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Our League Dream Team

THE Indigenous Rugby League Team of the Century was named last Saturday night in Brisbane. Find out who made the 'Dream Team' in our report on the back page.

Opening doors

Up with the best



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BUNGGUL (dance) action during this year's Garma festival at Gulkula, near Nhulunbuy and Yirrkala in the Top End. The festival, which again attracted a huge crowd, blends exposure to Yolngu culture with discussions about a range of contemporary issues affecting Indigenous Australians. ● Full report, more pictures Pages 12-13.

50,000 jobs plan hailed, but there is concern

By KIRSTIE PARKER



AUSTRALIA'S richest man has hatched a plan to find 50,000 corporate sector jobs for Indigenous Australians within two years. West Australian mining billionaire Andrew

Forrest's 'Australian Employment Covenant' has won the support of the Prime Minister – and some powerful Indigenous leaders.

Noel Pearson, of Queensland, and NSW's Warren Mundine have thrown their weight behind the proposal and will serve on the covenant's steering committee.

But some leaders fear the scheme, announced by PM Kevin Rudd on 3 August, is unrealistic, too vague and will only lead to disappointment when it fails.

Full details of the plan, described by Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin as 'ambitious', will be released by the end of the year.

Under the covenant the Federal Government will provide short, intensive training courses to ready participants, but it will then be over to the corporate sector to provide the jobs.

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AFL celebrates 150 years

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Seen here at Canberra's NAIDOC on the Peninsula celebrations are: front, from left, Malama Gray, Maddison Hawley-Tatten, Kaye Price, Nyingari Little and Karel Williams and back from left, Nick Hawley and Rod Little.

MY family lived around Recherche Bay in Tasmania, and I grew up as the youngest of nine at 'The Tongue' near Hastings.

I still have a strong connection to the water. I've lived in Canberra for the last 28 years, so these days I've become a river person rather than a sea person. I live close to the Murrumbidgee and I often walk down there to just feel the water.

My husband is John Williams-Mozley. His family is from Hermannsburg (Ntaria). He was given to a white family when he was seven-months-old and grew up around Newcastle. He became a police officer because they told him that's what his grandfather was. He's now the head at University of Southern Queensland's Centre for Australian Indigenous Knowledges, based in Toowoomba.

We live apart because of our jobs (I'm

Director of Ngunnawal Indigenous Higher Education Centre, University of Canberra), but we talk several times a day and see each other every couple of months.

Three of my five children still live in Canberra, and I like being close to "the grannies".

I've got 11 grandchildren and what was great about NAIDOC on the Peninsula was being together – having the two youngest granddaughters together and seeing my grandson Nick and his girlfriend Malama who were visiting from Cairns.

The kids call me G. They used to call me 'Homie G', then 'G-ma', then it got shortened.

They call Maddison 'Mini G' because she's a lot like me. Some of the best times are when the little girls and I do things together. Even just sitting and watching a movie with Nyingari is a special time.

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OUR CHILDREN



Young fellas painted up for dance at Ikuntji, central Australia. They were taking part in the 'MAD for Life' project held recently. Full report, more pictures – Page 35

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Our athletes on world stage

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- Benn Harradine (discus throwing)
- Des Abbott (hockey)
- Stacey Porter (softball)
- Jade North (soccer)



Members of the Australian Olympic team, led by flag-bearer James Tomkins, enter the National Stadium in Beijing, China, during the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games now under way. More than 10,000 athletes – nine of them Indigenous Australians (listed left) – from some 200 countries are competing in 38 different disciplines during the event. AP Image

● See our next edition for coverage from the Games, including how our Indigenous athletes performed.

NT election surprise as ALP battles



LABOR was clinging to power last weekend after suffering a massive swing against it in Saturday's

Northern Territory election. As *The Koori Mail* went to press on Sunday, the Government of Chief Minister Paul Henderson – widely expected to cruise to victory – was just hanging on.

Most election analysts expected Labor to scrape home by just one seat in the 25-seat assembly, but a hung parliament was a possibility.

The final result will depend on the outcome of the Darwin northern suburb seat of Fannie Bay, vacated by former Chief Minister Clare Martin after her resignation from the top job last year.

Among three Cabinet members to lose their seats was Sport Minister Matthew



Martina Mullumbuk from Wadeye casts her vote in Saturday's election.

Bonson, one of several Aboriginal people in the previous Parliament.

The shock result stunned Chief Minister Henderson,

whose party has suffered a 9 per cent swing. It was a humiliating setback for the former fitter, who was tested for the first time as leader.

"It is obvious that there has been a strong swing against the Government," Mr Henderson said on election night.

"I have listened to that swing. I will listen to what Territorians said... I take responsibility for the campaign."

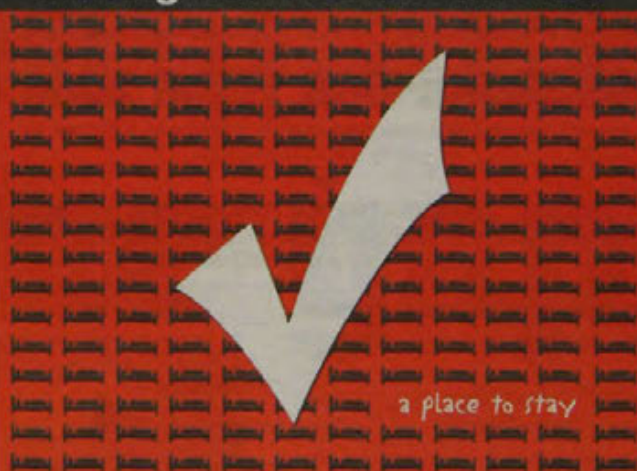
It has been predicted that Labor will drop from 19 seats to 13, while the CLP will climb from four to 11.

A jubilant Opposition Leader Terry Mills commended his party. "I believe in the principles that sit behind this side of politics," he told the CLP faithful.

"We rest on principles, good principles. And those principles, when followed through, can and will make a huge difference."

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Traditional owners win in High Court

By DARREN COYNE



THE High Court of Australia has upheld the right of traditional owners in north-east Arnhem Land to control who fishes in their

coastal waters.

In what is known as the Blue Mud Bay case, the High Court dismissed an application from the Northern Territory Government that tried to challenge the right of the Yolngu people to determine when and where commercial and recreational fishing was carried out along 80 per cent of the NT coastline.

Legal experts say the decision could extend to other areas of Australia.

For traditional owners, the decision ends a 30-year fight for exclusive rights, while commercial and recreational fishers will now be required to negotiate terms for access.

The issue of the common law right of the public to fish in public waters and the issuing by the NT Government of fishing licences will now need to be negotiated with the Northern Land Council.

NLC Chairman Wali Wunungmurra

The Blue Mud Bay decision means that...

For recreational fishing:

- All rules under the Fisheries Act NT apply and will be enforced by the NT Police.
- The temporary fishing permits granted by the land councils which will remain in place for at least the next 12 months, enable access to continue and allow for long-term arrangements to be negotiated.

For commercial fishing and fishing tour operators:

- All rules under the Fisheries Act NT apply

and will be enforced by the NT Police.

- The temporary fishing permits granted by the land councils, which will remain in place for at least the next 12 months, enable access to continue and allow for long-term arrangements to be negotiated.

Permits are required to enter and remain on Aboriginal land, including waters overlying Aboriginal land. This applies to about 80 per cent of the Territory coastline and tidal rivers, but not to Darwin Harbour.

welcomed the decision and promised that there would be negotiations between traditional owners and other stakeholders to obtain a negotiated settlement to allow commercial and recreational fishing in tidal waters over Aboriginal land.

"There will be a minimum 12-month amnesty in favour of the status quo to enable good faith negotiations to occur, with the current interim licensing scheme extended for that period," he said.

"This scheme is free and involves the automatic grant of licences to

commercial operators, with recreational licences automatically granted on request."

The interim scheme was implemented in response to the Federal Court's decision in March last year in favour of traditional owners, and is administered by the NLC on behalf of the Anindilyakwa, Northern and Tiwi Land Councils.

Mr Wunungmurra said a negotiated outcome would mean that traditional owners around the NT coastline could jointly participate in the management and development of a sustainable fishing industry.

He said that included the protection of fishing stocks, protection of sacred sites and participation in enterprises.

"Traditional owners have developed a constructive relationship with commercial and recreational fishing representatives over the last year, and the NLC looks forward to continuing that relationship and obtaining a win-win outcome for all Territorians,"

Mr Wunungmurra said.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma described the High Court decision as historic.

"Thirty years ago Indigenous people's land rights were recognised in the Northern Territory. The High Court has now recognised their rights in the inter-tidal zone and waterways adjoining their traditional lands," he said.

"This decision means that the traditional owners, the Yolngu people, can have certainty about their common law rights and it gives them a stake in the development of a sustainable commercial fishing industry."

Meanwhile, the High Court decision led to calls from the Kimberley Land Council for the same rights for Kimberley traditional owners.

KLC Chief Executive Officer Wayne Bergman said it was time for uniform, national native title legislation.

He said the KLC was hoping the High Court decision would influence a number of cases the

council currently has before the Federal Court.

He said West Australian laws were 'draconian' and it was time traditional owners were able to share in the economic benefits the Kimberley's waters have to offer.

"Until the High Court changes its position under the Native Title Act, we have shared rights with the wider community," he said.

"In remote areas, this is a major concern when other people are accessing those regions like the north Kimberley tourism operators, pearlers, fishermen."

On the other side of the continent, Queensland Natural Resources and Water Minister Craig Wallace was quick to announce the High Court decision was 'not expected to have any impact on Queensland'.

"It would appear that the decision is specific to the circumstances and legislation operating in the Northern Territory and in particular coastal lands granted under the NT Land Rights Act," he said.

"Whilst it is a fresh decision and is yet to be fully analysed, it is not expected to have any impact in Queensland."

Mr Wallace said coastal Indigenous land in Queensland Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) or Aboriginal Land Act land extended only to the high water mark and not the intertidal zone, unless a special regulation had been made to that effect.

"Accordingly, the issues raised in the Blue Mud Bay case concerning access to the intertidal zone would not appear to arise in Queensland," he said.

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Decision linked to National Apology

HIGH Court judge Michael Kirby has linked the apology to the Stolen Generations earlier this year to the landmark Blue Mud Bay case.

And while Justice Kirby's comments were not shared by the majority of other judges, they are significant, according to lawyer Dr Tony Buti, the biographer of Sir Ronald Wilson, who co-wrote the *Bringing Them Home* report.

In his judgement, Justice Kirby said the High Court should not be an ivory tower, and should take judicial notice of the National Apology.

He argued that while the apology had no legislative power, it was 'part of the factual matrix or background against which the legislation in issue in this appeal (the Blue Mud Bay case) should now be considered and interpreted'.

"The National Apology acknowledges once again, as the preamble to the Native Title Act (1993) already did, the wrongs done in earlier times to the Indigenous peoples of Australia, including by the law of this country."

"Those wrongs included the non-consensual denial and deprivation of basic legal rights which Australian law would otherwise protect and uphold for other persons in the Commonwealth."

"In the case of traditional Aboriginals, these rights included rights to the peaceful enjoyment of their traditional lands and to navigate and to fish as their ancestors had done for aeons before British sovereignty and settlement."

Dr Buti said that while some would use Justice Kirby's comments as proof that the

apology would open the floodgates to compensation claims, it should be seen in a broader context.

"The significance of his view is that maybe politicians need to look at the apology statement as greater than just an apology to the Stolen Generations ... as a statement that we as a society need to move forward," he said.

Dr Buti said Justice Kirby's argument that the law might not be keeping up with public views was a direct message to legislators.

Meanwhile, Dr Buti said the Blue Mud Bay case had set a precedent which would be of great interest to other traditional owners around the country.

"I would see it as a decision that Aboriginal land councils and groups would welcome, and see how it applies to their own areas," he said.

The art of Cherbourg's success



A FIVE-YEAR art program and two dedicated school principals

have helped to transform Cherbourg Primary School, in south-east Queensland, into a community of confidence and vivid colour, with the results proudly launched last week.

The opening of the 'Cherbourg Time: Young Black and Deadly Art 2003-2007' exhibition and a 45-metre billboard was celebrated at Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, by a busload of students, their art mentors and high-profile Indigenous leader and former Cherbourg Primary School principal Chris Sarra.

On display at QUT are colourful sculptures, prints, videos and books. The billboard, featuring the names of more than 50 Indigenous groups in the Cherbourg community, is visible from Kelvin Grove Road, one of Brisbane's main thoroughfares.

Using art, the students have stopped graffiti, created their own story books for reading in class and celebrated the school's



Cherbourg student Laurita Alberts, 11, at the opening of the 'Cherbourg Time: Young Black and Deadly Art 2003-2007' exhibition at Queensland University of Technology, in Brisbane.

slogan 'smart and strong'. Peter Widmer, one half of the Ballarat-based artistic duo Ratartat who

have worked with the students since 2003, said the billboard and exhibition was an opportunity for the

Cherbourg school and community to be celebrated.

"We see art as an

absolutely essential part of everyone's everyday life," he said. "There is no doubt that art is one of the

greatest tools for working with children, but unfortunately there is an opinion out there that if they are having fun, they can't be learning anything.

"This is not true.

Children who have difficulty at school find that working through art, they are more comfortable and can achieve. Participating in artistic activities helps to improve students' sense of achievement and identity."

Mr Widmer said every student at the school in 2005 painted their self-portrait onto giant letters that made up the slogan of the school: Strong and Smart.

"Those letters are 1.5m tall and have been hoisted 5m up into the air, so that the students pass through these letters as they enter school each day," he said.

"This helps students value what they have achieved and it acts like a beacon out over the town, to remind them that they need to be strong and smart to survive."

Mr Widmer and his colleague Geoff Bonney are undertaking a QUT research Masters degree based on their work at Cherbourg and analysing how art works in with a community.

Blueprint in place to close the gap



THE Federal Government now has a framework to close the 17-year life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

The Close the Gap coalition has developed the National Indigenous Health Equality Targets, and presented them late last month to the Government.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma said the targets were the blueprint to achieve Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's goal of closing the gap within a generation.

"The targets are specific, time-bound commitments that will keep us on track to achieve the Close the Gap goals," Mr Calma said.

"We look forward to working in partnership with the Government to refine the targets, to ensure they are embedded in future policies and to use them to develop evidence-based health programs targeted to those most in need."

Mr Calma said the targets build on the 'positive steps' already undertaken with the Government through the Indigenous Health Equality Summit, the signing of the Statement of Intent, and the recent launch of the National Indigenous Health Equality Council, which includes a number of health experts from the Close the Gap coalition.

National Aboriginal Community

'The targets are specific, time-bound commitments that will keep us on track to achieve the Close the Gap goals' – Tom Calma



'We will succeed only through a well-resourced national plan that tackles the whole range of issues'

– Dr Mick Adams

Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) Chair Dr Mick Adams also emphasised the need to adopt the targets as part of a comprehensive national Indigenous health plan.

"It's important that we resist the temptation to 'cherry pick' the specific targets," he said.

"We will succeed only through a well-resourced national plan that tackles the whole range of issues, from chronic disease to child mortality, mental health as well as

social and emotional well-being.

"Indigenous people need access to comprehensive primary health care if we are going to be able to halve the rates of premature birth and low birth weight of Indigenous babies over the next decade.

"And, we still have a long way to go before we can say that all Indigenous Australians who suffer chronic diseases like diabetes or chronic kidney disease receive regular check-ups.

"Aboriginal medical services need the

level of resources, staffing and 21st century facilities to, for the first time, match the burden of disease in their communities. For example, in the next five years alone we're going to need an additional 1500 Aboriginal health workers.

"A concerted effort is required – not just a little more of the same."

Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) President Dr Tamara MacKean said the targets were also designed to ensure there was adequate infrastructure, including a skilled workforce to deliver the services required.

"We need to immediately implement the National Indigenous Health Workforce Training Plan for Indigenous doctors, nurses, dentists, Aboriginal health workers and allied health workers to build Indigenous capacity and leadership," she said.

The National Indigenous Health Equality Targets were developed by the Close the Gap coalition, with input from leading organisations with a stake in Aboriginal health, following the first Indigenous Health Equality Summit, in March.

The Close the Gap Steering Committee is led by Tom Calma and includes leading organisations with a stake in Aboriginal health.

Copies of the National Indigenous Health Equality Targets are available at: www.humanrights.gov.au/social_justice/health/targets.

Remains returned home from US museum



THIRTY-THREE Indigenous remains that had been held in an American museum have been returned to their Northern Territory

home.

The remains arrived back in Australia last Tuesday, ending a 60-year absence and a 16,000km return journey.

They'll be held at the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT until their originating Arnhem Land communities are ready to return them to country.

In 1948, the American-

Australian Scientific Expedition to Arnhem Land collected the remains of 46 individuals from four communities in Arnhem Land: Gunbalanya (Oenpelli), Groote Eylandt, Yirrkala and Milingimbi.

Four traditional owners from Gunbalanya (Oenpelli) and Groote Eylandt in the Northern Territory travelled to Washington DC to accept 33 of those remains from the Smithsonian Institute's Museum of Natural History.

The Australian Government-funded delegation received the remains at an Australian Embassy ceremony early this month, the first to be returned from a major

American institution.

"Most of us can only begin to imagine how the grandchildren and great-grandchildren must be feeling, knowing that after such a long time they will soon be able to lay their ancestors to rest," said Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin before the trip.

At the end of the trip last week, Ms Macklin said it had been an emotional pilgrimage for the traditional owners and it was appropriate they were able to spend some private time with their ancestors prior to the handover. Gunbalanya senior traditional

owner Donald Gumurdul said it was important the ancestors were told what was happening in their own language, something they had not heard for 60 years.

For Alfred Nayinggul, the moment was especially significant because he believes his great-grandmother's remains are among those that have come back.

He said he was happy to have the opportunity to bring her home and she will go back to country at Gunbalanya.

The Government says it will continue working with the Smithsonian Institute with a view

to the rest of the remains being returned.

Traditional owners from Groote Eylandt, Thomas Amebula and Joaz Wurramurra, said it was painful to leave their ancestors' remains behind.

They believe their ancestral remains need to be in their own country with their own culture, and Ms Macklin said the Government would continue to support their push.

The return follows the return of three remains from the United Kingdom to the Ngarrindjeri community in South Australia last month.

Meeting seeks to fix APY relations

By KIRSTIE PARKER



FEDERAL and South Australian government ministers are expected to meet informally with the Executive Board of the State's Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands today in an effort

to mend relations fractured over housing and governance issues.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and South Australian Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Jay Weatherill will be on the Lands, in the State's far north, to open a swimming pool at Pityatjara and a substance misuse centre at Amata.

But they'll also call in at the nearby government service centre of Umuwa to meet with the Lands' controlling body.

It is not known how many of the ten-member executive board will attend, including Chairperson Bernard Singer who has been at the centre of ructions on the board, and who went to trial in the Coober Pedy Magistrates Court last month over an altercation at Indulkana with the local CDEP manager over the destruction of a sacred tree.

Bungala Aboriginal Corporation's Ken Larkins had cut the tree to enable trucks to deliver a transportable home to the Lands.

Mr Singer, 41, had been charged with aggravated assault, which he denied, and was instead convicted of a lesser charge of 'accosting' or threatening another person and fined \$1000. He was also convicted of misuse of a motor vehicle and fined \$400 and lost his licence for seven days.

Mr Singer was acquitted of a charge of drinking on the 'dry' APY Lands, but admitting consuming alcohol off the Lands, effectively to give him 'dutch courage' to confront Mr Larkins about the tree, which he said he had a cultural responsibility to protect.

The APY Executive Board has been conducting an inquiry over whether Mr Singer's behaviour breached its own code of conduct and deferred a meeting planned for last week until 22 August to enable it to consider the outcomes of the trial and the magistrate's sentencing report.

In June, Minister Weatherill asked SA Attorney-General Michael Atkinson to determine whether the Executive Board should be directed under the APY Land Rights Act to dismiss Mr Singer from his position.

A spokeswoman for Mr Atkinson told *The Koori Mail* last week that the Attorney General was awaiting further information



APY Lands leader Bernard Singer leaves the Coober Pedy courthouse with his barrister David Stokes, left, and interpreter Stephen Edwards. - AAP Image

before making his decision.

She said, however, that the Government's preference would always be for the executive board to deal with such matters.

Four members of the board have been lobbying for Mr Singer's dismissal, but APY General Manager Ken Newman said the board as a whole did not believe the matter should have been referred to the Attorney General.

"With the code of conduct, under the Act there's a whole range of things the Executive Board could do," he told *The Koori Mail*.

"Worst case scenario would be for them as a majority to remove him as Chair, and then remove him as an Executive Board member, but from what I had read in the transcript and the sentence, I would not think it would be that extreme.

"They could give him a warning or say that he has been shamed enough or they could say he can't have his vehicle for a week or six months.

"The question will be does anything cultural come into this. On the legal side, no, but we know that to Aboriginal people such as Bernard Singer culture is very important and some of what the anthropologist said in court was he was doing what he would have been expected to do in relation to that dreaming site."

Mr Newman said the amount of 'traction' that Mr Singer's trial had received in the media had been incredible, and there had been 'atrocious' misreporting of the issue.

"There seems to have been an awful lot of

people wanting to put the boot in," he said.

Whatever the Executive Board decides, the outcome may be relatively short-lived because its next three-year elections are due to be held by the end of February, most likely in the first week of December.

The ten members are all elected at the same time and they elect a chairperson by secret ballot.

Mr Newman said APY's relationship with the State Government appeared to have improved in recent times. Things took a sharp nosedive when the Executive Board approved former Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough to act as a consultant in its negotiations with the SA and Commonwealth governments over housing.

However, Mr Newman said the Board had not yet needed to engage Mr Brough.

Meanwhile, a safehouse for children, accelerated placement of police and changes to governance will form the basis of the SA Government's next stage response to a damning inquiry into sexual abuse on the Lands.

In Parliament late last month, Minister Jay Weatherill tabled the Government's response to former judge Ted Mullighan's Children on APY Lands Commission of Inquiry.

The inquiry reported earlier this year, finding the prevalence of child sexual abuse on the lands to be widespread despite no victims coming forward - fuelling concerns about a culture of silence on the issue.

The Government immediately announced more police, a third police station, police

accommodation and more child protection workers for the Lands, with funding from the Commonwealth.

The increased police will bring to 12 the number of sworn police on the Lands, where about 3000 people live, about 1000 of them children.

Under its latest response, Mr Weatherill said the Government would support 29 of Commissioner Mullighan's 46 recommendations, with a further six supported in principle, but requiring further consideration.

One recommendation not accepted was the establishment of a short-term remand facility on the APY Lands, 'because resources can be better used for safety of the community and child protection'.

However, Mr Weatherill said the Government would establish 12 additional beds for traditional Aboriginal men at the Port Augusta corrections facility.

He said it was appropriate that governance was the topic of Commissioner Mullighan's first recommendation.

"Without proper governance structures, people on the APY Lands can have no confidence that their communities will be able to keep them safe and no confidence that they will be protected if they speak out about abuse," the Minister said.

He said the Government supported the recommendation to change governance structures on the Lands and would consult the community about its preferred model before introducing the final model.

A safe house will be built at Umuwa to ensure abused children and their carers have a place to go to escape abuse.

Other recommendations supported include a commitment to better co-operation between government agencies and non-government agencies such as Nganampa Health, and rolling out e-notification technology to make mandatory reporting easier.

Overcrowding was identified as a contributing factor to sexual abuse on the Lands and the Commonwealth and SA governments have offered \$25 million for an extra 70 houses, dependent on Anangu people agreeing to lease the land needed for the houses back to the Government for 50 years. That condition has been a sticking point in negotiations, and APY General Manager Ken Newman has said the SA Government was taking too long to provide a draft lease for traditional owners to consider.

Mr Weatherill said the Government would provide a further response to the Mullighan report in three months.

50,000 jobs target of corporate plan

By KIRSTIE PARKER



AN ambitious plan to find 50,000 jobs in the corporate sector for Indigenous people within two years has been largely welcomed within the Indigenous community.

But some Indigenous leaders fear the Australian Employment Covenant, announced by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd on 3 August, is unrealistic, too vague and will only lead to disappointment when it fails.

The plan was hatched by Australia's richest man and head of Fortescue Metals Group Andrew Forrest. Aboriginal leaders Noel Pearson and Warren Mundine are on a steering committee charged with advancing it, and have applauded its boldness.

The scheme will see participating employers across all sectors of the economy employ a certain number of Indigenous people, and the PM has committed the Government to providing short, intensive training courses to ready participants for on-the-job training – effectively training them for training.

Mr Rudd said the Government would turn the ambition into a detailed plan within the next 100 days, with full details to be unveiled by the end of the year, 12 months after Federal Labor won government.

"How do we transition Indigenous Australians from welfare into work – into real jobs?" Mr Rudd said at a press conference at Coolool in Queensland.

"...If you look across the numbers, we have a large number of Indigenous Australians who are either not in work, or have never worked. And we believe that the best way forward for those Indigenous Australians is to make them training ready, job ready, and to give them a job for the future.

"That's where corporate Australia comes in. We want a strong and close partnership between corporate Australia, between the Government of Australia, and the Indigenous leadership of Australia.

"That way, we have a real prospect of making this work. Government-only programs, I fear, are doomed to failure."

Mr Rudd congratulated Mr Forrest, who has an estimated worth of \$13 billion, as well as 'the Indigenous leadership of Australia for their preparedness to support this initiative'.

There's no doubt the scheme is a big ask, given that only 158,000 Indigenous people over the age of 15 are currently in jobs, a decrease of 2200 on the 2006 figure, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics in May.

However, Mr Forrest said he believed Australian employers were ready for the challenge, and the likes of businessman James Packer had already expressed interest in joining the project.

Mr Packer, himself no slouch in the rich stakes, has agreed to employ 500 people in his companies, and the nation's main business organisation, the Business Council of Australia, has also flagged support.

Mr Pearson said he trusted Mr Forrest's judgment.

"I've hung around corporate Australia for a number of years, I've heard a lot of goodwill from people, but I've never been actually sure about whether those doors are openable from the outside," he said at the press conference.

Andrew (Forrest) assures me – and I'm sure he's correct about this – that these doors are there for the opening."

Last week, Mr Pearson and Mr Mundine moved to shore up the plan within the Indigenous community, meeting with Yolngu powerbroker Galarrwuy Yunupingu who had invited them to his homelands near Nhulunbuy in north-east Arnhem Land.

Declaring themselves to be of similar



Indigenous leaders Noel Pearson, Galarrwuy Yunupingu and Warren Mundine share a light moment at Garma 2008 on Saturday.

minds' on the need to help Indigenous people participate in and prosper from economic development, the trio dined with Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin on Friday night, soon after the opening of the Garma 2008 festival.

Mr Mundine told *The Koori Mail* the covenant was an important practical step, following the national Parliament's apology to the Stolen Generations in February.

"Everyone said it was all great to have the apology, but what about real stuff?" Mr Mundine said.

"That apology filled a hole in my heart. I'm not a Stolen Generations child, but for the first time in my life, I, like the whole of Australia, recognised (our community's pain).

"Yes we have to do the practical things and make it happen. And this is it happening, quite frankly."

Mr Mundine said the private sector drove the Australian economy, and now needed to drive the Aboriginal economy too.

"It's across all 18 sectors of the Australian

anyone," she said of the Garma meeting.

Ms Macklin agreed that the target of 50,000 jobs was ambitious.

"But I think if you don't set ambitious targets, you never get anywhere," she said.

Also throwing his weight behind the covenant was Northern Land Council Chairman Wali Wunungmurra.

The senior Yolngu man said the council was prepared to sign up to the plan and to help prepare a blueprint for the jobs plan in coming months.

But it hasn't all been smooth sailing, with words of caution coming from the Aboriginal and Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma, Kimberley Land Council boss Wayne Bergmann and Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA) Chairman Les Malezer.

While congratulating Mr Forrest for trying to create Indigenous jobs in the corporate sector, Mr Malezer accused the PM of being irresponsible for announcing the ambitious plan without more detail.

private sector and what we found is that the jobs are still not there and they never have been there and they've never been made available through training programs that the Government's offered."

Commissioner Calma welcomed the corporate commitment behind the scheme, but said he would prefer a less ambitious target.

"It's not just a matter of saying 'people are job-ready, now give them jobs'," he said.

"It also requires a proper effort towards cultural awareness in employees and workplaces. Unless the workplace is ready to receive Indigenous people, we could see really short-term outcomes.

"You don't want to stifle the interest, but we also want to be realistic. This is where reality sets in ... if it does not succeed and blackfellas get the blame for that failure, that would set us back even more."

Mr Calma said any such scheme would need adequate funding and realistic training strategies targeted towards the jobs as they became available.

Meanwhile, Reconciliation Australia (RA) urged the steering committee to follow the lead of its Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) program, under which more than 1700 jobs had been created in the past two years.

RA CEO Barbara Livesey said all of those jobs were based on 'careful, realistic assessments of

organisations' business objectives' and this experience could help turn 'turn good intentions into realistic, sustainable outcomes'.

The RAP program encourages and advises organisations in all sectors in identifying specific, measurable and achievable targets in employing Indigenous people. Ninety organisations are already delivering on their own RAPs, including large corporates like Qantas, BHP Billiton and the ANZ and the Commonwealth banks, with hundreds more in development.

"Past apology, there has never been a greater opportunity to draw on the community's goodwill to make things better," Ms Livesey said.

"There is a history in Indigenous affairs of looking for silver bullets, but this is a time when we have to resist that temptation and work towards sensible, sustainable results."

