as part of a team.
- Effective interpersonal skills. Ability to work with clients of the service and liaise with other agencies.
- Willingness to perform other administrative duties as required.
- Current driver's licence.

Desirable:

- Relevant Tertiary Qualifications

Please contact Coordinator on (02) 9832 7167 or email koori@ozemail.com.au for packages.

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Coordinator, Butucarbin Aboriginal Corporation.

PO Box E18, Emerton NSW 2770.

Email: koori@ozemail.com.au

Or fax on (02) 9832 7263

Closing Date: 13th August 2007.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTRES

MEDIATION ADVISOR (ATSTI IDENTIFIED)

Clerk, Grade 3-4, Newcastle, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07786. Total remuneration package valued to: \$62,570 p.a. (\$51,784-\$56,701) Employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Mediation Advisors are the first point of contact for clients seeking information regarding mediation and alternate dispute resolution services provided by CJC. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; Demonstrated experience in delivering effective client services in a complex environment with a focus on client services to the ATSTI communities; Excellent communication, negotiation, referral and interviewing skills, particularly with emotionally distressed clients; Demonstrated ability to prioritise work tasks and problem solve in a busy teamwork environment; Excellent keyboarding and computer skills including an ability to access, interpret and up date data base information; Sound administrative and organisational skills; Demonstrated presentation and promotional skills; Ability to exercise judgement in the application of legislation, policies and procedures; Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Mediation Advisors are responsible for maintaining a high standard of individual client data entry and working as part of a team to ensure high client service standards are achieved. This is an identified position under the Department's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island 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: Melissa Valentinis (02) 4925 0303 Email: melissa_valentinis@ag.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Melissa Valentinis (02) 4925 0303.

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@ag.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

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NJERNDABORIGINAL CORPORATION

Positions Vacant

MANAGER - SOUTHERN LODDON MALLEE ABORIGINAL FAMILY HEALING SERVICES & HEALING CENTRE

The Njernda Aboriginal Corporation is seeking to employ a Manager for the Southern Loddon Mallee Aboriginal Family Healing Services. This is a senior position within the organisation and would suit a person with considerable skills and experience in staff management, service development and working with mainstream agencies.

The Southern Loddon Mallee Aboriginal Family Healing Services aims to promote healing and positive lifestyles that address Aboriginal family violence in a manner that is culturally appropriate, holistic, ongoing and community based.

The Aboriginal Family Healing Centre is located at Rochester and will be the focus for a broad range of programs and activities which are all directed towards supporting children, young people, families and Elders to improve their health and well-being physically, spiritually and emotionally. The Centre will provide services to the Aboriginal communities of Bendigo, Echuca, Koroit and Kyabram. The Healing Services is a collaborative partnership between the Southern Loddon Mallee Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group (SLMPFRAG) and Njernda Aboriginal Corporation.

YAKAPNA COORDINATOR

The Njernda Aboriginal Corporation is seeking a Coordinator to manage the new Yakapna Centre.

The new Yakapna Centre enables Njernda Aboriginal Corporation and Child Protection to work in partnership, to provide families and children with opportunities to proactively address those social and economic factors that have led to Child Protection and/or Police intervention.

The Yakapna Coordinator will be responsible for the day to day operation of the Centre, managing the Centre's staff and programs.

CASUAL WORKERS YAKAPNA

The Njernda Aboriginal Corporation is also seeking casual workers to work at the Yakapna Centre.

ABORIGINAL FAMILY DECISION MAKING CONVENER

A six month position is available at the Njernda Aboriginal Corporation for a person wanting to work as an Aboriginal Family Decision Making Convener.

This position will work closely with the Department of Human Services organising family decision making meetings for Aboriginal clients of the Regional Child Protection and Care Program.

For a copy of the duty statements please contact Ms Kelli Bartlett on 03 5482 4217.

Applications close August 17, 2007.

Please forward applications to:

Karlene Dwyer
Njernda Aboriginal Corporation
PO Box 201
ECHUCA 3564

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
EPM16055	Approx. 29 km ESE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat. 21°30'S Long. 140°07'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 271 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 85 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1177 y, z 1249 c, d, e, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1250 a, b, c, f, g, h, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1251 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1320 a, p, t, u, y, z 1321 b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	Oklo Uranium Limited 121 582 607

* 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, Woolloongahba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

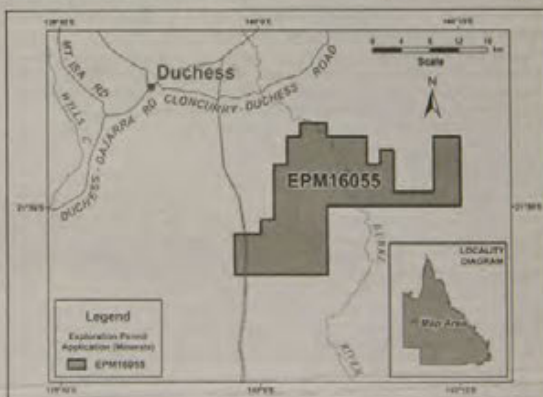
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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



National Film and Sound Archive

A Division of the Australian Film Commission

An important opportunity to help to bring Australia's Indigenous film and sound heritage alive.

Archivist Indigenous Collections

AFC Level 6 (APS Level 6)

\$59,710 - \$68,113 pa (plus super)

Reference: 88030

Location: Canberra

The Australian Film Commission (AFC) is an Australian Government statutory authority that aims to enrich Australia's cultural identity by fostering an internationally competitive audiovisual production industry, making Australia's audiovisual content and culture available to all and developing and preserving a national collection of sound and moving image.

The National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA) is Australia's audiovisual archive, collecting, preserving and sharing a rich cultural heritage of images and sounds of film, television, radio and recordings.

The NFSA's Indigenous Collections Branch provides focus for the responsible management of this material and for building strong supportive relationships with relevant Indigenous communities. We are seeking an energetic and enthusiastic person to become a part of the curatorial team at the NFSA which is an exciting player in the wider cultural environment. The successful applicant will provide archival expertise and support for the Indigenous collection. This includes providing advice and guidance on Indigenous collection matters and liaising with appropriate communities and government bodies. Assisting with NFSA representation and promotion of its Indigenous policies and practices is also a component of this position.

Tertiary qualifications in communications/media, Australian history, Indigenous studies or archives, librarianship or a related discipline from a recognised institution are highly desirable, as is experience working with remote Indigenous communities.

Incumbent must be of Indigenous Australian background, who identifies as an Indigenous Australian and is accepted as such by the community with which he/she is associated. This is an Indigenous identified position. The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act.

Selection documentation can be found on our website www.afc.gov.au/jobs. If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact Elizabeth McInven on 02 6248 2086 or email elizabeth.mciven@nfsa.afc.gov.au

Applications addressing the selection criteria, stating relevant qualifications and experience, should be forwarded to recruitment@afc.gov.au or addressed to:

The Recruitment Officer
Australian Film Commission
GPO Box 2002
Canberra city ACT 2601

By close of business: 9 August 2007



Department of Health
Government of Western Australia

Pilbara - Karratha

Counselor/Educator

(Indigenous Diversion Program)

Level/Salary: HSL Level 5: \$65,656 - \$90,429 pa

Position Type: Fixed Term Full Time for 12 months

Position No: GH608138

Location: Karratha

We are seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to join the Pilbara Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Program in the position of Counselor/Educator for the Indigenous Diversion Program. Your key responsibility is to provide alcohol and other drug counseling services to Indigenous offenders under the Court Diversion Program. You would also assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of strategies for the prevention and treatment of alcohol and other drug related problems for individuals, families and communities.

This is an exciting opportunity for a person to operate as an integral part of this program whilst enhancing their ADD skills.

Aboriginality (as per Section 50 (d) of the Western Australian Equal Opportunity Act)

This position is subject to a Working With Children (WWC) Check. This is a compulsory check for people who carry out child-related work in Western Australia. Please only apply for this position if you are willing to apply for a WWC Check or hold a current WWC Assessment Notice.

For further information please refer to the WWC website at: <http://www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au>

Further Information: Enquiries are encouraged and should be directed to Jon Borkowski (coordinator) on 9172 8325 or Email: Jon.Borkowski@health.wa.gov.au

Application Instructions: Applicants are requested to apply online at jobs.wa.gov.au

Alternatively you can request for an application kit to be sent to you by calling 9480 9307. Please be aware that proforma, emailed and late applications cannot be accepted.

Closing Date: 4.00pm on Friday, 17th August, 2007.

The WA Country Health Service is an equal opportunity employer and supports flexible work practices.

Position Vacant

Community Employment Development Program Manager

(Mount Isa)

\$55,000

Full Time - 38 hours per week - Monday to Friday

isaSkills currently requires a Manager to work in our West Street Office, Mount Isa in the CDEP program.

You will be well organized and outcome driven, and enjoying working within a team to deliver the CDEP program.

You will have empathy for indigenous people and unemployed people and will be able to assist in the recruitment strategies to engage people for the CDEP program. You will need good communication, interpersonal skills, literacy, and numeracy and computer skills to be successful in this position. If you have the flair and persistence to gain rewarding outcomes for our clients in today's labour market then we would love to hear from you. For the position description and selection criteria please call at the isaSkills Centre, West Street, Mount Isa or telephone (07) 4747 3535 for an application package or to direct enquiries to Lesa. Closing Date: August 10, 2007.

Coonamble Aboriginal Health Service

(Funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing)

Senior Aboriginal Health Worker (Re-advertised)

Coonamble Aboriginal Health Service is currently recruiting to the position of Senior Aboriginal Health Worker for its newly funded service in Coonamble. Prospective applicants will need to possess Enrolled Nursing qualifications and demonstrate a high level of experience in Aboriginal health.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above positions and is authorised under Section 140 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Packages: All interested applicants for the above position will need to contact Darren Ah See or Jacqui Tierney on 02 6845 3545 for an information package detailing the Selection Criteria for the position.

General Information: The successful applicant will be required to undertake relevant criminal record and working with children's checks. Applications should be marked confidential and sent to the CEO, Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service, PO Box 236, WELLINGTON NSW 2820.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 10 August 2007.

No late or faxed applications will be accepted.

Authorised Supervisor/Coordinator

Jarjum Preschool is developing as a centre of excellence for the development and preschool education of Aboriginal and other children to expand educational outcomes and transition to school programs.

It requires an Authorised Supervisor/Coordinator to run the day-to-day operations at Jarjum Preschool which is auspiced by Shared Vision Aboriginal Corporation.

Essential Criteria:

- 2 year training in Diploma of Children's Services & Management Cert/Competency
- 12 month experience post-graduate working in Children's services and with Aboriginal Children
- Child Protection Certificate
- Good communication skills with children, parents and carers
- Implement curriculum appropriate to Aboriginal children as well as licence requirements

In accordance with child protection legislative requirements a criminal history and prior employment check will be conducted.

Casual Bus Driver: Casual Bus Drivers needed to pick up and drop off children at the preschool.

For an information package please drop in to 4 Rifle Range Rd, East Lismore or ring on 02 66219203.

Closing date for applications will be 10th August 2007.

Please post applications to Jarjum Management Committee, PO Box 5135 East Lismore 2480.

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
EPM15524	Approx. 37 km SW of Rockhampton Centred at Lat:23°33'S Long:150°12'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Fitzroy	Area: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Rockhampton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 17aLx 17aL) Block Number Sub-blocks 3027 S	Aradon Pty Ltd 030 649 520

* 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 1.1a, 22nd August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 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.

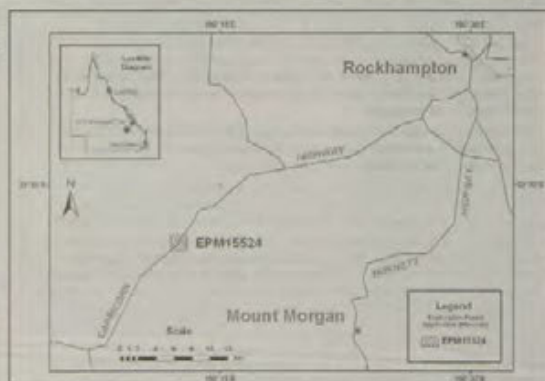
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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.

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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service Chief Executive Officer

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service is a community controlled health organisation which addresses the primary health and social needs of the local Aboriginal community in a culturally appropriate environment.

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service is seeking to recruit a CEO, who will lead the organisation in successfully achieving its strategic goals. The CEO will be responsible for leading a team of professional health care providers as well as committed staff. The CEO will report directly to the IAMS Board of Directors.

The ideal candidate will have a university degree in a relevant discipline along with significant practical experience at a senior level within a similar organisation to the IAMS. The remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful candidate.

An information package, including position description, can be obtained by contacting:

Merrilyn Nowlan on (02) 4229 9495.

Application and responses to the selection criteria must be submitted in accordance with the information package and received by 5pm Friday 24th August 2007.

No applications will be taken after that deadline. Please note the successful applicant will be required to undergo a criminal record check.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT NSW REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER ATSI IDENTIFIED

Clerk, Grade 1-2, Sydney CBD, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07/825. Total remuneration package valued to: \$55,567 p.a. (\$46,320-\$50,356) Employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Provide clients, particularly those of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander descent with a range of Registry services for certificate applications, amendments & change of name in accordance with the Births, Deaths & Marriages Registrations Act 1995. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; Ability to interpret Acts; Legislation, policies and procedures; Good Oral and written communication skills with an understanding of cross cultural communication requirements; Excellent keyboard skills; Demonstrated capacity to operate in a teamwork situation within an environment of competing priorities and frequent change; Mathematical Skills necessary for assessment of Registry fees, cashing and balancing monies received; Organisational skills required to meet deadlines; Demonstrated experience in a call centre/client service environment. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: This is an identified position under the Department's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy. Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. TTY (Telephone Typewriter) facilities are available for people who are speech or hearing impaired. If applicants require this service, please call on TTY: 9228 7790.

Inquiries: Michelle Gould (02) 8306 8533 Email: michelle_gould@agd.nsw.gov.au. **Information Packages:** Michelle Gould (02) 8306 8533.

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 17 August 2007.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT TEACHER (VISUAL ARTS)

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time/Permanent Part-Time, Vacancy Number 07429. Total remuneration package valued to: \$78,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Information Technology programs to offenders and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent; Degree, Diploma or Certificate IV in Visual Art or equivalent; Experience teaching adults; Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply to Australian Quality Training Framework standards; Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs within institutional constraints; Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching; Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies; Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team; Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: Specific arrangements may apply to applicants who do not possess the required qualification in education. Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent and temporary positions.