'We want a strong and close partnership between corporate Australia, between the Government of Australia, and the Indigenous leadership of Australia' – Prime Minister Kevin Rudd



economy – tourism, banking and financial services, legal, mining and resources, utilities, construction, transport, maritime and the list goes on an on," he said.

"We have corporates who are ruthless, capitalist running dogs who will only give a job to a person who will make them money. And we want these jobs. Business is about making money, and we want a bit of that.

"If people are saying we're going to create 50,000 jobs, we're not. The jobs exist now. It's about real jobs and real training."

Heading off community rumblings that she was talking only to an elite Indigenous group, Minister Jenny Macklin said she would be talking 'as broadly as possible' and to as many people as she could.

"Unless we involve Indigenous leaders in lots of different parts of Australia, it's not going to work," she said. "So that's exactly what we'll be doing. It's not about excluding

"The Government has created a real disaster out there and these sort of sensational headlines in one day are not going to help the situation," he told ABC Radio.

Mr Malezer said that while the Government refused to give statistics on current Indigenous employment levels, the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) scheme employed about 35,000 people around Australia at its highest point.

"And I think at the same time there was less than 30,000 people employed in the public service and I think less than 20,000 people employed in the private sector," he said.

"So to talk about creating all of a sudden 50,000 additional jobs for Aboriginal people is far beyond the figures that are available.

"The jobs have to be available in the

Media giant criticised over NT report



MEDIA giant Fairfax has been accused of allowing 'lust for a front page with shock value' to over-ride respect for grieving Aboriginal families

and cultural protocols, following the death of a man in north-east Arnhem Land on 23 July.

The man, an accomplished yidaki player with Aboriginal band Yothu Yindi, had danced with other Yolngu people in welcoming Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and members of the Federal Cabinet to Yirrkala earlier that day.

Fairfax's *The Age* newspaper used the man's full name in reporting that he was found dead after allegedly believing he had

fatally stabbed a woman friend after a night of drinking at the local yacht club.

In a further affront to Aboriginal beliefs, *The Age* and the *Sydney Morning Herald* also ran large photos of the man.

Last week, the heads of the Central and Northern Land Councils expressed disgust at the coverage, and the man's family called for media outlets nationally to adopt traditional customs and protocols about death.

The CLC's David Ross and the NLC's Kim Hill issued a joint statement accusing Fairfax of showing 'complete disdain' for Aboriginal people.

"Showing no respect for the grieving families involved or the

cultural sensitivities of Aboriginal people, *The Age* and *Sydney Morning Herald* newspapers allowed their lust for a front page with shock value to over-ride any sense of decency towards the people involved," the statement read.

Attack

"(Fairfax's) newspapers also attempted to make mileage out of what is a tragedy for two families to launch a thinly veiled, unsubstantiated attack on Aboriginal leader Galarrwuy Yunupingu.

"Why do some sections of the media still think they can pay no regard to Aboriginal culture and most importantly show such little

respect to grieving families struggling to deal with enormous loss?"

"At the very least, Fairfax should print an apology to the families involved on the front pages of both *The Age* and *Sydney Morning Herald*."

The *Age* Editor Andrew Jaspan defended the newspaper's treatment of the story, saying it had tried to be culturally sensitive by restricting sales in the NT and refraining from posting the front page photograph on its website. The *SMH's* coverage was similar.

However, *The Age* reported a spokeswoman for the deceased man's mother's clan, Jenny Home-Marika, as saying further protocols should have been observed, that

both sides of the man's family should have been consulted about the coverage, and that reports of the man's behaviour before his death were based only on unsubstantiated allegations.

Under traditional custom, Yolngu people do not say the names, especially the first name, of the recently deceased or look at their image.

A guarantee to follow traditional procedures in future reporting would help to establish goodwill, Ms Home-Marika said.

Heightening community concern about the reportage was an ongoing spate of 'copy-cat' suicides in north-east Arnhem Land, especially amongst young people.

Qld commission to open hearings



WELFARE reform in Queensland will enter a new phase this week when the Family Responsibilities Commission (FRC) holds its first conferences, or

hearings, in the four Cape York communities voluntarily trialling the program. If successful, the program could be rolled out around the rest of Queensland.

Conferences began at Coen yesterday, and will be held at Aurukun today and tomorrow, at Hope Vale on 19 and 20 August and at Mossman Gorge on 21 August.

Two local commissioners from each community will preside over the conferences with FRC Commissioner David Glasgow, following training in their communities over July and the first few weeks of this month.

FRC Co-ordinator Megan Irving, Aurukun Co-ordinator Ray Sambo and Cairns-based Commissioner Glasgow and FRC personnel joined Coen Commissioners May Kepple, Elaine Liddy, Peter Peter, Gary Port and Norah Pratt in Coen.

The two-day training for Aurukun commissioners was held at Weipa, where commissioners undertook intensive preparation for their roles, presiding over conferences and exercising powers under the FRC legislation.

Aurukun Commissioner Vera Koometa sees her experience as a JP working with local courts as an important skill in her FRC role. "We all want FRC to work. We need it. It's our last hope and our last resort, so we're all behind it," she told ABC *Stataline*.

The FRC Commissioners are drawn from a pool to avoid conflicts of interest and culturally inappropriate interactions between family members.

With skills and experience working with parents and youth in their communities, the FRC Commissioners agree that education is the key to success for the next generation.

Coen Commissioners Doris Poonkamelya and Edgar Kerindun both work with courts, education and health and see the FRC as an important way to



Aurukun Commissioners Doris Poonkamelya, David Glasgow and Perry Yunkaporta at Weipa.

build regular school attendance and encourage their 11-year-old grandson to aim for boarding at Weipa's Western Cape College.

"We make sure the kids go to school every day. That's the main thing. We tell our grandson, you go to school and be good, and you might go away to the college. That's what we want for him," said Ms Poonkamelya.

Self-reliance

Like many of the FRC Commissioners who are also Elders in their communities, she believes that modern education can be reinforced by learning self-reliance and positive reinforcement through traditional skills and values, which she and others are passing on through school

visits and camping and fishing trips.

"We pack up the car and the kids every Friday after they come home from school and pre-school, and we all go and make a camp down at the river and I teach them how to fish," said Mr Kerindun.

"I show them how to do it the old way," Hope Vale Elders Victor Gibson, Brian Cobus and Des and Estelle Bowen also promote traditional values and environmental awareness through youth suicide prevention schemes like the Pelican Trust, which will take its next excursion on The Pelican vessel to Cape Flattery in September.

Last week, Cape York Institute Director and welfare reform campaigner Noel Pearson dropped in unexpectedly to

meet the FRC's Mossman Gorge Commissioners.

"To restore social norms to our people and our kids and communities, we need people willing and able to uphold those norms and fight for them," Mr Pearson told the group.

"That's how I see the role of the FRC, defending and restoring social norms that existed before."

"It's going to be tough, but there's two sides to caring - being tough and being compassionate, and we have to find out how to bring them together."

Commissioner David Glasgow, a former founding magistrate of Townsville's Murri Court, said the experience and high local standing of FRC local commissioners strengthened its credibility.



At the High Court in Canberra for the hearing were, from left, Wagga Wagga Local Aboriginal Land Council Chairperson James Ingram, NSW Aboriginal Land Council Chairperson Bev Manton, Wagga Wagga LALC's James Pitts and NSWALC Wiradjuri Region Councillor Craig Cromelin.

NSW land case in High Court



AUSTRALIA'S highest court has reserved its decision in a matter the NSW Aboriginal Land Council says will have far-reaching consequences for Indigenous people.

The case, heard last week in the High Court, relates to a land claim lodged by NSWALC on behalf of Wagga Wagga Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) in May 2005.

The claim over a 815sq metre parcel of land, on which a disused motor registry building stood, was refused by the NSW Minister for Lands in 2006 on the basis that the land was 'lawfully used and occupied by the Department of Lands in preparing the land for sale'.

Since 2005, NSWALC has reviewed all refusals of land claims and in this case NSWALC appealed the Minister's decision on behalf of Wagga Wagga LALC.

NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton described the matter as a 'litmus test case.'

She said that when NSWALC lodged the land claim, the two-storey building, once a motor registry, had been vacant for a number of years and had fallen into disrepair.

"Five years before the claim, the NSW Department of Lands had identified the land as 'surplus'," she said.

"This matter goes to the heart of what

Ms Manton said NSWALC had already won this case before the NSW Court of Appeal, which found that the decision to sell the land and preparatory steps taken to sell the land were not a use of land.

The Minister for Lands was then granted leave to appeal to the High Court.

"The truth of the matter is that the decision in this case affects a significant number of similar outstanding claims," Ms Manton said.

"A decision in our favour could potentially save hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal costs while also providing significant benefits to a large number of our Local Aboriginal Land Councils.

"The outcome will affect the ability of all Aboriginal land councils to claim land as it will mean that land, which has otherwise been identified as surplus to the State, is not claimable where the Department of Lands has taken even preliminary, administrative steps towards selling the land."

'A decision in our favour could potentially save hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal costs while also providing significant benefits to a large number of our Local Aboriginal Land Councils' – Bev Manton

constitutes usage of Crown Land. In this case the NSW Government is claiming that simply declaring an empty and disused building on Crown Land as available for sale constitutes lawful usage, and as such, disallows any claim under the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act."

Tribute for senior NLC leader and Mara man



NORTHERN Land Council Chairman Wali Wunungmurra has paid tribute to long-term NLC member and senior Mara leader Mr Hammer, of the Borroloola region, who

passed away on 24 July.

"Mr Hammer was a man of exceptional character and energy who was very senior within Aboriginal tradition," he said.

"Mr Hammer was deeply involved in the traditions of his own Mara people and those of neighbouring Aboriginal groups, from south-east Arnhem Land to the Queensland border and throughout the Gulf Country.

"He also travelled overseas to perform Malwa-style dance performances of which he was the leading exponent at Borroloola."

Mr Hammer was an NLC member for the Borroloola/Barkly region, a position he had held for 16 years. Mr Wunungmurra said this was testament to his abilities and the faith his people had in him to represent them.

He was also a long-term member of the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority, and Chairman of that Board from 1997 to 2004.

Mr Wunungmurra said two senior Yanyuwa leaders had also passed away in the same week, so the people from the Borroloola region had been going through some major sorry business.

"The Northern Land Council members and staff offer our deepest condolences to Mr Hammer's family and to the Borroloola community," he said.

Indigenous Affairs chief appointed



THE Department of Indigenous Affairs in Western Australia has a new Director General. State Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts announced on

31 July that WA Commissioner for Consumer Protection Patrick Walker would become the department's chief.

Mr Walker was appointed as Chief Executive and Commissioner for the Ministry of Fair Trading in 1998. He led the reorganisation of the Ministry, which later became part of the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection in 2001, where he served as Commissioner for Consumer Protection.

Mr Walker was nominated as a Commissioner with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission in February this year.

"We are very fortunate that Mr Walker is returning to his home State to continue his work with the State Government," Ms Roberts said.

In his new role, Mr Walker will chair the State Directors General Group for Indigenous Affairs, which includes all WA Government departments that deliver services to Aboriginal people, including health, education and child protection. It reports to the State Cabinet Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs, which the Minister chairs.

Police seize grog near dry NT community



MORE than 300 cans of beer and eight bottles of spirits have been seized from a car near a 'dry' Aboriginal

community in the Northern Territory.

The vehicle was pulled over

by police conducting random breath tests on the Oenpelli Road, about 3km west of Oenpelli, near Kakadu National Park.

The officers immediately noticed a large quantity of alcohol on the front and rear passenger seats, Police said.

They seized 330 cans of VB,

four bottles of Jim Beam, three bottles of Bundaberg Rum, one bottle of Wild Turkey, two cans of Jim Beam and a can of Melbourne Bitter.

Widespread alcohol bans were introduced in remote communities across the NT as part of the Federal intervention to combat child sex abuse.

Five men in the car – aged 23, 32, 39, 47 and 49 – were charged with liquor offences and were bailed to appear in the Gunbulunya Court on 27 August.

Police said it was the second seizure of alcohol that evening after a vehicle carrying seven people was stopped near Cahill's Crossing.

The driver returned a positive blood alcohol reading and a carton of VB was seized.

The 35-year-old driver was charged with a high range blood alcohol content and other liquor and traffic-related offences.

He was bailed to appear in court. – AAP

Land is back in right hands



THE largest undisturbed tropical rainforest in Australia has been handed back to its traditional

owners. The land comprises more than 180,000 hectares in the McIlwraith Range near Coen, north of Cooktown, in Cape York.

Almost 160,000 hectares will be set aside as the KULLA National Park.

KULLA is an acronym for the Kaanju, Umpila, Lamalama and the Ayapathu people – the four clan groups with historical connection to the area.

Queensland Premier Anna Bligh said the hand-back followed almost 30 years of work to see the rainforest preserved as a national park.

"I was aware of this issue and its long history and when I took over as Premier I was keen to make sure it was fixed," she said.

"As a result Queenslanders, as well as national and international tourists, will now have access to a new 160,000 hectare national park – a land area the approximate size of Fraser Island – and the largest undisturbed tropical rainforest area in Australia.

"The McIlwraith Range area has great scenic beauty, with spectacular escarpments, gorges, waterfalls and rainforests.

"The flora and fauna is fantastic – for example there are at least 16 plant species that are found only in this area and it will also protect the

largest remaining undisturbed stands of hoop pine in the world.

"It's also the only region in Australia where you will find links to Papua New Guinea wildlife such as the cuscus mammal, electus parrots and emerald green pythons."

Ms Bligh said agreement had been reached for the formation of the new KULLA (McIlwraith Range) National Park with management to be undertaken by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Kulla Land Trust under an Indigenous Management Agreement.

"This is the most significant declaration of a national park that will have Aboriginal land as its underlying tenure – made possible by our Cape York Peninsula Heritage Act 2007," she said. "This Indigenous Management Agreement between the Kulla Land Trust and the EPA will provide for about 158,358 hectares,

within the former Mt Croll and McIlwraith Range properties, to become a jointly managed national park.

"In addition, agreement has been reached on the tenure of approximately 20,000 more hectares with Muluna, Toolka and Kulla land trusts granted freehold title over four separate parcels of land.

"The three land trusts have each agreed to the creation of a new nature refuge within their freehold lands. These three new nature refuges will further protect the area's high conservation and cultural value for future generations."



Victorian prospector Theo Rosmulder (left) stands in breakaway country with four of his rescuers from the nearby Mulga Queen community, Eric Thomas Snr, Eric Thomas Jnr, Corey Dowden and Karnnen Dowden (kneeling in front). The other rescue party member, Zarech Dowden, is absent.

Mulga Queen men rescue prospector

By KEN BOASE



COMMUNITY members from the Wongatha community of Mulga Queen in the Northern Goldfields region of Western

Australia have called for visitors to the area to be better educated about bush tucker and bush survival techniques.

The call comes after Victorian man Theo Rosmulder became lost for five days during a gold prospecting trip in the area with his wife, and nearly starved to death because he could not find food or water.

The 52-year-old prospector had no way of lighting a fire and a huge air and ground search found no trace of him, although he told authorities after his rescue that a search plane had flown overhead more than a dozen times.

He was eventually found by a search party from Mulga Queen who followed day-old tracks found

by a local pastoralist five days after Mr Rosmulder went missing from his bush camp about 130km north of Laverton.

A member of the search party was Eric Thomas Jnr who told *The Koori Mail* that Mr Rosmulder had walked in a wide circle over the days he was missing, but once the community picked up his tracks they found him within about four hours.

Shouting

"We got on a hill and started shouting and singing out his name, and then he shouted back," Mr Thomas said.

"One of the boys got up and gave him a hug and he just sat down and dropped his head and said he was glad that we found him. We gave him a couple of slices of bread and boiled drink and then he ate that and had a drink of water."

Mr Rosmulder, the owner of a pest control company in Yarrawonga, northern Victoria, said he resorted to eating termites

to stay alive and licking moisture from rocks early in the mornings in an attempt to keep his fluids up.

Mr Thomas said non-Aboriginal people should be given an education on bush tucker and bush medicine before going into remote country in Australia, citing the many instances of people who have starved to death in desert and semi-arid areas.

He said there was plenty of food if you knew where to look and what to look for.

"Oh there's goanna, kangaroo, honey ants, silky pears; you've got witchetty grubs and there's about five or six different varieties of nuts off the trees, so it's a survival skill if you get lost," Mr Thomas said.

"There's plenty of food out there, it's a matter of knowing really before you go out there, and Mr Rosmulder walked past a few waterholes and soaks that he didn't know were there."

Mr Thomas said nobody in his community, or any other community in the region, had ever had to resort to eating termites.

Tribal penalty call

By Perth Correspondent
KEN BOASE



ABORIGINAL Legal Service of Western Australia (ALSWA) chief Dennis Eggington has criticised a recent court decision where

a judge refused to consider tribal punishment when sentencing a 40-year-old man for a serious driving offence.

Mark Hogan, from the Blackstone community, north of Kalgoorlie, was found guilty of dangerous driving causing death when he lost control of the vehicle he was driving in September 2006 on an access road in the Northern Goldfields.

During his appearance before the WA District Court in Kalgoorlie in late July, ALSWA lawyers argued for a reduced sentence because Hogan would face tribal punishment from his dead passenger's family when he was released from prison.

But Judge Mazza said that while he appreciated Hogan would face tribal retribution for his actions, he did not approve of tribal punishment and would not consider the issue as part of the sentence.

Hogan was sentenced to 16 months' jail.

Mr Eggington said the case highlighted the fact that the WA judicial system had not come to terms with the notion of Aboriginal



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— WA Legal Service's Dennis Eggington

'(Despite WA Law Reform Commission recommendations) We've got no plans currently to change the law which provides for every relevant circumstance to be taken into account when determining the sentence'

— WA Attorney General Jim McGinty



customary law, and Indigenous people were still being treated unfairly by some judges who had total discretion on the issue.

A WA Law Reform Commission report in 2006 recommended that Aboriginal customary law be integrated formally into the WA legal system to make it mandatory for judges to consider issues such

as tribal punishment when passing sentence.

"This case does raise the issue in WA that we've got many of our communities that continue to practise traditional law, that it's not going to go away, and in actual fact that culture and that law is growing stronger all the time," Mr Eggington said.

"While Aboriginal people live and exist the legal system has just got to get over that and account for it.

"If judges and magistrates don't take into account people's cultural background and the fact that there is this other law going on, which is Aboriginal law, then I don't believe that our people are being treated

equally, and that's a real worry to me."

Mr Eggington said that another commission recommendation about the urgent need for Indigenous interpreters had also been ignored by the WA Government.

"We're so disappointed in WA. Not just the Aboriginal Legal Service, but there are many people who are very disappointed ... the Equal Opportunity Commission which did a review of it, the ALS and other people in the legal fraternity," he said.

"Our Aboriginal communities are so disappointed that this initiative which was promised to us has now been put on the backburner, and once again this State is saying that is a Commonwealth responsibility."

WA Attorney General Jim McGinty said there were no plans to adopt customary law in WA, and judges would continue to have discretionary powers when passing sentence.

"The Law Reform Commission when it looked at customary law, or Aboriginal communities, clearly recommended that it should be a factor taken into account when considering the totality of the sentence. I support that view," Mr McGinty said.

"However, we've got no plans currently to change the law which provides for every relevant circumstance to be taken into account when determining the sentence."

Qld Govt looks at setting up State rep body



THE Queensland Government is looking for ideas on how to set up a whole-of-government Indigenous advisory body — an idea raised at the Queensland 2020 Forum.

The proposed new Queensland Indigenous Advisory Council (QIAC) could be established as early as the end of the year. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Lindy Nelson-Carr has

already sent out a letter to forum delegates to kickstart discussions about a possible model.

Delegates are being asked to give feedback on the idea of a 12-person council comprised of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders which could meet between three and four times a year, although according to the Minister's office this is just 'a discussion starter' and there is also no clear decision as yet on whether members will be elected or appointed.

There will be consultation with the wider community and a meeting will be held soon.

"We are consulting to develop an options paper on the possible

structure, operation and scope of the council which could be established as soon as the end of the year depending on what suggestions come forward," Ms Nelson-Carr said.

"Issues to be looked into include representation, clarity of roles, relationship with government, frequency of meetings and, of course, the potential outcomes."

This move from the Queensland Government follows the Federal Government's plan to look at

creating a replacement organisation for ATSIC (the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission), which was scrapped by the Howard Government in 2004. The last time Queensland had a Ministerial Indigenous advisory body was in 2003 — the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory

Board.

"With the Bligh and Rudd governments signing up to national targets to close the gap in life outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, we need to do everything we can to strengthen our engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders," Ms Nelson-Carr said.

'Issues to be looked into include representation, clarity of roles, relationship with government...'

CITY OF SYDNEY

Local Action Plans

Matching Grants Program for Community Groups and Organisations

The City of Sydney is calling for expressions of interest from community based organisations, committees and groups for funding from the City's Local Action Plans Matching Grants Program.

The Matching Grants Program provides support for grass roots community projects. Resources raised by the community are matched in-cash or in-kind by the City of Sydney. The program has been established in response to the outcomes of the **Local Action Plan Strategy**.

For details and an application form for the Matching Grants Program please visit www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/Development/LocalActionPlans or contact Lynne Welch on (02) 9265 9217 or at lwelch@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Submissions close **Monday 22 September 2008**.

city of villages

Crowds turn out for

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin officially opens Garma 2008 at the festival ceremonial ground, before the start of bunggul (dance).



Kids painted up and ready to dance at the Yirrkala graduation, which was part of the Garma festival program this year.



Senior Yolngu artist Gulumbu Yunupingu with Minister Jenny Macklin during the opening of the Gapan Gallery on Friday night.



The Gapan Gallery at night.



Action during the bunggul (dance).



Women and girls take centre stage during the bunggul (dance).



From left, Banambi Wunungmurra, Minister Macklin, Galarrwuy Yunupingu and actor Jack Thompson.



Galarrwuy Yunupingu leads dancers on to the ceremonial grounds for the official opening of Garma 2008.

huge Yolngu festival



These five mates were happy to style up for our photographer, Wayne Quilliam.



Traditional dancers taking a break from bunggul.

Garma shines

Story by KIRSTIE PARKER

Photos by WAYNE QUILLIAM and KIRSTIE PARKER, with permissions from the Yothu Yindi Foundation.



THE constant stream of 'troopies' and buses laden with tents, swags, sunscreen and excitable passengers might have intimidated the most experienced of tour operators.

But the Yolngu people of north-east Arnhem Land took the approaching storm of red dust in their stride last week as about 2500 'pilgrims' arrived to immerse themselves fleetingly in Yolngu traditions at the tenth Garma.

The annual festival at Gulkula, near Nhulunbuy and Yirrkala, blends exposure to enduring Yolngu culture with discussions about a range of contemporary issues affecting Indigenous Australians.

Yolngu leader and traditional owner Galarrwuy Yunupingu said Garma was about people coming together to take part in festivities, make friends and to learn cultural knowledge. And it was getting stronger every year.

This year it attracted high-profile Indigenous people including Wali Wunungmurra, Tom Calma, Marcia Ella Duncan, Noel Pearson, Marcia Langton and Les Malezer and non-Indigenous politicians and policy-makers.

There were also entrepreneurs, well-heeled domestic and international tourists and art buffs, and special interest groups such as a Reconciliation Australia women's group.

Regular features such as the famous nightly bunggul (dance), art galleries, contemporary music training workshops, film screenings, the popular merchandise store and the renowned Key Forum – this year themed 'Indigenous Knowledge: Caring for culture and country' – were enhanced this year by a revved-up



Bunggul (dance) is a highlight of the Garma festival.

catalogue of performers including Jimmy Little, Ben Lee and INXS's Andrew Farris, and the hugely popular Chooky Dancers, from Elcho Eylandt.

After the official opening by Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin on Friday afternoon, people began making the tough choices of what to see of the packed program. That evening saw the opening of the stunning Gapan Gallery, which nestles in a bush clearing east of the main ceremonial ground.

Festival-goers also had the choice of a range of excursions, including to the Buku-

Larrnggay Mulka Arts Centre at Yirrkala, snapping up piles of bark paintings, prints and fibre-work.

They were also privileged to be able to attend the Year 12 graduation of young Yolngu women Dhukurru Biningal and Marrathindi Wunungmurra at the Yirrkala Community Education Centre (CEC).

Much of the small community turned out to celebrate the young women's achievements, inviting Garma guests to join in some high-spirited dancing.

There was also plenty of politicking during the five-day gathering, with many

interconnecting issues discussed in the Key Forum, the Indigenous Economic Development Conference (IEDC), and the Indigenous Cultural Tourism Program and a climate change workshop.

The world came to Garma in other ways, with a mobile polling booth for Saturday's NT election and the NT Emergency Response review team receiving oral submissions.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and the Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon announced a \$2.1 million boost for remote business ventures and \$1.3 million from the Aboriginals Benefit Account towards a new headquarters for the Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal Corporation at Nhulunbuy.

The festival had an extra celebratory feel to it, in the wake of the recent High Court decision in the Blue Mud Bay case, which confirmed Aboriginal control over 80 per cent of the Territory's intertidal zones.

There were sombre aspects too, with the recent passing of several Yolngu people closely associated with the gathering, including educator and reconciliation campaigner Dr Marika earlier this year, and a young musician who passed away last month.

Garma is organised and hosted each year by the Yothu Yindi Foundation, established by Galarrwuy's brother, Yothu Yindi front man and renowned educator Mandawuy Yunupingu.

As *The Koori Mail* went to press the festival was still in full swing, with spokesman Simon Balderstone already declaring it bigger and better than ever.

The theme for the key forum at Garma 2009 will be 'Creative Industries Focussed on the Extent and Nature of Creative Industries with Indigenous Australians including Cultural and Commercial Rights and the Place of Traditional Art'.

● See our next edition for part two of our Garma 2008 coverage, including discussions during the Key Forum.

Helping Indigenous kids is child's play, says Elder



YOUNG Indigenous children should be encouraged to play more to help with their education.

This was one of the messages from speakers at the 2008 'Moving Forward Together Forum' held at University of Southern Queensland Fraser Coast, in Hervey Bay.

Former Palm Island teacher and USQ Masters of Education graduate Aunty Irene McBride pleaded with the young members of the audience, including many high school students, to let children play because it was vital to childhood development.

"When you have children remember that there are two really important things in their lives – their families and the next important thing is allowing the children to play," the Butchulla Elder said.

"Too many children these days spend too much time in front of the TV and playing video games.

"Literacy and numeracy levels are going down. So it makes you wonder.

"It's general knowledge that Indigenous

children are two years behind non-Indigenous children when they start school. And it's play that is going to help them mature."

As part of her doctoral studies, Aunty Irene will be investigating what children do with play, especially symbolic play such as make-believe.

"Not many Indigenous children

do that (pretend)," she said.

"Research has shown that children who can role play usually go on to have good literacy and numeracy skills. It's also important to read to children every day."

The forum also heard from several other speakers who told of their educational struggles and triumphs.

Sandra Armstrong, a PhD student working on the history of the Bogimbah Mission on Fraser Island, started tertiary studies when she was 49. The mother of four received her first tertiary qualification, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology, in 2000.

Sixteen-year-old Urangan High School student Anthony Bean, of Hervey Bay, spoke about the people who had guided him, but were not necessarily role models. He named his parents, a number of teachers, his friends, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and singer John Williamson.

A number of his artworks were displayed during the forum and he said he wouldn't have been able to produce the admired works without the help and guidance of

two other people – his grandparents.

"You know, I hate it when people ask me what my inspiration is, or why I do something," he said.

"I paint for two reasons. One: I feel like it. And because I was bored and there was nothing else to do.

"But one day I hope to be able to sell my paintings or have them in a gallery."



Anthony Bean with some of his art works which were displayed at the forum.



Aunty Irene McBride ... "When you have children remember that there are two really important things in their lives – their families and the next important thing is allowing the children to play."

Victorian court will be a first



AUSTRALIA's first County Koori Court will be established in Victoria under legislation tabled in the State Parliament on 30 July.

The court, in the Latrobe Valley, will run as a four-year pilot, providing an alternative sentencing process for Aboriginal offenders.

Deputy Premier and State Attorney-General Rob Hulls said it would be the first time in Australia that a Koori Court would operate in a higher jurisdiction, and it builds on the success of models in Victoria's lower magistrates and children's courts.

"We know that Koori Courts are working to decrease recidivism among Indigenous offenders and

increase Indigenous participation in the administration of the law," Mr Hulls said.

"However, there is still significant over-representation of Indigenous people in Victoria's justice system and we must address this."

The State Government has allocated \$590,000 for the development of the pilot.

"Offenders must plead guilty to be eligible for Koori Courts. Plain language is used and the defendant sits at an oval table with the judge, prosecutor, and Elders and respected persons," Mr Hulls said.

The County Koori Court's jurisdiction will be the same as the County Court's, however sexual and family violence offences will be exempt. – AAP

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Bank in action plan



THE Commonwealth Bank (CBA) has become one of the latest Australian organisations to adopt a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), with plans to employ 40 Indigenous trainees a year.

The 'Big Four' bank launched the plan last week after six months of consultation with Indigenous groups and Reconciliation Australia.

Chief Executive Officer Ralph Norris said the bank's RAP would deliver clear actions and set targets for activities aimed at improving the involvement, inclusion and progression of Indigenous Australians within it.

He said the CBA had 38,000 staff and the largest Indigenous customer base of any Australian bank.

"We are committed to improving relations between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians and contributing to the elimination of the 17-year life-expectancy gap that exists in Australia," he said.