Inquiries: David Gould Ph: (02) 8346 1455 Email: David.Gould@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Linda Ernst@dcs.nsw.gov.au or Ph: (02) 6845 3730.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resource Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

dhcs | ACT department of disability, housing & community services

Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Client and Adolescent Services Quamby Youth Detention Centre

YOUTH WORKER

Administrative Service Officer Class 3/4 broadband

(PN: Several positions)

Salary Range: \$42,763 - \$51,751

The Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services manages the Quamby Youth Detention Centre for the ACT Government. While we perform an important custodial role, our major focus at Quamby is supporting and rehabilitating its young residents. We do this through education programs and activities that help young people make positive changes to their lives.

Duties: We have a range of career opportunities at Quamby for men and women who have life experience and enjoy being involved with young people. You may be working with young people in your current job, or working work as a volunteer in youth programs or even coaching sport. The people we seek respect young people, they will be enthusiastic, motivated and want to make a difference. We anticipate that for many applicants, these positions will represent a career change, providing an opportunity to work in a youth-related area not previously considered.

Note: These positions at Quamby are full time appointments to the ACT Public Service. Full training is provided and the remuneration, including superannuation, is very attractive. All positions attract shift penalties.

Contact Officer: Mark Stephens (02) 6207 0716

Selection Documentation may be downloaded from: www.jobs.act.gov.au

Applications: Via e-mail to jobs@act.gov.au or by post to:

Shared Services, Recruitment Services, GPO Box 158, Canberra City 2601.

Applications close: 9 August 2007.



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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
EPM15917	Approx. 13 km SSE from Finch Hatton Centred at approximate Lat.21°15'S Long.148°40'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Mirani	Area: 233 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 73 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1064 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 1065 a, b, c, f, g, h, i, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x, y 1136 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, v, w, x 1137 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l	Bowen Energy Limited 120 965 095
EPM16045	Approx. 21 km SE from Nebo Centred at approximate Lat.21°51'S Long.148°47'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Nebo	Area: 19 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1570 w 1642 b, g, m, r, s	Midas Resources Ltd 095 092 158

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Name and address of person doing acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

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.

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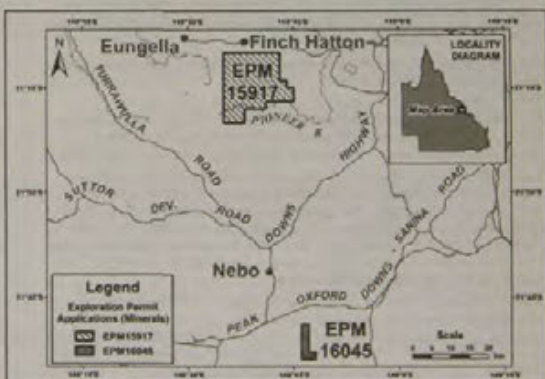
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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



BATCHELOR INSTITUTE OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

Lecturer - Aboriginal Health Work Clinical (Apprenticeships)

Position No.: Supn

Fixed term appointment for 3 years - Katherine, NT

Remuneration Academic Level B

\$65,055 - \$77,253

This position is responsible for the delivery of Higher Education and Vocational, Educational Training programs through flexible remote delivery mode with Apprentices. Travel is an essential requirement.

Lecturer Indigenous Education Work

Position No.: 14537

Permanent appointment commencing ASAP - Maningrida, NT

Remuneration Academic Level A

\$46,070 - \$61,800

To participate in the preparation and delivery of courses in Education Studies, particularly the VET Certificates in Indigenous Education Work for Assistant Teachers and other support staff.

Applications close Friday 10 August 2007.

Further information, the Selection Criteria's and the information for applicants sheet are available from the Institute's website www.batchelor.edu.au (recruitment link); the Human Resources Unit on (08) 9339 7272 or (08) 9339 7393; fax (08) 9339 7432; or email recruitment@batchelor.edu.au

The Institute reserves the right not to make an appointment, or to vary the type of appointment.

Batchelor Institute has a vital national position as the only higher educational institution solely for Indigenous students (AUDA report 2006). As such, BIITE endeavours to be a strong employer of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. BIITE strongly encourages applications for the above positions from suitably qualified and experienced Indigenous Australians.



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

OFFICE OF THE PRO VICE-CHANCELLOR (LEARNING AND TEACHING) BADANAMI CENTRE FOR INDIGENOUS EDUCATION INDIGENOUS STUDENT SUPPORT AND LIAISON OFFICERS

Penrith and Bankstown Campuses

Ref No. 70209

Remuneration Package: HEW Level 6 \$65,257 to \$69,973 p.a. (comprising Salary, 17% Superannuation, and Leave Loading)

This is an Indigenous identified position. The University of Western Sydney considers that being an Indigenous Australian is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

The University of Western Sydney (UWS) is committed to the advancement of Indigenous Education as a key to national Reconciliation. Playing a central part in the university's Indigenous education strategy is Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education. Badanami essentially has 4 major functions:

- The provision of strategic and policy advice through the Office of the Dean, Indigenous Education, who is also the Head of the Centre;
- Indigenous student support and alternative access;
- Teaching; and
- Research and consultancy.

Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education is seeking to appoint two Indigenous Student Support and Liaison Officers - one to be located at Penrith, the other at Bankstown. Both positions will report to the Manager, Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education. The Indigenous Student Support and Liaison Officer's prime responsibility is the provision of support and advisory services to UWS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students across multiple campuses.

Applicants should obtain a position description from the UWS website and include a statement addressing the person specification when writing their application. Applicants should also indicate within their application, their preference of location.

Position Enquiries: Lorraine Efturk, Manager, Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education, (02) 9772 6474 or email lefturk@uws.edu.au

Closing Date: 30 August 2007.

Please visit the UWS Website: <http://www.uws.edu.au/vacancies/> for full details on how to apply for this position.

UWS values workplace diversity

BE INSPIRED,
BE PART OF A UNIVERSITY ON THE MOVE

University of
Western Sydney
Bringing knowledge to life

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT TEACHER NUMERACY & MATHS

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time/Permanent Part-Time, Vacancy Number 07430. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. Responsible for delivering accredited Numeracy and Maths programs to offenders and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes Numeracy or Maths subjects. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

Notes: A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created to fill future permanent and temporary positions within the area.

Inquiries: Jo McAlpin, telephone: (02) 8346 1458 Email: jo.mcalpin@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Email: linda.ernst@dcs.nsw.gov.au or telephone: (02) 6845 3730.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Human Resource Officer, Ground Floor, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

CAF 730404



Kalwun Health Service is an
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Community
Controlled Health Service
located at Burleigh Heads on
the beautiful Gold Coast.

Our Health Service is seeking a **General Practitioner** to be a part of an exciting health team. The successful applicant will be responsible for providing high quality primary clinical care and support to the multidisciplinary health team.

This is a great opportunity to practice in an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service where clients have genuine health needs and your skills can make a difference.

Our Health Service is also seeking a qualified **Psychologist** able to register with Medicare to provide counselling and therapeutic services to our clientele, in particular our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clientele.

For further information please call Toni Williams on 07 5520 6799 or e-mail: co@kalwun.com.au

Applications close Friday 17 August and should be marked 'confidential' and addressed to: Toni Williams, Kalwun Health Service, PO Box 3880, Burleigh Heads QLD 4220.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

BIRIPI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL CENTRE

Biripi Aboriginal Medical Centre is a community controlled health service catering for approximately 3,500 Aboriginal people of the Mid North Coast of NSW.

With an annual budget approaching \$5m, and 65 staff, the AMS provides a range of services that include general primary health care, social and emotional wellbeing programs, health promotion programs and programs in dental health and aged care.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification, exemption claimed under Section 140 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).
- Experience at a senior management level in a service delivery organisation. Previous experience in organisational and service delivery planning.
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of health issues impacting upon the health status of Aboriginal communities.
- Opportunistic and entrepreneurial. Proven ability to source funding to develop the organisation.
- Good understanding of budgets and finance.
- Strong administration skills teamed with the ability to develop a vision for future growth.
- Strong communication and team building skills with demonstrated leadership ability.
- Excellent networking and relationship building ability.
- Relevant tertiary qualifications would be an advantage.

This is an excellent opportunity for an indigenous person with management expertise who is ready to make their next career step. Ideally, you will have a strong appreciation of the role of community controlled organisations and an empathy with the issues of rural communities. A competitive remuneration package is on offer to the successful applicant.

Contact HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTANTS on 02 4940 8700 or by emailing glynis@humanresourceconsultants.com.au to get a Information Package and full selection criteria. Applications close 22 August 2007.



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

SCHEDULER - QUALITY ANALYST

Clerk Grade 5/6
Housing Contact Centre
Liverpool
Permanent Full-Time

Position No: DQH-07-07041

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: This role is to develop and implement all staff scheduling and leave requirements to ensure delivery of services in accordance with Maintenance Contracts and Service Level Agreements in conjunction with the Contact Centre Staff Agreement.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated experience in the development of high quality schedules/rosters and exposure to forecasting and scheduling within a 24/7 contact centre environment.
- Sound computer literacy with knowledge of tools and telephone/queue systems related to Contact Centre services.
- Analytical skills and ability to use data measurements.
- Ability to interpret data trends and research findings in order to forecast for future short and long term staffing requirements.
- Ability to plan and organise complex matters with stakeholders to ensure suitable outcomes for the operation of the business.
- **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: The Department of Housing Contact Centre employs up to 150 permanent, temporary and part time staff, providing a variety of client services and special projects in a 24/7 contact centre environment. Applicants MUST obtain the information package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Jane Schwager, telephone: (02) 9612 6104.

Information Package: Telephone: 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bzlink.nsw.gov.au

Applications To: Apply on-line as per link in the information Package or email: JobsDOH@bzlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

Closing Date: Friday 10 August 2007.

CAF 730404

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EPC1115	Approx. 20 km SW from Glenden Centred at approximate Lat.21°29'S Long.147°59'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Nebo	Area: 13 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1lat.x 1long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1272 1, 2, 3, 4	West Burton Coal Pty Ltd 117 316 695
EPM16080	Approx. 17 km WNW from Mount Coolon Centred at approximate Lat.21°18'S Long.147°12'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Bowen	Area: 32 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 10 (each 1lat.x 1long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1119 h, j, m, n, o, r, s, v, w, x	Queensland Ores Holdings Pty Ltd 122 282 366

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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, COOKPAROO, 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.

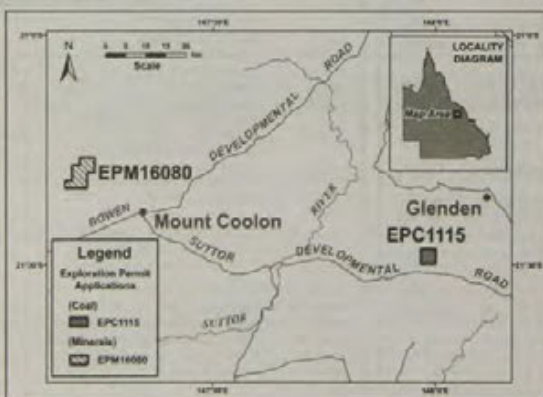
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 22 August 2007



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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 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 5 August: Mental Health Multicultural Art Competition. This is your opportunity to promote your culture and good mental health by creating artwork that expresses the theme: "I Identify - My Identity". The competition encourages individuals to focus on their own creative interpretation of what identity means to them. Details call on (02) 9840 3333 or email admin@mmha.org.au or visit www.mmha.org.au

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 7885 or email inquiries@reconciliation.org.au

Until 30 August: Troy Cassar-Daley Scholarship. The Scholarship will fund an Indigenous country music artist based in NSW to attend the nationally recognised Australian College of Country Music. Any NSW based Indigenous artists between the ages of 18 and 35 are encouraged to apply. The scholarship to be announced in September. Details call Cath Grippio on (02) 6766 1577 or email info@country.com.au or visit www.country.com.au

Until 31 August: launch of Indigenous Manufactured Products Showcase. G Country Art Gallery and Emporium are celebrating NAIDOC Week. Products include curtains, tablecloths, table napkins, carry bags, cushion covers, etched timber designs and tables, decorative lead lights, wind chimes and hand painted ceramics. Held at Ulmarra from 10am onwards. Details call (02) 6644 5794 or visit www.gcountry.com.au

Until 30 September: Teacher

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NSW Government

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND ENERGY

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

MURRAY VALLEY

TREVOR GEORGE CHILDS 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 New South Wales Murray Regulated River Water Source (Wakool River).

Works: 1 x 350mm pump (additional)
Location: Lot 1 DP780085, Parish Danberry, County Wakool
Purpose: Stock, Domestic, Irrigation - Lots 1 DP780085, 22-24 DP882739, Parish Danberry, County Wakool. Any enquiries 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 29/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 50CA501940 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484735)

MOSSGIEL NOMINEES 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 NSW Murray Regulated River Water Source (Murray River).

Works: 1 x 100mm centrifugal pump (additional)
Location: Lot 7/752276, Parish Boomanoomana, County Denison
Purpose: Stock & Irrigation - Lots 1/1018022, 7-8/752276 Parish Boomanoomana, County Denison

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 29/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 50CA501016 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484735)

Bart Richard DOOHAN, Tracie Janette DOOHAN, William James DOOHAN and Agnes Cecilia DOOHAN have submitted an application for a Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source. Application re-advised due to change in location of proposed bore.

Works: 1 x Bore
Location: Lot 143/756353, Parish Yalgadood, County Townsend

Purpose: Irrigation

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5898-3900. Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on 29/08/2007. Please quote the Application No. 832 (50WA505960) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484735)

Lindsay Holden
Senior Licensing Officer
Department of Water & Energy
P O Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

NORMA ELAINE MCKAY has submitted an application for a WATER USE APPROVAL under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000 in the NEW SOUTH WALES MURRAY REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE for IRRIGATION within:

Lot 1/617219 in the Parish of COTTADIDDA, County of DENISON,
Lot 72/752280 in the Parish of COTTADIDDA, County of DENISON,
Lot 76/257589 in the Parish of COTTADIDDA, County of DENISON,
Lot 78/257589 in the Parish of COTTADIDDA, County of DENISON

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (02) 6024 8859. 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 29th August, 2007. Please quote the application number 1009 (50UA506043) on all correspondence.

Clare Purtle
Licensing Officer
LICENSING SOUTH
Department of Water and Energy
P O BOX 829 ALBURY NSW 2640

Commencement Date: 1st August, 2007.
Closing Date: 29th August, 2007.

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978:

EXPLORATION NO.	APPLICANT	AMALG NO	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
45/334	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	M65/67	279.79ha	50km NW of Newman	Lat 22°33' Long 120°02'	East Pilbara
45/335	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	M64/67	254.19ha	61km S of Nullagine	Lat 27°28' Long 119°57'	East Pilbara
59/1157	Duxton Consolidated Ltd	MMA/67	1660.79ha	70km W of Cue	Lat 27°35' Long 117°07'	Yalgoo

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 1 August 2007

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **1 November 2007**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 1 December 2007**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/4891	Cazaly Resources Ltd	143.15ha	20km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°48' Long 121°06'	Coolgardie
15/4892	Cazaly Resources Ltd	9.66ha	21km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°45' Long 121°07'	Coolgardie
15/4893	Cazaly Resources Ltd	87.79ha	20km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°45' Long 121°06'	Coolgardie
15/4894	Cazaly Resources Ltd	313.35ha	22km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°45' Long 121°06'	Coolgardie
15/4895	Cazaly Resources Ltd	166.89ha	23km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°44' Long 121°08'	Coolgardie
15/4896	New Hampton Goldfields Ltd	28.59ha	9km S of Coolgardie	Lat 31°01' Long 121°11'	Coolgardie
15/4897-83	New Hampton Goldfields Ltd	79.79ha	1km SE of Coolgardie	Lat 30°57' Long 121°10'	Coolgardie
15/4898	New Hampton Goldfields Ltd	0.19ha	2km SE of Coolgardie	Lat 31°07' Long 121°10'	Coolgardie
15/4899-7	Dextra Corporation Ltd	574.91ha	14km NE of Coolgardie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°16'	Coolgardie
15/5049-50	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	316.19ha	14km E of Coolgardie	Lat 30°56' Long 121°18'	Coolgardie
15/5051	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	105.89ha	25km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 31°00' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
15/5106-7	Goldridge Pty Ltd	279.4ha	11km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°00' Long 121°04'	Coolgardie
15/5108	Peter Ronald George Mine Goldridge Pty Ltd	102.74ha	13km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°00' Long 121°02'	Coolgardie
15/5122	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	14.29ha	15km W of Kalbarra	Lat 31°09' Long 121°31'	Coolgardie
15/5123	New Hampton Goldfields Ltd	3.69ha	15km W of Kalbarra	Lat 31°09' Long 121°31'	Coolgardie
15/5124-6	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	503.71ha	20km W of Kalbarra	Lat 31°08' Long 121°28'	Coolgardie
15/5127-9	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	490.45ha	19km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 31°07' Long 121°30'	Coolgardie
15/5130	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	74.63ha	20km E of Coolgardie	Lat 30°57' Long 121°22'	Coolgardie
15/5131	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	29.71ha	21km E of Coolgardie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°23'	Coolgardie
15/5132	South Kal Mines Pty Ltd	20.11ha	25km E of Coolgardie	Lat 31°01' Long 121°27'	Coolgardie
15/5133-6	St. Ives Gold Mining Co. Pty Ltd	581.31ha	20km S of Woorinoo	Lat 31°02' Long 121°37'	Coolgardie
15/5141-3	Wester Resources Pty Ltd	406.23ha	8km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°10'	Coolgardie
15/5144	Wester Resources Pty Ltd	2.43ha	12km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°02' Long 121°06'	Coolgardie
15/5145	Wester Resources Pty Ltd	2ha	8km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°07' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie
15/5145-6	Cazaly Resources Ltd	732.19ha	20km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°43' Long 121°09'	Coolgardie
16/2419	Hajos Mining Pty Ltd	58.12ha	38km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°38' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie
16/2500-7	Ida Gold Pty Ltd	241.24ha	60km NW of Coolgardie	Lat 30°59' Long 120°41'	Coolgardie
16/2502-7	Ida Gold Pty Ltd	1079.59ha	60km NW of Coolgardie	Lat 30°54' Long 120°42'	Coolgardie
20/2005	John Barry Gas	152.83ha	6km NW of Cue	Lat 27°22' Long 117°53'	Due
24/4037-8	Duxton Consolidated Ltd	239.99ha	30km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°59' Long 121°16'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4218	Haron Resources Ltd	186.27ha	40km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°22' Long 121°15'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4227	Basel Robert O'Leary	9.99ha	67km S of Menzies	Lat 30°17' Long 120°58'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4231-2	Wester Resources Pty Ltd	316.69ha	52km W of Kalbarra	Lat 30°24' Long 121°04'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4233-4	Pioneer Nickel Ltd	289.27ha	61km W of Kalbarra	Lat 30°12' Long 121°24'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4243	Haron Resources Ltd	116.74ha	60km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°18' Long 120°57'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/3443	Worabula Gold Pty Ltd	64.71ha	30km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°57' Long 121°50'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/3446	Neil Wesley Sinclair	7.23ha	26km SE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°36' Long 121°06'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/3564	Croesus Mining Ltd	50.65ha	12km S of Kalbarra	Lat 30°51' Long 121°28'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/3565	Croesus Mining Ltd	134.19ha	12km SW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°50' Long 121°23'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/3566	Croesus Mining Ltd	99.49ha	14km S of Kalbarra	Lat 30°52' Long 121°25'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1691	Cazaly Resources Ltd	191.67ha	33km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°28' Long 121°37'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1692-3	Proto Resources and Investments Ltd	324.66ha	36km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°28' Long 121°40'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1822	Proto Resources and Investments Ltd	16.25ha	25km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°32' Long 121°34'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1823	Proto Resources and Investments Ltd	60.24ha	36km N of Kalbarra	Lat 30°25' Long 121°36'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1824	Cazaly Resources Ltd	198.65ha	33km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°29' Long 121°37'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1825	Proto Resources and Investments Ltd	58.17ha	34km NE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°28' Long 121°37'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
36/1566-8	Linger & De Pty Ltd	535.15ha	76km NE of Leinster	Lat 27°18' Long 121°01'	Leonora
36/1569	Enterprise Exploration Ltd	61.22ha	37km NE of Leinster	Lat 27°45' Long 121°01'	Leonora
36/1660-1	Enterprise Exploration Ltd	206.04ha	42km NE of Leinster	Lat 27°46' Long 121°06'	Leonora
37/7361	Anthony Peterson Steffen	7.81ha	93km E of Leinster	Lat 27°38' Long 121°35'	Leonora
40/1612	George Nicol Bonarski	38.59ha	41km E of Nullagine	Lat 21°48' Long 119°25'	East Pilbara
47/1398	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	57.54ha	90km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°33' Long 116°56'	Arbuthnot
47/1399	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	136.32ha	100km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°33' Long 116°56'	Arbuthnot
47/1400	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	200ha	94km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°33' Long 116°54'	Arbuthnot
47/1401	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	79.89ha	99km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°33' Long 116°52'	Arbuthnot
47/1402	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	95.03ha	103km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°29' Long 116°49'	Arbuthnot
47/1403	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	135.96ha	110km W of Tom Price	Lat 25°29' Long 116°43'	Arbuthnot
47/1404	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	163.25ha	106km S of Paraburdia	Lat 22°34' Long 116°28'	Arbuthnot
47/1405	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	159.32ha	104km S of Paraburdia	Lat 22°34' Long 116°27'	Arbuthnot
59/1827	Ethan Resources Pty Ltd	147.26ha	58km NW of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°48' Long 117°19'	Mount Magnet/Yalgoo
59/1853	Duxton Consolidated Ltd	174.43ha	78km W of Cue	Lat 27°37' Long 117°06'	Yalgoo
59/1855	Duxton Consolidated Ltd	108.84ha	78km W of Cue	Lat 27°32' Long 117°07'	Yalgoo
63/1451	Avoca Resources Ltd	121.13ha	10km NW of Norseman	Lat 31°08' Long 121°41'	Dundas
63/1503	Joanne Nominees Pty Ltd	19.13ha	25km NE of Norseman	Lat 32°02' Long 122°01'	Dundas
63/1541	John Francis Peckham	52.38ha	14km NE of Norseman	Lat 32°05' Long 121°52'	Dundas

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant.

Notification day: 1 August 2007

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **1 November 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. 1 December 2007**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
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52/2034 S. PAK Pibara Pty Ltd 336.36km² 80km W of Newman Lat 29°28' Long 118°52' East Pibara/Mookkathana

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: 1 August 2007

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on 1 November 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. 1 December 2007), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (CTH) in relation to the area of the exploration licences.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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09/1763 Cullen Exploration Pty Ltd 15.78km² 121km S of Pannawonica Lat 22°44' Long 116°16' Ashburton

09/1763 Ashburton Gold Mines NL 15.68km² 72km SW of Pannawonica Lat 23°35' Long 117°07' Ashburton

09/1435 Venture Minerals Ltd 621.87km² 37km NW of Gascoyne Junction Lat 24°54' Long 114°52' Carnarvon/Upper Gascoyne

09/1436 Venture Minerals Ltd 812.02km² 21km NE of Gascoyne Junction Lat 24°55' Long 115°22' Upper Gascoyne

09/1437 Venture Minerals Ltd 627.41km² 126km SE of Coral Bay Lat 23°45' Long 114°48' Carnarvon

09/1439 Paul Winston Askins 391.56km² 104km SE of Gascoyne Junction Lat 25°53' Long 115°41' Murchison/Upper Gascoyne

09/1440 James Ian Stewart 167.83km² 126km SE of Gascoyne Junction Lat 26°01' Long 115°54' Murchison

23/645-6 Aurora Resources Pty Ltd 416.75km² 62km W of Cue Lat 27°25' Long 117°15' Cue

25/544 Integra Mining Ltd 26.40km² 52km E of Kambalda Lat 31°04' Long 122°11' Kalgoorlie/Boulder City

26/118 Joyce Wilken Allen 14.71km² 19km S of Kalgoorlie Lat 30°53' Long 121°29' Kalgoorlie/Boulder City

29/666 Resource Properties Pty Ltd 48.06km² 121km SE of Sandstone Lat 28°58' Long 119°50' Menzies

36/618 Agnew Gold Mining Co. Pty Ltd 6.06km² 19km W of Leinster Lat 27°52' Long 120°30' Leonora

37/875 Aurora Resources Pty Ltd 173.04km² 75km E of Leinster Lat 27°42' Long 121°25' Leonora

37/895 Resport Exploration Pty Ltd 109.82km² 70km NE of Leinster Lat 27°35' Long 121°18' Leonora

38/1985 BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd 82.03km² 109km NW of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 26°39' Long 122°05' Wiluna

38/1986 BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd 88.09km² 150km NW of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 26°47' Long 122°11' Laverdon/Wiluna

38/1987 BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd 162.17km² 151km NW of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 26°44' Long 122°10' Wiluna

38/2056 Ucalis Pty Ltd 139.34km² 188km N of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 26°18' Long 122°49' Wiluna

38/2063 Northern Resources Pty Ltd 162.88km² 173km E of Wiluna Lat 26°14' Long 121°54' Wiluna

38/2064 Northern Resources Pty Ltd 138.13km² 183km N of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 26°21' Long 122°15' Wiluna

38/1275 Porton Minerals Pty Ltd 583.58km² 121km W of Rowlands Lat 30°04' Long 124°37' Kalgoorlie/Boulder City/Menzies

47/1775 Hela Resources Ltd 15.91km² 23km E of Pannawonica Lat 21°34' Long 116°32' Ashburton

47/1776 Hela Resources Ltd 57.35km² 39km NE of Pannawonica Lat 21°24' Long 116°36' Ashburton/Perseus

51/1211 Bruce Robert Legendre 73.43km² 29km S of Mookkathana Lat 20°47' Long 115°32' Mookkathana

51/1212 Corcoran & Associates Pty Ltd 234.38km² 86km N of Mookkathana Lat 25°50' Long 118°17' Mookkathana

51/1227 Kalamia Mines Pty Ltd 64.61km² 69km NW of Wiluna Lat 26°16' Long 119°40' Mookkathana

51/1232-3 Moolds Minerals Ltd 428.29km² 37km SE of Mookkathana Lat 26°47' Long 118°48' Mookkathana

52/2033 Bonaparte Diamond Mines NL 8.21km² 158km N of Wiluna Lat 25°11' Long 120°10' Mookkathana/Wiluna

52/2060 Errawarra Pty Ltd 179.08km² 79km S of Newman Lat 23°51' Long 120°33' Mookkathana/Wiluna

52/2111 Aurora Resources Pty Ltd 219.23km² 78km S of Newman Lat 24°03' Long 119°37' Mookkathana

57/687 Gateway Mining NL 3.04km² 69km NE of Sandstone Lat 27°20' Long 119°33' Sandstone

57/688 Gateway Mining NL 3.04km² 64km N of Sandstone Lat 27°25' Long 119°30' Sandstone

57/689 Gateway Mining NL 21.31km² 69km N of Sandstone Lat 27°28' Long 119°26' Sandstone

57/691 Resource Properties Pty Ltd 179.93km² 129km S of Sandstone Lat 29°07' Long 119°32' Menzies/Sandstone

57/693 Fusion Energy Ltd 132.39km² 84km S of Sandstone Lat 28°45' Long 119°16' Sandstone

57/696 Fusion Energy Ltd 60.39km² 59km SW of Sandstone Lat 28°22' Long 119°53' Sandstone

57/697-8 Maxwell West Ltd 282.18km² 109km S of Sandstone Lat 28°56' Long 119°00' Sandstone

57/713 Piccadilly Resources Pty Ltd 176.09km² 54km E of Sandstone Lat 27°49' Long 119°46' Sandstone

57/716 Piccadilly Resources Pty Ltd 206.56km² 40km NW of Sandstone Lat 27°30' Long 119°08' Sandstone

57/719 Hemisphere Resources Ltd 30.36km² 29km N of Sandstone Lat 27°44' Long 119°21' Sandstone

58/549 Auna Energy Ltd 12.13km² 50km NE of Mount Magnet Lat 27°46' Long 118°21' Cue

58/560 Auna Energy Ltd 9.09km² 49km NE of Mount Magnet Lat 27°51' Long 118°17' Mount Magnet

58/1306 Jabiru Metals Ltd 73.62km² 122km NW of Yalgoo Lat 27°23' Long 116°04' Murchison

58/1308 Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd 132.43km² 62km E of Paynes Find Lat 29°06' Long 118°17' Sandstone/Yalgoo

58/1340 TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd 15.09km² 19km N of Yalgoo Lat 28°12' Long 116°44' Yalgoo

59/1365 Mount Gibson Mining Ltd 5.99km² 79km W of Paynes Find Lat 29°04' Long 116°54' Perenjori

59/1366 PAK Resources Pty Ltd 5.66km² 81km W of Paynes Find Lat 29°06' Long 116°52' Perenjori

63/1071 Chalco Gold Mines Ltd 192.24km² 42km NW of Norseman Lat 31°52' Long 121°32' Coolgardie/Dundas

63/1072 Swancove Enterprises Pty Ltd 304.78km² 70km E of Salmon Gums Lat 33°03' Long 122°23' Esperance