Shared pride

The RAP will boost cultural awareness among non-Indigenous staff to promote respectful relationships and shared pride.

"We believe through a sustained effort by governments, business and the community, that we can help improve the livelihoods of Indigenous people and communities, which is in the best interests of all Australians," Mr Norris said.

The CBA will look at initiatives such as cultural awareness training for staff, ways to better communicate with customers and a commitment to continue to offer financial literacy training and materials to Indigenous communities.

"We will also commit to employing 40 Indigenous trainees each year for the next three years, and develop and implement an over-arching Indigenous employment strategy, designed to attract, retain and develop the best Indigenous talent," Mr Norris said.

"This RAP is the extension of a dedicated series of targeted actions to help us learn, improve and fully meet the needs of our Indigenous staff and customers."

Commonwealth Bank Chief Executive Officer Ralph Norris with Aboriginal Employment Strategy school-based trainees Elsie Baker and Dale Roberts.



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Community anger as haven closed

By ALF WILSON



AN emotional Delena Foster told of a 10-year-old girl who had to be turned away from Palm Island's Kootana Women's Centre on the night of 5 August after the Queensland Government closed a unit there, which had been a safe haven for children in crisis.

Ms Foster, a former Palm Island Mayor, was Manager of the Kootana Women's Centre which for the past 18 months had devoted a unit to children who could not, or would not return home.

The centre had provided food and shelter for up to 25 children weekly but was closed early this month.

The move has sparked anger among Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders in the Townsville community.

Townsville-based State Communities Minister Lindy Nelson-Carr said legal advice had been received that safe haven staff did not have legal protection if they provided accommodation for children who turned up without parental consent.

"We are working in partnership with the community to develop a holistic solution which will provide the best emergency outcomes for families escaping domestic violence and children at risk of harm on Palm Island," Ms Nelson-Carr said.

Speaking to *The Koori Mail*, Ms Foster blamed the State Government for not wanting to help.



Former Kootana workers Iris Cannon, Irene Daphney and Jennifer Cannon.

"It stinks and the Government is not listening and this unit was really helping kids in crisis here," she said.

"A 10-year-old girl was here and she didn't want to go home and we had to turn her away because of this legal advice."

Ms Foster had been Palm Island Mayor until losing the job to Alf Lacey at the council elections in March this year.

"The youngest we have had at the shelter was aged just four months and the

oldest was 16. It saddens me to have to turn kids away and what will happen to the four devoted staff who for the past 18 months have worked unpaid overtime to help these kids?" Ms Foster asked.

State Member for Townsville Mike Reynolds supported Ms Foster, saying on 6 August he was outraged at the Department of Communities' closure of the safe haven.

Mr Reynolds said the haven was one



Bernadette Johnson outside the Kootana Women's Centre on Palm Island.

of two such facilities that had been developed at Palm Island and Mornington Island.

"The safe havens in these communities were an essential component of the Council of Australian Governments' commitment to the introduction of early intervention and prevention facilities for very vulnerable children and young people who needed to escape family violence," he said.

Program helps protect kids



AN award-winning training program in south Queensland aims to put more Indigenous child protection workers into local

communities.

The joint venture between the Southern Queensland Institute of TAFE and the Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE is boosting recruits to community services (protective care) courses at Nurrundri TAFE campus at Cherbourg.

The program recently won the Department of Child Safety's Building Queensland's Regions Award at its annual Recognition of Excellence awards ceremony.

One of the first graduates of the Certificate IV in Community Services (Protective Care) is Judy Stanley, an Indigenous single mother of six.

"My passion is for Indigenous women and children, and being the voice for them," she said.

"If I can help one woman then the ripple effect has started."

The program was generated when Department of Child Safety staff members saw a need for qualified local employees to work in child protection within their own communities.

The Department brought together local educational

NSW fatality figures paint grim picture for Indigenous children



CHILD deaths in New South Wales have dropped by more than a third in the past decade, but Indigenous children are still

over-represented, a State Government review has found.

The NSW Commission for Children and Young People's report, *Trends in Child Deaths in NSW 1996-2005*, flowed from a study by the NSW Child Death Review Team, which found deaths of premature babies and infants from SIDS or congenital malformations had dropped substantially.

However, Aboriginal children were more

than twice as likely to die than non-Aboriginal children and more likely to die from meningococcal infection and pneumonia.

Sudden unexpected death in infancy was also six times more likely in Aboriginal children than non-Aboriginal children.

The study showed that 6879 children aged between 0-17 years died in NSW between January 1996 and December 2005. Of those deaths, 4787 were attributed to disease and morbid conditions.

There was a 37.99 per cent decline in

child deaths between 1996 and 2005 - saving the equivalent of 8.6 lives per 100,000 children.

Other key findings from report also included:

- Infants were 11 times more likely to die than those aged 16 to 17 years.
- Males were 1.33 times more likely to die than females.
- Children living in high socio-economic areas were only 70 per cent as likely to die as those in poorer areas
- Children in remote and very remote regions were 1.6 times more likely to die than those in major cities. - with AAP

institutions to help develop the training program.

Child Safety Minister Margaret Keech said the Department was encouraging more Indigenous people to train in child protection.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child protection workers are more easily able to establish relationships with parents in their

own communities and gain their trust," Mrs Keech said.

"Providing tailored training programs and improving access for indigenous people is one of the ways the Bligh Government is improving child protection services.

"By boosting the number of Indigenous employees we can

improve outcomes for at-risk children in Indigenous communities.

"We need more role models like Judy to get involved in child protection within their communities, and encourage local people to ensure their communities are child friendly."

Ms Stanley, who completed the

course while working part-time as a family and community support worker, is one of 10 graduates of the certificate course enrolled to begin a Diploma Course in Community Services later this year, also through TAFE.

She has since begun working full time as a Project Officer for Cherbourg Healthy Pregnancies.

American audience to hear Tasmanian Elder's stories

By Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



UNCLE Allan Brown's feet will be firmly planted on Tasmanian soil while the story of his life is told in the US city of New Orleans.

The Aboriginal Elder's stories of a loving family, racism, humiliation, discrimination, spirituality and identity will be retold to the US audience by counsellor Ben Nahmani as part of a Playback Theatre training workshop.

Playback Theatre is an original and therapeutic form of improvisational theatre where the audience or group members tell stories from their lives and watch them enacted on the spot.

Playback's goal is to draw people closer as they see their common humanity.

"I met Ben when I had cancer and I went to counselling," Uncle Allan said.

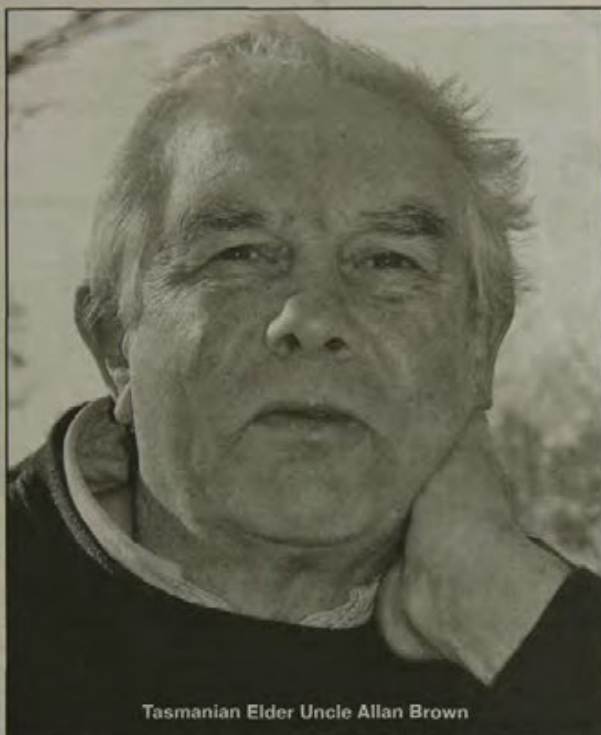
"In the process of my counselling I went back to my childhood days and started telling stories about what it was like to be an Aboriginal in Tasmania back in the early 1940s."

Included in the dramatisation will be Uncles Allan's childhood memories of the persecution his family suffered as a result of his parents' 'mixed' marriage.

"I must have been about six years old," he said.

"I still remember to this day, there was a knocking on the door. I answered and standing there were two policemen.

"They said, 'Is your father



Tasmanian Elder Uncle Allan Brown

home?" I fetched my father and he went to the door, telling me to stay in the kitchen.

"Next, I could hear voices raised and then there was a scuffle. I ran out to the door and could see my father had his hands tied behind his back and was being led to their car.

"Later that day, my father turned up on the door step. He was lying on the ground with

blood on his puffed-up face, his lips bleeding. I could barely recognise him.

"My mother took him to his bedroom but it was many days before he came out.

"I couldn't understand why they did such things."

Years later, his father explained that the beating had happened because he, as an Aboriginal man, had offended society by

marrying a white woman.

Mr Nahmani will also tell of Uncle Allan's exclusion from representing his school because he was Aboriginal, regardless of his record-breaking cricketing achievements. And he will relay Uncle Allan's relief at leaving school to find a haven from racism working as a bricklayer with newly arrived migrant men.

The softly spoken 67-year-old said he was proud of Mr Nahmani because he sat down and listened to his story, took it on board and then wanted to tell the world that Aboriginal people in Tasmania were still here and were proud people.

"I feel grateful, he'll go over there and tell that story and there'll be no glossing over. I feel proud about his ability to want to take our issues and hurts on board," Uncle Allan said.

"In his travels, Ben has found that many people believe there are no Aboriginal people in Tasmania."

Uncle Allan does not believe the racist element has changed significantly in his life time.

"They hide it more than anything," he said.

"As you get older you learn to handle it.

"I've spoken about racism in the workplace and they gloss it over. The moment anyone comes up with racism issues they don't want to know about it, and that's sad.

"They say you're feeling sorry for yourself and living in the past, but it still happens. It's the under-handed snide remarks, and people don't want to hear about it, so it can't have changed."



NALA MANSELL-MCKENNA

'Warm' talks with Premier



TASMANIAN Aborigines have described their first meeting with

new State Premier David Bartlett as 'warm and productive'.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre's Nala Mansell-McKenna and Brett Mansell discussed a range of issues, with Mr Bartlett, including land rights, relocating the Aboriginal Children's Centre in Hobart to Risdon Cove, and an Aboriginal naming policy.

"The Premier successfully lobbied COAG for an extra \$5 million to help relocate and expand the Aboriginal Children's Centre. It was very encouraging to hear the Premier's sincerity in trying to assist Aboriginal children," they said.

Precedent

"We were pleased the Premier is maintaining the precedent of past premiers by keeping responsibility for Aboriginal issues.

"We raised land rights with Mr Bartlett and got a good hearing about how land is vital to our people and our culture. He agreed to hold further talks with us.

"The Premier also agreed to look at an official Aboriginal names policy so that many places, rivers and mountains can either go back to their original Aboriginal names or have a joint name.

"We told the Premier that our people are keen to get involved in his vision of 'knowledge, skills and creativity', and that we will develop particular proposals for him.

"It was a most productive meeting. We felt at ease with the Premier who is willing to meet with many Aboriginal people about a range of issues.

"We believe the relationship we are developing can bring enormous benefits to our people."

\$1.1m question in Torres Strait

By DARREN COYNE



A ROW over \$1.1million has flared between the Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) and the Queensland Government.

The TSRA has said the Government should be paying the money to cover a

shortfall in the operating costs of the newly-amalgamated Torres Strait Islands Regional Council (TSIRC).

But the Government says the funding shortfall was the direct result of a decision made by the TSRA, and had nothing to do with the council reforms.

TSRA Chairperson Mr Toshie Kris fired the first shot, saying the authority was disappointed the State had left the TSIRC with a funding shortfall, and that promises regarding operating efficiencies and resources for the new council had been broken.

"This situation is compounded by the fact that Premier Anna Bligh, Minister Warren Pitt and Treasurer Andrew Fraser are expecting

someone else to clean up their mess," he said.

"Council operations are a State responsibility and in the Torres Strait, the TSRA has 'subsidised' local government operations at the cost of other program areas during the past three years due to island councils being starved by the State of operating funds.

"It is very disappointing that successive

'It is very disappointing that successive Ministers' assurances of economies of scale and adequate resources for the Torres Strait region ... appear to have been a smoke screen'

— TSRA Chairperson Toshie Kris



Ministers' assurances of economies of scale and adequate resources for the Torres Strait region that were peddled by the State Government after they announced the local government reforms, appear to have been a smoke screen that has left this council heavily exposed to operating deficits in the new financial year.

"To right this inequity in the Torres Strait, the

Queensland Government must fund the full operating costs of the new amalgamated council that has been imposed by the Government on island communities."

A spokesperson for Local Government Minister Warren Pitt said it was disappointing that the TSRA had criticised the Government about funding.

"This is because the funding shortfall Cr Kris mentions is a direct result of a decision made by the TSRA, and has nothing to do with the local government reforms," the spokesperson said.

"This decision seems even more inexplicable, given that Cr Kris is a member of the TSIRC and should be acutely aware of the impacts that such a decision would have.

"The Department of Local Government has advised that the TSRA decided to reallocate \$1.1 million from its Municipal Services Funding Program from the TSIRC to other initiatives.

"Cr Kris has been involved in cutting funding to the TSIRC, and is now complaining about the negative impacts of this funding shortfall. He can't have it both ways."

Badu drug bust fears

By ALF WILSON



A BADU Island community leader says a major drug bust in the Torres Strait could be a result of serious underlying social problems.

The leader, who did not want to be named, said the arrests might be the result of social problems including a lack of housing, unemployment, child abuse, depression, alcohol abuse and a general feeling of hopelessness.

"I would bet that most of those involved were from the lower end of the socio-economic ladder and I hope the courts protect these people from severe financial punishment," he said.

"The same factor will be a huge punishment in itself. Many Papua New Guinean (PNG) families now live on Torres Strait islands and these will come under suspicion in ongoing drug law enforcement.

"This will apply to decent, honest people, and there are huge numbers from PNG who visit families in the Torres Strait."

The drug bust was the result of an ongoing operation between Queensland Police and Australian Customs in a bid to stop cannabis trade networks between the Torres Strait islands and nearby PNG communities.

The joint operation in July resulted in 25 Badu Island residents being charged with a range of drug offences. Included were eight who were charged with attempting to import from PNG 100kg of marijuana with a street value of \$60,000. Another 17 were charged during the operation with separate drug offences not associated with the importation.



Australian Customs officers with a sniffer dog during the Badu Island raids and, right, a view of Badu Island.

The operation came to a head on 7 July when a search-and-rescue operation was launched after two men failed to return to Badu Island, which has a population of 1200. Police and Customs suspected these men were involved in the transport of cannabis from Daru in PNG.

An Australian Customs helicopter rescued the men the next day. The boat was searched but no drugs were found.

Investigations continued, with additional police from Cairns flown in to assist. As a

result of the joint operation, four men and one woman, all residents of Badu Island, were charged with attempting to import cannabis.

Many other people were charged with drug-related offences and appeared in Badu Magistrates Court on 28 July. Investigations are continuing, with further charges expected.

Detective Inspector John Hartwell said Police were pleased the recently launched project, 'Weed it Out', appeared to be

helping in the reduction of cannabis trade.

"As part of the project we are working with Indigenous communities to reduce the use of cannabis sativa in these communities," he said.

"Police have been familiarising locals with reporting mechanisms, such as Crime Stoppers, to report criminal activity like drug importation and trafficking. Customs have also thrown their support behind the project and are working with police and communities to achieve a common goal."

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New top judge praised



JUSTICE ROBERT FRENCH



THE appointment of Federal Court judge Robert French as the High Court's new Chief Justice has been welcomed as an astute choice by both sides of politics and law groups nationwide.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announced on 30 July that Justice French, 61, will be sworn in on September 1 as the replacement for Chief Justice Murray Gleeson, who retires on August 29.

He becomes the first West Australian to serve as Chief

Justice, and after John Toohey and Sir Ronald Wilson only the third to serve on the court's bench in its 107-year history.

A former President of the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT), Justice French said it was 'a great honour to be appointed' the court's 12th Chief Justice.

"I thank the Government for its confidence in me," he said in a statement.

"The honour of the appointment carries with it great responsibility, which I willingly accept.

"In so doing, I acknowledge the immense service to the community

and the law given by the Honourable Murray Gleeson who retires as Chief Justice on August 29."

Justice Gleeson said he wanted to warmly congratulate 'one of Australia's most outstanding judges'.

'Wealth of ability'

"He will bring with him to the High Court a wealth of ability and experience, and the goodwill of the entire Australian judiciary. I wish him every success in his new office," he said in a statement.

Justice French, who practised

as a barrister and solicitor for 11 years and at the WA Bar for three years, was appointed to the Federal Court in 1986 when he was just 39.

He founded the WA Aboriginal Legal Service and was the first President of the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT).

In 2005, he was appointed as a Deputy President of the Australian Competition Tribunal and before that as an additional judge of the ACT Supreme Court.

In 2003, he was appointed a permanent non-resident member of the Supreme Court of Fiji. - AAP

Sewage plant for Masig Island



TORRES Strait's Masig Island has new sewerage infrastructure worth \$10 million. The island is the latest community to benefit from the Torres Strait Regional Authority's (TSRA) Major Infrastructure Program (MIP).

TSRA Chairperson Toshie Kris said that MIP had been delivering projects to improve the environmental health infrastructure in Indigenous communities throughout the Torres Strait region over the past ten years, and the aim of the Masig project was to provide a reticulated sewerage scheme for the community.

"Until now, the Masig community has been serviced by septic tanks constructed in MIP1 which replaced the previous pan toilets," Mr Kris said. "The new reticulated sewerage scheme will raise the standard of essential infrastructure within the community, contributing significantly to the environmental health of our people."

'The new scheme will raise the standard of essential infrastructure within the community'

Through the employment of community members during the construction activities and the training of local people to operate and maintain the infrastructure, the Masig community has played a key role in the planning and construction of the sewerage works, and

will continue to benefit from the creation of local jobs for local people.

"On a continuing basis, the treatment plant will require trained operators. And the regional council will be asked to identify community members to obtain relevant qualifications."

"Training is already being carried out for local operators and it is envisaged that the contractor will provide extensive operator training, enabling the operators to develop a work routine."

"This training will include ongoing liaison between the contractors, the TSRA and the regional council engineering department."

Regional Council Mayor Fred Gela said the project was important for the health and quality of life of the people of Masig community.

"Proper sewerage systems have long been enjoyed as a basic right amongst mainland Australians, and these works at Masig close part of the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous standards of living," he said.

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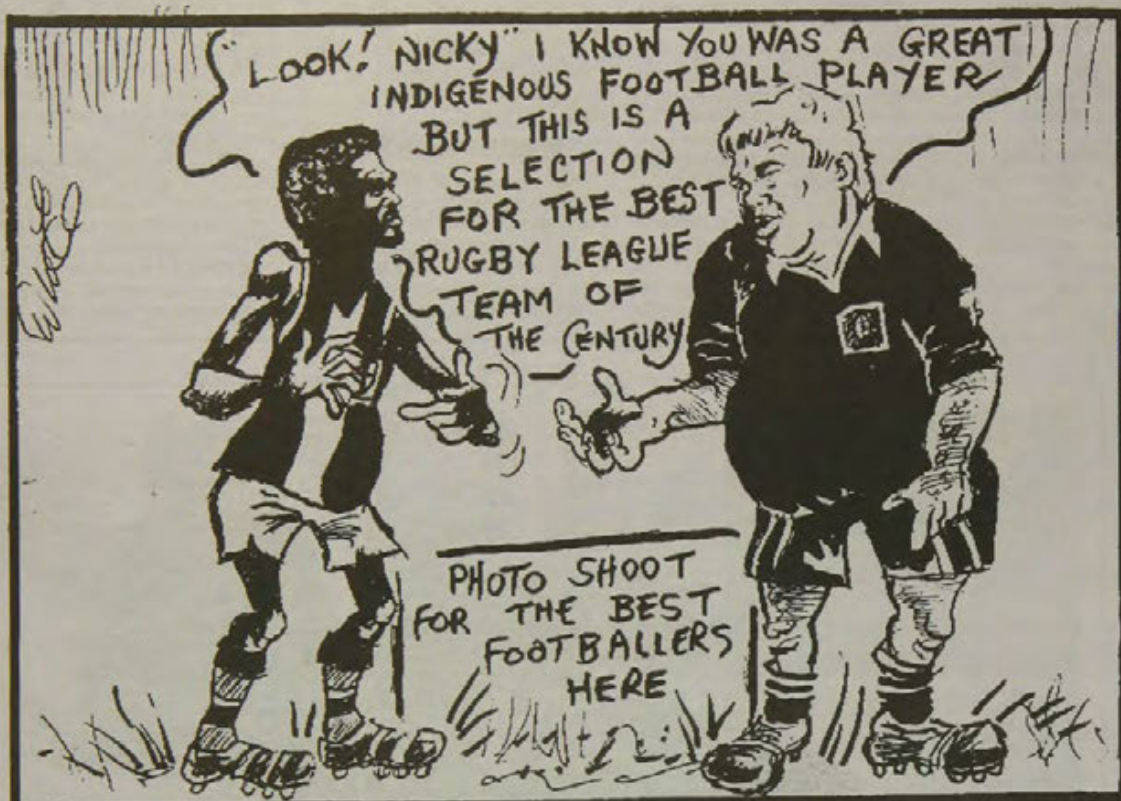


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I don't see myself in the Gavin Wanganeen mould – I just see myself as Andrew.

– Adelaide Crows AFL player Andrew McLeod on the eve of his 300th game. (See Michael O'Loughlin's column on Page 87)

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Promises, promises

If there was ever a time when Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma and FAIRA's Les Malezer would be pleased to admit they were wrong, it would be two years from now.

That's when the clock will tick over on a promise under the new Australian Jobs Covenant to deliver 50,000 corporate sector jobs to Indigenous Australians.

We would like to share Noel Pearson and Warren Mundine's optimism about the plan, which was thought up by rich-list king Andrew Forrest and announced by no less than the Prime Minister earlier this month.

After all, Mr Forrest clearly knows something about business. And our 'Avoid disappointment, aim low' T-shirt is looking a bit tatty.

But at this stage we'll just cross our fingers and hope it comes off ... sincerely.

It would be truly wonderful to see confident black faces in trucks, banks, shops – everywhere, really. It's not that we don't want to see it happen, it's just that blackfellas receive lots of promises. Granted, few are made by the corporate sector, but many others have fallen by the wayside a few years down the track never to be mentioned again, let alone evaluated. As have various Aboriginal community trials.

Announcing the plan when details are so sketchy was, in itself, a risky move. In



OUR SAY

some ways it has a touch of the 'Mal Broughs' about it. That is, it is an idea that has some merit and is clearly well-meaning, but is sorely in need of more thought and consultation, including with organisations like Reconciliation Australia which are already doing similar things well – before the press conference.

Corporates will need to interrogate themselves as to whether they can provide a workplace where any new Indigenous employees, and their non-Indigenous colleagues, feel they are valued and can get on.

As Mr Mundine quite rightly says, if things don't work out, the egg will be firmly on the faces of Mr Forrest and the Prime Minister, for having backed it so wholeheartedly.

Fortunately, fear of embarrassment can be a very strong motivating factor. The Government has 100 days, and counting, to put a bit more meat on the plan's bones. Then roll on December 2010. Hopefully a few of our Christmases will come at once.

A Yarn With...



CASSANDRA BAHR-KELLY

Retail Manager
Tennant Creek, NT

Favourite bush tucker?
Goanna.

Favourite other food?
Corned meat.

Favourite drink?
Diet Coke.

Favourite music?
Country – and anything else if it sounds good!

Favourite sport?
NRL rugby league. I support the Brisbane Broncos.

Favourite holiday destination?
Rockhampton, Qld.

Favourite read?
I don't read much.

What are you watching?
My three kids growing up.

What do you like in life?
Family, friends and the fact I'm still breathing.

What don't you like?
Crazy drivers.

Who would you most like to meet?
Country singer George Strait.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Family, friends and my dog Sandy.

What would you do to better the situation of Indigenous people?
Make sure that everyone gets a fair go.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Jawaharlal Nehru (1889 - 1964), a pivotal figure in the Indian independence movement and the first Prime Minister of the Republic of India once said: "Culture is the widening of the mind and of the spirit."

MULTICULTURALISM is a term generally associated with the era of the 1970s and 80s when social policies were backed by political leaders who supported an inclusive approach for Australia's future.

This ideological shift in government thinking, of considering the aspirations of 'others', was also promoted through literary endeavours of authors, eager to correct the misrepresentation of historians, who had for over a century adversely influenced school curriculum.

The world views of impressionable young Australians were shaped by conservative educators, whose social studies teachings were entirely slanted towards courageous British colonisers conquering and civilising hostile natives under their newly acquired sovereignty.

It was unproblematic back then for educators to snare students in their web of historical deceit, as alternate views sought from books weren't readily available in school libraries or public libraries for that matter. Asking a parent for a different stance on their inquiry was a position that was fraught with danger, as their view of the world had already been shaped by similar biased teachings during their formative years i.e. Aborigines were murderers, thieves, rapists, idle minds and could not be trusted?

Text books available in school classrooms were authored mainly by old Anglo-Saxon men with unfettered control over their prejudiced perspectives of the past. In this regard I also include women, black and white, as being victims of historical recollection of these literary dinosaurs whose views were reinforced by like-minded politicians eager to maintain the White Australia Policy aura.

Australia was founded on the White Australia Policy that created a racial characteristic constraint on its desired settlers from the Immigration Restriction Bill of 1901. This Federal policy played to the quintessential 20th century rugged Aussie who had an innately racist outlook that viewed 'white as right'. And in later years applied, to the letter of the law, ALP leader (1960-67) Arthur Calwell's mantra of 'two Wongs don't make a white'.

For the Government at the turn of the 20th century, the preferred immigrant was British in origin, and in their absence, the alternate northern European Nordic race with their blue eyes and blond hair sufficed. After World War II, when the economies of Europe dictated a need for all able hands to be made available to rebuild their countries, Australia lost control of the one characteristic most coveted in their new arrivals: A white mirror image of themselves.

By 1958, the notorious dictation test for new arrivals was officially abolished, and in 1966 Hubert Opperman, Menzies' Immigration Minister, opened the door for skilled migration from non-European countries.

Finally, in 1973, Gough

Diversity is not adversity

Whitlam removed all racial qualifications to immigration and a multicultural Australia assumed prominence, against the wishes of a nervous and suspicious white population.

As of 27 June, 2007, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) revealed that the nation's overseas-born population increased by 13 per cent between 1996 and 2006, from around 3.9 million to 4.4 million. The two largest overseas-born groups have continued to be those born in England (19 per cent of all overseas-born) and New Zealand (9 per cent). China overtook Italy as the third largest birth place group (each country accounting for around 5 per cent of all overseas-born).

The ABS also found that a number of Australia's recent arrivals had been born in countries recently affected by war and political unrest. Over 73 per cent (or about 14,000) of Australian residents born in Sudan had arrived in 2001 or later. Similarly, a high proportion of the populations born in Zimbabwe (48 per cent or 10,000 people), Afghanistan (45 per cent or 7000), and Iraq (34 per cent or 11,000) had arrived in 2001 or later.

So it was with great satisfaction that I worked with Jackie Huggins and others in assisting Lorella Piazzetta, from the Multicultural Development Association (MDA) of Queensland, to develop their Reconciliation Strategy. This strategy was launched recently by Human Rights Commissioner Tom Calma, who spoke of his excitement at seeing Australia becoming more diverse by the day.



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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home that is inclusive. A home in which cultural, ethnic and racial backgrounds are mutually respected.

Tom spoke to the large

and in reference to social inclusion - 'practising human rights in our day-to-day activities is a way of living, and working, that opens people to a more socially inclusive life'.

Tom acknowledged the MDA Reconciliation Strategy as an excellent example of a community development approach, focussing on ways to work with different communities to increase their capacity and ability to find their own authentic and creative solutions to the challenges of being together. And more significantly, acknowledging 'the primary status of the first people of this land and their inalienable collective rights'.

In her Welcome to Country, Auntie Ruth Link was warm but direct in her articulation of the need to embrace diversity even when faced with unsavoury incidents. She recalled an incident at a railway station in the western suburbs of Brisbane, when she was walking alone and was set upon by a group of Africans who knocked her to the ground and stole her bag.

"But we must continue to smile and be friendly to one another," Auntie Ruth told the audience, saying the incident was isolated and that people should work together to overcome perceived differences.

In my home town of Toowoomba, I have recently seen an influx of more than 1000 Sudanese refugees - it's hard not to see them walking around the street when public transport is not readily available.

This delights me immensely as it adds to the cultural mix of a very conservative, white rural

should, that the Sudanese fit contentedly into their new surroundings, and perhaps the knowledge of the extra assistance offered by the church (accommodation, transportation, employment etc) has given cause for concern for sections of our mob who believe the new arrivals are gaining preferential treatment at their expense.

I know of an incident last month where half a dozen Sudanese men entered the home of an Aboriginal man and violently assaulted him in front of his family. This incident was brought to my attention at a local footy game when I observed a lot of strange Murri faces in town - I was told they were relatives of the man assaulted - to provide extra muscle for protection or to exact revenge.

This incident, and many others of a similar nature around the country involving our new arrivals, may well be a result of teenage boys who are bored and filled with testosterone and bravado and who find themselves in trouble when they attempt to flex their muscle at social events, to the dissatisfaction of others.

I don't know. Nor do I know of a reason to validate the home invasion referred to above.

I don't condone violence of any type, and would urge leaders from communities where tension is running high to find common ground where differences can be resolved in ways other than by physical force.

Michelle Nisgingzwe, from eastern Africa, who spoke during the Reconciliation Strategy launch, said she was delighted to come to Australia, although '... on the map it looked like a long way to swim home if I didn't like it'.

She said she knew nothing of the Indigenous population of Australia before she arrived and just assumed it was a white country. It was only on viewing a TV program in Victoria and seeing the words 'Warning - some images may offend Indigenous viewers', that she inquired about this group of people living in Australia.

It was only then that Michelle was told repeatedly by ignorant white members of her new community that '...the government gave money to Aborigines to buy alcohol' and it wasn't until much later that she was told the truth when she had the courage to ask an Aboriginal man at a Brisbane suburban railway station whether this statement had any merit.

Just imagine if we didn't have cultural diversity: No flat white coffee or Indian, Thai, Vietnamese, Greek or Lebanese take-away. Our most famous heart transplant surgeons, financiers, clothing designers, inventors, and educators are from non-European countries and have brought great joy to the lives of many.

Australians, including Indigenous Australians, ought to lighten up a bit and be more accepting of cultural diversity in our communities. It is what we expect from mainstream society to our Indigenous culture (respect and valuing of our uniqueness), and we should be reciprocal in accepting the aspirations of new arrivals.

Or as Jawaharlal Nehru once said: "Culture is the widening of the mind and of the spirit."

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Tom said he was excited at the prospects of this diversity and proud to be working on ensuring that members of all cultures were proudly calling Australia home. A

multicultural audience about the intersection between Indigenous issues and multiculturalism in the contexts of universal values and concrete everyday work practices;

community. Yet many Indigenous people view them as competition for limited welfare resources.

The Catholic Church works tirelessly to ensure, as they

THE YURTOOKEE CLUB

Were you ever a member of the Yurtookey Club, an Indigenous club set up in Adelaide in 1940 and connected to the South Australian Aborigines Advancement League? I am an historian working on the League and would be very interested to talk to anyone who knew of or was involved in the club.

If you were and you wouldn't mind sharing your memories please contact:

Dr Allison Holland (Macquarie University, Sydney)
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CLARENCE VALLEY COUNCIL

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE CONSULTATION PROTOCOL

Draft for public comment

A draft protocol has been prepared by Council to guide planning of new development (public and private), strategic plans, and assessment of development proposals and related applications, on lands that may contain Aboriginal cultural heritage value. These values may include objects or places of significance to Aboriginal people. The Protocol applies to the whole Clarence Valley Local Government Area.

The National Parks and Wildlife Act administers matters relating to such heritage values. Council, as an authority conducting civil works and as a consent authority, has an obligation to consider the potential for cultural heritage to be impacted by future works and activities. The Draft Protocol outlines a process for determining when Aboriginal cultural heritage value may be affected, and what consultation with the Aboriginal community is appropriate when such values may be affected.

The draft Protocol encourages proponents of new development on land or water that may impact on cultural heritage to consult with the Aboriginal community before lodging an application with Council. This will encourage proper consideration of relevant cultural heritage issues in making final design decisions for new development.

Implementation of the Protocol will improve culturally appropriate outcomes for Aboriginal cultural heritage in the Clarence Valley.

The Draft Protocol may be inspected at Council's offices at 50 River Street, Maclean and 2 Prince Street, Grafton from Thursday 17 July 2008 until 4.00pm Wednesday 3 September 2008. A copy of the Draft Protocol is available from Council's offices or its website, www.clarence.nsw.gov.au.

Council invites your written submissions. All submissions must be received by Council no later than 4.00 pm on Wednesday 3 September 2008. Submissions should be addressed to The General Manager, Clarence Valley Council, Locked Bag 23, GRAFTON, NSW, 2460.

Please note that any submission you make including any personal information in it, may be made publicly available and may be included in Council's business paper. If you do not wish your submission to be made publicly available you must provide Council with written reasons for this. Council will not consider anonymous submissions.

Enquiries should be directed to Council's Environmental Planning Coordinator, Mr Scott Lenton, on Ph 6643 6234.



Government of
South Australia

PUBLIC NOTICE

ANANGU PITJANTJATJARA YANKUNYTJATJARA LAND RIGHTS ACT 1981

Section 32 - Review of Act by Minister

Consultation
The Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981 (Act) was amended in 2005. One of those amendments requires an independent review of the operation of the 2005 amendments to the Act and for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation to receive a report on the results of the review.

A panel consisting of Mr John Thurtell, Mr Gary Lewis and Ms Mary Anderson is conducting the independent review.

The Review Team is now seeking submissions on the operation of the amendments to the Act from interested individuals and organisations. If you wish to comment you are invited to telephone or write to the Review Team.

If you wish to make a written submission or a submission over the phone, please contact:

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The closing date for submissions is
Friday 19 September 2008.

JOSLENE MAZEL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Aboriginal Affairs
and Reconciliation Division

Focus on rites of passage



The Torch artist Stefan Markworth with Jeremy Gundry, of Bendigo, and local artist Gayle Maddigan.



INDIGENOUS residents of Bendigo, Victoria, have lined up to be part of a creative cultural project which gives people the chance to participate in all aspects of film-making.

They are part of The Torch Project, which is producing a ten-minute film

based on the theme 'Rites of Passage'.

A scriptwriting and storytelling workshop was held in Bendigo late last month, and filming is continuing this month. Local Elders and young people are taking part in all aspects of the film, which explores life in the local community.

The Bendigo film follows a

successful Torch Project short film production by the Swan Hill community. That film, on the importance of a legal will, was launched at the opening of the Koorie Court in Swan Hill.

For more information about The Torch Project's latest community development work, go to www.thetorch.asn.au.

Sister's been having a ball

HELLO there! Dixie here back again for another column. Well, I was actually meant to be here for the last edition of *The Koori Mail*, but sister girl here thought the deadline took into consideration Koori time.

It doesn't, and I was half-way to Mildura for a NAIDOC ball when the deadline came and went. So I apologise to those of you who were looking forward to my next column. But I'm back in business now.

I thought I'd better give a quick mention of the final curtain closing of *Big Brother* for 2008, and I guess forever on Channel 10.

Congratulations to Tabu Terri, the winner of the 2008 *Big Brother* series.

I must admit I'm a little disappointed to see *Big Brother* go from Channel Ten, and I hope Channel Seven or Nine pick it up in 2009. I can assure you that whether you love or hate *Big Brother*, you will miss it.

Towards the end of the July, I attended that ball in Mildura. I went with my aunty, uncle and cousins and had a blast. I will say them blackfellas in Victoria sure know how to show you a good time and have a huge party, despite the freezing cold weather down there!

However, as I drank one too many wines and ate all the free food with my cousins Kel, Stac and Mandy, and I was looking around the room at all those deadly brothers and sisters decked out in flash dresses and suits, I couldn't help thinking that as blackfellas we have come so far in life.

We fought through disadvantage, discrimination and segregation to stand



DIXIE
CRAWFORD

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proud, be counted and celebrate the fact that our communities and our culture are going strong and we are as deadly as they come!

I'm so happy that we not only celebrate the achievements of our well-known Aboriginal heroes or celebrities like Choc Mundine, Johnathan Thurston, Cathy Freeman and Ernie Dingo, but we celebrate our past within the Elders and our future in our youth.

When I was in *Big Brother*, housemate Terrence made a comment about the future of Australia, and if it is being represented by people such as

one particular housemate, then it may be in some trouble.

I can honestly say that there is no problem whatsoever in terms of Indigenous youth being our future leaders, not only in Indigenous communities but the wider Australian community.

Although we have had problems in education and employment to get us ahead in years gone by – and we still do have them now – I'm very impressed with the efforts of our youth.

Actually I'm not impressed, I'm damn proud of them and I wish you all the best in your bright futures ahead.

I guess in a roundabout way in this column I've tried to gather all my emotions and thoughts of what it means to be an Aboriginal woman. Thoughts about our communities, about our past, our present and our future, but I'm not having any luck.

All I have is joy, excitement and happiness, really.

Just want to finish with a special mention to Solua Middleton who is finishing up with *The Koori Mail*. Good luck sister, and thank you so much for all your wonderful stories which I've read over the years. Take care girl.

But also, thank you to everyone, especially all you brothers, sisters, aunts and uncles who I have met in the past two months with all my appearances and playing walkabout across this country.

Thank you all so much for all the fun I have had and how welcome you have made me feel in your communities.

Until next time, stay strong and deadly.



Celeste Liddle writes that Dixie Crawford (pictured) is not the first Indigenous female on the TV show, *Big Brother*, and then takes Channel Ten to task for showing little respect for Indigenous culture.

● Her letter is on Page 25

Yorta Yorta victory

THE Yorta Yorta people achieved a major victory at the World Indigenous Peoples Summit held in advance of the G8 Summit in Hokkaido, Japan.

In a call on the G8 to implement Indigenous peoples' rights, the Yorta Yorta won significant support from Indigenous representatives from Asia, the Pacific, Europe and the Americas in their struggle for land justice and the right to practice and to enjoy their cultural heritage.

They have also achieved support for the right to 'Free Prior and Informed Consent' by governments and other parties on Indigenous matters, which is an important mandatory provision of the Declaration that has replaced the outdated and often exploited consultation process.

The 'Nubutani Declaration of the 2008 Indigenous Peoples Summit', held in the traditional lands of the Ainu Indigenous peoples of Japan, also calls on the Australian Government to adopt the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which was adopted by the UN General Assembly in September 2007.

The declaration provides minimum standards for the protection and the enjoyment of Indigenous people's rights to land justice, culture and self-determination.

Support for the Yorta Yorta struggle for land justice and the right to practice and to enjoy their



Delegates at the World Indigenous Peoples Summit. Chairperson of UN Permanent Forum Victoria Tauli-Corpuz is front left (wearing a checked top), and Yorta Yorta delegate Dr Wayne Atkinson is in the middle at the back.

cultural heritage was overwhelmingly ratified by the grand gathering at the end of the summit, which was held in the Hokkaido Convention Centre.

Signatories to the resolutions that support the Yorta Yorta came from representatives of more than 600 participants from Ainu Mosir (Hokkaido), Uchinanchu (Okinawa), the United States, Canada, Hawaii, Guam, Australia, Bangladesh, the Philippines,

Norway, Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Taiwan, and Aotearoa (New Zealand), including the Chairperson of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Populations, Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, of the Philippines.

The Declaration is a major inspirational boost to the Yorta Yorta and their attempts to achieve land justice and cultural rights through legal and political processes from within Australia.

Given that Japan and the other countries represented contribute generously to the tourist economy in regional Australia, (an industry that is said to be worth \$10 billion a year and which sustains 150,000 jobs of which Victoria receives a substantive share of nearly 30 per cent), this augurs well for Indigenous cultural tourism in regional Australia and the concept of national parks owned and jointly managed by

Indigenous peoples.

It was in the context of these aspirations that the Nubutani Declaration supported 'the fundamental rights of Indigenous peoples to practice and to enjoy their cultural history and the right to protect and to teach their cultural heritage through the establishment of Indigenous-owned and controlled cultural centres within states and local jurisdictions and the struggle by Indigenous peoples for land justice and for the return of forests and traditional lands to the ownership and control of Indigenous peoples'.

I call on the Victorian Government, particularly in light of the Premier's apology and commitments to 'improving Aboriginal culture, story, and future opportunities for Aborigines' in Victoria (*The Age*, 21 February 2008) to implement these significant resolutions in relation to Yorta Yorta land justice, and the immediate restoration of the Dharnya Cultural Centre.

I also call on the Australian Government, following its formal apology and commitments to closing the gap in Indigenous equality in Australia, to adopt and to implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

DR WAYNE ATKINSON
Yorta Yorta delegate to the
World Indigenous Peoples
Summit (Japan, July)
Victoria

Creating a 'vanilla society' in Redfern

Minister Frank Sartor's plans to demolish some of the Eveleigh Railway Workshops in Sydney, a site of World Heritage significance, are heritage heresy and will have a ripple effect across New South Wales.

They will transform Redfern into 'Redfern Heights' and create a 'vanilla society'.

In their wake, distinguished Indigenous artist Gordon Syron will be evicted to make way for a multi-million dollar development of apartment blocks as tall as the nearby former TNT towers.

The status of Mr Syron's lease is unclear, but he has done nothing wrong. He was provided with a large, leaky shed which he

repaired himself, an allowance, now revoked, and a computer with no personal identification number (PIN) which fails to function. He is preparing a dossier of the stories behind the 1300 artworks he is curating on site.

Mr Syron's most famous work 'Judgement by his Peers' (1978), for which he was recently offered –

but refused – \$1.5 million, leans casually and forlornly on an easel in the cavernous tin shed.

Gordon Syron's work is important to Indigenous and Australian culture.

Frank Sartor is carving up this heritage site like a charcoal chicken, unlike the University of Sydney's plans, which respect

heritage values and honour open spaces. Frank Sartor, also the NSW Minister for the Arts, should upgrade facilities for Mr Syron to an acceptable standard of security and in line with art conservation practices.

ANDREW WOODHOUSE
President
Australian Heritage Institute Inc
Potts Point, NSW

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

Searching for Barbara Parter

I AM a caseworker with the SA Link-Up Program of Nunkuwarrin Yunti of South Australia Inc in Adelaide.

I request the assistance of *The Koori Mail's* readers in locating a family member of a client of SA Link-Up.

I am seeking Barbara Joan Parter, who was born in Rockhampton, Queensland, and would be roughly 63 years of age.

I am seeking to contact Barbara in regards to a family matter.

If anyone knows of Barbara or any of her family's whereabouts,

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



Tracing early days of rugby league

HAVE you an earlier photograph of a rugby league team than this unidentified one from Brewarrina (left)? I am a rugby league historian and am exchanging photographs and information on my project with another historian, Geoff Mann, of Dubbo, who is researching rugby league in the central and western divisions of New South Wales.

I am writing a booklet on Aboriginal participation in

rugby league 1908-1058, and am working closely with Mr Mann.

Many schoolboy teams would have excluded Aboriginal boys because in 1915 the Parliament of NSW amended the 1909 Aborigines Protection Act to give the Protection Board power to place the children of Aborigines in training homes and to apprentice them to suitable employers. The legislation did not allow for any appeals process.

Most Aboriginal children were excluded from mainstream public schools in NSW until the 1950s. The NSW Department of Education only accepted the responsibility of providing education to Aboriginal children in 1940.

The date of the Brewarrina photograph is not known, nor the names of the schoolboy players.

People with information suitable to the research areas of these two projects should contact myself on (02) 6288 2722 or Geoff Mann on (02) 6841 3106 or his mobile on (0412) 772 859.

DAVID HUGGONSON
Canberra, ACT

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Future of WA communities

I WAS disturbed to learn from *The Koori Mail* ('Fears for the future of WA communities', Page 25, 16 July) that the West Australian Government plans to withhold funding and thus close some communities in the Kimberley.

By communities, I assume this to mean outstations.

Of course, most of us Blacks remember or have taken part in the outstation movement across this country.

They have and still serve many purposes. This was to move back to country so we could live on our land and care for it. The second was an escape from alcohol and violence.

In my case, my family walked off a cattle station to escape oppression by the pastoralists.

I am a Walmadjari woman from the Great Sandy Desert and I return to my country of birth every year. I am struck by the harmony of life in these places, and in particular the better health as compared with Fitzroy Crossing, for example.

Indeed, a report from the Child Health Institute in Perth suggests that child health in these communities is better than where larger numbers of my people are congregated.

JILPIA NAPPALJARI JONES, BA SRN
Canberra, ACT

Searching for Barbara Parter

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The SA Link-Up Program began at Nunkuwarrin Yunti in 2000 to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their families who have been separated under the past policies and practices of Australian governments.

SA Link-Up seeks information, files and records relevant to the varied clients' requests to assist with family tracing and reunions.

JOHN WEBB
Caseworker, SA Link-Up Program
Adelaide, SA

Dixie not first on Big Brother



owners of the Gold Coast land where the Big Brother house was situated, only to be told 'Big Brother owns this house, that is all you have to worry about'. We'll endeavour to get a response from Channel Ten and advise readers of the outcome in future editions. In the meantime, thank you Celeste for bringing this to our attention.

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I WAS reading *The Koori Mail's* website and noticed that *Big Brother* 08's Dixie Crawford is going to be writing a column.

In her intro on the web page, she stated (through no fault of her own) that she was the first Aboriginal woman on the show.

This is not correct. Rather, this is how the BB producers chose to market her in a bid to make themselves look like they were being different compared with other years, and Dixie was used in this respect.

The most recent Indigenous person (before Dixie) to feature on *Big Brother* was Laura Clare, who entered the house last year. While in the *Big Brother* compound, it was published in the *Big Brother* online diary updates that Laura spoke about her cultural background, however, this was not shown on the daily show, nor was it used to publicise *Big Brother*.

As well as Laura, I have heard of a few other *Big Brother* housemates who were from an Indigenous background appearing on the show and, again, their cultural background was not used as a marketing tool for the show, nor did it actually feature in their daily show.

I really thought Dixie did a great job in the house, and enjoyed watching her. I was just deeply saddened for her that she was used by the producers and marketing teams of *Big Brother* as a way of selling their (tired, and now defunct) show.

Then again, why should we be surprised? The media still likes to use and sensationalise blackfellas on a regular basis to increase ratings and sell papers. If it wasn't for our mob, they would probably all go broke!

Respect to sis Dixie, and thank you *Koori Mail* for providing an alternative publication that is real.

CELESTE LIDDLE
Via email

Note from the Editor: We understand that a number of other Aboriginal people did indeed appear in previous series of Big Brother, including some as 'housemates' and others as 'intruders'. One, Laura Clare, who appeared in the 2007 series, did identify herself as Aboriginal both in her application and while in the house. She reports asking who were the traditional

Have you had a poem published?

HAVE you had a poem published in *The Koori Mail*?

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YOUR POETRY

Heron

Pronged yellow feet
Pad the surface so delicately
Carrying its poised, balanced
body
Effortlessly.

It wears grey feathers
As a dignified shroud
Holding out its neck
And beak, without a sound.

This bird searches quietly
And with tentative steps
Poking through the long
grass
And the shallow muddy
depths.

As it passes my path
I am silent as I stare
At this creature of nature
Meandering there.

RACHEL DAVIDGE
Old Erowal Bay, NSW

One size fits all for writer

I WONDER about the report written by John Lyons in the *Weekend Australian* (Inquirer, 27-28 July). While it is about Macquarie Fields (Sydney), it is a detailed description of many areas across this country, with the usual theme of blaming the victims for their abuse of their welfare money and illegal drugs.

As an 82-year-old Aboriginal person, I remember the welfare system being introduced into far western New South Wales. It was not well received; the people were saying 'that sit-down money is not good for us'.

I'd like to make a couple of points. First, the article quotes (young Walgett man) Craig Ashby as saying that Indigenous children are born into a seemingly hopeless, downward, generational cycle of poverty, passivity, unemployment, welfare dependency, drugs and alcohol.

If Craig Ashby was even reasonably informed, he might have said that some Indigenous children were born into such unfortunate situations.

Also he, and so many other people, are still talking about alcohol and drugs. When is

alcohol going to be identified for what it really is, ie, a drug? And who could argue that it is not the most destructive drug in our society?

The other point I wish to make is that prohibition of certain drugs is the cause of most of society's problems today.

For those who support prohibition, I challenge them to provide some evidence of prohibition ever producing anything but crime in any field.

HAROLD HUNT
St Marys, NSW

Praise for work in Landcare

IT is encouraging to see NSW Aboriginal people finally being recognised and respected for their Landcare work. The work being done by the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (SRCMA) Koori Catch Up group will ensure the protection of natural resources which are essential to everybody's quality of life.

The DVD and Field Guide produced by the Sydney Metropolitan CMA Aboriginal staff provides a great guide to how to protect and conserve the culturally significant values and features of the landscape.

RUTH LIPSCOMBE
Innisfail, Qld

COAG Productivity Agenda Working Group-Education, Skills, Training and Early Childhood Development

Early Years Learning and Early Childhood Education and Care Consultation Forums

In December 2007, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) agreed that the Commonwealth Government and state and territory governments would work in partnership to develop a National Quality Standards Framework for early childhood education and care and an Early Years Learning Framework.

The aim of the new quality framework is to improve outcomes for children by improving the quality of early childhood education and care services. You are invited to contribute to the development of the new quality framework by taking part in consultations scheduled for August and September 2008.

The National Quality Standards Framework will include:

- new national standards for early childhood education and care that consider different care types, diversity of service delivery and the age and stage of development of children;
- an A-E quality rating system to help inform parents about the quality of care and to encourage continuous improvement;
- a streamlined licensing, regulatory and accreditation system; and
- a national Early Years Learning Framework.

An important part of the overall quality framework is the Early Years Learning Framework. It will cover the period from birth to 5 years, although it also recognises the importance of transition to formal schooling, including the importance of the first few years of school. It will be an important tool to help parents and professionals achieve the best learning and developmental outcomes for children. It will also provide direction for quality preschool for children and will support the universal access to preschool initiative being progressed jointly with state and territory governments through COAG.

Consultations will take place in capital cities and regional centres in all states and territories.

The consultations will address the following topics: integrated quality standards in early childhood education and care; a quality ratings system; efficient and integrated regulatory arrangements and the Early Years Learning Framework.

You can contribute your views by:

- attending a consultation forum. More information, as well as dates and locations, is available at www.deewr.gov.au/COAGforums. Please register for the forums by phoning 1800 220 425 or by sending an email to ECECQualityReformRegistrations@deewr.gov.au.
- sending a written submission by visiting www.deewr.gov.au/COAGdiscussionpaper or sending an email to ECECQualityReformSubmissions@deewr.gov.au, by 19 September 2008.

Consultations will be guided by the discussion paper *A national quality framework for early childhood education and care: a discussion paper*, which is available at www.deewr.gov.au/COAGdiscussionpaper.

We encourage you to take part in these important consultations – you will be able to contribute to improving the learning and development of Australian children.

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Notice of Tender

Tender No RFT-306307

Development of Facilitators' Guide and Learners' Pack for the Accredited Certificate IV in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management

The Department of Planning and Community Development through Aboriginal Affairs Victoria (AAV) is the lead Government agency overseeing the development of a new Certificate IV Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management course. The course supports the training and educational requirements of Aboriginal people who will be involved in cultural heritage management.

Tenders are invited from suitably qualified curriculum development experts to write the materials for the facilitation, teaching and assessment of the 15 core and nine proposed elective units of the course. The curriculum development expert will achieve this by working in conjunction with the AAV Project Manager and subject matter experts.

Tender documentation can be downloaded from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board website www.vgpb.vic.gov.au from close of business Wednesday 13 August 2008.

Tender responses close 2 pm (Eastern Standard Time) 3 September 2008.

Lodgement Address:

The Tender Box, DPCD Tender No. RFT-306307, Level 15, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne 3000.

For further information contact the Project Officer-Capacity Building on 9208 3279 or rft.306307@dpced.vic.gov.au



Department of Planning and Community Development



Kakadu's Junior Rangers at the event, sitting in front of banners showing the new look and feel for the park.

Revolution at Kakadu



KAKADU traditional owner Freddy Hunter has great stories to tell, if only tourists could drop their obsession with crocs.

"Of course we see them, but I tell people, it's not always about looking for crocodiles," he says. "When we get out there we see birds, the Creation Mother – it's beautiful out there in the pitch black with millions of stars."

The 39-year-old, who started working in the iconic Top End park at age 15, set up the Kakadu Cultural Camp three years ago with his sister.

Together they run camps and night cruises while sharing the history of their ancestors, the Bolmo Dedjungi.

"We get out there and talk about our country and our culture, whereas before there was nothing," Freddy says from the southern border of the national park, at the headwater of the East Alligator.

"We wanted to talk about the country we were born and bred in, and about our culture as well."

"So people could come here to share our stories, get a little bit of our culture and hopefully they take a little bit back with them."

The 20,000 sq km national park – home to Aboriginal people for 50,000 years – is undergoing a quiet tourism revolution.

New Indigenous tourism ventures – bush tucker walks, nature trails, basket weaving courses, camping and night wildlife tours – are finding their feet, and traditional owners have welcomed tourists into parts of the park previously kept hidden from the public.

It is a dramatic shift from 2005, when a scathing report found that long-held

tensions between governments, and limited Aboriginal involvement, were holding back the World Heritage-listed park.

The Morse Report contained 71 recommendations to turn around dwindling tourist numbers and amend the long-held negative view among locals of the park as 'Kakadon't'.

To mark the shift in thinking and a new era of Indigenous tourism, Kakadu National Park was relaunched this week with a new logo and new identity.

"Aboriginal people and their culture are now at the heart of the visitor experience," said Federal Environment

Minister Peter Garrett, who said the park was moving away from the 'zip-in, zip-out' mass tourism approach. Instead, he said the new target market was people who wanted to stay longer and see more.

"This is really important for the Top End – experience-seekers are just the sort of people we want to attract and I think this new tourism push at Kakadu is going to do a great job of that," he said.

Freddy Hunter said the ventures offered his culture a lifeline.

"A lot of old stories here are long gone," he says.

"But some others are still there and talking about them, telling people, hopefully it will keep them alive."

The Hunter family shows tourists how to weave, hunt, spear and make a didgeridoo.

"Most people don't know the termites eat it, hollow it out," he says.

But Freddy says his favourite is the spotlight cruise, which runs five nights a week in an open boat that carries 22 people.

"It's small, (but) that's fine by us," he says. "It's just something so different, heading out there at night. Most people never get to see birds sleeping and with the water so still and clear you can see the crocodiles, every detail of them through the water."

— AAP



Kakadu Culture Camp teaching guests how to do traditional weaving at the relaunch.

Minister Peter Garrett.

"There is a ground swell of interest in Aboriginal culture and Kakadu's transformation will help meet that need."

Mr Garrett said there was an Indigenous tour 'to suit every taste', as he launched the blueprint for the park's transformation on the banks of a billabong near Nourlangie Rock.

Tourism Top End General Manager Tony Clementson said the focus was on



Minister Garrett having a yarn to one of the park rangers at the event. The rangers are sporting the new uniforms for Kakadu, with the new logo on them.



Environment Minister Peter Garrett and Kakadu Board Chair Jacob Nayinggul unveiling the painting that became Kakadu's new logo



A local woman meets Federal Environment Minister Peter Garrett.

Request for Tender

Feral Animal Control Provider

The NSW Department of Water and Energy, in association with the SA Water Corporation invites tenders for implementation of an ongoing feral animal control program to be implemented on properties owned and managed by DWE and SA Water at and near to Lake Victoria, and on the South Australian/NSW border. Preference will be given to contractors who are willing to utilise and train Aboriginal employees. Appropriate licences and experience is required.

Tenders enclosed in a sealed envelope endorsed with the project name are to be lodged by 4.00pm, 27th August in the Departments Tender Box by the time and date stated to: Front Foyer, NSW Government Offices, 32 Enterprise Way, Buronga, NSW, 2739.

Tender documents and additional information can be obtained by contacting: Lyn Barnes at the Department of Water and Energy on 03 5051 6225.

042-520612

Good Service Mob on road



A COLLABORATIVE initiative between Indigenous and non-Indigenous staff at several NSW

complaint-handling agencies will be on the road again next week, taking their message to Coffs Harbour and Grafton. The Good Service Mob travels around NSW to let Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people know about the free services available to them.

Rose Gordon, the Indigenous Project Officer at the Energy and Water Ombudsman NSW, is part of the Good Service Mob travelling north.

A Bundjalung woman originally from Baryulgil, she travels home to Grafton once or twice a year.

"Since I started here I've been surprised at how many Aboriginal people don't know about what an Ombudsman does and what our



ROSE GORDON

service offers," she said. "I expect we'll find a similar story up north, and we're hoping to change that."

"I've met a lot of people who've had

trouble getting more time to pay their electricity and gas bills, and they didn't know who to talk to.

"A lot of people don't know there are vouchers available to help them pay their energy bills or they don't know where to get vouchers.

"That's something I'd really like to see change - there's help available for Indigenous people and they should know about it."

Ms Gordon and the Good Service Mob will visit the Curran Centre at 12 Gordon Street, Coffs Harbour, on 19 August and the Community Centre at 59 Duke Street, Grafton, on 20 August.

All are welcome to come along for a yarn and a free feed at lunch.

For more information, call Department of Fair Trading Aboriginal Customer Service Officer Garry Ferguson on phone (02) 6643 1705 or email garry.ferguson@oft.commerce.nsw.gov.au



Aboriginal heritage

Construction of a new bridge on Yarrawa Road over the Goulburn River

The Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW (RTA) proposes to remove the existing single lane timber bridge over the Goulburn River on Yarrawa Road, at Yarrawa near Denman and replace it with a two lane concrete bridge.

Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people with cultural attachments to the Yarrawa/Denman area are invited to register their interest in the project.

Registrations must be received in writing by 5pm on Friday 29 August 2008. All registrations received will be accepted.

To register your interest, please contact:
Peter Talbot, Project Manager
Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW
Locked Bag 30, NEWCASTLE NSW
2300 Facsimile: (02) 4929 5271.
Email: Peter_Talbot@rta.nsw.gov.au



Mount Victoria to Lithgow Great Western Highway upgrade August constraints workshops

The Australian and NSW governments are investigating a study area from Mt Victoria to Lithgow to determine the preferred alignment for an upgrade of the Great Western Highway.