63/1090 Avoca Resources Ltd 139.71km² 29km N of Norseman Lat 31°58' Long 121°45' Coolgardie/Dundas

63/1091 Hannans Reward Ltd 14.5km² 109km W of Norseman Lat 32°21' Long 120°36' Dundas

63/1115-6 Arctex Ltd 406.76km² 77km W of Norseman Lat 32°03' Long 120°56' Dundas

63/1120 Ronald Smith 140.76km² 69km E of Salmon Gums Lat 33°03' Long 122°21' Esperance

63/1121 Ronald Smith 120.81km² 64km E of Salmon Gums Lat 33°00' Long 122°20' Esperance

63/1143 Athena Resources Ltd 192.47km² 103km SW of Widgemoor Lat 31°53' Long 120°36' Coolgardie/Dundas

63/1149 Ughave Investments Pty Ltd 203.8km² 121km SE of Southern Cross Lat 32°54' Long 120°08' Dundas

63/1181 Malibu Gold Corporation Ltd 26.71km² 69km E of Salmon Gums Lat 33°11' Long 122°07' Esperance

63/1182 Pangea Metals Ltd 49.39km² 24km W of Norseman Lat 32°03' Long 121°52' Dundas

63/1183 Pangea Metals Ltd 20.11km² 17km W of Norseman Lat 32°16' Long 121°36' Dundas

63/1184 Pangea Metals Ltd 23.19km² 16km SW of Norseman Lat 32°19' Long 121°41' Dundas

69/2353 & 69/2355 Mineral Sands Limited 404.21km² 30km SW of Buladunia Lat 32°38' Long 122°37' Dundas

69/2368 Mindar Energy Pty Ltd 451.52km² 284km N of Cosmo Newbery Mission Lat 25°20' Long 122°48' Wiluna

70/2013 Quadrio Resources Pty Ltd 209.31km² 30km NE of Morawa Lat 29°59' Long 116°11' Morawa

70/2056 Washington Resources Ltd 294.19km² 26m W of York Lat 31°52' Long 116°45' Northern York

70/3080 Murchison Exploration Pty Ltd 44.03km² 42km NE of Gingin Lat 31°05' Long 116°15' Chittering/Victoria Plains

70/3099 Washington Resources Ltd 38.61km² 44km NE of Dalwallinu Lat 29°57' Long 116°56' Dalwallinu

74/397 Craig Anthony Bywaters 572.28km² 12km SE of Ravenshoe Lat 33°37' Long 120°10' Ravenshoe

77/1375 Galaxy Resources Ltd 36.76km² 133km N of Koolberrubbing Lat 29°33' Long 119°10' Menzies

80/3845 Vernon Wesley Strange 654.25km² 129km N of Halls Creek Lat 17°05' Long 127°22' Halls Creek/Wyndham A.

80/3849 Quallup Investments Pty Ltd 261.41km² 107km N of Halls Creek Lat 17°20' Long 127°17' East Kimberley

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: 1 August 2007

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 1 November 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. 1 December 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.

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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 and implement a business plan, sell shares, produce, market and sell goods or services. Running over a 24-week period. Coordinating 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

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Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party



Name of applicant: Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation
Date received: 18 July 2007
Public comments due: 15 August 2007
The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the hatched area shown on the accompanying map. If registered, the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

In determining whether to grant this application, the VAHC must consider:

- whether the applicant is a native title party;
- whether the applicant has traditional or familial links to the area;
- whether the applicant has historical or contemporary interests in, and expertise in the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in the area;
- the existence of any grant of land by government in fee simple to an Aboriginal body in the area;
- whether the applicant has entered into a land and natural resource management agreement with the State in the area;
- any other relevant matter.

The VAHC invites written comments on this application, which can be sent to: Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001 Email: vahc@dvc.vic.gov.au Phone: 9208 3243 Fax: 9208 3292

The applicant will be advised of comments received.

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party



Name of applicant: Gooloom Gooloom Aboriginal Co-operative
Date received: 18 July 2007
Public comments due: 15 August 2007
The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Gooloom Gooloom Aboriginal Co-operative for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the hatched area shown on the accompanying map. If registered, the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

In determining whether to grant this application, the VAHC must consider:

- whether the applicant is a native title party;
- whether the applicant has traditional or familial links to the area;
- whether the applicant has historical or contemporary interests in, and expertise in the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in the area;
- the existence of any grant of land by government in fee simple to an Aboriginal body in the area;
- whether the applicant has entered into a land and natural resource management agreement with the State in the area;
- any other relevant matter.

The VAHC invites written comments on this application, which can be sent to: Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001 Email: vahc@dvc.vic.gov.au Phone: 9208 3243 Fax: 9208 3292

The applicant will be advised of comments received.

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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/burruing

Until 27 December: Koori Line Dancing Classes. Come and join in the fun, have a laugh and get fit all at the same time. Held at Redfern Town Hall from 5.30 – 6.30pm every Tuesday and Thursday. Details call Laurel on (02) 9319 5823 or visit www.julietalbot.com

Until 31 December: Men and Family Centre, Dads and Kids. Playgroup is a child friendly and fun environment providing a unique opportunity for Dads to play with their children and connect with other dads or male carers. Held at the YWCA, Goonellabah, Monday's and Thursday's from 10am-12.30pm. All welcome. Details call Michael Webb on (02) 6622 6116 or email events@nor.com.au

1 August: Youth Arts QLD Sessions. Intro to Vjing - Andrew Gibbs. Andrew has extensive experience filming and editing live events, documentaries, music video clips and corporate videos. He now works as a full time videographer, editor and facilitator at SpeakOut and co-manages his video

production business Think Tank Creative. Held at Griffith University Theatre, Gold Coast from 5-7pm with free entry. Details call (07) 5581 6075 or email cscdc@goldcoast.qld.gov.au

1-3 August: Youth at Risk Alliance International Conference. The purpose of this conference is to address complex needs of young people aged 10-17 years that are unable to be met by a single agency and aims to reduce the risk of homelessness and/or entry into criminal activity and build the capacity of the community to respond to issues relating to young people. Detail call (07) 5503 8200 or visit www.yara.org.au

2 August: Southern Cross University - Dance night supports NAIDOC Week. Everyone interested in having a fantastic night out and supporting a worthy cause is invited to come along to a night of music, dance and give-aways. Tickets are \$8/\$12. Held at Lismore Southern Cross University from 7pm onwards. Details call Zoe Satherley on (02) 6620 3144 or (0439) 132 095 or visit www.scu.edu.au

2 August: Energise Enterprise Festival 2007. Koori Business Network - Marketing for Success. Meet with local and state government agencies and hear from

a marketing expert on how to present yourself and your business. Free entry, all welcome and lunch provided. Held in Warrnambool from 12-2 pm. Details call Gayle Henderson on (03) 9651 9127 or email Gayle.Henderson@diird.vic.gov.au or call 1300 799 526.

3 August - 1 September: Bangarra Dance Theatre presents True Stories - a spectacular double bill of Indigenous contemporary dance works created by two female choreographers, Frances Rings and Elma Kris. Held at the Sydney Opera House. Details call (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneyoperahouse.com or www.myspace.com/bangarra

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.

4 August: NAIDOC Gift winner takes all sprint race at the Mulgrave Little Athletics Club, Johnson Park, Gordonvale (Cairns). For details call (07) 4043 3741 or mobile (0403) 195 508.

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@qlaia.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

7 August: Walking Together - family violence and alcohol abuse programs for Aboriginal offenders. Proposals are sought to develop three cognitive behavioral 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. Details call Susan on (02) 8346 1086 or email Susan.Wojciechowski@dcs.nsw.gov.au or call Kathleen Smith on (02) 9550 4056.

9 August: This is the International Day of the World's Indigenous People.

8 August: Parents, Families and Carers National Summit. The objective is to find an appropriate method and structure for developing a national voice in Australia for parents, families and carers. Held in Melbourne. Details call Vern Hughes on (0425) 722 890 or email vern@civilsociety.org.au or visit www.civilsociety.org.au/FamiliesSummit

9 August: John Butler Trio - Grand National Tour. All welcome. Held at Townsville Entertainment Centre, Townsville. Details call (07) 4771 4000 or visit www.johnbutlertrio.com or www.ticketlink.com.au

9 August: Indigenous Business

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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
EPM15522	Approx. 28 km ESE from Bowen Centred at approximate Lat.20°11'S Long.148°26'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Whitsunday and Bowen	Area: 200km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 62 (each 1/3 Lat x 1/3 Long) Block Number Sub-blocks 124 Z 125 V, W 126 T, S, L, U, V, W, X, Y, Z 127 Q, R, V, W 196 E, K 197 A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U 198 A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U 199 A, B, F, G, L, M, Q, R	Clyde Ian Doxford Ross Thomas

* 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, 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) 1896 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 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.

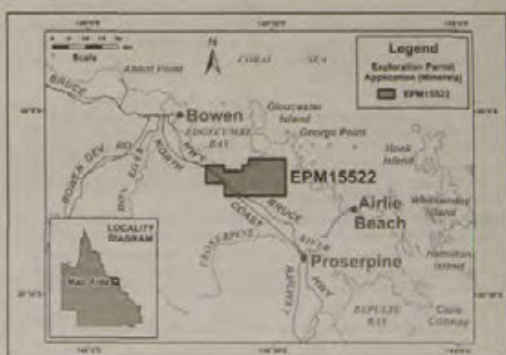
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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 10, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Exploration Licence 6490 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

Description of area that may be affected by the minister's consent to prospect on native title land. An area of 285 square kilometres (95 units) situated approximately 25 km east of Tennerfield, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act Dingo Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 113 125 657) is the holder of Exploration Licence 6490 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Mineral Resources. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done Ian Macdonald, Minister for Mineral Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Steve Hughes; Titles Program, NSW Department of Primary Industries, phone (02) 4931 6450 fax (02) 4931 6776

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) the notification day is 15 August 2007. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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Lunch. There will be speakers from the Australian Taxation Office and other organisations, who will be sharing info about running your business such as resources available to support you. Held at the Canterbury Leagues Club, Belmore from 11am - 3pm. Free entry, all welcome. Details call Lisa on (02) 8567 0000 or Nani on (02) 9895 0324.

9 August: Energise Enterprise Festival 2007. Koori Business Network - Marketing for Success. Meet with local and state government agencies and hear from a marketing expert on how to present yourself and your business. Free entry, all welcome and lunch provided. Held in Mildura from 12-2pm. Details call Gayle Henderson on (03) 9651 9127 or email Gayle.Henderson@diird.vic.gov.au or call 1300 799 526.

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

10 August: John Butler Trio - Grand National Tour. All welcome. Held at Kuranda Amphitheatre, Kuranda. Details call (07) 4031

9555 or visit www.johnbutlertrio.com or www.ticketlink.com.au

10-14 August: Nga-wu-ja arungwapi Art Exhibition. This exhibition is of the distinct art of three art centres in the Tiwi Islands. Held at the Smith Street Mall, Darwin from 9-10am. Details call (08) 8941 3593 or email tiwi@tiwiart.com or visit www.tiwiart.com

11 August: Women In League Conference. All courses are provided to empower you to confidently assist your junior club or school and their involvement in Rugby League competitions. Held at Broncos Leagues Club, Red Hill from 9am-5pm. Costs \$15 a day with Lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided. Details call Jo Breakspear on (0402) 138 737 or (07) 3858 9127 or visit www.stingers.net.au

11-12 August: Koori Express to RMIT University's Open Day. Visit RMIT University located in Melbourne's city centre and enjoy the convenience of free transport to our Brunswick and Bundoora campuses. Explore quality education options tailored to your needs and investigate pathways to employment by meeting staff and students from the uni. All welcome, all meals free. Details call Eric Clarke on (03) 99254885 or free call on 1800 054885 or visit www.rmit.edu.au/atsi

12-13 August: Message Stick Indigenous Film Festival National Tour. This includes

shorts, feature films and documentaries providing a powerful and insightful portrait of Indigenous Australia in the 21st century. Held at the Darwin Festival, all welcome. Details call Emelda Davis on (02) 9321 6444 or email emelda.davis@afc.gov.au or toll free 1800 226 615 or visit www.afc.gov.au/blackscreen

13 August - 24 October: Tribal Warrior - Sail the high seas and build a new future. How would you like to spend 10 days at sea with four other trainees, a skipper and a deckhand and learn all about Seamanship, Navigation, Anchorage, becoming a deckhand or even get a Master's ticket. Only 35 positions available. Details call Sera on (0400) 374 237 or Karen on (0417) 444 571 or email indigenous@jobfindfindcentre.com.au or visit www.tribalwarrior.org

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- 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@switch.com.au

14-19 August: Relief in Sight - Photographic Exhibition. The exhibition features over 60 images sourced both nationally and from around the world featuring powerful images of tsunamis, earthquakes, floods and the work done in these communities to rebuild them afterwards. Held in Jabiru, NT. Details call Eleanor Gorman on (02) 9212 4335 or (0400) 747 615 or visit www.baystmediaworks.com.au or www.reliefinsight.com.au

15 August: Ali Curung. 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@switch.com.au

15 August: Coming to Lismore, the Good Service Mob. This is a talk about free services for Indigenous people and to ensure

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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
EPM13630	Part 1: Approx. 133 km NE from Kajibbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°07'S Long.140°52'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Carpentaria and Cloncurry Part 2: Approx. 137 km NE from Kajibbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°06'S Long.140°55'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Carpentaria	Area: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks: 2699 C, L, M, N, Q, T, S, I. Area: 32 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks: 2699 K.	Falcon Minerals Limited 009 256 535

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, 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

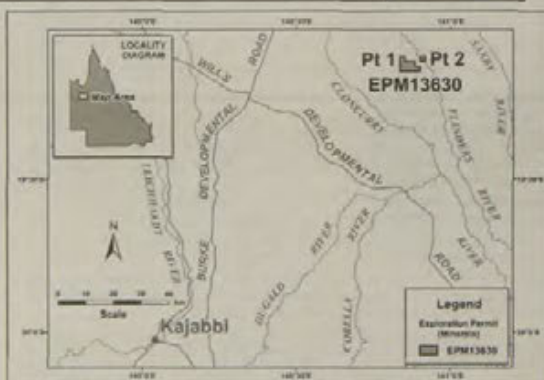
Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

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, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 22 August 2007



New South Wales Government

Exploration Licence Numbers 6313 (Act 1992), 6333 (Act 1992), 6510 (Act 1992) and 6610 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

Description of area that may be affected by the minister's consent to prospect on native title land.

Areas of 50, 96, 16 and 12 units respectively (total area of about 522 square kilometres situated approximately 25 km east of Glen Innes, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram).

Description of the nature of the act

Auzex Resources Limited (ACN 106 444 606) is the holder of Exploration Licence numbers 6313, 6333, 6510 and 6610 for Group 1 minerals. The licences contain a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Mineral Resources. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Ian Macdonald, Minister for Mineral Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Steve Hughes, Titles Program, NSW Department of Primary Industries, phone (02) 4931 6450 fax (02) 4931 6776

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) the notification day is 15 August 2007. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

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Indigenous Australians are aware of their rights as customers. Free community event. Held at Lismore City Council, Goonellabah. Details call Adrian Harrington on (02) 6627 6508 or Scott Campbell on (02) 9286 0939.

16 August: Energise Enterprise Festival 2007. Koori Business Network - Marketing for Success. Meet with local and state government agencies and hear from a marketing expert on how to present yourself and your business. Free entry, all welcome and lunch provided. Held in Melbourne from 12-2pm. Details call Gayle Henderson on (03) 9651 9127 or email Gayle.Henderson@diird.vic.gov.au or call 1300 799 526.

16-18 August: Message Stick Indigenous Film Festival National Tour. This includes shorts, feature films and documentaries providing a powerful and insightful portrait of Indigenous Australia in the 21st century. Held at Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Adelaide, all welcome. Details call Emelda Davis on (02) 9321 6444 or email emelda.davis@afc.gov.au or toll free 1800 226 615 or visit www.afc.gov.au/blackscreen

16 August: Tennant Creek. 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@switch.com.au

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17 August: Wanted Alive, Aboriginal Drivers, 22nd Rally for Reconciliation. Licensed drivers supervising Aboriginal Learners working towards the 120 hours minimum that is now required in NSW. Details call Bucky Robinson on (0401) 202 513 or Leonie on (02) 6624 7070 or email

18 August: Katherine. 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@switch.com.au

19 August: Timber Creek. 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

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 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- early 30's to play the role of an aspiring footy player from a central Australian Indigenous community. Call Danielle Loy on (08) 8953 3305 or (0411) 498 503.

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
EPC1114	Approx. 17 km SE from Blackwater Centred at approximate Lat.23°41'S Long.149°01'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Duarlinga	Area: 119 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 38 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3156 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3157 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3228 c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u 3229 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m	Comet Coal & Coke Pty Limited 123 069 072
EPC1117	Part 1: Approx. 47 km NNE from Blackwater Centred at approximate Lat.23°10'S Long.148°58'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Broadsound Part 2: Approx. 45 km NNE from Blackwater Centred at approximate Lat.23°11'S Long.149°00'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Broadsound and Duaringa	Area of Part 1: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2724 w, x, y 2796 d Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2796 k	Yarrabee Coal Company Pty. Ltd. 010 849 402
EPM16091	Approx. 36 km W from Rubyvale Centred at approximate Lat.23°23'S Long.147°21'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Peak Downs and Emerald	Area: 69 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 22 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2920 j, k, o, p, t, u 2921 f, g, h, i, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	Moggie Mining Limited 104 324 576

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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.

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Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

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Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATION WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SECTION 63M SA MINING ACT 1971

TAKE NOTICE that FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES PTY LTD

(ABN #27 058 081 379 of 190 Lacey Street, WHYALLA S.A. 5000) as the applicant for eleven (11) mineral claims, proposes to carry out mining operations on a mining lease to be issued over those mineral claims (including any extensions, renewals, transfers, assignments or other dealings) on the following land:

Pastoral Lease Katunga Block #1131, CL129937

Mineral claims are located approximately 40 km West/Nor/West of Whyalla following Salt Creek for approximately 6kms running East/ West.

Pastoral Lease Roopena 1146, CL129937

1 Mineral claim located approximately 1km West / Nor / West of Whyalla

Pastoral Lease Roopena 1146, CL129937

1 Mineral claim located approximately 40km North West of Whyalla

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land is as follows:-

Coarse concrete sand will be excavated from the main stream channel to a maximum depth of 1m and for the full width of the channel. Excavation will be by front end loader directly loading into semi and tandem tipper trucks for direct delivery to point of use. Processing may involve dry screening to remove oversize materials (nominally >7mm). Oversize (aggregate) materials will be sold as a separate product for civil construction or decorative purposes.

A haul road will be established adjacent to the main stream channel. Any topsoil and vegetation on areas that are worked will be stripped to a depth of no less than 100mm and stockpiled adjacent to the pit and will be respread over the area when extraction has been completed.

Notwithstanding the above procedure identified for mining the sand, if any items of significance of aboriginal heritage are uncovered or identified, operations in that area will cease and the land reported to the appropriate authority. Mining operations would only recommence in that area when clearance has been given to do so.

The proposed operation are authorised by the following exploration authorities under the Mining Act 1971 - Miners Right #8905.

AND TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that, it two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold, or may hold, native title in the land there are no persons registered under the law of the State or the Commonwealth as the holder of, or claimants to, native title in the land to which this notice relates, FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63M of the Mining Act 1971 authorising entry to such land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on such land, and the conduct of mining operations on such land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land to which this notice relates who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact Mr Rod Fairclough for the purpose of negotiation an agreement pursuant to part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 in respect of the proposed mining operations on the land to which this notice relates.

AND TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that it is within six (6) months from the initiation of negotiations pursuant to Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES and any native title party have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the Mining Act 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the land which this notice relates.

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Karate girl Jymia



Jymia Speeding with her medals.

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Lismore Koori girl Jymia Speeding will head to Sydney next week for the National Karate Championships after securing five medals at the Queensland Championships.

A member of Richard Marlin's Success Martial Arts (SMA) Black Belt Academy in South Lismore, the 17-year-old took out medals in Gold Cadets middleweight Kyu Grade Kumite (sparring/fighting); Silver Cadets Kyu Grade Kata; Silver Cadets Team Kumite; Bronze Cadets middleweight Black Belt Kumite; and Bronze Cadets Black Belt Kata.

"I was selected to represent Queensland at the National Championships, where I will compete in two different divisions: Cadets Kumite for ages 16/17, and Cadets Kata (prearranged forms of defensive moves performed individually)," she said.

Jymia started karate at the age of 12 to become fitter, more confident

and to learn how to defend herself in dangerous situations.

"From the start, I enjoyed the sense of empowerment that it gave me," she said.

"Soon after beginning training, I set my goal to achieve my Black Belt, which focuses on achieving self-mastery.

"In May this year – after four arduous years – my goal was achieved by satisfying the requirements of the SMA syllabus and the discipline to be awarded the Provisional, First Degree Black Belt."

Jymia said she had also showed an interest in helping others and by the time she was 15, she was invited to be involved in the leadership program.

"The program is designed to develop confidence, communication, teamwork and leadership skills," she said.

"Along the way I believe I have grown into a role model for the younger students, and now I am a permanent part-time martial arts teacher at the academy.

"I would like to give a big thank you to my Sensei and others at SMAs who have helped me to grow mentally, physically and spiritually into a Black Belt graduate where I will now be competing for the nationals – something that I never dreamed of doing four years ago."

Jymia's training schedule for the nationals begins at 6.30am.

"I train for one hour with my Sensei, Master Richard Marlin, during the week days and two days a week doing five x 200 hundred-metre sprints for up to an hour," she said.

"In the evening, I train the normal routines three times a week. Outside the Dojo however, I also do my private workouts in my home gym, which is equipped with a punching bag, an air-walker, a stationary bike, a bull-worker, a power twister, and hand grips.

"I am not finding it all that difficult to balance school and training because I have learned over the years of how to manage my time. Although I believe I am busier than most teenagers, I like it, simply because I don't get bored."

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
EPM15984	Approx. 68km NNE from Weipa Centred at approximate Lat.12°02'S Long.142°03'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cook	Area: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 49 B, O, S, T	Cape Alumina Pty Ltd 107 817 694

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Nature of the acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

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Notification Day: 22 August 2007



Exploration Licence 6449 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

Description of area that may be affected by the minister's consent to prospect on native title land.

An area of 42 square kilometres (14 units) situated approximately 14 km north west of Bendemeer, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Stannum Pty Ltd (ACN 121 771 695) is the holder of Exploration Licence 6449 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Mineral Resources. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Ian Macdonald, Minister for Mineral Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Steve Hughes; Titles Program, NSW Department of Primary Industries, phone (02) 4931 6450 fax (02) 4931 6776

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) the notification day is 15 August 2007. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

Aussie rules in league stronghold

By ALF WILSON



● LEFT: Solomon Blanket, 12, Joseph Kebisi, 12, Zengrey Nona, 12, and Medi Richard, 11, with coach and teacher Dave Maddock Jones on their way to Mackay for the State Primary School Australian football carnival.

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Badu Island is northern Australia's outpost for Australian rules football – but is deep in the heartland of the rival code rugby league.

Four Badu Island AFL players travelled to Mackay for the State Primary School Championships.

The Torres Strait's premier sporting event, the Island of Origin Rugby League series, is held annually on Badu Island, where the majority of residents only hear of AFL in newspapers or on television, or at the local primary school where there are converts.

The Koori Mail saw Solomon Blanket, 12, Joseph Kebisi, 12, Zengrey Nona, 12, and Medi Richard, 11, with coach and teacher Dave Maddock Jones, at Horn Island airport as they prepared to catch a flight.

Big spender

The AFL is spending big money promoting the code in remote areas where rugby league has traditionally had strongholds, and that point was not missed on an ABC National sports radio program hosted by Warren Boland.

The Badu Islanders Primary School pupils played for the Crusader team in the under 12 division at Mackay and won two games from six, a remarkable effort.

"We beat the Peninsula team for the first time in six years. AFL is growing up here and our Crusader teams are also in under 14 and under 16 levels and the older ones are now in the top tier of teams competing at State country champs," Mr Maddock Jones said.

Pathways

"The AFL pours a lot of time and money into development in the remote regions, organising carnivals at participation level locally, with pathways to the national championships."

Another team member from Badu Island, Rittie Nona, was picked up in Cairns by the other team members en route to Mackay.

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 26060 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 185 Blocks (553 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the TODD locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5949

Exploration Licence 26061 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 34 Blocks (81 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the PEACHY locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5649

Exploration Licence 26064 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 89 Blocks (283 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5053

Exploration Licence 26065 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 54 Blocks (172 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5053

Exploration Licence 26068 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 17 Blocks (53 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the YUENDUMU locality.



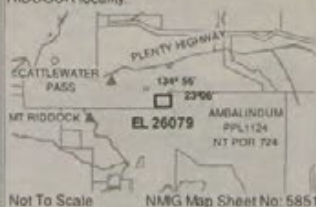
Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5253

Exploration Licence 26071 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 45 Blocks (143 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLDS RANGE locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5453

Exploration Licence 26079 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 12 Blocks (38 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 5851

Exploration Licence 26080 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 127 Blocks (237 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the JERVOIS RANGE locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 6152

Exploration Licence 26081 sought by MATILDA MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 103 651 538 over an area of 52 Blocks (165 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the JIRKA locality.



Not To Scale NMG Map Sheet No: 6052

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Notification Day: 01 August 2007



David Peachey in the gymnasium.

Next step for 'The Peach'

League star to work for Souths in Indigenous community

David Peachey always wanted to leave rugby league on his own terms, on 5 July he announced he had – well, sort of. The Souths fullback will retire from the NRL at the end of the 2007, but only after the Rabbitohs made it clear they would not be offering him a contract for next season.

Instead, Peachey will move into the next phase of his life with a full-time role in the Souths Cares program and work in the Indigenous community through his own David Peachey Foundation.

At 33 and after 255 NRL games with the Rabbitohs and Cronulla, Peachey said he had taken a couple of weeks to be at peace with retiring, but was happy he wasn't forced away due to injury.

"I would rather sit there saying I'm going

rather than sit there and say I can't play any more," said Peachey.

"I did not want this time to come.

"(But) I feel as though it is my time to move on.

"I want to go out on the right note.

"This decision has come about over the last four weeks, but it was just about making the right time for it."

Peachey has no regrets about his football career which includes 117 tries, one Super League Test for Australia, one NSW State of Origin appearance and Dally M Fullback of the Year award in 1999.

His stature in the game evident at the 5 July press conference with former coach John Lang in attendance while letters from Prime Minister John Howard and former Test

cricket captain Steve Waugh were read out.

However, the one accolade left for the ultimate clubman is an NRL premiership and he remains hopeful the 11th-placed Rabbitohs can conjure a miraculous surge to the grand final this year.

"I feel as though this can be a fairytale," he said.

Peachey – who has long held his uncles Michael, Martin and Marshall as his footballing idols – said he wanted to follow in their footsteps and continue playing club rugby league and eventually run out alongside his now 11-year-old son Wyndham.

"I feel as though I won't be retiring. I will just be retiring from the NRL," said Peachey.

"I want to finish playing football with

Wyndham in eight or nine years down the track, so that time will come.

"My football days will still continue but as far as top level is concerned, that will be behind me hopefully come 1 October.

"I will definitely be playing, I just don't know where it will be."

Peachey is enthusiastic about his community work ahead, keen to link with Olympian Nova Peris on several Indigenous pursuits while also promoting league in the bush.

"We want to take the bunny to the bush in as many areas as possible," said the Dubbo-born flyer before adding his own message to young footballers.

"Be smart, stay clean and live your dream." –AAP



Dodd named vice-capt

By PETER ARGENT



The Adelaide United Soccer Club has recently announced 27-year-old Indigenous player Travis Dodd as the team's new vice-captain for the 2007-08 A-League season.

The Adelaide-born pacy and attacking right midfielder has been one of Adelaide United's key playmakers over the past couple of years.

Having played 47 games since the start of the dynamic new Hyundai A-League competition which began in 2005, he will reach his 50 game milestone early this season.

Dodd's leadership credentials are chiefly justified by his performances on the pitch, which has included scoring a hat-trick earlier this year in a AFC Champions League game.

Both Dodd and the new team captain Michael Valkanis are Socceroos, having made their debuts in the same match against Bahrain during 2006.

This was also the fixture where Dodd became the first Indigenous player to score a goal for Australia at senior level.

The duo has also played for overseas clubs and new club coach Aurelio Vidmar sees them as fitting choices to lead Adelaide United.

"It's fantastic to get this role - a big step up for me in this new era at the club and I'm looking forward to fulfilling this role," Dodd said.

"There are a lot of new faces in our 2007-08 squad and it is a great honour the coaching staff has the confidence to give me this position.

"We have a very good squad and a lot of depth this year.

"This is the first time I've been a part of the senior leadership group and I'll be looking to learn a lot from our captain Michael Valkanis, who also did this role while playing in Greece."

As a youngster, Dodd played junior soccer at Elizabeth before joining the South Australian Sports Institute in 1996. He also represented his country at under 17 and under 20 level.