You are invited to the following interactive workshops to help identify project constraints:

- Tuesday 12 August, 6pm to 8.30pm.
Mt Victoria Public School,
Great Western Highway, Mt Victoria.
- Wednesday 13 August, 1pm to 3.30pm.
Hartley School building,
corner Mid Hartley Road and
Great Western Highway, Hartley.
- Wednesday 13 August, 6pm to 8.30pm.
Hartley School building,
corner Mid Hartley Road and
Great Western Highway, Hartley.
- Saturday 16 August, 1pm to 3.30pm.
Mt Victoria Public School,
Great Western Highway, Mt Victoria.

Spaces at these workshops are limited. Please register by phoning 1800 035 733 (freecall) more workshops will be scheduled if required.

For more information phone
1800 035 733 (freecall) or
visit www.rta.nsw.gov.au.



Australian singer songwriter Xavier Rudd supporting the Standup for the Burrup campaign at a recent concert in Portugal ... "I am constantly baffled by our Australian Government and their lack of respect for our country."

Singer stands up for Burrup

By Perth Correspondent
KEN BOASE

IN the wake of the latest international 'Standup For the Burrup' event, led by Australian performer Xavier Rudd in front of 15,000 fans at Portugal, Friends of Australian Rock Art (FARA) has criticised tourism operators in the Kimberley for their stand on mining.

FARA is aiming to complete 200 'standups' around the world by the end of this year, and Rudd's standup in Portugal took the total to more than 160 since the campaign began in November 2006.

"The north-west coast of Australia is the world's oldest outdoor rock art gallery, containing history that relates to the start of human existence on the planet," the singer told his fans during the concert.

"I don't think the French Government would be in support of demolishing the Louvre in Paris for the sake of economic growth, and I am constantly baffled by our Australian Government and their lack of respect for our country."

FARA Co-convenor Robin Chapple said he was shocked at recent comments by

processing infrastructure from mining in the Kimberley region should be placed on the Burrup to protect the wilderness values of the area.

"How arrogant of the tourism operators to call for further destruction of the Burrup when the tourist industry has failed to promote tourism and the values of the area, one of the last

nations that make up the World Archaeological Congress had already called for a halt to any further destruction of heritage in the Dampier Archipelago.

The World Monuments Fund and the National Trust of Australia list the Dampier Archipelago as one of the most endangered heritage sites in the world, and the area is now on Australia's National Heritage List.

"If Tourism WA was fair dinkum they would be working overtime with the local Indigenous communities to promote the area as one of the most important sites

to visit in Australia," Mr Chapple said.

"This is some of the world's earliest pre-history and probably the world's only chronology of human endeavour from 30,000 years to the current time."

If Tourism WA was fair dinkum they would be working overtime with the local Indigenous communities to promote the area as one of the most important sites to visit in Australia' - Robin Chapple



tourism operators at a Northern Development Task Force meeting in Broome to discuss the impact of mining in the Kimberley region.

Mr Chapple said the tourism operators had urged that any downstream

remaining Wonders of the World," Mr Chapple said.

"I feel they are merely acquiescing to the State Government's pro-destruction agenda for the Dampier Archipelago."

Mr Chapple said the 72

Men locked in to job



A GROUP of Indigenous men from Nowra, on the NSW south coast, are about to

start work on a new jail after completing a course in construction. The 23 young men have finished Certificate II in General Construction at TAFE and are now ready to gain apprenticeships with sub-contractors during the building of the jail.

Habitat Personnel, a Nowra-based Aboriginal employment company, has been working with the young men since they were chosen from 120 prospective applicants in March last year.

Habitat partnered with the Nowra campus of the local TAFE institute to design a specific course around the skills needed for general construction work.

TAFE teachers designed a course which gave the students practical skills in bricklaying, scaffolding, frame and form work, concreting, carpentry, assembly and finishing skills.

Federal Government Structured Training and Employment Projects Employment and Related Services Manager Cindy Holmes said the young men on the course were encouraged because they could see the results of their training.



The young Indigenous men and their teachers after completing Certificate II in General Construction at TAFE.

"They have built a driveway entrance wall, park benches that are being donated to local Indigenous services, trade tools and gifts for family to show them their skills," she said.

"So many of them believed that they would never be given the chance to do something like this and have taken this opportunity with both hands and achieved so much.

"Their attitude towards a better future and how they can see beyond their apprenticeships now, to how they can help their families grow as well, is fantastic."

The young men will soon start

work on the jail construction, initially as labourers undertaking site clearing and excavation work, until the sub-contractors start and their apprenticeships become available.



Australian Government

Department of the Environment,
Water, Heritage and the Arts

PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED PALM ISLAND SPONGE AQUACULTURE FARM

The public is invited to provide input into an environmental assessment for the proposed Palm Island Sponge Aquaculture Farm, Palm Island Group, Queensland.

The proposal by the Coolgaree Aboriginal Corporation involves growing and marketing two sponge species within the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and World Heritage Area.

Feedback is sought from interested parties on the draft guidelines for the Public Environment Report. Once finalised, the report will outline the criteria the proponent must address to ensure all environmental impacts are considered in its final Public Environment Report.

The report will be developed in relation to the protection of:

- World Heritage properties
- National Heritage places
- Listed threatened species and communities
- Listed migratory species, and
- Protection of the environment from Commonwealth actions.

Submissions are due by close of business Friday 12 September and should be emailed to: PalmsIslandSpongeFarm@environment.gov.au

Alternatively submissions can be posted to:

Director
Commonwealth and Territories Section
Environment Assessment Branch
Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
GPO Box 797
CANBERRA ACT 2601.

Copies of the draft guidelines are available at
<http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/notices/index.html>

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Redfern Park

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city of villages



Kargun Fogarty teaches the boys how to throw spears.



Heath Seckold listens to Uncle Herb Wharton's storytelling.

Emu Fest success



Uncle Billy Boy shows students axe-grinding grooves at Bendee Downs.



Canoeing fun on Neebine Creek.



Boys perform at the Emu Fest corroboree.

Learning the focus at Kooma land event



EMU Fest brought together Indigenous young people from the Queensland centres of Charleville, Cunnamulla and Hervey Bay to celebrate and learn about traditional culture for four days at Murra Murra, as part of local NAIDOC Week celebrations.

Emu Fest also promoted health and well-being, unity and self-determination, with a key focus on intergenerational learning.

Murra Murra, 120km south-east of Cunnamulla, is traditional Kooma land, and local Elders showed the young people areas of cultural and environmental significance. Together they discovered a hot bush, native wells, axe and spear-grinding grooves, legless lizards, water rats, porcupines, emus and kangaroos.

Kooma Elder and Aboriginal author of *Unbranded* and *YUMBA Days* Herb Wharton, told stories and read books with the young people in workshops and around the campfire to encourage them to write their own stories.

"Young people should be able to write the best children's stories," he said. "You can go anywhere with stories and writing books. Just start with jotting down a few thoughts."

Queensland Health's Joanne Garton said that when Uncle Herb accompanied the young people on explorations in the bush, he always found something to be amazed by.

"He wanted the bush to feature in the background of all our camp photos," she said.

"I think for Herb the bush told the

amazing stories and he was the interpreter"

Kargun and Susan Fogarty, of the Jagera Jarjum Aboriginal Dance Group, ran a traditional dance workshop over two days, culminating in a corroboree.

Mr Fogarty told the young people the story of the songs he presented so they could understand their significance, before showing them how to put the actions and feelings to dance.

"By teaching the stories we showed them how our history goes right back," he said.

"It's important to keep them alive and keep learning and remembering so they'll last many more thousands of years."

"I also shared a newer story, that's only 150 years old, about the prickly

pear. It's a survival song, about how the country started to change."

The Kooma Traditional Owner Group has recently listed a nature refuge known as Jamba Dhandan Durlingala, 'the place of the happy frogs', so the Emu Fest committee will now work to incorporate land-care activities into the



Girls cool off at the local bore.

event's programs.

Funding from Queensland Health's Indigenous Event Support Program enabled Emu Fest to be run in an alcohol and drug-free environment, with key health messages at the camp like 'smoking can cost us our culture' displayed on a range of promotional material.

Queensland Health staff also conducted a range of information sessions around nutrition, food safety, physical activity, tobacco and sexual and environmental health.

Book for mums-to-be



A HANDBOOK for pregnant Indigenous women aims to help close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

The *All You Need to Know about a Healthy Pregnancy for a Healthy Baby: An Aboriginal Personal Pregnancy Handbook* was launched last week at the Greater Western Area Health Service (GWAHS) Indigenous Co-ordination Centre in Dubbo, central-western NSW.

Aboriginal Maternal Infant Team Midwife Tanya Martin said the handbook guided Aboriginal women through the different stages of pregnancy so they knew what to expect and when.

"It explains the common changes in pregnant bodies and includes a range of suggestions on how to make pregnancy enjoyable and healthy for mother and baby," she said. "The handbook, featuring local artwork and photographs of Dubbo Aboriginal women and babies, encourages women to get an ante-natal check-up as soon as possible.

"The sooner pregnant women are connected to a health service the healthier the mother and baby.

"But unfortunately just 70 per cent of Aboriginal women, compared with 87 per cent of non-Aboriginal women, attend their first ante-natal visit before 20 weeks."

The resource aims to help close the health gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians by empowering Aboriginal women with pregnancy information and breaking down the barriers between them and their health services.

It is full of hints and tips including lesser-known information such as extra care needed for teeth and gums during pregnancy. It explains common experiences at each stage of the pregnancy and recommends things to avoid when pregnant like smoking and drinking alcohol.



With the *All You Need to Know about a Healthy Pregnancy for a Healthy Baby: An Aboriginal Personal Pregnancy Handbook* are from left, GWAHS Midwife Tanya Martin, Aboriginal Maternal Infant Health Strategy Co-ordinator Katreena Forsyth and Director of Population Health Planning and Performance Trish Strachan.

"The handbook covers all the bases and emphasises the importance of post-natal check-up and includes information on breastfeeding and parenting," Ms Martin said.

"It was designed in consultation with Aboriginal women and contains artwork by an Aboriginal artist and photographs of local Aboriginal mothers and their babies.

"It is produced in a conversational,

accessible and inclusive style right throughout."

The handbook is available to all Aboriginal women using Aboriginal maternal and infant health services.

Northern Territory Emergency Response Review Board

The Northern Territory Emergency Response Review Board has been established to conduct an independent and transparent review of the NTER.

The Review Board is now calling for public submissions.

Questions the Review Board are seeking to answer include:

1. What is working?
2. What isn't working?
3. Have there been any unintended consequences?
4. How is each NTER measure performing and how should each be taken forward?
5. What progress has there been in improving the safety and well-being of Indigenous children?
6. Will the suite of measures deliver the intended results?
7. Will NTER lay the basis for a sustainable and better future for residents of remote communities and town camps in the NT?
8. What alternative measures should be considered?
9. Are there other ways of working that would better address the circumstances facing remote communities and town camps?

Advice on how to structure submissions, Terms of Reference for the Northern Territory Emergency Response Review Board and list of NTER Measures can be obtained by calling:

Review Secretariat on 1800 733 923 or by email to NTER.Review@fahcsia.gov.au

Submissions must be in writing and will open on Friday 4 July 2008 and close on Friday 15 August.

You can lodge your views by:

MAIL: NTER Review Board Secretariat, GPO Box 7576, Canberra Mail Centre, ACT 2610

EMAIL: NTER.Review@fahcsia.gov.au

For more information email: NTER.Review@fahcsia.gov.au

www.fahcsia.gov.au



Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

Kindergarten Inclusion Support Services for Children with Severe Disabilities

The Victorian Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is inviting applications for inclusion support services for children with severe disabilities to access and participate in funded kindergarten programs in 2009.

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 - kindergarten component from the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

A copy of the information and application kit is available at: www.office-for-children.vic.gov.au/childrens-services or from the Regional Advisory Group Convenor at the numbers below:

Barwon South West
Specialist Children's Services
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
Ph: 03 5226 4540

Eastern Metropolitan
Connections
Ph: 03 9871 0233

Gippsland Children's Services
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
Ph: 03 5177 2611

Grampians Community Care
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
Ph: 03 5333 7844

Hume
Scope (Vic) Hume Region
Ph: 03 5762 7121

Loddon Mallee Community Services
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
Ph: 03 5434 5702

Northern Metropolitan
Broadmeadows Uniting Care
Ph: 03 9351 3624

Southern Metropolitan
Yooralla Society of Victoria
Ph: 03 9551 8438

Western Metropolitan
Broadmeadows Uniting Care
Ph: 03 9351 3623

Closing date for applications is Friday 19 September 2008.

Funeral plan info guide



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people can now make informed choices when it comes to planning for their funeral. The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) has launched a special new guide to assist Indigenous people who buy products to pay for a funeral.

The Commission says it has recognised the important role funerals play in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, and *Paying for Funerals: Tips for Indigenous Consumers* responds to the desire of many people to buy savings or insurance products to help them manage funeral costs.

Five important tips from the commission

The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) offers the following five key tips:

- Find out what options you might already have to help cover funeral costs. For example: Is there a health insurance policy that pays a funeral benefit? Are you the surviving partner of a person receiving a Centrelink benefit, in which case you may be entitled to bereavement payments? Are you a veteran or member of an association such as a trade union, which means you may be able

to access assistance to meet funeral costs? Does your local Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community organisation provide any assistance with funeral costs?

- Check if your super fund has life insurance.
- Get the right funeral cover for you and your family.
- Don't rush or be pressured into your decision.
- Tell your family about what plans you have made.

ASIC official Delia Rickard said financial worries could add a lot of stress to the sadness of losing a loved one.

"ASIC's experience suggests the many different types of funeral cover available are often not well understood, and door-to-door

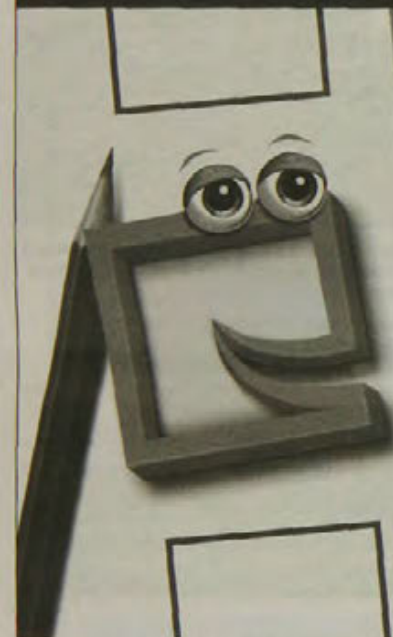
selling means too many people sign up for funeral cover without fully understanding the costs or features," she said.

In developing the consumer guide, ASIC consulted with community members, people working with Indigenous communities and other government agencies.

"We hope the consumer guide will help people decide how they might meet the future cost of a funeral and give them greater peace of mind," Ms Rickard said.

- To obtain a copy of ASIC's *Paying for Funerals: Tips for Indigenous Consumers*, visit www.fido.gov.au/indigenous, to download a copy from the Indigenous homepage on ASIC's consumer site, or email infoline@asic.gov.au with your full name and mailing address, or call 1300 300 630.

NSW Local Council Elections Saturday 13 September 2008



"Vote early if you're away from home on Saturday 13 September."

On election day, Saturday 13 September 2008, you must vote within your council area or ward. There is no absentee voting at local council elections.

If you can't vote at a polling place in your council area or ward on election day, your voice can still be heard.

Vote before election day by visiting your local pre-poll voting centre from Monday 1 September to Friday 12 September 2008. Or vote by post by returning a completed application form by 5pm Monday 8 September 2008.

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Your vote is your voice in your local area. Be heard.

Colin Barry, Electoral Commissioner, Level 25, 201 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW 2000.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BIGAMBUL PEOPLE'S NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

THE BIGAMBUL PEOPLE are the descendants of the following Aboriginal apical ancestors:

1. Queen Susan, also known as Granny Susan, also known as Susan of Welltown;
2. 'Sally', mother of Mary Ann Beng;
3. Nellie of Goondiwindi;
4. Nellie Yumbeina;
5. Jack Noble; and
6. Sally Murray.

This Notice invites all members of the Bigambul People (the description of whom is set out above) to attend a meeting at the time and location below:

Date of Meeting: 16 August 2008

Venue of Meeting: Goondiwindi Waggamba Community Cultural Centre
18-26 Russell Street, Goondiwindi

Time of Meeting: 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Purpose of this meeting is to authorise a native title determination application for the Bigambul People relating to the recognition of native title rights and interests over Bigambul lands.



The proposed claim area is situated in southern Queensland, north of Goondiwindi, as shown in the map below.

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport to or from the meeting. However, morning tea and lunch will be provided to participants at the meeting.

All Bigambul People are invited to contact Queensland South Native Title Services (Richard Sporne or the Communities Section on 07-3221 5500) to register their intention to be present at the authorisation meeting.



Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party



Name of applicant: Martang Pty. Ltd.
Public comments due: 5 September 2008
The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) received an application by Martang Pty. Ltd. for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party. The area pertaining to the application has since been expanded and is now 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 in the amended area 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 for the amended area shown on the accompanying map, which can be sent to:

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat
GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001

Email: vahe@dpced.vic.gov.au

Phone: 03 9208 3243

Fax: 03 9208 3292

The applicant will be advised of comments received.

Kids who inspire



SOME very special Indigenous young people were honoured at the Kids in Community Awards in Lismore last week.

The awards recognise the special contributions young people make in their community, and resulted in a packed house at the Lismore Workers Club.

Winning Division 1 in the Indigenous Youth Support category was John Randall, who is studying at Evans River K-12 School.

He was nominated for inspiring younger Aboriginal students to attend school, learn as much as they can, and become who they want to be. He is a talented athlete and active throughout the school community.

Jirrah Prendaghost from Byron Shire, won category 2 of the Indigenous Youth Support award for his work mentoring troubled kids in Byron Shire.

He is passionate about social issues and contributes to reconciliation and Aboriginal issues.

Winning the Group Supporting Youth award was the Creative People's Collective, a grassroots team of young people who were nominated for their desire to have youth voices heard by the wider community.

On the evening, the audience was entertained with Indigenous dancing by the Ngagu Jabu group from Ballina High School, along with guest speaker Robbie Buck from Triple J, and singer Diana Anaid.



Clockwise from above left:

● Indigenous Youth Support Division 2 winner Jirrah Prendaghost, with Triple J presenter Robbie Buck, John Goodwin from Trenches McKenzie Cox, and Darren Coyne from *The Koori Mail*.

● Indigenous Youth Support Division 1 winner John Randall. The award was sponsored by the Centre for Children and Young People, and the Lismore Workers Club.

● Members of the Ngagu Jabu dance group from Ballina High School performed at the presentations at the Lismore Workers club.

● Members of the Creative Peoples Collective Initiative are presented their award in the Group Supporting Youth category by Triple J presenter and guest speaker Robbie Buck, centre.



Clarence Council consults about Aboriginal heritage



local council.

The Clarence Valley Council is displaying the draft consultation protocol until 3 September for public comment.

The protocol has been developed in consultation with local Aboriginal people and endorsed by councillors.

Clarence Valley mayor Ian Tiley expressed strong support for the draft protocol.

"Council has ensured that the local Aboriginal community is actively consulted before decisions are made on development proposals and strategic plans when Aboriginal cultural heritage values are potentially impacted," Cr Tiley said.

The council has endorsed public exhibition of the draft document.

"It has been prepared in consultation with members of the local Aboriginal community in an effort to ensure that outcomes are achieved and cultural

values appropriately respected and preserved.

"The assistance of a cultural heritage reference group and local Aboriginal people such as Uncle Ron Heron, Bill Walker, David Daley, Ken Laurie and David Walker has been most helpful.

"In the past, the council's approach to consultation on these matters has been ad hoc and inconsistent. The local Aboriginal community have advised the council that a better way is needed to educate the community about and protect cultural heritage. And we have heard and will act on that message."

The Department of Environment and Climate Change has recorded more than 1000 sites, with many more known to the local Aboriginal community.

The draft protocol is on exhibition until 3 September and can be viewed at the council's offices in Grafton and Maclean or on its website, www.clarence.nsw.gov.au.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the council's Environmental Planning Coordinator, Scott Lenton, on 6643 0200.

Coonamble gears up for the first Vibe Alive event



are busy preparing their vocal and dance performances.

Already, dozens of teams have registered, including teams from Coonamble Public School, Coonamble High School and St Brigid's School, who will be up against teams from Dubbo, Nyngan, Collarenebri, Gulargambone, Walgett, Gilgandra, Condobolin, Coonabarabran and Binnaway in a competition featuring sport, music, art and culture.

"I can't wait to see the talent that's going to be on display," said former Australian Idol Casey Donovan, who is a guest judge and role model at the Coonamble event.

"There are so many talented young people across NSW, and Vibe Alive is giving them the chance to show it off.

I hope all the aspiring singers out there really grab this opportunity to be heard."

Also judging and offering their expert advice on the dance floor are finalists of the hit reality TV show *So You Think You Can Dance?* - Sermsah 'Suri' Bin Saad and Vanessa Sew Hoy.

Primary and high school students at Vibe Alive will be competing across seven categories, including singing, dancing, basketball and visual art, to win prizes and the chance to be named winner of the inaugural Vibe Alive Festival.

"We're all so pumped about Coonamble Vibe Alive," said Vibe Alive Executive Producer Gavin Jones.

Limited places are available for schools which have not registered for the event, to be held on 20-21 August at Coonamble Football Oval, Castlereagh Highway and McCullough Street, Coonamble.

● To register and for more info, head to www.vibealive.com.au

Trainees choose career pathway



A PROGRAM for Indigenous mining trainees that gives them a say in their career path is in the running for the WA Training Awards 2008.

The program is an initiative of Perth-based firm Macmahon, which operates throughout Australia, New Zealand and South-East Asia.

The Indigenous trainees are all working towards a Certificate II in Metalliferous Open-Cut Mining and study units at Pilbara TAFE.

Macmahon Chief Executive Officer Nick Bowen said the unique feature of the program was that participants chose the direction their traineeship took.

"For the first three months the trainees rotate for two-week blocks through different departments on the mine site, such as drilling and blasting, mining and processing," he said.

"This allows them to gain first-hand exposure to all facets of the industry and allows them to make an educated decision as to a potential career path."

"After the three months, the trainees, in consultation with our team, decide which area they wish to progress in and then they remain in that area for the rest of the 12-month traineeship, gaining valuable on-the-job training from experienced colleagues."

"Giving trainees equal input into the decisions regarding their training means that from day one, they are working towards a career goal that they want, not one that has been selected for them."

The program will be up against a West Coast TAFE nursing project which gives students time in Bangladesh working in a third world hospital, a sculpture program run by Curtin VTECH, and a remote training initiative run by the SMYL community services group in Fremantle.

The winner of the finals will be announced during a presentation ceremony at Burswood Entertainment Complex on September 5.

Winners could go on to compete against the best in the nation at the Australian Training Awards in Darwin in November.

The WA Training Awards 2008 are a joint initiative of the Department of Education and Training and the State Training Board.

Department of Education and Training Director General Sharyn O'Neill said the Awards were designed to acknowledge training excellence and offered more than \$90,000 in prizes across 11 categories.

Students get a little help from NAISDA

By GABBY FRANKLIN



A HEIGHTENED sense of cultural pride has developed out of the first combined

Wagambirra and Yarrigan dance group's performance at Cowra High School.

The Yarrigan performers, who are all graduates of the National Aboriginal Islander Skills Development Association (NAISDA), helped the

Wagambirra students to acquire and develop new skills under the direction of choreographer Jo Clancy in the weeks leading up to the 28 July performance.

The show was a great success with a large audience of students and teachers from schools across Cowra attending, as well as other members of the local community.

This was the first collaborative show by the two groups, with the energetic contemporary dances performed by the

Wagambirra group arising from the central-west Aboriginal dance program with Aboriginal dance specialist Johanna Clancy.

Ms Clancy said that after working with both dance groups separately, she saw the opportunity to collaborate the two, and explore a mix of traditional and contemporary movement.

This meant the young Wagambirra performers had the chance to perform in front of their school and community with a professional company.

"I wanted to give them the opportunity to see how much further they could go with dance" Ms Clancy said.

Beatrice Murray oversees the Wagambirra group, who have been dancing for about 5 years.

She said that when the prospect of Jo Clancy instructing the group was first raised, she instantly knew the dance specialist's experience would benefit the Wagambirra dancers, helping to raise their self-esteem and pride.

Wagambirra Dancers before their first public performance at Cowra High School.



Indigenous designer wins national award



INDIGENOUS-focused print and website design company Dreamtime Public Relations won

the major design award at the National Drug and Alcohol Awards in Melbourne on 27 June.

The award for best logo design for the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Committee was presented to Dreamtime Public Relations at a gala ceremony held at the Plaza Ballroom.

The design by Dreamtime's Toby Dodd, was judged the best from a field of more than 100 international entrants and 170 logos. Entries came from urban, rural and remote areas of Australia

as well as overseas.

Dreamtime Public Relations Managing Director Janet Craig said she was ecstatic with the win.

"Dreamtime was established five years ago to produce quality, culturally appropriate visual communications and to provide professional development opportunities to Indigenous people. This award is proof that we are fulfilling our objectives," she said.

Mr Dodd, of Ngarrindjeri/Narungga/Kaurna descent, has been with Dreamtime since he left school at 17, five years ago.

Another Indigenous designer, Karen Briggs, was one of the three finalists.



From left, National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Committee Executive Officer Sue-Anne Morley, Dreamtime Managing Director Janet Craig, multimedia designer Toby Dodd and Dreamtime Director Bryan Smith.



Ampilatwatja community girls singing.



Ikuntji kids getting ready before a concert.

MAD keen kids



A disco in the dust at Ampilatwatja.



GETTING kids inspired about education through music and dance was the aim behind the 'MAD for Life' project which the Central

Australian Aboriginal Media Association (CAAMA) recently took to six Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory.

More than 250 school students, 10 community bands and four community choirs took part in the music development project, which culminated in six community concerts.

CAAMA Music Development Officer Patrick McCloskey said there was much excitement and anticipation in the lead-up to the concerts, where children and youth performed what they had learnt. However, at many of the communities there was also traditional dancing and singing.

"Everybody from five years of age to Elders performed and shared in the music and dance," he said.

Mr McCloskey said teachers throughout the communities had reported that the fortnight-long

rhythm, vocal and dance workshops acted as 'a hook', encouraging students to attend school.

"They also provided a fun and alternative way of engaging students in numeracy and literacy programs," he said.

"For example, students were

of music equipment, including a PA sound system, mixer, guitars and drums. Mr McCloskey said the equipment was 'a big hit' and would allow the communities to continue to play and develop music with their own local flavour.

The 'MAD for Life' or Music and Dance for Life workshops were funded through the Federal Government's Central Australia Petrol Sniffing Strategic Unit. They were held at Ikuntji, Willowra, Titjikala, Ampilatwatja, Areyonga, and Apatula.

Indigenous dancers Mariaa Randall and Shari Togo were part of the team of artists that delivered the workshops, and the production crew included two Indigenous trainees.

CAAMA Music Manager Bill Davis said the workshops were a fantastic opportunity for young people in remote

communities to gain performing arts skills.

"Music and dance is such a powerful way of exploring and expressing identity," he said.

"The project has huge potential to empower and inspire young people out bush."



Kiefer on the microphone at Ikuntji.

involved in writing songs in both English and their own Indigenous languages and applied basic numeracy skills through the sequential percussion and dance activities."

As part of the project, each community also received a new set



Apatula young fellas drumming.



Willowra girls learning singing with Rachel Hore.



These girls get right into their dancing.



Action from the Fitzroy Stars v Macleod family day clash in Melbourne.



Carol Harrison was on hand to make sure the players had plenty of water.



Fitzroy Stars players make a break during their clash with Macleod.

Family day a winner

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THE Fitzroy Stars showed their support for a violence-free community by hosting a special family day as they took on Macleod on home turf at Crispe Park in Reservoir, Melbourne.

While the Stars 11.13 (79) were beaten by Macleod 16.09 (105), the family day was a winner with its aim of strengthening the local Indigenous community towards freedom from family violence.

Activities included a jumping castle, face painting and there were free T-shirts for kids.

The day was supported by North and West Metropolitan Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group and the

Aborigines Advancement League.

The Fitzroy Stars team for Aboriginal players was formed in the 1970s with the goal of promoting a healthy lifestyle, building self-esteem, offering pathways to employment and building bridges between the Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

The club, now playing in the Northern Metropolitan League, has racked up four premiership wins between 1977 and 1992.

Upcoming events for the football club include a Night with the Stars fancy dress and Koori-oki: Vote Count Day; and the formal end-of-year presentation night.

For more information contact the club on (03) 9489 3211.



Nellie Flagg, from Melbourne, with North and West Regional Indigenous Family Violence Action Group Chairperson Uncle Phil Cooper.



Luke Murray, from Bendigo, with his niece Koki Thorpe.



Kanisha, Iseh and Norma Bamblett enjoying the Fitzroy Stars family day with Leon Hill.



Fitzroy Stars players and coach Alan Brown at half-time.



Artist and SAILS landholder Darrell Graham shows Tim Overheu and his daughter some traditional painting.



Noongar youth demonstrate traditional dancing at the SAILS NAIDOC Week gathering in Albany.



Patricia Williams and her son preparing damper for lunch.

SAILing through NAIDOC



NAIDOC Week provided an opportunity to showcase achievements in the management of Indigenous-owned properties in the south of Western Australia.

The Southern Agricultural Indigenous Landholder Service (SAILS) of the Department of Agriculture and Food WA invited staff, other agencies, landholders and their families to participate at the event in the city of Albany.

Held at the SAILS offices, this year's NAIDOC activities included Indigenous dance and story-telling, art displays, painting, making damper and a traditional tools display.

Elder Maude Bonshore and Noongar man Shaun Nannup officially opened the event with a welcome to country in English and Noongar.

The day also provided an opportunity for SAILS to demonstrate its project achievements.

Indigenous dancing and music, and a Dreamtime creation story by Shaun Nannup, were followed by a lunch of kangaroo stew and damper.

A bus tour of important Indigenous sites, hosted by Elder Vernice Gillies, was organised in the afternoon.

SAILS Communications Officer Alison Naylor said the day was a



Elder Maude Bonshore giving the welcome to country.

success and she hoped the annual event would become bigger and better each year.

"The displays and activities got everyone involved, which was a great way to celebrate Indigenous culture and NAIDOC," she said.



The Tiny Temptations, from left, Shane Close, Paul Williams, James and Shallam Bundock, Jerome Green, Kaleb Bundock and Curtis Close in Bonalbo.



Dancers were a big feature at Bonalbo. Pictured here are, from left, Shikira and Leearna Bundock, Maree and Kyisha Close and Kristy Bundock.



Telithia Fuller performs during the Bonalbo NAIDOC celebrations in northern NSW.



Cindy Monsell and Aloma Gordon.



Lekiha and Daniel Boney

Celebration at Bonalbo



ALMOST 200 people came together in Bonalbo, far north NSW, for NAIDOC celebrations which had a multicultural flavour and activities galore, from boomerang painting to bead making.

Tabulam Land Council Chairman Cedrick Walker provided the welcome and local Aboriginal dancer Keagan Laurie performed the welcome dance.

Bonalbo Primary students sang a Thai song and also displayed their multicultural project; Bonalbo High School girls

performed a hip hop dance routine; and students from Old Bonalbo Public performed the Mexican Hat dance.

Meanwhile, the Bonalbo Line Dancers showed their style, Mulli Mulli community was represented by dancers from Woodenbong Central School and there were mums and babies from Tabulam Pre-School.

Students from hospitality courses at Bonalbo Central School and Kyogle High School provided food and drinks and locals also shared traditional campfire billy tea and damper.



Angelean Briggs and Ester Brown



Keagan Laurie and Telithia Fuller



Australian Government

Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

National Rental Affordability Scheme

Information Sessions and Call for Applications

The Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) is seeking applications for the National Rental Affordability Scheme.

The Scheme will offer investors financial incentives to construct new affordable rental properties on the condition that they are rented to eligible tenants at 20 per cent below market rates.

The National Rental Affordability Scheme is being established by the Australian Government, at a cost of \$623 million over four years. It aims to increase the supply of affordable rental dwellings for low and moderate income households by 50,000 during that time.

The Australian Government's contribution to the incentive will be \$6,000 per year for each dwelling approved under the Scheme for ten years. State and Territory Governments will contribute an additional \$2,000 per year to the incentive for each dwelling in direct or in-kind financial support.

Round 1 Call for Applications opened on 24 July 2008 and will close at 2pm AEST on 4 September 2008.

Information sessions will be held around the country for interested parties, including financial institutions, developers and land holders, local governments, not for profit housing groups and property managers.

Details about the information sessions and the application process can be accessed at the FaHCSIA housing website www.fahcsia.gov.au/housing or by calling 1800 334 505 between 9am - 5pm AEST Monday to Friday.

www.fahcsia.gov.au

Juniperina celebrates



Role models, from left, Luke Carroll, Bo De La Cruz, Adam Goodes and Joe Williams.



STUDENTS from Sunning Hill Education and Training Centre were visited by Aboriginal role models and speakers for their NAIDOC Week celebrations.

The special guests included Adam Goodes, from AFL's Sydney Swans, Joe Williams, from the NRL Bulldogs, Australian Touch player Bo De

La Cruz, actor Luke Carroll, Elder Uncle George and Stolen Generations member Deborah Hocking. Anita Hawkins, a teacher from the school which is in the Juniperina Juvenile Justice Centre in western Sydney, said NAIDOC was one of the biggest days on the calendar.

"It's a day for all nationalities to band together and respect Indigenous culture, and of

course we can't do without role models," she said.

"They came in with strong words of wisdom and inspirational stories.

"The girls were buzzing with excitement after the day."

Ms Hawkins said that Uncle George did a welcome to country in Aboriginal language, and then explained to the girls the meanings of his welcome.



Members of the Wagga Elders, from left, Aunty Kath Withers, Aunty Lena Whyman, Aunty Isabel Reid, Aunty Yvonne Gilchrist, Aunty Joyce Hampton and Aunty Pat Dacey with, at rear, Nathan Lamont and Sarah Ingram.



From left, Melissa (Mary) O'Neill, Elder Aunty Isabel Reid, Sandra Grentell and Julie Bell cut the NAIDOC cake at the Ashmont Community Resource Centre in Wagga Wagga.

Spotlight on the children

NSW THE Ashmont Community Resource Centre in Wagga Wagga, southern NSW, celebrated NAIDOC during the recent school holidays, with something for young and old.

The local NAIDOC Children's Day featured mask-making, painting, make-up workshops, beading and other craft and a tug-of-war followed by a barbecue meal and cake.

The day was supported by community organisations including the local police, Save the Children, the Indigenous Co-ordination Centre (ICC), community volunteers, Anglicare and Riverina Community College.

The following week, a NAIDOC luncheon was attended by the Wagga Wagga Elders Group. Guests included Mayor Kerry Pascoe, local MP



Back, from left, Wagga Wagga Mayor Kerry Pascoe and Sarah Ingram. Front, from left, Bailey O'Neill, Nathan Lamont and Trae O'Neill.

Daryl Maguire and Detective Inspector Rod Smith, of Wagga Wagga Police.

Guests were entertained by local artist Sarah Ingram and

Nathan Lamont from Mt Austin High School's MAKET (Mt Austin Koori Education Team) as well as contortionist Miriam Conyers.



Paul Mumbler and Ross Jackson cooking the barbecue during the NAIDOC Children's Day.



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To find out more or for an information pack, contact:

Allan and Katrina
IYMP Co-ordinators
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Sara Ebsworth and Shikorra Ebsworth after the make-up workshop.



Kelly and Brianna Robinson enjoying the children's activities.



Australian Government
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Children's day rounds off uni celebration



NEARLY 200 primary and pre-school children attended a children's day

which formed the finale of a week of NAIDOC celebrations at Southern Cross University (SCU) in northern New South Wales.

A week-long program was held across the university's campuses at Lismore, Tweed/Gold Coast and Coffs Harbour with workshops including dance, bush tucker, art and traditional cooking.

Opening the celebrations was a public panel discussion at Lismore campus exploring the

theme of NAIDOC Week 2008 'Advance Australia Fair?', featuring a performance by the Awabakul Dancers and followed by a barbecue lunch.

Later in the week, internationally renowned performer and descendant of the Gamillaroi and Bigambul tribes Dhinawan gave a bush tucker talk on the grounds of the Lismore campus.

He shared how the plants and trees were used in traditional everyday life as food and as medicine and how they told of the coming food cycles.

The workshops and Kids Day

were funded by the Australian Government Regional Arts Fund, with support from SCU, project partners and the Indigenous community.

Events were overseen by the university's Indigenous Events Coordinating Committee under the guidance of Gribi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples.

Grant funding contributed towards the cost of hiring a project co-ordinator, Bilyana Noel Blomeley.

Organisers said the week was a resounding success with excellent attendances at all events.



Children's Day activities at SCU in Lismore.

University joins in

By Townsville Correspondent
ALF WILSON



JAMES Cook University in Townsville kick-started its second semester by inviting students and staff to celebrate NAIDOC Day on 4 August.

The celebrations featured a smorgasbord of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander traditional food and dance as well as a cultural market displaying art, crafts and information.

Celebrations at the university were later than the usual NAIDOC Week in July because students were on holidays at that time.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags were held proudly during an on-campus march to the cultural market outside the university refectory.

The Imbulah Imbulah Dance Group, the Ngulumburu Boonyah dancers, Western Blues dancers from the Torres Strait and Shalom Christian College performed before the large crowd, while students held small Aboriginal and Islander flags.

"We performed the Gadan Gadan (we are coming), a cleansing dance, a creation dance of the sun, moons and stars," said Ngulumburu Boonyah group member Stephanie Miller.

International students were invited to dance by Nicole Willis during the Imbulah Imbulah Group performance.

The Shalom Christian College TSI dancers were a hit. They included Alice Anau (Boigu), Solomon (Injinoo), Jewel Omeeny (Lockhart River), Tinisha Solomon (Injinoo) and Casana Phillips (Darnley), Kahli Kiwat (Darnley), Gennis Gilet (Lockhart River), Jordon and Zhane Saylor (Darnley).

Academic staff and students informed and entertained the public with a debate and quiz to showcase their knowledge on Indigenous issues.

The program included a welcome to country by Associate Professor Gracelyn Smallwood, an emotional speech on Stolen Wages by Lilian Willis and poetry by Coralie Cassidy. Political science student and Executive Member of the Golden Key Society Michelle Deshong also spoke, along with Indigenous academic staff and students.

Indigenous senior students from public and Catholic secondary schools attended the event to learn about courses on offer from JCU.

JCU NAIDOC Committee member and event MC Florence Onus said the



Philip Doolah, left, from Horn Island, and Tom Neliman, from Mabuaig, with the Torres Strait Islander flag.



The street march at the JCU Townsville campus.



Shalom College dancers at the James Cook University celebration in Townsville.



This group from Shalom Christian College showed their true colours.

Indigenous community had been invited to encourage and promote participation in tertiary education at JCU.

"This will provide community people with opportunities through education and

qualifications to fulfil their individual aspirations," she said.

The inclusive feel reflected the university's Reconciliation Statement, which was launched earlier this year at the

naming of the JCU library after native title campaigner Eddie Mabo.

Indigenous radio station 4K1G was there, and announcers C-Jay and Lloyd Wyles did live crosses to a large audience.

Students look to the future



INDIGENOUS students from across Australia have met in Sydney to share ideas on how to improve education opportunities.

The inaugural National Indigenous Students' Conference was held from the 31 July - 2 August at The University of Sydney.

The conference marked the first time Indigenous students nationwide had come together to discuss education, participation and social inclusion.

There were 53 Indigenous delegates from 25 universities, and on 1 August they presented recommendations to Professor Denise Bradley, who is undertaking a review of higher education for the Federal Government.

The students told Prof Bradley, the former Vice-Chancellor of the University of South Australia, that Abstudy needed to be made simpler to access.

They also said an increase in HECS would discourage students from taking up higher education, so there was a need for the Commonwealth to fund the creation of half-HECS equity scholarships for all HECS-liable Indigenous students.

Other recommendations included cultural training for all university staff, more Indigenous staff, and the inclusion of Indigenous content in curriculum where it was applicable. The students also called for more flexibility in the delivery of degrees, and consultation on any changes to Indigenous Support Centres.

Professor Bradley is to report by the end of the year on how higher education can be made more diverse, better funded, more accessible, of a higher standard and able to produce better workers.



Participants at the inaugural National Indigenous Students' Conference, held in Sydney.

Festival time in Darwin



THIS year's Darwin Festival, which starts this week, will

feature some of the best artists from around the world - including many Indigenous Australian performers.

Features on this year's program include the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award as well as many other art exhibitions, the Annual NT Indigenous Music Awards and a host of outdoor activities.

Traditional Indigenous performances in the city's Star Shell will be held over nine consecutive nights, and there will also be the outdoor Indigenous art show - the Galuku Gallery - where framed prints hang on the palm trees in the Darwin Festival entertainment hub at the Botanic Gardens.

The Festival program is



Gurrumul Yunupingu will perform in Darwin.

distinctly flavoured with Indigenous, Asian and multicultural events, and organisers say it presents a wide and colourful program encompassing theatre, music, dance, visual arts, comedy, film, workshops, and free events in a tropical, outdoor venue.

● For more information or to join the Darwin Festival mailing list, visit www.darwinfestival.org.au.

Aboriginal Heritage Assessment - Proposed Newcastle CBD Project

The GPT Group seeks registration of interested Aboriginal stakeholders to participate in the consultation program for an Aboriginal Heritage Assessment of the proposed Newcastle CBD project.

Aboriginal stakeholders are invited to register an interest with Meaghan Russell, Senior Archaeologist from Umwelt.

Closing date for registration is 5 pm on 27 August 2008

fax: (02) 4950 5737

post: PO Box 838 Toronto NSW 2283

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The Department of Water and Energy (DWE) and the South Australian Water Corporation (SA Water)

Request for Tender

Weed Control Provider

The NSW Department of Water and Energy, in association with the SA Water Corporation invites tenders for implementation of an ongoing feral animal control program to be implemented on properties owned and managed by DWE and SA Water at and near to Lake Victoria, and on the South Australian/NSW border. Preference will be given to contractors who are willing to utilise and train Aboriginal employees. Appropriate licences and experience is required.

Tenders enclosed in a sealed envelope endorsed with the project name are to be lodged by 4.00pm, 27th August in the Departments Tender Box by the time and date stated to: Front Foyer, NSW Government Offices, 32 Enterprise Way, Buronga, NSW, 2739.

Tender documents and additional information can be obtained by contacting: Lyn Barnes at the Department of Water and Energy on 03 5051 6225.

042 306172

TEC wish to identify Aboriginal cultural heritage stakeholders for a study along Eastern Creek, NSW.

Oliver Brown

Archaeology - Project Manager

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Government of South Australia

PUBLIC NOTICE

ABORIGINAL HERITAGE ACT 1988

Professional Concreting P/L seeks authorisation from the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation under Section 23 of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988 (the Act) to 'damage, disturb or interfere with' and authorisation under Section 21 of the Act to 'excavate land for the purpose of uncovering any Aboriginal sites objects or remains' over a portion of registered site no. 6628-3849 (Greenfields Archaeological site) located in Greenfields, Salisbury City Council area. A map is available on request.

Section 13 of the Act requires the Minister to take all reasonable steps to consult, prior to making any authorisation, with:

- the Aboriginal Heritage Committee;
- any traditional owners; and
- any Aboriginal person or organisation;

that in the opinion of the Minister have a particular interest in the matter.

A consultation meeting will be held for Aboriginal people and Aboriginal organisations and those invited by them at:

The Warriparinga Living Kaurna Cultural Centre
Warriparinga Access Road - off Sturt Road
(Corner of Sturt, Marion and South Roads)
Bedford Park SA 5042

At 10.30am on Tuesday 2 September 2008

Refreshments will be served.

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AARD can organise for the purchase of fuel to assist people attend the meeting. Several days notice is required for this assistance.

For more information, or to make a written or telephone submission please contact:

Ribinga Green at the Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Division
GPO Box 2343, Adelaide SA 5001
Phone: 1800 127 001 (toll free)

Fax: (08) 8226 0390

Email: green.ribinga@dpc.sa.gov.au

All comments and submissions to be received by 9 September 2008.

Joslene Mazel
Executive Director
Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Division

Australian Nuclear Free Alliance ~ANFA~

August 29-31, 2008

A meeting for Aboriginal people opposing uranium or nuclear waste projects on their country.

Work together with environmental and public health organisations

Venue near Darwin, NT

Contact:

Donna Jackson

Top End Aboriginal Conservation Alliance

08 8985 4784, 0427 847 186

donna@teaca.org



Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Community Forum - Ringwood East 21 August 2008

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council will be holding a community forum at its next meeting. The forum will provide an opportunity for Council to discuss its current work and priorities and in particular, the process for appointing and establishing Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs). Please note that the details of individual group's RAP applications will not be discussed at the forum.

Date: Thursday 21 August 2008 from 3 pm to 5 pm

Venue: Ringwood East Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place
47 Patterson Street
Ringwood East

Please RSVP to Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat by Phone (03) 9208 3243 or by email at vhc@dpdc.vic.gov.au

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Lecturer/Senior Lecturer - Indigenous Health

TOWNSVILLE

The School of Medicine and Dentistry, which commenced in 2000, has a regional mission to serve the health needs of northern Australia, with a focus on rural and remote, Indigenous and tropical health care. The six year community-orientated course is systems based, integrated across basic and clinical sciences. The University is seeking an energetic individual with experience in Indigenous health service delivery to take a lead role in the area of Indigenous Health across the medical curriculum. The position has a particular focus on support for Indigenous students.

Indigenous health-related research and engagement with Indigenous health services in the education and training of medical students. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries to: A/Prof Richard Murray, telephone (07) 4781 6232, e-mail richard.murray@jcu.edu.au

Employment Type: Appointment will be full-time on a continuing basis subject to a probationary period but applicants wishing to work less than full time will also be considered.

Salary: Lecturer - Academic Level B - \$65,695 - \$77,734 per annum or Senior Lecturer - Academic Level C - \$80,140 - \$92,180 per annum. Level of appointment and commencing salary will be in accordance with qualifications and experience.

Benefits include generous employer superannuation contribution and attractive options for salary packaging.

Applicants must follow the Method of Application procedures (including systematically addressing the Selection Criteria). Further information is available at <http://jobs.jcu.edu.au/> or by contacting the Recruitment Officer, Faculty of Medicine, Health and Molecular Sciences, telephone: (07) 4781 6209; e-mail Adele.Goalder@jcu.edu.au

Applications close on 29 August 2008. Please quote reference number 8210.

The University reserves the right to invite applications or not to make an appointment.

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Lecturer - School of Education

TOWNSVILLE

The School of Education seeks to appoint an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander academic to support the School's commitment to improving educational outcomes for Indigenous students in our region and nationally. The appointee will bolster community engagement and work collaboratively with schools in the region. Working collaboratively with School staff, the appointee will support the incorporation of Indigenous perspectives and knowledge across all programs as well as contribute to the teaching program. The appointee will be supported to undertake a research higher degree, and undertake a fractional teaching load for the first three years of the appointment.

It is a genuine occupational requirement that the position be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person as permitted by, and arguable under, Sections 25, 104 and 105 of the Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act 1991.

Enquiries to: Professor Nola Alloway, telephone (07) 4781 4623, e-mail nola.alloway@jcu.edu.au

Employment Type: Appointment will be full-time on a continuing basis subject to a probationary period.

Salary: Lecturer - Academic Level B - \$65,695 - \$77,734 per annum. Commencing salary will be determined according to qualifications and experience. Benefits include generous employer superannuation contribution and attractive options for salary packaging.

Applicants must follow the Method of Application procedures (including systematically addressing the Selection Criteria). Further information is available at <http://www.jcu.edu.au/jobs/> or by contacting the Recruitment Officer, Faculty of Arts, Education and Social Sciences telephone: (07) 4781 6322; e-mail Karen.Griffiths@jcu.edu.au

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Brian Curley, Major Bruce Harmer and Palm Island's Paul Ketchup with the Aboriginal flag. Mr Curley and Mr Ketchup were participants in the program.

Townsville Salvos raise standards

Story and photos by ALF WILSON



THE Salvation Army in Townsville has raised the Indigenous flags over drug and alcohol treatment. Major Bruce Harmer said the raising of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags at the Townsville Salvation Army's

Walker Street Treatment Centre on 2 August was a symbolic gesture for the Indigenous community of north Queensland.

"The Salvation Army is committed to working with the Indigenous community of Townsville. It's one thing to say you want to help that community; it's another to put your words into action," he said.

Centre clients Paul Ketchup, 38, from Palm Island and Brian Curley, 48, said the flag-raising was a positive thing.

"This will help our brothers to know where they can come and I feel good that the flags are here," Mr Ketchup said.

Major Harmer said there was a need for partnerships between the Indigenous community and health service providers like The Salvation Army.

"We have always stood by the Indigenous community of Townsville and now we will fly their flags above our treatment centre to show everyone interested that we are committed to working with the Indigenous people of Townsville and the region," he added.

Major Harmer said the Salvation Army had been gathering support for a state-of-the-art treatment centre for men, women and families.

Major Harmer said the Salvos were pleased to have the ongoing support of local MP and Parliament Speaker Mike Reynolds, who also attended the flag-raising.

New program for Cherbourg



CHERBOURG is to receive a new counselling and support pilot program for women and children affected

by domestic and family violence.

State Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Lindy Nelson-Carr announced last month that the South Burnett Community Training Centre had been allocated \$712,565 over three years to run the Cherbourg Indigenous Domestic and Family Violence Counselling Service.

"Violence and abuse in the home has a lasting impact on entire families, particularly women and children," the Minister said.

"This new service being piloted in Cherbourg will provide

much-needed support, such as counselling, to women and children who are suffering because of domestic and family violence.

"The service will also play an important role in increasing awareness and community intolerance of domestic and family violence and in encouraging more victims and witnesses to seek help - ultimately, all in an effort to reduce incidence rates."

Ms Nelson-Carr said the South Burnett Community Training Centre had been allocated a one-off grant of \$86,000 in addition to \$208,855 a year for the next three years.

She said the centre was a well-known service provider with a proven track record of working cooperatively with the entire community.

The Minister said the new

Cherbourg service formed part of the \$3.3 million Indigenous Domestic and Family Violence Counselling Support Services pilot program, which includes services at two other trial locations in Cooktown and the Torres Strait.

"The centre will also work with other groups, such as the Jundah Women's Shelter, to ensure a holistic approach to support," she said.

Ms Nelson-Carr also officially launched Relationships Australia's Cherbourg Safe Haven service while in the South Burnett region.

The Department of Communities provided Relationships Australia with \$1.26 million, from 2007 to 2009, for the service which is aimed at better protecting children from domestic and family violence.

Beware of the dodgy dealers, people warned



DODGY portrait photographers are targeting Indigenous people in the Kimberley region, according to the West Australian Government.

The WA Department of Consumer and Employment Protection has issued a warning to Indigenous people to be aware of people selling photographic portraits door-to-door.

"One local consumer signed a contract for several thousand dollars, not understanding the terms and conditions of the contract," Consumer Protection Commissioner Anne Driscoll said.

"The consumer subsequently received advice and assistance and is attempting to cancel the contract under

Consumer Protection laws.

"From time to time traders operate in regional communities for several days at a time, then move on to other centres.

"Consumers should exercise caution when purchasing from door-to-door sellers. We urge people never to sign a contract if they don't understand the terms and conditions or are unsure if they can afford it. Check with friends and relatives before signing up.

"They should also ensure they have been given the correct documentation outlining their rights and responsibilities under the Door to Door Trading Act.

"In Western Australia, consumers are protected from cold callers by the Door to Door Trading Act, which prevents traders from signing customers up without first

providing them with information about their rights to a ten-day cooling-off period. Sellers are also prohibited from taking money during this cooling-off period.

"If consumers cancel contracts in writing, we would suggest they do so via Registered or Express Post. In this way, consumers can prove they sent the notice inside the time frame.

"We take a very dim view of traders targeting consumers who may be at a special disadvantage and who may not fully understand or comprehend what they are purchasing; where possible we will take action against such trading."

● For further information contact Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or email consumer@dcp.wa.gov.au

Saving the languages 'first step'



THERE needs to be a concerted Federal focus on Indigenous languages to prevent more of

them becoming extinct, according to the team behind a Central Desert intergenerational language and arts project.

Today, only 145 of 300 Indigenous languages are still spoken in Australia, with 110 of them endangered.

Big hART's Ngapartji Ngapartji project launched a paper 'Indigenous Languages in Australia' at the end of last week highlighting the need for a greater national effort.

The paper calls for a national Indigenous language policy and recommends that a national council on Indigenous languages and a national Indigenous languages centre be established with a national language database, and a co-ordinated approach to

'Closing the communications gap will help win the fight to close the health and education gap...'

research and data collection.

"A national languages policy should be geared towards addressing the displacement and loss of languages faced by Australia's Indigenous people or this is the next thing we will be apologising for," said Ngapartji Ngapartji creative producer Alex Kelly.

"Everyone needs to be able to understand and communicate with governments in their own language as well as in English if education and health programs and services are to be effective."

Non-Indigenous educators, police, youth workers and medical workers are often hampered by not being trained in local languages or culturally appropriate modes of communication.

Ms Kelly said despite the spending of millions of dollars, it was clear that existing policies were not overcoming Indigenous disadvantage at an acceptable rate.

"Closing the communications gap will help win the fight to close the health and education gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians," she said.

"The National Apology to the Stolen Generation was an important first step in a long journey of healing that includes helping people revive and maintain languages and culture."

● The four-page paper is available via the website <http://www.ngapartji.org> <http://bighart.org>



● LEFT: Ngapartji Ngapartji's Alex Kelly: "Everyone needs to be able to understand and communicate with governments in their own language, as well as in English, if education and health programs and services are to be effective."

Department of Sustainability and Environment

Indigenous Natural Resource Management Traineeship Program - Swan Hill or Mildura (2 Fixed Term Positions 20 months)

Project Manager

\$60,307 - \$68,424 + 9% Super

Position No: DSE 803934

Are you:

- Interested in working with the community?
- Interested in protecting our natural and cultural heritage?
- Wanting to contribute towards reducing disadvantage in Aboriginal communities?

Do you have:

- Extensive knowledge of Indigenous culture and society, with an understanding of the key issues affecting Indigenous Victorian communities?
- Good communication and self management skills?

Then this position may interest you.

As the Program Manager you will be responsible for co-developing and managing the Mildura/Swan Hill Indigenous Land Management Traineeship Program. You will work across Indigenous and non-Indigenous agencies and with the Registered Training Authority to deliver natural resource based projects enabling trainees to obtain nationally accredited certificates in conservation and land management.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is Sunday 24 August 2008.

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Customer Service Centre 136 186



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

RFT 006/0809

NORTHERN TERRITORY ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE (HACC) TRAINING RESOURCE PROJECT

The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking tenders from capable and experienced individuals or organisations to undertake a HACC training resource development project in the Northern Territory. The project will include a core skills assessment; a national audit of training materials and develop or adapt learning and assessment (including Recognition of Current Competence) materials to fill identified gaps for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander HACC workforce. The Department's overarching aim is to develop a strategic national approach to workforce development for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people employed in HACC services.

It is anticipated the contract will be completed by March 2009.

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

Any difficulties accessing this site should be addressed to the Project Officer Marianne Webb, Phone: 02 6289 1441, Fax: 02 6289 5163 or Email: Marianne.Webb@health.gov.au

Tenders will close at 2pm on 25 August 2008 in Canberra.

Workshop focus on domestic violence



HEALTH, welfare, accommodation and legal services workers in far northern NSW are better equipped to handle Aboriginal domestic violence issues after a workshop held in Lismore.

Run by the Education Centre Against Violence in NSW, with backing from Sydney West Area Health Service, the Domestic Violence Aboriginal Core Training workshop helped workers to improve their understanding of responses to domestic violence issues.

"The program raises awareness of the social/cultural context in which domestic violence is located, exposes the inadequacies of individualistic explanations and explores the issues surrounding domestic violence and the practical implications," explained co-presenter Pam Grier.

"The 30 participants focused on interventions that prioritise the safety of women and children as well as locating responsibility for violence entirely with the perpetrator."



Participants who took part in the week-long workshop focusing on domestic violence issues.



Vibe's Claude Williams with Puggy Hunter Award winner Kailou George.



B-boy Doo Rock breaks new ground in Cairns



Vibe 3on3 MC and former Harlem Globetrotter Dwayne Cross with his son.



The homies paint a deadly picture!

Good vibe in Cairns



THE Vibe 3on3 made its first appearance at Cairns recently, with the community turning out to join in the basketball, hip

hop and healthy living action.

Gathering at the Cairns Basketball Stadium, local participants' smiling faces were joined by visitors from as far afield as Mossman and Wujal Wujal. "The young people of Cairns displayed some amazing talent over the weekend, with some deadly beat boxers doing their thing, and their basketball skill levels were as high in standard as we've encountered in the 3on3's nine-year history," said event Co-ordinator Claude Williams.

"The kids had a ball and can't wait for us to return. Cairns is certainly a beautiful part of the world to experience - we'd love to come back."

Joining the Vibe crew in Cairns was *So You Think You Can Dance?* star Suri, who spent the weekend hanging out with the locals and teaching young fellas some new moves.

Role models

Other role models on hand also included rapper Brothabblack, artist and comedian Kevin Kropinyeri and actor Aaron Fa'oso.

With the success of Soulja Boy's recent hit song, *Crank That (Soulja Boy)*, the 3on3 has also begun its search to find the best Soulja Boy community in

Australia. The crew say they have already seen strong performances from Taree, Liverpool, Murray Bridge, Gladstone and also Cairns.

The Vibe 3on3 thanks Wu Chopperen Health Service and the Cairns Basketball Association and all of the volunteers who supported the Cairns event.

The Vibe 3on3 is a two-day Aboriginal youth weekend festival that incorporates basketball, dancing, art, culture and health. It aims to promote healthy lifestyles, strengthen communities and boost self-esteem. It also gives health services and related organisations an opportunity to introduce themselves to the wider community.

For more information, go to www.vibe.com.au.

Sloppy slippers come a cropper



INDIGENOUS people were among 110 south-west Queensland pensioners who recently swapped their old and worn 'sloppy' slippers for a free new pair to reduce their risk of slips, trips and falls.

Those who applied to swap their slippers during Queensland Health's local April Falls Month promotions were invited to Sloppy Slipper Exchange Days in Charleville, Quilpie and Cunnamulla during June and July.

Organisers were pleased with the 19 per cent Indigenous participation in the health promotion activities, which exceeded the proportion of Indigenous people in the region.

Charleville Falls Prevention Group spokeswoman Susann Currie-Ranson said participants in the day walked away with more than just safe new slippers.

"They received free falls advice, home safety tips, foot-care information and details of local service providers to help them stay fit, healthy and independent in their own homes," she said.

"An occupational therapist or physiotherapist measured and fitted them with their new slippers and tested their balance with a stability test and foot assessment.