He became Adelaide City's fourth youngest National Soccer League (NSL) player of all time (making his debut at the tender age of 16 years and 281 days), and then became the fifth player in NSL history to score a hat-trick after coming on as a substitute (while playing with Parramatta in 2003 in their 4-1 win over the Football Kingz).

At the conclusion of the 2003/04 NSL season, Dodd travelled abroad, playing firstly with Malaysian club Johor, then Greek club Panionios. During his stint with Panionios, Dodd found the back of the net in their UEFA Cup first round victory over high-profile Udinese.

Now settled back in Adelaide, Dodd is a key member of the Adelaide United side, having kicked eight goals in the first two A-League seasons, of what looking to be the start of a stellar long term career with the Reds.

Q'land Origin league greats join campaign



As part of its work undertaken by the Queensland Former Origin Greats (FOGS) organisation in Indigenous Affairs, FOGS has joined with

the Australian Government to enhance employment for Indigenous people.

Called the FOGS 50 Jobs Drive, rugby league's Former Origin Greats have undertaken to encourage the business community, its sponsors and corporate network to offer employment positions specifically to Indigenous people.

The FOGS 50 Jobs Drive is a 12-month commitment by FOGS to source at least 50 jobs throughout Queensland.

Federal Employment and Work Place Relations Minister Joe Hockey launched the initiative at the 2007 FOGS annual charity lunch before State of Origin I in May.

FOGS chairman Dick 'Tosser' Turner said this was the next step in using FOGS' profile and support from Queenslanders to help with social issues in the community.

"FOGS has wanted to expand our work with Indigenous Australians and with the support of the Australian Government and State governments, we are discussing the possibility of working in other communities throughout Queensland," Mr Turner said.

"The Australian Government, through the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, has supported us in our challenge to provide 50 job positions, throughout Queensland, specifically for Indigenous Australians over the next 12 months.

"This initiative is instrumental in

addressing some of the major social issues facing our Queensland community and is another example of the positive influence the FOGS can have on all Queenslanders."

As part of the FOGS 50 Jobs Drive, a selection panel was established to pick a former Queensland Indigenous greats team.

The team selected will be honoured for their contribution to the game of rugby league and for representing Queensland.

The team was presented with an award and an honorary jersey at Suncorp Stadium before Origin III.

The selection panel consisted of Mal Meninga, Kevin Brasch, Arthur Beetson, Lionel Morgan and Neil Appo.

If you are interested in being part of the FOGS 50 Jobs Drive, phone Rochelle Meiklejohn at FOGS on (07) 3331 5065, or email Rochelle on rocky@fogs.com.

Former Origin Greats (FOGS) is a non-profit organisation committed to helping rugby league and other communities and charities throughout Queensland.

Its members are the ever-expanding group of players who have represented Queensland in State of Origin since its inception in 1980. Many of Queensland's highest profile sportsmen are FOGS, including Allan Langer, Shane Webcke, Mal Meninga, Wally Lewis, Kevin Walters and Gordon Tallis.

Overseeing its operations is a board, chaired by Richard 'Tosser' Turner, with Gene Miles as executive director, secretary Alan Graham and directors Mal Meninga, Wally Lewis, Chris Close, Greg Oliphant, Trevor Gillmeister and Gavin Allen.



Mal Meninga, one of Queensland's all-time rugby league greats and a director of FOGS.

Ben Tune guest speaker in Darwin

Wallaby Ben Tune will be the guest speaker at the Northern Territory Junior Rugby Union annual fundraising dinner on 22 August.

It will be held at the Travelodge Mirambeeena Resort, Darwin. Tickets are \$60.

There will be entertainment, prizes, auctions, and raffles.

WA boys shine in final

By PETER ARGENT



Three Indigenous lads from unbeaten Western Australia were a part of the division one title winning side in the national under 18s football championships which culminated on 11 July in Melbourne.

For the powerful Sandgropers, who sealed the title with a crushing win over South Australia at Casey Fields, Cruise Garrett, Jarrhan Jacky and Chris Yarran were integral members of the victorious side.

In a star-studded side, Garrett just missed out on All-Australian honours after two exceptional games in Melbourne. He was high among the best players in the match against the Victorian Country combination.

Talent to burn

Jacky and Yarran were more than useful contributors in a side loaded with talent.

For the South Australia team, which won their first match at home against Victorian Country, but failed to make an impact in the two games around Melbourne, Eagles defender turned mid-fielder Jared Petrenko was high among this side's leading players, while Zac Millar, who was coming back to this carnival for a

second year, was exciting at times, if not a little undisciplined.

Another member of the North Adelaide contingent and former Quorn Willsden junior, Kriston Thompson, had his only opportunity in the final game against Western Australia.

"Jared was pretty good during the whole of the carnival and can be considered, along with Levi Greenwood, unlucky not to have an All-Australia jumper from this titles," South Australian coach Brenton Phillips said.

"He was good in heavy traffic and has a good side-step and will have enhanced his chances of getting drafted later this year.

"I see a lot of Crows defender Graham Johncock in the way Jared plays.

"It is fair to say Zac didn't have the championships he would have wanted, struggling up forward against the bigger bodies.

"Kriston, besides some issues with his defensive action, was involved in a couple of accomplished movements in a team which was well beaten on the last day."

In the division two winning team, the NSW-ACT Rams, a Riverina lad - Tony Armstrong - who is on a scholarship at the famed football school Assumption College, featured in all three games.

"Tony has been a big improver this year - we asked him to address a couple parts of his game and he forced his way into the final squad," coach Danny Stevens said.

"He is a talented footballer, with plenty of the razzle-dazzle the Aboriginal boys have, also being capable to play in a number of positions.

"He will need to work on hitting targets and fading in and out of games, but has many special qualities."

The Northern Territory side, after losing its opening game in Sydney, had two substantial wins over Tasmania in modest conditions at Skilled Stadium by 45 points, and defeated 2006 title winners, Queensland by 26 points at Victoria Park, Melbourne.

Austin Wonaeamirri, who is playing his football for Norwood in South Australia, won the NAB Most Valuable Player for the Northern Territory.

Other sterling performers for the Thunder, who finished second, included Trevor Oliver, from the Waratahs, Cameron Stokes, from Southern Districts, and Marlon Motlop.



Austin Wonaeamirri, the NAB Most Valuable Player for the Northern Territory.



Cyril Rioli, a seven goal player in the final round. He is from St Mary's, in the Northern Territory.



Cameron Josiah, from Queensland.



West Australian Chris Yarran lines up a kick.



West Australian Cruise Garrett follows play. He just missed out on All-Australian selection.

A great coach

Magic's Moments



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Essendon chose to tap Sheedy on the shoulder so soon after this milestone when Williams hailed the legendary Richmond player and Essendon coach as 'an institution' who ought to be honoured with a statue outside the MCG.

"I could say that he's too old and should have given up years ago, but that would be a lie," Williams said.

"Look, Kevin is certainly an institution of the game. All of us have been very proud to have known him and had some time with him, and those of us lucky enough to have worked under him would understand his passion for the game."

If passion is what has allowed Sheedy to achieve such longevity in the game, it is also the quality that inspires voluntary coaches to endure criticism from parents and unrewarding cold winter nights spent at training when half the team turns up.

It is a passion that is rewarded by the smile of success, whether that be judged by winning a game or seeing a youngster take his first mark or kick his first goal.

But if passion is a prerequisite for a coach, what other qualities make a truly good coach?

A true coach is not just skills developer; he is a teacher and mentor in life who imparts wisdom as well as knowledge.

If you think this is an overstatement, look back at important people in your life and see if it does not include a special person in some sort of teaching role.

There are probably two players who best define that special bond that Sheedy developed with some of his charges - Adam Ramanaukas and Michael Long.



KEVIN SHEEDY

I will leave Michael Long to last for special reasons, but there is little doubt that the bond between Adam and Sheedy transcended the normal coach-player relationship.

For Ramanaukas, Sheedy has become a father figure.

Sheedy named Ramanaukas, who has overcome cancer twice to continue his playing career, as one of the highlights of his coaching career.

"I was honoured, to be honest with you," Ramanaukas said. "Sheeds has coached for 27

years, so for me to be up there as one of his highlights was quite flattering. It is something that makes me feel good that I played a little part in it for him.

"He has been fantastic to myself by keeping me around the club and on the list and he has been fantastic to my family as well in a real tough time for me personally. That is the type of person Sheeds is. He has been a father figure to us."

This is the type of relationship that transcends the image of the clipboard or textbook coach who

simply operates on statistics or other measureables.

It reflects the human dimension that takes even professional sport from being a simple activity to a potentially life-changing involvement.

Ramanaukas, who forced his way back into the senior team from the rookie list in round 14, said he wouldn't be playing football if it wasn't for Sheedy.

"Sheeds showed a lot of faith in me to keep me on the list, but also the Essendon footy club showed a lot of faith in me. That is stuff that I will never forget," he said.

He said he was shocked and saddened by Sheedy's departure.

"The word is shock definitely," Ramanaukas said.

"Of course, it is sadness because he has been a father figure to us for many years. But at the same time we all accept the board's decision and we want to move forward. We are still a good chance to make the finals this year and what better way to see Sheeds out than make another finals series for him."

Even allowing for the exceptional circumstances surrounding Adam, he is by no means alone in his praise of Sheedy.

We should all remember how strong an advocate for the Indigenous game - and indeed for broader indigenous issues - Sheedy has become.

To many, he became the spiritual coach of the Indigenous game.

I will leave it to the great Michael Long whose own career owed so much to Sheedy to put it into words far more eloquent than mine.

"To me he is also a father of reconciliation for what he has personally done for me and the game and for Indigenous kids," Michael said.

I can think of no greater praise for the great man.

Until next time - Keep Dreaming!

Glowing tributes to Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy

Australian football legend Michael has paid a glowing tribute to departing Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy, describing Sheedy as 'a father of reconciliation'.

It was announced in Melbourne on 25 July that Sheedy's reign as Essendon coach would conclude at the end of this season, his 27th in charge at Windy Hill.

Those who played under Sheedy were full of praise, with Long saying Sheedy was a wonderful advocate for the Indigenous community.

"To me he is also a father of reconciliation for what he has personally done for me and the game and for Indigenous kids," Long, one of Australia's leading indigenous sporting figures, said.

Sheedy's departure was also news in Federal Parliament. Treasurer and Essendon's No1 ticket-holder Peter Costello said Sheedy had been a 'wonderful servant' of the club.

"It's the end of an era. It's been a great era for the Essendon Football Club," he said.

Long-time coaching foe David Parkin said: "Of all the blokes I have looked horns with over my time, I would say Kevin was the most difficult to coach against."

Sheedy addressed the players before the 25 July training session and Essendon captain Matthew Lloyd said he spent 'virtually one minute' on the board's decision not to renew his contract before focusing on

this weekend's game against Adelaide.

"It's more about the team than him, which is how you'd sum up him as a person," Lloyd told reporters after training.

Now that the decision has been made, Lloyd said the players were determined to give Sheedy, and the retiring James Hird, a fitting goodbye.

"It's gone from sombre to sort of 'let's do this' and make the end special for two of our greats in Hird and Sheedy," Lloyd said.

Hird too spoke of his 'shock and disappointment' that Sheedy's era was ending.

"That's not disappointment with the decision, just disappointment and shock that this great era that has been Kevin Sheedy

has finished," Hird told Channel Seven.

"It will be amazing to finish with a bloke who I came in with, and really without Kevin Sheedy, my football career would not have gotten off the ground."

"Every player at the Essendon football club owes it to themselves and owes it to him that we finish the season in the right fashion."

AFL chief executive Andrew Demetriou said Sheedy's four premierships as a coach and three as a player placed him 'among the pantheon of our game's highest achievers'.

"Kevin has been our foremost promoter and salesman over nearly three decades," Demetriou said in a statement. -AAP

Stars to shine



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As the Telstra National Rugby League premiership heads towards the business end of the season, one of the major debates in the world of NRL is the heavy toll of a long season and the seemingly increased number of players on the injury list.

There are two intriguing aspects to this otherwise useless debate which are worthy of comment.

The first and most obvious is that in recent seasons, it has been the side to have the majority of its playing list available at the sharp end of the season which has ended up with the trophy.

This may seem to be stating the obvious, but what it really underlines is how even the spread of talent is under the salary cap.

Gone is the era when clubs could stockpile first grade talent to cover injuries or loss of form.

The second aspect I find intriguing is how dependent so many of the top teams will be on their Indigenous stars remaining healthy or returning successfully from injury.

The Cowboys are the most obvious case in point, with Jonathan Thurston obviously carrying injury to the detriment of his personal form in the hope that he can help steer his side to a critical top four position.

Out of sorts

He is so obviously out of sorts – as was particularly evidenced by a painful forward pass that cost his side any hope of victory against the resurgent Rabbitohs – that this strategy must be abandoned in the hope that a decent break will refresh him for a final charge.

The only fault with this strategy is that it will lead to a further reliance on the brilliance of Matt Bowen, who is already an obvious target for opposition defences.

The team will also be looking to Carl Webb to lead a depleted forward pack in the upfront battles that often define finals matches.

A little further south, the Broncos have been devastated by the loss of the genius that is Darren Lockyer.

But even before Lockyer was injured, they were already eagerly awaiting the return of Justin Hodges, who was such an integral part of their premiership victory last year.

His form in the finals series and the following Tri-Nations triumph marked him as the premier centre in the game and nothing



Greg Inglis, above, and Justin Hodges, right, key players in the run-up to the finals. Inglis is the most dynamic player in the rampaging Melbourne Storm side, even with the positional change to five-eighth. Hodges brings a competitive toughness to the Brisbane Broncos.



has changed since to alter that opinion.

Hodges also brings a competitive toughness that will help bolster the confidence of a relatively young Broncos side.

Another bonus for the Broncos has been the recent return of the rampaging Sam Thaiday to the side.

He is still maturing as a player but he has an undoubted impact on the game – just ask Jarryd Hayne!

Speaking of Parramatta, it is evident that they are a far more potent force when Timana Tahu is on the field.

What has impressed about Tahu has been the sting in his defence with three or four 'bell-ringers' being up there when you discuss the big hits of the season.

High note

This suggests he is determined to leave rugby league on a high note before he joins the NSW rugby union Waratahs.

This should concern opposition sides because a focused Tahu is the type of player who can win the big matches off the back of a piece of individual brilliance.

His recent try against the Rabbitohs served as a reminder of his attacking class and why he is truly an elite player.

Meanwhile, at the Bulldogs, much of the focus is on the return of Willie Mason and whether the Bulldogs are the side to physically dominate the hot favourites in Melbourne Storm.