"A community health nurse completed a falls assessment with people who are at risk of falling or have recently experienced a fall. This way we can give people follow up support and referral as required."

Participants were also encouraged to have regular eye tests and medication reviews to ensure that vision problems or dizziness did not contribute to them having a fall.

Display boards provided local resource information about Home Assist, Home and



Charleville's Beryl Young does the balance test with physiotherapist Amanda Adcock.



Some of the old sloppy slippers handed in.

Community Care (HACC) services, patient safety, continence and falls prevention, podiatry and healthy ageing, medication, diet, and optometry services.

Falls prevention education was provided by Falls Ambassadors, with quizzes to help pensioners identify hazards in the home, a 'Don't Come a Cropper' DVD to watch, followed by light refreshments and prizes.

Old Health's Sloppy Slipper

Exchange was funded by the South West Population Health Unit, South West Healthy Ageing and South West Health Service District teams.

Public Health Officer Deb Alick said most falls were preventable and predictable, but most people didn't think they were at risk until they were much older.

"Falls are the most common type of accident experienced by older people in their homes, but most falls can be prevented by simple, inexpensive measures such as replacing unsafe slippers," she said.

"Just as loose rugs, bad flooring, a lack of handrails and poor lighting can cause slips, trips and falls, so too can poorly-fitting, worn or damaged footwear. The Sloppy Slipper Exchange Days will help our community to 'stay on its feet' and identify the positive effects of other simple changes in home safety, regular physical activity or use of walking aids."

Leaders of future have say



TWENTY-THREE budding public health leaders from across Australia and the United States have called on the Federal Government to establish an Australian Commission on Social Determinants of Health.

The young leaders met in Adelaide late last month as part of a Fulbright Foundation-funded symposium. They argued that Australian governments should be more organised in their approach to addressing the social determinants of health such as employment, education, empowerment and environmental protection.

Spokeswoman Katherine Biedrzycki said the proposed Commission would develop and report on Australia's progress in improving social determinants of health.

"The health and well-being of everyone in the population, and not the performance of the economy, is the best measure of how well Australian society is doing," she said.

Young health research leader Megan Williams, from the University of Queensland's Indigenous Health Unit, said the proposed commission would also co-ordinate action to promote health across multiple portfolios of government.

"Public health is increasingly finding that all the activities of government - from employment and education, through to transport and agriculture - have implications for the population's health," she said.

"The World Health Organisation (WHO) calls these the causes of the causes of ill-health."

Brought together by the Co-operative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health (CRCaH) and Flinders University, the meeting of young leaders nominated supporting early childhood and education, decent housing, a healthy food supply, work-life balance, a sustainable transport system and climate change mitigation as essential prerequisites for improving Australia's public health.

The group included early career researchers, policy makers, community workers, advocates and activists with expertise spanning population health, medicine, education, economics, law, engineering, transport, environment, community development and social work.

Their call for action precedes the release of the report by the World Health Organisation Commission on Social Determinants of Health.

"Australia has an opportunity right now to build on international momentum around these issues," Ms Biedrzycki said.

"It's time for Australia to follow in the footsteps of the United Kingdom, Canada and

the United States by organising its national response to the substantial body of evidence about the social determinants of health, and in particular to implement relevant recommendations from the WHO Commission's report."

Ms Williams said the meeting also celebrated the announcement that Professor Ian Anderson would lead the new National Indigenous Health Equality Council.

"The Council's work would be well supported by an Australian Commission on Social Determinants of Health," she said.

'The health and well-being of everyone in the population, and not the performance of the economy, is the best measure of how well Australian society is doing'



Do you want to make a difference in Australian Indigenous Health?

Rowan Nicks Russell Drysdale Fellowship in Australian Indigenous Health and Welfare

Faculty of Medicine: 2008

Fellowship award: up to \$60,000 (negotiable depending on qualifications &/or experience) for a 12 month period. The Fellowship is designed to support individuals wanting to make a contribution in the area of Australian Indigenous Health and Welfare and the development of future leaders in Australian Indigenous Health and Welfare. Australian Indigenous people are strongly encouraged to apply.

The Fellowship is open to Australian or permanent residents who have appropriate prior experience and/or education and wish to: Undertake training in education or research; and/or Undertake approved projects/activities

Closing date: Monday 8th September, 2008

For further information about the Fellowship, projects and for application forms, please visit the website below or contact Louise Lawler, School of Rural Health - Dubbo on 0418 251 864 or email llawler@med.usyd.edu.au

Artwork: Russell Drysdale - Group of Aborigines, 1953

www.medfac.usyd.edu.au/rnrd/



The University of Sydney

Bubs clinic proves popular



A NEW weekly clinic in Moruya, southern NSW, for parents with Aboriginal babies, is building a strong local following, according to organisers.

Each week up to 20 new mums and pregnant women catch up over lunch, see the nurse or midwife and have their babies weighed and checked.

Moruya mother of six Melissa Sproates has been attending 'Mums and Dads with Koori Bubs' every week since it began at the end of April.

"Tuesday is my day!" she said. "This clinic makes a big difference. I can get my twins checked over and it's just somewhere to relax and talk. It's my day to get out with the babies."

Another regular, Sally Anne Nye, said the clinic was a chance for her to meet other mums, make new friends and to have her baby Annalese checked by the nurse.

"When the weather's good we get out and walk with the bubs," she said.

Partnership

The 'Mums and Dads with Koori Bubs' clinic is a partnership between three local health organisations.

Kay Vine, a child and family health nurse from Greater Southern Area Health Service, weighs and checks the babies, while Bec Smith and Natalie Wharton, from the Koori Maternity Access Program, work with pregnant women.

Jane Haverfield, a registered nurse representing the Southern General Practice Network Healthy for Life Program, assists the new mums with their health checks and keeps them in touch with their GP.

All four clinicians see their role as one of offering support and advice in addition to the routine pregnancy and baby health



Moruya women Sally Anne Nye, left, with daughters Kiaan and Annalese, Melissa Jackson, back, with Claudia, and Melissa Sproates, with twins Karlee and Jarrod, attend the Koori Bubs clinic every week to have their babies checked and to relax and talk with other new mums.

checks. "The continuity of care we can offer at the clinic is a real benefit," said Ms Smith.

"It's also a place for young Koori

mothers to get together where they feel comfortable and can access health services for themselves and their babies."

The clinic is held every Tuesday in the

Moruya CWA Hall from 11am and 1pm. Transport to and from 'Mums and Dads with Koori Bubs' is available by calling Jane at Healthy for Life on 1800 088 218.



Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing

Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Health Scholarships



The closing date for the Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme has now been extended to 22 August 2008.

The Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme (PHMSS) is a Scheme aimed at helping address the under-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in health professions and to assist in increasing the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with professional health qualifications.

Applicants must identify as and be able to prove their Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status.

Are you:

- an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- able to demonstrate a commitment to Indigenous Health
- wishing to undertake undergraduate or TAFE health studies?

If you answered yes to the above questions and would like to apply for a scholarship worth up to \$15,000 per year for undergraduate or TAFE health studies please visit Royal College of Nursing, Australia website www.rcna.org.au to download an application form.

Applications for the Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme will now be accepted until the close of business on **FRIDAY 22 AUGUST 2008**.

For more information and to download an application form please visit our website www.rcna.org.au or contact us by free call 1800 688 628 or by email scholarships@rcna.org.au.



Breast good as gold: Maari Ma



WESTERN NSW-based Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation has

joined the world-wide call to give children the best possible start in life in all areas of development, by encouraging women to breastfeed their babies.

The World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action has been celebrating World Breastfeeding Week and the theme for the 17th annual event, celebrated by more than 120 countries worldwide, is 'Mother Support: Going for the Gold', in recognition of the Beijing Olympics.

The theme calls for increased support for mothers in achieving the 'gold standard' of infant feeding: Breastfeeding exclusively for the first six months, and continuing breastfeeding together with feeding other appropriate complementary foods for up to

two years and beyond.

Maari Ma Primary Health Care Service Manager Nola Whyman said the Olympics was an excellent platform to help raise awareness about the importance of breastfeeding.

"Maari Ma's Healthy Start - Birth to Five Years - program is an important support base for mothers with young children," she said.

Healthy Start

Healthy Start has been implemented at Health Services in the Remote Cluster and at the Primary Health Care Service in Broken Hill by local staff and visiting Child and Family Health Nurses from Maari Ma and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

"Women are supported and assisted in all areas of their child's growth and development, and a very important component of this is breastfeeding," said Ms Whyman.

"Breast milk is the natural food for babies - it contains proteins, fats and carbohydrates at levels that are appropriate for an infant's needs and growth requirements.

"It is an important building block for good health, not only in infancy, but later in life. It is associated with reduced infant illness and mortality, and the effects of diet and nutrition in early life may have life-long consequences.

"Breastfeeding is the natural way of providing a healthy start to life.

"We not only encourage women to breastfeed their babies - we also recognise the important role families play in supporting and encouraging women to breastfeed."

Ms Whyman said breastfeeding was also cost-effective and convenient and provided psychological benefits and bonding between mother and child.

2008

Towards a new National Indigenous Representative Body

A Community Guide

Without genuine engagement with Indigenous Australians, governments will struggle in their efforts to make lasting progress to improve the conditions of our people and in our communities.

There is currently no transparent, rigorous process or mechanism at a national level to engage with Indigenous communities, where policies and priorities can be developed and which can hold governments accountable for their performance.

We need a new National Indigenous Representative Body if we are to achieve long-term, positive change. The new Australian Government recognised this in its Apology speech on 13 February this year.

The Government strengthened this commitment when, along with the Federal Opposition, it signed a Statement of Intent in March 2008. This commits the Government to work in partnership with Indigenous people, and their representative organisations, to 'close the gap' on health inequality and life expectancy by 2030.

It is now time to give substance to these commitments so that Indigenous Australians can participate in the decisions made by government. This is why discussion about a new National Indigenous Representative Body is so important.

From 2006 I have been carrying out research to identify the key issues we need to consider in establishing such a national representative body.

The research was published in an Issues Paper that looks at the lessons we can learn from past Australian experiences, what representative bodies are currently in place in Australia and overseas models of representation for indigenous peoples.

It also raises some key issues we need to consider to ensure that a new National Indigenous Representative Body is effective and sustainable. The Issues Paper is over 100 pages, so I provide this community guide as a summary.

My hope is that we can develop a body that truly represents the interests of all sections of the diverse Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, no matter what their age, sex, background or where they live.

And I hope that such a body will be able to inspire and support our people, while also holding governments accountable for their efforts, so that we can ultimately enjoy the same life chances as all other Australians.

I urge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to work together to make sure we have a body that we can all be proud of; and a body that will represent us.

Tom Calma

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner

TOM CALMA is the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner.

Tom, an Aboriginal elder from the Kungarakran tribal group and a member of the Iwaidja tribal group of the Northern Territory, commenced his five-year term in July 2004.

As Commissioner he advocates for the recognition of the rights of Indigenous Australians and seeks to promote respect and understanding of these rights among the broader Australian community.

Tom has been involved in Indigenous affairs at a local, community, state, national and international level and has worked in the public sector for over 35 years.



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Bubs



A NEW weekly clinic Moruya, southern NSW for parents with Aboriginal babies, is building a local following, according to organisers.

Each week up to 20 new mum pregnant women catch up over lunch see the nurse or midwife and have babies weighed and checked.

Moruya mother of six Melissa Sproates has been attending 'Mums and Dads with Koori Bubs' every week began at the end of April.

"Tuesday is my day!" she said, clinic makes a big difference. I can get my twins checked over and it's just somewhere to relax and talk. It's nice to get out with the babies."

Another regular, Sally Anne Ny the clinic was a chance for her to other mums, make new friends and have her baby Annalese checked nurse.

"When the weather's good we go and walk with the bubs," she said.

Partnership

The 'Mums and Dads with Koori' clinic is a partnership between three health organisations.

Kay Vine, a child and family health nurse from Greater Southern Area Service, weighs and checks the babies while Bec Smith and Natalie Whar from the Koori Maternity Access Program, work with pregnant women.

Jane Haverfield, a registered nurse representing the Southern General Practice Network Healthy for Life Program, assists the new mums with their health checks and keeps their touch with their GP.

All four clinicians see their role of offering support and advice in addition to the routine pregnancy and baby

Starting the conversation

There is a solid foundation of experience for us to build on when it comes to creating a new body that gives genuine voice to the rights and concerns of Indigenous Australians.

This Community Guide does not endorse or promote any particular model. Its aim is simply to identify some of the key issues that need to be considered in establishing a new National Indigenous Representative Body: its guiding principles, role and functions, structure, relationship with government and funding arrangements.

It is up to Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders to decide whether there are other issues that need to be addressed in developing the shape and direction of the new body.

The next step is to hear the views and ideas of Indigenous people, communities and organisations. I encourage you to be involved in the upcoming consultations and to have your say.

Have your say

On behalf of the Australian Government, the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) is currently holding community consultations and receiving submissions on the establishment of a National Indigenous Representative Body.

Regional Consultations

From late July and throughout August, FaHCSIA will be conducting consultation meetings across Australia, including some remote locations.

There will be a range of other processes through which Indigenous people can have a say in the coming months. For information about the consultations, and how to register, phone 1800 202 366 or email: indigenousrepbody@fahcsia.gov.au

Submissions

Submissions can be made using the online form at: www.fahcsia.gov.au/internet/fahcsinternet.nsf/indigenous/repbody.htm

Written submissions can be sent to:

Email: indigenousrepbody@fahcsia.gov.au

Fax: 02 6264 5069

Post: National Indigenous Representative Body Unit
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
PO Box 7576
Canberra Business Centre ACT 2610

Closing date for submissions is 19 September 2008

Please note: For any inquiries regarding the Government's consultation process, please contact FaHCSIA on the above contacts. The Social Justice Commissioner is not involved in the running of the consultation process.

Find out more

The full Issues Paper – *Building a Sustainable National Indigenous Representative Body* – was released on 12 July 2008.

It is available online at www.humanrights.gov.au/social_justice/repbody

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joined the world-wide call to give children the best possible start in life in all areas of development, by encouraging women to breastfeed their babies.

The World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action has been celebrating World Breastfeeding Week and the theme for the 17th annual event, celebrated by more than 120 countries worldwide, is 'Mother Support: Going for the Gold', in recognition of the Beijing Olympics.

The theme calls for increased support for mothers in achieving the 'gold standard' of infant feeding: Breastfeeding exclusively for the first six months, and continuing breastfeeding together with feeding other appropriate complementary foods for up to

an excellent platform to help raise awareness about the importance of breastfeeding.

"Maari Ma's Healthy Start – Birth to Five Years – program is an important support base for mothers with young children," she said.

Healthy Start

Healthy Start has been implemented at Health Services in the Remote Cluster and at the Primary Health Care Service in Broken Hill by local staff and visiting Child and Family Health Nurses from Maari Ma and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

"Women are supported and assisted in all areas of their child's growth and development, and a very important component of this is breastfeeding," said Ms Whyman.

appropriate for an infant's needs and growth requirements.

"It is an important building block for good health, not only in infancy, but later in life. It is associated with reduced infant illness and mortality, and the effects of diet and nutrition in early life may have life-long consequences.

"Breastfeeding is the natural way of providing a healthy start to life.

"We not only encourage women to breastfeed their babies – we also recognise the important role families play in supporting and encouraging women to breastfeed."

Ms Whyman said breastfeeding was also cost-effective and convenient and provided psychological benefits and bonding between mother and child.



Participants of Curtin's Aboriginal Health Promotion Short Course.



TWENTY Aboriginal health workers from throughout Western Australia

converged at Curtin University of Technology recently to increase their skills in health promotion.

The four-day Aboriginal Health Promotion Short Course aimed to provide professional development to Aboriginal health workers across the State.

The course provided the opportunity to learn more about the importance of health promotion, ways to identify community needs, and approaches to implementing appropriate health promotion programs.

Conducted by the Department of Health Promotion at Curtin, it was aimed at Aboriginal people already working in the health sector and those who particularly want to undertake health promotion work.

Course Co-ordinator and

Curtin Uni program lifts skills

Lecturer in the Department of Health Promotion at Curtin, Jude Comfort said the hands-on nature of the four-day course allowed students to gain valuable skills they could then immediately apply to their

everyday work.

"The course was initially intended for five students who, through collaboration with the Aboriginal Health Council of WA, are undertaking two-year supported health promotion

Aboriginal person working in the public health area. Curtin says there was an immediate strong response.

"The course allows Aboriginal people to learn skills that can be immediately taken back to their communities to build capacity in this area, rather than money just being poured into band-aid programs," Ms Comfort said.

"Another positive outcome was the obvious networking and support structures that are built through such a course."

Five of the participants in the short course are completing a Graduate Certificate in Health Promotion at Curtin through funding received from the Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia.

After completion of the course it is hoped that the participants will continue to work in the health promotion area and inspire others to complete tertiary qualifications in health promotion.

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Heiss carries on with new book

By NANCIA GUIVARRA

AUTHOR Anita Heiss' new book, *Avoiding Mr Right*, has been called 'the black version of *Sex and the City*'.

And that comparison with the fictional New York columnist Carrie Bradshaw, of TV and movie fame, is a label the Wiradjuri writer and academic is more than happy to accept.

There's nothing Heiss would like more than to be an Aboriginal Bradshaw – to be on the *New York Times* best-seller list, to have a column, the fashions and to find absolute, complete love.

But for now, she continues to write and live in Sydney.

Launched last week in Sydney, Heiss' new novel has cemented her as the founder of a new genre of literature being called 'Indigenous Chic lit'.

Avoiding Mr Right is Heiss' second novel about the lives of urban 30-something Aboriginal women.

It is described by Heiss' friend and fellow author Terri Janke as 'fun, sexy and adventurous'.

The story follows about the life of 30-year-old Peta Tully, a career-oriented Bundjalung woman who works for the Department of Media, Sports, Arts, Refugees and Indigenous Affairs, but aspires to be the first Indigenous Minister for Culture.

Peta makes a career move from Sydney to Melbourne, leaving her boyfriend and three best friends. She vows to be celibate, but life in

Melbourne is tempting and Peta is challenged by a smorgasbord of men she meets in bars, clubs, restaurants and cafes.

In doing so, Peta finds astral travel sex a more-than-suitable substitute for the absence of her boyfriend James.

Avoiding Mr Right follows Heiss' *Not Meeting Mr Right*, published last year, optioned for a TV series and soon to be printed in French.

Heiss told *The Koori Mail* she uses a technique she calls 'method writing'. She researches her novels by acting like the character and

says she went to Melbourne, bought the watermelon coat (worn by Tully in the book and Heiss at the book launch), walked the city, went out continuously and stayed with her friend Koori chef Mark Olive.

While there's plenty of humour in Heiss' writing, she is keen to have commercial success because she says the novel is a vehicle to get more people to

engage with and understand Aboriginal culture.

The character Peta attends NAIDOC Week celebrations, visits Bundjalaka at the Victorian Museum, hears the music of Richard Frankland and listens to poetry readings by Samuel Wagan Watson.

Of this, she has said: "I don't wanna spend five years sitting in bars drinking cocktails, wasting my time. The reality is I want people to read my book, I don't want to waste paper, I want to get the messages across."



Author Anita Heiss, right, with fellow author Terri Janke, who describes *Avoiding Mr Right* as 'fun, sexy and adventurous'.

Minister calls for code of conduct



PETER GARRETT



FEDERAL Arts Minister Peter Garrett has called on the Indigenous arts sector to develop an industry-wide code of conduct.

The call is part of the Federal Government's response to a Senate inquiry into Indigenous arts.

Mr Garrett said the response tackled the 29 broad recommendations of the Senate inquiry report, 'Indigenous Art: Securing the future'.

"The Rudd Government recognises that a vibrant and sustainable Indigenous art sector is critical for artists and their communities," he said.

"The growing Indigenous art market makes a significant contribution to our economy, and Indigenous art practice is an important driver of cultural understanding.

"The Rudd Government has already committed additional funding of \$7.6 million over four years to the National Arts and Crafts Industry Support (NACIS) program to boost support for Aboriginal Art Centres.

"Additionally, we have allocated \$1.5 million in the 2008/09 Budget for the implementation of a resale royalty scheme which will ensure artists have an ongoing economic interest in their work."

Mr Garrett said the Government's response also included:

- Support for the development of an industry-wide code of conduct to enhance the industry's sustainability and to protect artists from unscrupulous conduct.

- Enhancement of NACIS funding, including the introduction of three-year operational funding to improve financial certainty.

- A study to consider the implications and effectiveness of an art centre in Alice Springs.

- Further work to examine the issues around authenticity and labelling schemes, including looking at the operation of international schemes as well as current and former schemes in Australia.

- Promotion of current programs to assist the transition of art centres to greater economic independence.

Development

Mr Garrett has called on the industry to finalise the development of a code of conduct for it to be considered at the Cultural Ministers Council in October.

"A key recommendation of the report is the development of an industry-wide code of conduct, which the Commonwealth

Government supports," he said.

"This code is being developed by industry, in consultation with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, and I hope to present it to my State and Territory colleagues at the Cultural Ministers Council in October.

Mr Garrett said the Government acknowledged the report's findings regarding the need for improvements in industry infrastructure and would consider these matters in a future budget context.

Visit www.arts.gov.au/indigenous/senate_inquiry/ to view the Government response to the Senate Report and www.arts.gov.au/indig for details on the National Arts and Crafts Industry Support program which funds Indigenous art centres.

Therese takes on new role at CSU



THERESE Reid, pictured right, has been

appointed the Student Services Programs Manager at Charles Sturt University (CSU).

The Aboriginal woman's appointment comes as part of the western NSW university's Indigenous Employment Incentive Scheme, which targets the

recruitment of Indigenous Australians into university middle management and decision-making positions.

Ms Reid, who says she is delighted with her new role, was the first appointment under the scheme for 2008.

CSU says it has many workplace opportunities for Indigenous employees, as well as mentoring programs and career development pathways.



Batchelor gets new Chancellor



BATCHELOR Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education in the Northern Territory has announced the appointment of

Professor Yvonne Cadet-James as its new Chancellor and Council Chair. Professor Cadet-James, a Gugu Badhun Aboriginal woman from north Queensland, was due to take up her duties this week, following the conclusion of the term of office of the current Chancellor, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks.

Batchelor Institute Vice-Chancellor Professor Jeannie Herbert said Professor Cadet-James had been a member of Batchelor Institute Council since June last year.

"Professor Cadet-James is also Chair of Indigenous Australian Studies and Head of the School of Indigenous Australian Studies at James Cook University and has worked in health over many years," Professor Herbert said.

"Prior to taking up an academic career in 1990, she was a nurse at Royal Darwin Hospital. In addition to her current role on Council, Professor Cadet-James has already worked with a number of Institute staff setting up the Family and Community Well-being Training program, an initiative she has been involved with over many years.

"Staff have also worked with her on a range of projects through her roles as a member of the National Health and



The new Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education Chancellor, Professor Yvonne Cadet-James.

Medical Research Council; the Indigenous Health Research Advisory Council; and Chair of the Indigenous Health Research Grant Review Panel – Strategic Grants."

Professor Herbert also thanked Rosalie Kunoth-Monks for her 'untiring work during her time as Chancellor'.

"Rose has been an inspiration to work with, and as Chancellor she has been a driver for change and development of the Institute as well as a very firm connection for us all to the realities of the world as it is for Indigenous

people living in remote Australia," Professor Herbert said.

Ms Kunoth-Monks said she was pleased to hand over to Professor Cadet-James.

"Batchelor Institute is a place dear to the hearts of all Indigenous Australians," she said. "Since joining Council, Yvonne has revealed her deep commitment to all that Batchelor Institute stands for. Having lived in the NT for over 25 years and worked in the university sector for almost 20 years, I know that she brings a wealth of valuable experience with her."



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Actor a hit with Dubbo College students



Luke Carroll with some of his fans at Dubbo College, in western NSW.



ACTOR Luke Carroll was an instant hit with students and staff alike when he visited Dubbo College in western New South Wales last month. The *Deadly Award* winner spent some time with Aboriginal students at the college's Senior Campus and committed to

returning to talk with this year's Higher School Certificate (HSC) students. Last year, 27 Aboriginal students at the Senior Campus attained their HSC – a record for the college, NSW and possibly even Australia. This year, the college is hoping to top that figure with more than 30 securing their certificate.



Luke Carroll with the college's Information and Communications Technology (ICT) staff.

Tales will be deadly



CITY and country Aboriginal students are coming together to create a new children's television series called *Deadly Tales*. Thirteen Indigenous kids from Kelso Primary School, Bathurst, are linking with 13 Indigenous students from Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School in Waterloo, Sydney, to create the pilot episode. Sydney-based film company Giant Vision is producing the television series.

"*Deadly Tales* is a series where two groups of Indigenous kids – one from the city and one from the country – write, direct, shoot

and perform in their own 'Deadly Tale' short film," Giant Vision Producer Chris Hobart said.

"In each episode we see all the excitement and drama of the two short films being created by the kids, reaching a climax with the screening of the finished films at huge celebration events with the two communities involved."

Excitement

Producers say the project is causing a lot of excitement in the local indigenous community.

Wiradjuri Elder Gloria 'Dindima' Rogers is enthusiastic in her support.

"For the Aboriginal students being given the opportunity to

tell, act and film their 'Deadly Tale', this is an exciting and empowering venture, not just for the students involved but for our Indigenous and wider community as well," she said.

Metro Cinemas in Bathurst will host the gala premiere of the finished short films, from 2pm on Saturday, 30 August. The event is free and open to all.

"It's a fantastic project where the community can get involved and see their children's achievements on the big screen," says Metro Manager, Fiona Miller.

Writing and filming for the project will take place at Kelso Primary School from 18-22 August.



Students at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School making a short film with Giant Vision in April 2007. They are, from left, Michael Holloway, Jake Walsh and Joseph Zambaka.



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'Utopia' exhibition draws 100,000 Japanese



THE National Museum of Australia's exhibition 'Utopia: the Genius of Emily Kame Kngwarreye' has closed at the National Arts Centre in Tokyo, Japan, after attracting more than 100,000 visitors.

During an earlier showing at the National

Museum of Art, Osaka, Japan, the exhibition attracted 30,000 visitors.

'Utopia: the Genius of Emily Kame Kngwarreye' includes 120 works from 65 institutions and private collections. It is the largest collection of works by a single Australian artist to travel outside Australia.

"The Emily exhibition has proved a great

success with Japanese audiences, 100,221 visitors is almost twice the number we expected for the exhibition," said NMA Director Craddock Morton.

"Australians will be able to see the exhibition of works of one of our greatest contemporary artists at the National Museum in Canberra from 22 August."

The exhibition, developed and presented by the NMA, tells the story of Emily Kame Kngwarreye (c 1910-1996), an Aboriginal artist who lived and worked in the Central Australian Desert.

It will open at the NMA on Acton Peninsula, Canberra, on 22 August and will run until 12 October.

Weaving magic at Tandanya



OF all the winners of the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award over the

years, few could top the 2005 winner for quirkiness – a full-size woven replica of a four-wheel-drive.

The Tjanpi Grass Toyota by the Blackstone Tjanpi Weavers in northern Western Australia elevated Indigenous fibre art to a new level of public consciousness.

A new exhibition to open at Tandanya – National Aboriginal Cultural Institute in South Australia this week, takes the art form further still.

'ReCoil: Change and Exchange in Coiled Fibre Art' explores the influences underpinning some of the most recent and often dramatic changes to contemporary Indigenous fibre art happening in many parts of Australia.

Central to the show is the coiled basketry technique and the way it has spread and diversified, establishing new fibre movements in a range of remote Aboriginal communities. This basketry technique was traditionally practised by Aboriginal people of south-east Australia, and was transplanted to Arnhem Land many years ago by missionaries.

More recently, it was introduced via workshops to the women of the desert regions of the Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia.

Just like the desert paintings movement, this new fibre movement has continued to spread rapidly along lines of kinship and via skills exchanges, and is now practised throughout the remote regions of the NT and WA as far west as the Pilbara.



ABOVE: Biplane by Yvonne Koolmatrrie, 2001 (sedg).



LEFT: Bottles by Robyn Djunginy, 2000 (pandanus, natural dyes, shells)

south to Kalgoorlie and through the northern regions down to Coober Pedy in SA.

As the weavers travel, the influence of coiling keeps expanding. The spread of coiling highlights the rich legacy of inter-cultural exchange behind the coiling movement.

'ReCoil' profiles the work of 12 Indigenous artists and three Australian textile artists who have worked together with their Aboriginal peer. It includes two well-known SA weavers – Yvonne Koolmatrrie, from Berri, and Niningka Lewis, from Ernabella.

The show has a wide

range of conventional and quirky baskets and two and three-dimensional innovative sculptures. It even includes a smaller version of the Blackstone Weavers' grass Toyota.

Curated by Margie West, together with Indigenous Curator Karen Mills, 'ReCoil' a major touring exhibition by Artback NT Arts and will be touring nationally until late next year. The exhibition has been supported by Visions of Australia, the NT Government and Rio Tinto/ERA. 'ReCoil' will run until 19 October. Tandanya is open seven days a week, from 10am – 5pm.



Brook Andrew with one of his artworks.

Artist goes Eye to Eye in Asia

CONTEMPORARY Indigenous artist Brook Andrew is enjoying his first international solo exhibition.

Andrew's exhibition, 'Brook Andrew: Eye to Eye', opened at the Yuchengco Museum in Manila, Philippines, late last month and will tour to the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts in Singapore in November.

The tour is part of Asialink's current visual arts exhibition touring program and the exhibition is an edited version of one originally presented at the Monash University Museum of Art (MUMA), then Sydney and Perth.