While nobody can deny the importance of Mason and the likes of Sonny Bill Williams, Andrew Ryan and Mark O'Meley, it is important to remember how much they

missed the potency of a fit Willie Tonga in the big games last season.

As much as big forwards can win matches, they need to have the backs to capitalise on the opportunities created and in recent weeks we have seen glimpses of the Willie Tonga who burst on to the representative scene three years ago.

By his own admission, he had a less than average start to the season, but the return of his magical footwork is a sign that his confidence is building.

Speaking of confidence building, the recent form of the Dragons has aroused the hopes of their army of supporters.

I do not believe they can make the finals, but if they are to threaten, they will need to keep Jamie Soward on the field.

Soward's arrival not only marked a turn in the fortunes of the club, but also his own personal fortunes.

His story is another one of perseverance and not giving up on your dream.

I am so pleased he has got his opportunity because he is one of the few authentic running halfbacks left in the game.

As we know, halfbacks are critical to the performance of any team.

If we ever questioned their importance, all we would need to do is to look at the ailing fortunes of the Gold Coast Titans without Scott Prince.

The Titans would have to be happy with their current position on the table in their inaugural season, but the loss to the Broncos in golden point time seems to have gutted them.

Without Prince, they are far easier to

shut down in attack and seem to fall in confidence when he is not on the field.

This just underlines what a quality player he is.

The other player who can still influence the Titans' finals hopes is Preston Campbell, who is struggling to regain form since returning from injury.

The thing to remember with Preston is that is in the space of one jinking run to the tryline, that dynamic confidence can return.

Form is temporary.

Class is permanent.

Speaking of class, I have left Melbourne Storm to last.

Team to beat

They are undoubtedly the form team of the competition and deserve to be favourites.

The return of Greg Inglis adds another dimension to their hopes.

Although he is still best suited to an outside position rather than five-eighth, he is still the most dynamic player in the Storm's impressive arsenal of attacking weapons.

If allowed to let his creative talents shine through, he is the player to ensure the Storm win their second premiership as a club.

There have always been class Indigenous players displaying their wares in the NRL.

I just can't remember when collectively, they have been so critical to their teams' premiership hopes.

The quality of football in the coming weeks should be exceptional.

Rabbitohs show that they care

DEANO'S LEAGUE



With DEAN WIDDERS

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Like all the diehard Rabbitohs fans, I was elated when we broke our losing run to beat the North Queensland Cowboys in the recent match at Telstra Stadium.

The match reignited our finals hopes and justified the continued hard effort and self-belief shown by the boys in what had been a hard month.

Our team is built on strong individuals and is led by an innovative coach in Jason Taylor and this undoubtedly contributes to that intangible quality called team spirit which allows a side to perform at a higher level than the sum of its individual parts.

But what many people don't realise is how important a club's traditions and the vision of its management team can be in developing a true sense of club unity that spills over into performance on the field.

In the week leading up to the Cowboys' match, all these factors came into play and seemed to find an off-field voice when the club held its inaugural fundraising night to support its Souths Cares community initiatives.

More than \$150,000 was raised with more than 400 guests attending the Grand Ballroom at Luna Park, Sydney.

In keeping with the ideals of Souths Cares, the night had a strong Indigenous theme from the food served through to the entertainment on show.

Once I was convinced that Souths

were going to be a force on the field, there were two major attractions that drew me to the club.

And I'm not talking about Russell and Peter – not directly anyway!

The Rabbitohs have always been a strong community-based club and their ongoing commitment to community work was a big factor to me.

That they proudly identified their links to Indigenous groups as part of that tradition as is symbolised by black Rabbit we proudly wear on our away jersey was the final trump card.

There is no doubt that this is part of Peter and Russell's vision for the club.

Powerful partnership

Russell made that vision clear in a short, but powerful speech that reinforced that this night was only the beginning of a powerful partnership with the community.

The appointment of David Peachey to a central role in Indigenous programs after he announced his retirement is a sign that the club will back the vision with action.

'Peach' was interviewed as a special feature of the night, with a highlights package showing the unique package of talents he brought to our great game.

The fact that he said that he just hoped to be remembered as a player who truly loved the game is a sign of the great man's humility that mirrored his talent.

We all hope he has the opportunity to once again grace the NRL stage before he hangs up his professional boots.

Be aware that we will still see plenty of

'The Peach' at Indigenous carnivals in the future!

I was then given the privilege of interviewing a panel of Aboriginal sporting greats consisting of Anthony 'The Man' Mundine, his father and trainer Australian boxing legend Tony Mundine, and former Wallaby Gary Ella, who was a Rabbitohs junior.

It was inspiring to hear Tony Mundine Snr talking of his career from his underprivileged, but happy upbringing in Baryulgil, near Grafton, to his unique record in professional boxing competing in four weight divisions, winning 80 of his 96 fights, drawing one and only losing 15.

His verbal sparring with Anthony was a highlight of the night with Anthony amazed that people thought he talked too much after listening to his 'old man' hold centre stage.

It was interesting to hear Tony Mundine came to Sydney looking for a rugby career, but he chose boxing when comparing the two greats' careers.

'The Man' still managed to create maximum impact when he spoke of walking away from a group of mates trying to tempt him down the wrong path with tears streaming down his face as he convinced himself he was going to be a success in life.

It was a magic moment.

Speaking of magic, I was intrigued to listen to Gary Ella speak of his amazing success in rugby union alongside his brothers.



Dean Widders and singer Christine Anu at the inaugural fundraising night to support the Souths Cares community initiatives.



Souths' part-owner and actor Russell Crowe speaking at the Souths Care fundraiser in the Grand Ballroom at Luna Park, Sydney.

One does not think of Aboriginal kids growing up in a crowded house in La Perouse when talking about the gin and tonic world of rugby union.

But the Ellas were never into stereotypes, and they turned the rugby world on its head when they remained loyal to the code after touring with the Australian Schoolboys.

Singing talent

If the crowd were bored by the monotone of my voice, they were then treated to the talents of Christine Anu, who put on a special guest performance that had most of the crowd up and dancing.

But even Christine – or the other special guests for that matter – will not begrudge me saying that the true star of the night was the pure talent of 12-year-old Indigenous entertainer Allara Laferia, from Mt Drutt.

Her poise and confidence before a packed crowd shone as brightly as the gift of her voice.

It is kids like her who will be the beneficiaries of Souths Cares programs. It is the hopes of kids like Allara that we carry with us every time we run onto the field.

They are our community.



● LEFT: Interviewer Dean Widders, left, and his panel of Indigenous sporting greats, from left, Anthony Mundine, Gary Ella, and Tony Mundine.



Two Australian Football League (AFL) Indigenous academies have been opened in western Sydney.

Funded under the Federal Government's Sporting Chance Program, the academies at high schools in Blacktown and Campbelltown will use sport as the vehicle to increase the level of engagement of young Indigenous people in school.

AFL CEO Andrew Demetriou said the support of the Federal Government was instrumental in the establishment of the Indigenous Academies and built on the successful partnership and involvement of the Government and the AFL in other Indigenous programs.

"We understand the strength and impact that our game and its heroes have in the minds and hearts of Indigenous Australians and - with the support of the Federal Government - we have been able to expand that impact," Mr Demetriou said.

"The establishment of these school-based sports academies is about opportunity - creating opportunities and promoting opportunities for the Indigenous youth in western Sydney.

"It is also an opportunity for the AFL to continue our long-standing commitment to initiatives in Indigenous Australia that has resulted in 87,000 Indigenous people involved in AFL programs such as the Qantas AFL Kickstart program."

Mr Demetriou said he hoped that over time, the academies might produce the next Adam Goodes or Michael O'Loughlin, who would go on to play AFL football.

"But more importantly, we also hope we help the next generation of Indigenous leaders to improve their skills and expand their opportunities in sport, in education, in Indigenous culture and art and in life," he said.

Federal Education Minister Julie Bishop said the AFL Indigenous academies in Sydney were two of 20 such programs across Australia that would be funded through the successful Sporting Chance Program.

"Sporting Chance Academies use sport as the incentive to help Indigenous students engage with school. Students undertake advanced sports training, with a focus on fitness and diet, and also achieve academically," Ms Bishop said.

Aussie rules ... the way ahead



At the AFL Indigenous Academies launch at the Sydney Cricket Ground are, back row, from left, Michael O'Loughlin, Federal Education Minister Julie Bishop, AFL CEO Andrew Demetriou, Adam Goodes; front row, Grace, Jayd, Elisha and Tyson.

"The combination of sport and education has a proven record of success in promoting school retention to Year 12, which leads to improved employment prospects for young Indigenous people.

"Students are nominated by their high schools and agree to attend school and embrace the academies' behavioural and self-discipline guidelines. Local communities are also involved in the program, which the Australian Government is pleased to support."

The academies have been established through a partnership with the Department of Education, Science and

Training (DEST), the NSW Department of Education and Training (DET), Blacktown and Campbelltown councils, as well as local business and Indigenous leaders.

The Sydney Swans as well as Netball NSW and Basketball NSW will support the academies with programs and player involvement/mentoring.

The Sydney Swans' Michael O'Loughlin and Adam Goodes, as well as Sydney TAB Swifts' Adelaide Johnson and Chelsea Pitman were on hand at the launching to speak with the students and take them through a short clinic on the SCG. The players will all be involved in the

academies through mentoring students and assisting with the sports components of the program.

The AFL Indigenous Academies in Campbelltown and Blacktown will start with 80 Indigenous students in Years 7 and 8 from seven high schools participating. By 2010, this is expected to grow to 250 students.

The academies will initially operate on three afternoons a week as well as on weekends and during school holidays.

The education component is linked to the curriculum and will focus on leadership skills, conflict resolution, literacy and

numeracy, while culture will include dance, traditional language, art and be presented by local Elders.

The Blacktown AFL Indigenous Academy comprises Doonside, Rooty Hill and Plumpton high schools this year, with other high schools participating from 2008. The academy will be located at Doonside High School.

The Campbelltown Indigenous Academy includes Macquarie Fields, James Meehan, Sarah Redfern and Ingleburn high schools. The academy will be based at Monarch Oval and use Macquarie Fields High School.

Two Indigenous boys in national league team



Chris Binge Jnr, a blockbusting Indigenous three-quarter from Lismore, has been chosen in the Australian under 15 schoolboys rugby league team.

Joining him in the Australian team is another Indigenous player - halfback William Beale, from Mt Druitt, Sydney. Beale is the younger brother of Waratah rugby union fly-half sensation Kurtley Beale.

The selection of the two Indigenous boys followed outstanding performances by them at the Australian schoolboys carnival in Adelaide.

Binge Jnr's selection has intensified

interest in him by National Rugby League clubs. His father, Chris Binge Snr, said his son was possibly only weeks away from signing with an NRL club.

He has been on a development contract with the Brisbane Broncos, but that arrangement ends in October and Binge Jnr is attracting interest from the Broncos, Canterbury Bulldogs, Gold Coast Titans, West Tigers and now the Parramatta Eels.

Chris lives at Goonellabah, a suburb of Lismore. He is a Bundjalung boy and attends St John's College, Woodlawn, near Lismore, but plays junior rugby league with the Ballina Seagulls.

Chris Binge Snr coaches the

Seagulls' first grade team in the Northern Rivers Rugby League. The Seagulls are leading the competition.

At the Australian carnival in Adelaide, Binge Jnr turned in two man-of-the-match performances. The first award came just hours after being released from hospital, where he was being treated for the flu.

During the carnival he scored four tries and had a goalkicking success rate of 90 per cent.

At 91kg, Binge Jnr is a powerful and speedy centre, and a strong defender.

Halfback William Beale is the younger brother of Kurtley, who is widely rated the hottest prospect in Australian rugby union.



Chris Binge Jnr on the run.

From player to coach

By PETER ARGENT

SA

A champion country footballer, Corey McLennan, had transferred his mercurial playing skills across to the role of coach.

Last Sunday, as football coach of the South Australian Country side in an inaugural fixture against the Victorian Country Football League in Stawell, he reached the top of the tree, as far of coaches from a rural Aussie rules football environment can achieve.

"It is most definitely the highest accolade I can aspire to, being the SA Country team's coach," McLennan said.

"This is as far as I can go based in the country and I'm pleased to get the opportunity."

"I have put my heart and soul into the Country Zone Championships and I appreciated this chance."

"Having played for the State Country team, it is great to now coach the same side."

McLennan was an immensely talented centre half back who won three Mail Medals (for the Best and Fairest player in the Far West competition based around Ceduna, in South Australia) as well as one at under-age level.

He also played for two years at Central Whyalla and has been coach of the Eyre Peninsula side in the annual South Australian Affiliated Leagues Country Zone

Corey McLennan delivering a three-quarter time speech to his Eyre Peninsula players at the 2007 Country Zone titles in Port Pirie recently.



Championships for the past four seasons.

"Corey had an outstanding playing career and is a well respected person in his community," Affiliated Leagues Regional Director for the Eyre Peninsula, Don McSweeney said.

"After playing for the State Country team in Cairns in 1996, this is the pinnacle and culminates a great

coaching career.

"Among his attributes are good motivation skills, an excellent judgment of a player's strengths, and a strong respect from his troops."

"He also deals well with players on a one-to-one basis and many have said they have learned a lot from him."

In the titles held at Port Pirie's Memorial Oval this

year, the Eyre Peninsula side finish a creditable third for the fourth winter in a row, despite beaten one of the finalists in the preliminary rounds.

On his coach philosophies, McLennan explained he had taken a little from each of his mentors while players and his leadership roles on the field also helped his natural progression into the coaching genre.

"I have two strong areas I like to focus on - the team must be attacking and accountable," he said.

"Under the game plan, I like to see plenty of run, starting from deep in defence, but when we haven't got the ball, each player is responsible for a direct opponent."

When McLennan isn't involved in coaching, he works as an Aboriginal education teacher at the Ceduna Area School.

When he was questioned about any further coaching ambitions, a calculated McLennan suggested he would "consider moving to the city, but it would have to be for the right reasons".

It is believed Corey McLennan has become the first Indigenous player to coach a South Australian State team at any level.

Figure skater Harley Dahlstrom in the costume designed by his mum. It features the rainbow serpent.



Harley's transition from the dance floor to the ice

NSW

A 10-year-old Indigenous boy from Rooty Hill, in Sydney's west, has won a division of the NSW figure skating championships in Penrith.

Harley Dahlstrom skated in the elementary men's division.

Harley started skating just over two years ago and has taken his talents as an Aboriginal dancer to the ice.

Earlier in the year Harley skated in the Dennis Silverthorne Memorial Trophy in Forte Erie, Canada, where he won his division.

Harley's coach was thrilled with his performances and said he was an extremely talented boy.

Harley started skating by accident. He was out driving with him mum one day when she took a wrong turn. They ended up at the Blacktown Ice Arena.

From that time on, Harley has been skating, starting at Blacktown. He went to his first competition at Erina, on the central coast, and won.

He now boasts a long list of wins and places, sometimes against girls in their mid-teens.

Harley struggled with frequent bouts of tonsillitis until last November, when he had them removed.

Coaches have been amazed at his rate of progress.

He is confident in front of a large audiences. His parents Josie and Peter Dahlstrom, feel this is because he has been performing Aboriginal dance with Thullia Dreaming since the age of two.

Peter Dahlstrom, from Moree, and Josie, from Gulargamabone, never anticipated that their son would take up this type of sport, as his dad was a keen footballer.

Harley now has his heart set on competing in New Zealand in September, Singapore in November and Brisbane in January, then on to the Australian Nationals in 2008.

Harley's rainbow serpent costume for his NSW championship bid was designed by his mother and made by Gail Hemmett, of Penrith, and he skated to didgeridoo music.

Harley's proud parents believe he is the only Aboriginal boy figure skater in NSW competing at this level.

They're off to the 'Nationals'



Five Indigenous boys are to contest the Australian under 18 Schoolboys Rugby Union Championships.

Four of the boys were members of the Australian National Indigenous under 18 team that played in the national division 2 championships in Geelong, Victoria.

The fifth boy, Corey Brown (South

Coast) is a member of the NSW Schools First XV. Corey also has been selected in the Australia A squad to play England Under 18 at The Southport School on 15 August.

The four Indigenous boys chosen after the division 2 championships are Codey Budgeon, from Brisbane, Donald Dundas, from Coonabarabran, NSW, Shawn Orcher, from Penrith, NSW, and Clinton Sills, from Matraville (Sydney).

They played in a Combined States team.

From the carnival, a Combined States team was selected to contest the National Division 1 Under 18 Schoolboy Championships.

The Combined States team was chosen from Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria, Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Lloyd McDermott (Indigenous) Development Team



From left, Donald Dundas, Codey Budgeon, Combined States team manager Dean Duncan, Clinton Sills and Shawn Orcher. Dean Duncan, originally from Moree, NSW, works in Brisbane for Queensland Education.

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Baira brothers outstanding for Townsville

By ALF WILSON



Man of the match Jimmy Baira rated the 14-4 win by his Townsville rugby league

side over Cairns in the grand final of the prestigious Good Guys Foley Shield as the highlight of his sporting career.

A large crowd converged on Barlow Park, Cairns, for the 21 July final in which prop Baira took out the Ben Wall Medal for the player of the final.

"This is the best feeling in sport I have had and I played in a semi-final a few years ago and two under 19 finals which we won, but this is the best," the 25-year-old Baira said.

Baira's older brother Roy, 27, also shone, playing lock for Townsville and was equally happy.

"I thought Jimmy really led by example," Roy said.

Their proud mother, Maria Baira, said the whole family was there to watch the lads in action.

"The boys have family from the Torres Strait, Cape York and Palm Island and Jimmy's partner Cicely Day is from Weipa. We were all excited," Maria said.

The brothers have also played for Badu Island sides Kulpiyam at the 2006 Townsville All Blacks carnival when they lost the final to Cannonballs, and Roy at the 2006 Torres Cup on Thursday Island.

The Foley Shield is a rugby league competition in north Queensland administered by the Queensland Rugby League.

Prior to 1948, an inter-town competition known as the Carlton Cup was contested in north Queensland. This was revamped, and renamed in honour of Arch Foley, a member of the 1918 Townsville representative team that travelled north to Cairns, and south throughout central Queensland.

He was a founding member of the Townsville Souths Rugby League Club, and with later Australian Prime Minister Arthur Fadden, formed the North Queensland Rugby League in 1919.

In 1948, the competition was structured into a Northern zone (Cairns, Babinda, Tully and Eacham) and a Southern zone (Mackay, Ayr and Townsville).

The following year, a Central zone (Herbert River, Charters Towers and Home Hill) was added. The grand final was played in Townsville, and was a highlight of the rugby league calendar.

The Foley Shield continued to be held annually until the introduction of the state-wide Queensland Cup competition in 1996.

In 2000, the competition was reinstated, and it is currently contested by Cairns, Mackay and Townsville. In previous years it has also been contested by Ayr, Babinda, Burdekin, Eacham,



Roy Baira, left, and 'little' brother Jimmy shone in the Foley Shield final for Townsville against Cairns.

Herbert River, Innisfail, Mount Isa, Tully and Whitsunday.

The Foley Shield has proved a breeding ground for Queensland and Australian players, including Kerry Boustead, Gene Miles and Greg Dowling.

Proud tradition

The town of Sarina is home of the mighty Crocodiles Club, which competes in the Mackay competition. The Crocodiles have produced a string of top players, including Dale Shearer, Martin Bella, Wendel Sailor and Kevin Campion.

The competition also produced legendary Indigenous players like Frank and Vern Daisy, who were at the heart of those mighty Mount Isa teams that swept all before them.

The Foley Shield is rich in legend and will always be talked about by players and supporters who willed their teams to play in the final each September.

Cairns took out the 2007 under 19 grand final 28-26, and Townsville the under 17 decider 36-10.

Results
A-grade: Townsville 14 (Adam Peluchetti, Tom Humble, Nathan Barraclough tries; Jim Baira goal) d Cairns 4 (Brendan Arcidiacono try).

Under 19: Cairns 28 d Townsville 26 (Steve Beaumont 2, Scott Hales, Luke Hume, Joshua Land tries; Adam Shaw 2, Matthew Bonnano 1 goals).

Under 17: Townsville 36 (Liam Kersevani 2, Chris Eade, Reece Steel, Sean Lynch, Dan Humphreys tries; Dan Humphreys 6 goals) d Cairns 10 (Lance Gibson, Minimi Murgha tries; Zac Prior goal).

How's this for a touraround?



Yarrabah Seahawks A grade, reserve grade and under 18 teams have been on a rapid rise to the top of the tables in all

three grades of the Cairns and District rugby league competition over the past few months.

An amazing seven consecutive victories by all three sides has been attributed to 'new-found' discipline instilled by coach John Yeatman.

Yarrabah Seahawks committee member and development officer Farran Willett was reported in the Cairns Post as saying the club had been 'transformed'.

"There's really good spirit among the players and the club," Ms Willett said.

"Everyone is knuckling down and getting to training and that has been a big difference to us."

And heads are starting to turn. The Cairns Post reported that CDRL secretary Pat Bailey had told the Yarrabah club it had been put on notice earlier in the year. "To their credit, they've listened and put what was suggested into action and ever since then, they have not dropped a game in any

grade," Ms Willett said.

Seahawks president James Canuto said that after the 2004-05 seasons, the club had to rebuild, not only financially, but in almost every way.

"That presented a bit of a challenge," he said.

"But all the players who went to other clubs came back and now we've beaten that challenge."

Mr Canuto said it was also a challenge for the community.

"Our supporters have realised the talent we have there in the community and they're going to games with better attitudes now as well," he said.

"So we've come a long way and everything's improved as a result."

Mr Canuto said partnerships with Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services and other Yarrabah community organisations had also helped.

"The partnership with Gurriny in particular has helped to get the players and supporters back on track," he said.

"Healthy players and supporters combined with good positive attitudes mean longer lives and of course that means we can all enjoy our football for longer."



Seahawks club president James Canuto: Things have turned around.

Govt kicks in \$22,000

A family fun day will be held at Yarrabah to encourage healthier lifestyles while raising awareness about alcohol and drug misuse.

Queensland Premier Peter Beattie presented a cheque for \$22,000 to the Yarrabah Seahawks Rugby League Football Club during a meeting with the Aboriginal community in far north Queensland.

Mr Beattie said the club planned to use the funding to stage the Tackles that Count Family Fun Day at Jilara Oval to promote health and well-being in the Yarrabah community.

The Yarrabah Seahawks Rugby League Football Club will host the family fun day in partnership with several local

organisations to promote services such as alcohol and drug demand, sports and recreation, crime prevention, domestic violence reduction and health.

"The club is to be commended for its initiative and determination to help bring about positive change in the Yarrabah community," Mr Beattie said.

"Sporting and recreation provides a great range of positive activities for community members, offering alternatives to drugs and alcohol and encouraging a healthier lifestyle."

"Since joining the Cairns and District Rugby League competition in 2000, the Yarrabah Seahawks Club has gone from strength to strength."



MICHAEL LONG

Long honour

By PETER ARGENT



An Aboriginal icon for his performances on and off the football field, Michael Long has been inducted into the Australian Football League's 'Hall of Fame' at the annual dinner at the Palladium Room in Melbourne.

From his first game with the Bombers in round one of the 1989 season, Michael Long's mercurial skills, raw pace and ability to evade opponents excited the football public.

He also blazed a trail, which paved a way for the next generation of Aboriginal talent into the national football code, and as importantly led the fight against racism.

Along the way he also inspired the greater football community and his own people.

He has also been an AFL ambassador

in the Northern Territory and for junior Indigenous sides which have travelled to South Africa over the past two years.

At AFL/VFL level, Long played 190 games for Essendon between 1989-2001, being used as a creative half forward and mid-fielder by his coach, Kevin Sheedy. He finished in the 2001 winter, having kicked 143 goals in these appearances at the top level.

In the 'Baby Bombers' fantastic premiership win of 1993, Long was a pivotal player and became the second Indigenous player to secure the now famed Norm Smith Medal as the grand final game's best player.

He was an All-Australian player while playing for the Northern Territory at the start of 1988 and with Essendon for his efforts in the 1995 AFL season, along with being the Bombers' captain in 1999 in James Hird's absence.

A further premiership in 2000 was

added to his impressive resume, and then Long collected team Essendon's 'Team of the Century' and the 'Indigenous Team of the Century' honours, being selected on the wing in both of these sides.

Originally from the famed St Mary's Football Club in Darwin, before going to the Bombers, Long spent a season in the SANFL with the now amalgamated West Torrens Football Club in Adelaide in 1988, playing 22 games and kicking 11 goals – along with being the club's best and fairest player in his only season in South Australia's State-based competition.

He is one of eight people were inducted into the Australian Football Hall of Fame this year, along with five-times Hawthorn premiership player and 1986 Brownlow Medallist Robert DiPierdomenico; North Adelaide, Adelaide and Hawthorn premiership star Darren Jarman; Port Melbourne star and first-ever official All-Australian captain Frank Johnson;

four-times Sydney best and fairest and 1995 Brownlow Medallist Paul Kelly; dual West Coast premiership centreman Dean Kemp; former Collingwood captain Murray Weideman and long-time Port Adelaide (SANFL) administrator Bob McLean, while one of the code's greatest coaches – Norm Smith – was elevated to 'legend' status (He is the person the medal Long won on grand final day, 1993 was named after).

Long is the first Northern Territorian inducted into the AFL's Hall of Fame and follows four other Indigenous players, a brace of Western Australians – Graham 'Polly' Farmer (legend), Barry Cable, Peter Matera and Stephen Michael into this special club.

The Australian Football Hall of Fame was established in 1996 and serves to recognise the players, coaches, umpires, administrators, and media representatives who have made an outstanding contribution to Australian football.

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could compete in Lismore. Expressions of interest had come from as far away as Yarrabah, in Queensland's far north.

Organisers expect the knockout to attract between 35 and 40 teams.

It costs each team about \$25,000 to play. That covers nomination fees, players' uniforms, transport and accommodation. Each team pays a nomination fee of \$1500.

In addition to the main knockout, there will be 16 teams competing in a women's division, six teams in an

under seven competition, four teams in the under 11s, six teams in the under 13s, and 12 teams in the under 15s and 17s.

The host club this year is Northern United, which is running the carnival in partnership with the Merritt-Patten Redfern Rugby League Club, winners

of last year's knockout in Sydney.

Merritt-Patten agreed after winning the trophy last year for the fourth consecutive year to take the carnival out of Sydney.

Mr Hall said 20 accredited referees, all from northern NSW, would control the games.



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The rise and rise of Robbie Crowther



The rising career of Indigenous athlete Robbie Crowther has hit new heights with the young star

being named NAIDOC Sportsman of the Year.

The honour was announced at a glittering NAIDOC ceremony in Darwin on 13 July. Crowther is with the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS).

He relocated from Bowen, in central Queensland, to the AIS in Canberra two years ago after being spotted by AIS athletics coach Craig Hilliard.

Since then Crowther has progressed rapidly and last year on an injury-interrupted preparation, won the long jump at the World Junior Athletics Championships in Beijing.

He is currently overseas training for the World Athletics Championships in Osaka, Japan, this month.

Australian Institute of Sport Director Professor Peter Fricker said Crowther was a most impressive young man and not just on the track.

"Robbie is obviously an incredible athletic talent, but it is the leadership role he plays amongst the young athletes in particular that is very impressive," Professor Fricker said.

"Robbie always displays the very best attitude and does everything he can to be the best-in many ways he is the model athlete."

"Indigenous Australians sport stars like Robbie Crowther have given this country a rich legacy of sporting achievement on the world stage for decades."

The Australian Institute of Sport, since its establishment in 1981, has supported the training and development of more than 100 Indigenous athletes.

The Australian Sports Commission continues to provide opportunities for young Indigenous people to access sport through its Indigenous Sport Program and National Talent Identification and Development Program.

The AIS recently hosted a group of promising young Indigenous track and field athletes training in Canberra as part of the Australian Sports Commission's Talent Identification program.

They included Jess Peris, daughter of Olympian Nova Peris, and Narelle Long, a relative of AFL legend Michael Long.

Crowther is in good company at the AIS where he trains alongside 2006 NAIDOC Sportsman of the Year Award winner, Australian Boomers basketball Patrick Mills, and one of the country's most enduring Indigenous sports stars, sprinter Patrick Johnson.



● LEFT: Robbie Crowther, NAIDOC's 2007 Sportsman of the Year. Robbie is overseas and his NAIDOC award was presented to his parents (pictured below).



● BELOW: Robbie Crowther during a long jump event.



Queensland teams eye off NSW Rugby League Knockout title



Several Queensland teams are expected to enter the New South Wales Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival to be held this year in the northern NSW city of Lismore.

Because of Lismore's close proximity to Queensland, interest from Queensland has been high.

But because the winning team wins the right to host the next carnival, organisers have taken steps to make sure the carnival stays in NSW – even if

the knockout is won by a Queensland team.

To enter the carnival, Queensland teams must nominate under the banner of a NSW club. That means that if a Queensland team wins the knockout, it can take home the prizemoney, but its

host NSW club will retain the right to host the following year's carnival.

Carnival co-ordinator Phil Hall told a press conference in Lismore last week that as many as six Queensland teams

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