Curated by Geraldine Barlow, it covers the spectrum of Andrew's work from the past decade, and encompasses photography, printmaking, sculpture and neon installations.

The featured works address a range of subject matter.

The West Australian newspaper described it as 'a dazzling, neon-lit barrage of colours, text, patterns, styles and ideas'.

Asialink Visual Arts Manager Sarah Bond said there had been an overwhelmingly positive response to the exhibition in Australia, and there was a particularly strong interest in Andrew's work in Manila.

"Asialink is thrilled to support this solo project and believes that Andrew is at a point in his career to benefit from the potential outcomes that arise from such an opportunity," she said. "Asialink has toured over 70 exhibitions to date and this is shaping up to be one of the most popular tours yet."

Curator Geraldine Barlow said Andrew delivered 'difference' to his audience.

"In his work, the gallery is a theatre of meaning, as well as a space of aesthetic experience and experiment," she said. "Our own expectations and possible readings of the work and words circle, eddy and are amplified."

The exhibition has also been supported through the Australian Visual Arts Touring Program of the Australia International Cultural Council.

Artwork a 'national resource'



AN artwork handed over to the National Museum of Australia in Canberra last month by a Lithgow High School graduate has been hailed as a unique national resource.

Museum Program Director Dr Michael Pickering accepted the artwork, *Can You Imagine? (Mum's Story)* from Peta Edwards, who chose to depict her mother Diane Clayton's story as a member of the Stolen Generations in her major work for HSC art in 2000.

Dr Pickering said the artwork would become part of the museum's permanent collection.

He said few works are chosen for the National Museum of Australia, but he was pleased and proud to accept *Can You Imagine? (Mum's Story)* from Peta Edwards and Lithgow High School.

"We are a social history museum, not an art gallery, so I look for a story more than just good art," Dr Pickering said. "Works like Peta's tell stories of

history, lives and experiences.

"This work is a combination of art, life and story walking so richly together."

As a curator, Dr Pickering said he was looking for stories and artworks and artefacts that people could 'see the events of history through'.

"The events represented in Peta's work are the experiences that shaped our history - the legacy of the Stolen Generations," he added.

Lithgow High School Principal Andrew Foy described the work as 'in your face'. It has hung in the school's foyer since 2001 when it returned from the ARTEXPRESS exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW in Sydney, and touring regional galleries across the state.

"It was the centrepiece of the school's response to the challenge of reconciliation," Mr Foy said.

"It is going from being a unique and powerful work of art to a unique and powerful national resource."

Recently retired principal Terry Tunkunas said he had seen people moved to tears as they absorbed the message of the work.



With the artwork *Can You Imagine? (Mum's Story)* at the National Museum of Australia were Dianne Clayton, her daughter and artist Peta Edwards, Lithgow High Art Head Teacher John Bawden and museum Program Director Dr Michael Pickering.



Shakara Walley, Kyall Rotumah and Alyssa Thompson performing a scene from the Yirra Yaakin production *In the Nyitting Time*.



Shakara Walley, Kyall Rotumah and Alyssa Thompson with students from Balga Primary School, Perth, front from left, Latiesha Duggan, Mitchell Hansen, Xavier Kickett, Taylor Kickett and Aaliya Kickett.

Actors get chance to show style

Story by KEN BOASE
Photos by JON GREEN and
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PERTH Nyoongar theatre company Yirra Yaakin is giving young actors the chance to show their talent in a special presentation of plays based on traditional Nyoongar Dreaming stories.

The first of the plays, to be performed at primary schools throughout Perth, the south-west and Great Southern regions of WA, is *In the Nyitting Time*, which is written by Yirra Yaakin Executive Producer Sam Cook and playwrights Derek Nannup and David Milroy.

Director Kyle Morrison said along with other plays being planned, *In the Nyitting Time* had conservation messages and told how fire came to Nyoongar country and how all animals were created during the Dreamtime.

"*In the Nyitting Time* translates as 'in the cold time' and is the traditional way Nyoongars used to start their stories," he said.

"Aboriginal people are proud storytellers and these plays help continue that tradition

of passing on our stories to the next generation."

Mr Morrison has cast 17-year-old Alyssa Thompson, Shakara Walley, 21, and 18-year-old Kyall Rotumah in the play, which is their first experience of being part of a professional production. The play tours until the end of September.

Ms Thompson said she had always had a passion for the arts and got a taste for the stage during her time as a drama student at John Curtin Senior High School, Perth, where she studied acting, directing, dancing and singing.

Ms Walley is a graduate from an Aboriginal theatre course and her acting credits include a cultural awareness video for the WA Department of Education and dramatic recreation scenes for a documentary.

Mr Rotumah is a keyboard player who studied music at Leederville TAFE College and came to Yirra Yaakin's attention after family members urged him to try out for the part.

The three young actors will tour with the Yirra Yaakin production until 24 September, and will be considered for other roles as the 15-year-old company expands.

More prints for CDU Art Collection

CHARLES Darwin University's Northern Editions printmaking studio has announced the donation of 19 workshop proofs to the CDU Art Collection. The latest donation includes limited edition prints by celebrated Balgo artists Eubena Nampitjin, Boxer Milner, 'Helicopter' Joe Tjungurrayi and Kathleen Paddoon, and builds on a long tradition of donations by Northern Editions to the university's Art Collection.

Northern Editions Manager Emma Fowler-Thomason said the first donation of workshop proofs dated back to establishment of the workshop in 1993.

"The early insight of former Chancellor Nancy Giese and the university's print workshop co-founder, Leon Stainer, has ensured that the university has a beautiful collection and a wonderful archive which charts the legacy of artists that have printed at Northern Editions," she said.

"Northern Editions has played a key role in the development and growth of the vibrant Indigenous printmaking movement and the prints held in the CDU Art Collection tell a significant part of that story nationwide."

Over the past 15 years Northern Editions has worked with more than 200 artists including internationally renowned luminaries Rover Thomas, Paddy Bedford, Dorothy Napangardi, John Mawurndjul, Judy Watson and Queenie McKenzie.

The workshop proofs donated to the CDU Art Collection by Northern Editions accounts for at least two-thirds of its holdings, making it one of the largest Australian Indigenous print collections in the world, comprising more than 1200 works.



Northern Editions Manager Emma Fowler-Thomason with Vice-Chancellor Professor Helen Garnett, who is Patron of the CDU Art Collection.

Gang member London-bound



Set for London ... Lockhart River Art Gang member Samantha Hobson.

LOCKHART River Art Gang member Samantha Hobson is set for another solo exhibition - this time in London. The works of the 27-year-old, from the north Queensland community which has produced many fine young artists, will debut on 18 September at October Gallery in the English capital and remain on show until 18 October.

Hobson is an original member of the Lockhart River Art Gang, which is made up of young Indigenous painters from the remote community on the east coast of the far northern tip of Queensland and was formed out of an alternative secondary school program.

The art centre soon became a dynamic school of creative development.

Hobson's work is inspired by the beauty of the East Cape and by the traditional beliefs, with darker references to domestic violence and harsh social conditions faced by many Aboriginal



'Big Reef', an artwork by Samantha Hobson.

people in isolated communities.

In 2006, *The Courier Mail's* Kathleen Noonan described Hobson's works as pieces where the 'sunshine grabs every colour in the rainforest, low mountain ranges, sandy beaches and deep sea, and illuminates it like a light box'.

Her work is seen by critics as close to abstract expressionism, sitting outside the generally accepted traditions of

Aboriginal iconography.

Hobson held her first solo exhibition in 2000 when she was just 19. Since then she has held nine further solo exhibitions of her work in Brisbane and Melbourne and has participated in group exhibitions all over Australia, as well as in Singapore, Austria, Germany, Italy, France and the United States.

Her works are held in the collections of the National Gallery of Australia, the National Gallery of Victoria, the Queensland Art Gallery, Columbus State University in the US State of Georgia, and the Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection in the US State of Virginia.

The London exhibition is being held in association with Andrew Baker Art Dealer, Brisbane, and has been supported by the Queensland Indigenous Arts Marketing and Export Agency (QIAMEA).

Poet reigns at writers festival



ABORIGINAL poet Yvette Holt took her views to the literary masses recently, appearing at the 2008 Byron Bay Writers Festival.

The first day of the three-day gathering was rained out, but Holt and more than 100 other writers soldiered on in poetry readings, writers' panels and question and answer sessions over the remaining weekend on 26-27 July.

Holt's appearances included a session called 'Poets with punch: Brave new rhythm' and a panel discussion on 'Speaking up: Writing the leads to social action'.

In the latter, the 2005 David Unaipon Award winner appeared alongside Sri Lankan writer Elmo Jayawardena, rapper Morganics and gay Singaporean poet Cyril Wong.

Holt spoke of her work with the Sisters Inside organisation, which supports women in the criminal justice system, and railed against the stereotyping of Aboriginal men and women, declaring 'Not every man is straight out of *The Chant of*



Yvette Holt, second from right, with Elmo Jayawardena, Morganics and Cyril Wong after their panel session at the recent Byron Bay Writers Festival.

Jimmy Blacksmith and not every woman is *Jedda*'.

She also spoke of the ongoing disadvantage faced by many

Aboriginal people, and reduced life expectancy. "If we had five Aboriginal women up here on stage, only one would be around

for her 65th birthday," she told a packed session.

"As Australians, we really want to get on. Aboriginal people have

hope; we know how to wait. Awareness and education in the key to working together."

Holt vigorously challenged the mostly non-Indigenous audience to become politically active, but to also look to themselves for answers.

"We don't need whitefellas coming up and saying 'What can I do to help you?'" she said.

"Why should 2 per cent of the population continually educate 98 per cent of you?"

"We have to break down this ideology of social constipation. Take a bit of what Gandhi said if that you need to be the change you want to see."

In the same session, rapper Morganics spoke of his work with young people in Aboriginal communities, describing his work helping communities to digitise their stories as 'an honour and a privilege'.

Also appearing at the festival was Chloe Hooper, a journalist who recently wrote *The Tall Man*, about Senior Sgt Chris Hurley, a white police officer who was involved in the death in custody of Palm Island man Mulrunji Doomadgee.

Best foot forward



Two scenes from the production *Foot to Earth*. Photo by silverbell photography

By MARGARET SMITH in Sydney



THREE NAISDA dance students joined forces with seven western Sydney school students to present *Foot to Earth* at Campbelltown Arts Centre in Sydney earlier this month.

The performance came out of a week-long workshop which gave the school students an opportunity to learn and develop new forms of contemporary and traditional dance. Their teachers were actor and director Wayne Blair and NAISDA choreographer Tammi Tissell.

The event drew on the personal stories of four Aboriginal male Elders profiled in the book *My Father My Brother* published by the Campbelltown Arts Centre.

In his welcome to country speech, Cliff Foley told the audience that all four men – who were present at the premiere to see their stories unfold – had been acknowledged as 'important members of the NSW Indigenous community, whose lives enrich us all'.

Wayne Blair revealed that the group of dancers and school students had met just five days before the Friday performance. They then had an intense week of workshoping, helped by lots of enthusiasm. "We had to get to know one another, and did this by telling stories through drama and dance," he said. "The participants worked very hard and their commitment was second to none. It's been a joy and I look forward to coming out here again."

The Elders profiled were Larry Hoskins, John Anderson, Frederick Briggs and Gary Stewart.

Through dance, storytelling and song, the audience learnt of Larry Hoskins' mission days and his subsequent career as a health worker and convenor of men's

groups; of John Anderson's tough youth in Brewarrina and his work in Dubbo; of Frederick Briggs' life as a boxer and his fight to overcome drugs; and of Gary Stewart's sporting success and his work with young people.

Foot to Earth also drew on some ensemble work, as well as individual contributions from each dancer that conveyed a sense of their personal passion. It ended with a poetic interpretation of *Red, Black and Gold* that swept the audience along.

"I'm a proud Dughatti man from Kempsey," Larry Hoskins told *The Koori Mail* afterwards. "It's been a spectacular show. In a short period of time the dancers conveyed so much of our stories. I was overwhelmed."

Thrilled

The NAISDA dancers were equally thrilled with the week's work.

Juanita Duncan and Carmel Vale said they loved working with the younger school students and helping to teach them.

"The students' different personalities came through with the work they put into it," they said. "Some of them came to the workshop last year and are very keen."

Fellow NAISDA dancer Trevor DeVries said the dance school was thriving under its new director, Kim Walker.

"The week-long workshop is a great opportunity and some of the school students are in the NAISDA new talent program," he said.

School students Logan George and Kyle McKenzie told *The Koori Mail* the rehearsals had been fantastic.

"From the first day they kept us motivated, and we got to know one another really well," they said.

Both boys said they hoped to take up dance full-time with NAISDA.



Employment

Indigenous Job Opportunities



The Blue Team, from left, Richard Preece, John Lynwood, mentor Shaun Hart and Daniel Flanders.

SOME might describe them as the A-Team, but three young Koori men working on land restoration projects around Coffs Harbour on the north coast of New South Wales are happy to be known as the Blue Team.

In their navy blue work gear, the fellas are working on projects such as coastal headland restoration under a collaborative arrangement between the Coffs Harbour City Council, the Catchment Management Authority (CMA), the local Aboriginal Lands Council, Enterprise and Training Company (ETC), National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS), Envirofund and Yarrawarra CDEP.

Training is being provided by NSW TAFE, with team members Daniel Flanders, John Lynwood and Richard Preece undertaking Certificate II traineeships.

The Blue Team is working on a range of tasks at sites around Coffs Harbour including regeneration of grassy headlands supporting rare and endangered plant species and fencing and maintaining cultural sites to stop human impact and erosion.

Their work sees them in national parks, nature reserves, regional parks, council open spaces and Aboriginal lands.

"We're making excellent progress and achieving great results, and have the help and support of all on the steering committee and Aboriginal Elders," said Team Supervisor Lisa White.

Blue Team on the job

Future projects will include fixing the Arrawarra fish traps, making a cultural bush tucker garden at the Coffs Harbour Base Hospital, seed collection from native species for restoration of sites, site assessments and follow-up work, and the monitoring of flora and fauna habitats.

"The Blue team is learning extremely fast and I'm very proud of their efforts," Ms White said.

The trainees also receive mentoring support through the Department of Education and Training's 'The Way Ahead for Aboriginal People' Project.

Under the project, Aboriginal trainees and

apprentices and their employers can receive free mentoring support to assist them to complete their traineeship/apprenticeship.

The trainees' mentor, Shaun Hart, provides them with advice, support and guidance on any matters which could jeopardise their traineeships.

"It is very pleasing to see these young guys putting a lot of effort into each of the four project sites that they have been given by various supporting departments. And they are doing it with pride and comfort," Mr Hart said.

"Providing support in the mentor role for

the Blue Team has been rewarding because your presence and yarns do make a huge difference to individuals and groups.

"When visiting their sites, sometimes I feel like putting aside the suit, getting a tool and working along side them. They're a great bunch of blokes."

Ms White said Mr Hart's mentorship support had been excellent.

"(Shaun) spends ten minutes each TAFE day with the team for any concerns with work or TAFE problems. He also comes to our sites to see progress being made," she said.

"He is a valuable source of information to the team and recognises any problems that may arise."

The Federal Government is understood to be looking at the collaborative approach to providing employment for Aboriginal people as a model that could be used in other areas.

The current project will run for at least 18 months and it is hoped that in this time the trainees will complete their Certificate III traineeship.

Ms White said: "We're always looking for more funding, so if there is anybody out there who wants to support this wonderful project then please contact us."

The team can be contacted through National Parks and Wildlife Service Senior Ranger (Pests) Tim Scanlon on phone (02) 6657 5944.

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OFFICE FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH

EXECUTIVE LEVEL 1

STATE DIRECTOR

\$79,863 - \$91,085

Reference Number: 08-0198
HOBART

The Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) works to improve access by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to effective primary health care, substance use services and population health programs. OATSIH is responsible for the local implementation and administration of measures relating to the Government's commitment to Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health, working with other levels of government on the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) agenda, and continuing to manage funding agreements with Aboriginal health services and work with mainstream service providers to increase access to primary care, reduce communicable diseases and health risk factors, improve emotional and social wellbeing and chronic disease management, and create better outcomes for child and maternal health.

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Contact officer: Anthony Speed on 03 6221 1400 or anthony.speed@health.gov.au

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATE OFFICE

OFFICE FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SERVICES

APS LEVEL 4

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

\$54,163 - \$57,229

Reference Number: 08-0182
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The Program Administration Officer provides administrative support to the Business Management Services and the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health.

Responsibilities of the role include contract processing, basic financial analysis, filing, reception support, correspondence, organising meetings, liaison with external stakeholders, maintaining information databases and accounts payable.

The successful applicant will need to be highly organised, proficient with computers and have excellent communication skills. A current driver's license and the ability to travel is desirable.

Contact officer: Gary Heffernan on 08 8237 8066 or gary.heffernan@health.gov.au

Applications close 28 August 2008, 7pm AEST.

Selection Documentation: An applicant kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>.

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ARMIDALE NSW 2350
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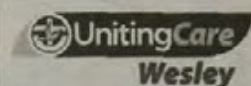
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Closing Date: 29 August 2008.

Aboriginal Renal/Health Promotion Coordinator Cessnock

Temporary Full Time, 2 years - JH No: 08/178

Salary: Health Manager Level 2: \$70,142 to \$83,194 p.a.

This position will be responsible for coordinating the planning, implementation and evaluation of health screening and health promotion activities relating to the NSW Health 'Close the Gap' in chronic conditions for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in custody with major emphasis on renal screening and smoking cessation/reduction.

Enquiries: Elizabeth McEnry on (02) 4993 2337

Closing Date: 29 August 2008.

FOR ABOVE POSITIONS:

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applicants require an information package for selection criteria and application form from: Employee Services, (02) 9700 3039. **Applications to:** Justice Health, PO Box 150, Maitland NSW 2036.

NSW Health Service - Justice Health Division is committed to CHS, EEO, Ethical Practices, and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. Personal criminal records checks will be conducted. Prohibited persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment.

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING AT THE ABC?

The ABC has a range of positions around Australia and, as the national broadcaster, is committed to increasing Indigenous representation throughout the Corporation. Our goal is to reflect the cultural diversity of the Australian community in our programs and workforce and we see Indigenous employment as a key component towards achieving this goal. We encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with drive, determination and a will to succeed.

Jobs Available

Please check our website at abc.net.au/jobs

It is important to check the website on a weekly basis to ensure that you don't miss out on any job opportunities.

For more information contact **Paul Brant - Indigenous Employment Coordinator** on (02) 8333 1089.

The ABC invites Indigenous Australians to apply for positions. The Corporation is committed to Indigenous employment outcomes and values the Indigenous culture.

Indigenous Employment Opportunities - Project Firefighters 30 Positions

The Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) is responsible for the management of Public Land and other natural resources. DSE employs several hundred additional firefighters each summer to assist in the prevention and suppression of wildfires throughout the State. Advertisements are appearing in regional and local newspapers inviting applications for these roles.

In outer Metropolitan Melbourne and Regional Victoria there are project firefighter positions available for Indigenous applicants. Whilst specific locations have been identified under the exemption, people of indigenous background are also encouraged to apply for any other locations available.

Please note: An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunities Act 1995 (No. A122/2008). Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

Are you up to the challenge?

Here's what we ask:

- You can work safely alongside your colleagues as a team player.
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- You hold a current manual driver's licence and can be contacted by telephone during your employment.

In return you'll receive:

- A salary of between \$621.36 - \$840.95 per week (as of 1 October 2008), plus allowances and overtime.
- A rewarding job as a project firefighter.
- Professional training.

For more information contact Garry Stock, Team Leader Employment Strategies on 03 9637 8216 or email garry.stock@dse.vic.gov.au

You can also find out more and apply online by visiting: www.dse.vic.gov.au/fires
Alternatively contact us on 136 188, email pft.positions@dse.vic.gov.au or visit your local DSE or Parks Victoria workcentre.

Applications open on Saturday 16 August 2008 and will close on Sunday 7 September 2008.

www.dse.vic.gov.au/fires

Department of
Sustainability and
Environment

Apply on-line
for an instant
confirmation of
your application.

You have from
16 August 2008
until Sunday
7th September 2008
to apply.

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Attorney-General's Department

TRAINEES LIVE LEARN & LEAD

The Attorney-General's Department is seeking school leavers who are interested in achieving a just and secure society for all Australians to undertake a nationally recognised 12 month traineeship.

We are looking for trainees who:

- are enthusiastic
- are motivated
- possess integrity
- have good communication and interpersonal skills
- are school leavers, and
- have achieved qualifications no higher than a Certificate II as classified by the Australian Recognition Framework.

The Traineeship Program combines paid practical work and structured training leading to the nationally recognised qualification of Certificate III in Government PSP30104.

Trainees may have the opportunity to work in:

- Civil Justice
- Criminal Justice
- Emergency Management
- Financial Services
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Legal Services
- National Security

Successful applicants will be employed as ongoing employees subject to the successful completion of the program.

How to apply

For information on the application process, salary and flexible working conditions visit the Department website: www.ag.gov.au
Phone: 02 6250 6109
Email: graduatecoordinator@ag.gov.au

Applications close
Thursday 28 August 2008



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administrative support roles

Woolyungah Indigenous Centre (WIC)

Ref No: 23139

- administrative assistant
- Full-time/continuing
- Closes 24 August 2008

Ref No: 23137

- student support officer
- Part-time/continuing
- Closes 31 August 2008

Ref No: 23138

- executive officer
- Full-time/continuing
- Closes 31 August 2008

WIC is the UOW Centre of Learning, Research and Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People. The Centre is responsible for ensuring the educational success of Indigenous students, and conducting and promoting teaching and research in Aboriginal Studies across the University in cooperation with the Faculties.

The Centre is currently seeking highly motivated and committed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to fill the above three positions, and contribute to the continuous improvement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student support, teaching and research at the University.

For the positions of Administrative Assistant and Student Support Officer, UOW considers that being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under s.14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). Priority will be given to suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates for the role of Executive Officer.

Full Position Descriptions outlining the Selection Criteria for each of the positions are available on our website. Please ensure you address the criteria specified in the relevant position description. For further information about these positions please contact Ms Julie Booker on (02) 4221 3776.

Applications Close as listed above

Quote Relevant Ref No

how to apply: Please go to our website <http://employment.uow.edu.au/> to submit your application online & for more information about the position and UOW.



University of Wollongong



Exciting Project and Policy Opportunities

The NSW Government's Office for Ageing, which is part of the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care, is relocating from Sydney to Tweed Heads. The Office for Ageing provides strategic leadership and policy advice to Government and other agencies on the current and future implications of population ageing and promotes active planning for future demographic change by governments, communities, business and individuals.

We are seeking to fill a range of permanent and temporary roles within the Office for Ageing in Tweed Heads. Multiple positions are available in some of these grades.

Director Policy & Strategy - Senior Officer Grade 1 - DADHC-08-14796

Total remuneration package is up to \$140,926 (Salary \$118,519 to \$127,708)

The position is responsible for providing strategic advice and developing whole-of-Government policies and initiatives in accordance with the Government's population ageing policies and priorities.

Principal Policy & Projects Officer - Clerk Grade 11/12 - DADHC-08-14795

Total remuneration package is up to \$116,886 (Salary \$91,589 to \$105,923)

This role requires experience in and understanding of the application of evidence based, community development and action research approaches to public policy and the capability to identify strategic opportunities through social forecasting.

Manager Analysis Research & Information - Clerk Grade 11/12 - DADHC-08-14771

Total remuneration package is up to \$116,886 (Salary \$91,589 to \$105,923)

Responsible for providing rigorous analysis of NSW, national and international research and demographic data to assist NSW Government agencies, the non-government sector, business and the community to address issues arising from population ageing.

Senior Policy & Projects Officer - Clerk Grade 9/10 - DADHC-08-14797

Total remuneration package is up to \$96,295 (Salary \$79,188 to \$87,263)

This position is responsible for undertaking projects and assisting with the management of research, consultation and evaluation to inform the relevant application of policy and to measure outcomes.

Senior Policy & Projects Officer (Policy & Strategy) - Clerk Grade 9/10 - DADHC-08-14798

Total remuneration package is up to \$96,295 (Salary \$79,188 to \$87,263)

This position is responsible for designing, undertaking and participating in strategic policy projects and initiatives in Policy and Strategy.

Policy & Projects Officer - Clerk Grade 7/8 - DADHC-08-14773

Total remuneration package is up to \$84,855 (Salary \$69,468 to \$76,896)

This position supports strategic policy analysis and advice on whole-of-government issues by preparing briefings, submissions, project plans, program guidelines and Ministerial and Departmental correspondence as well as reviewing and evaluating relevant initiatives lead by the Office or other agencies.

Executive Assistant - Clerk Grade 5/6 - DADHC-08-14785

Total remuneration package is up to \$74,429 (Salary \$61,128 to \$67,448)

This position provides high quality executive and administration support to the Executive Director. When required, coordinate the work of an administrative support team that provides administration, customer service, project and research assistance.

Assistant Policy Officer - Clerk Grade 5/6 - DADHC-08-14787

Total remuneration package is up to \$74,429 (Salary \$61,128 to \$67,448)

This position provides assistance to strategic policy projects and initiatives by coordinating research, assisting with events management and updating the web site and publications.

People from Aboriginal background are encouraged to apply for these positions

To obtain full details and to apply for these positions please visit DADHC's website www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or phone 1800 185 466.

Applications close 29 August 2008

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Applicants need:

- two years community services experience working with Aboriginal children and families
- a passion for working with children.

Aboriginal caseworkers must identify and be recognised as Aboriginal.

Join us now.

For more information and to apply visit

www.community.nsw.gov.au/careers

or phone 1800 149 919

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5 September 2008



Australian Government
Aboriginal Hostels Limited



Senior Records Officer

Canberra

Central Office

APS Level 5 (expected vacancy)

\$47,360 - \$54,361 pa, plus superannuation

Duties

- manage AHL's records management program
- administer the AHL computerised records management system
- provide advice to management on legislative requirements and good practice in records management
- develop and implement records management procedures
- undertake Record Management System training and provide help desk support services to staff

Want to know more?

Contact Lyn Talbot on 02 6212 2078

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Dallas Jarden on 02 6212 2031

How to Apply

Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Recruitment Officer, Aboriginal Hostels Limited PO Box 30 Woden ACT 2606.

Closing date

By 5pm 29 August 2008

Working with Indigenous people for Indigenous people

Aboriginal Hostels Limited improves Indigenous quality of life through the delivery of hostel accommodation to enable access to education, employment, health and other services.

Conditions of Employment

The successful applicant is required to be an Australian citizen and to satisfactorily complete a medical assessment and police records check. A probationary period applies.

These are identified positions.

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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 position will be a twelve month contract initially with an option of renewal by the Board of Directors. The remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful candidate.

If you are intending to apply for the position you will need to obtain an information package which will outline the essential criteria for the position. This essential criteria will need to be addressed and applicants who do not meet the essential criteria will not be considered.

An information package, including position description, can be obtained by contacting:

Merrilyn Nowlan on (02) 4229 9495.
or email: merrilyn@illawarraams.com.au

Application and responses to the selection criteria must be submitted in accordance with the information package and received by 5pm Friday 29th August 2008.

No applications will be taken after that deadline. Please note the successful applicant will be required to undergo a criminal record check.

Positions Vacant

General Medical Clinic

1. Community Nurse (F/T)

Sexual Health Program

2. Aboriginal Health

Education Officer (F/T)

Mums & babies program

3. Clinical Aboriginal Health Worker (F/T)

4. Clinical Midwife Lactation Specialist (F/T)

5. Administration Support Officer (F/T)

6. Speech Therapist (P/T)

7. Nutritional Advisor (P/T)

AMSWS is offering challenging employment opportunities for community minded Aboriginal people with strong communication skills, a good listener, prepared to become part of a holistic health team committed to the delivery of primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community of Western Sydney from our centre at Mt Druitt.

Established in October 1986 we have been providing primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community since August 1987. AMSWS is a vibrant non-government community run organization with Public Benevolent Institution status, our main source of income comes from federal and state government grants.

In these positions an applicants' race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

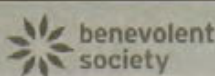
All applications will be assessed against a selection criterion that includes essential and desirable qualifying factors.

To obtain a selection criteria and statement of duties for these positions please contact Jean or Joanne on 02 9832 1356 or email Jean@amsws.org.au

Relevant criminal record checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment or appointment to positions within the AMSWS.

Written applications should be addressed and posted to:
The Chairperson, PO Box 3160, Mt Druitt Village NSW 2770
or email: Jean@amsws.org.au

Applications close: Friday 5 September 2008



Indigenous Learning and Support Officer

Full Time or Part Time Role (5 month, Fixed Term position)

Location negotiable. Position can be based at any of the Society's existing NSW offices, including Paddington, Liverpool, Fairfield, Campbelltown, Hurstville, Woodberry, Watanobbi, Bathurst, & Orange

The Benevolent Society is a non-profit organisation, which has been supporting vulnerable and disadvantaged Australians for nearly 200 years. We are seeking an Indigenous person with experience in the training or education area to help our Indigenous staff to develop their individual learning and development plans and negotiate the cross-cultural issues they encounter in their jobs.

For more information: contact Jocelyn Bell 9330 8014 (Mon, Thurs, Fri) or Michelle Feros 9330 8052 (Mon-Thurs), or see our website.

Applications close: 15 September 2008.

www.bensoc.org.au



Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care

DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE

PROJECT OFFICER

Clerk Grade 7/8

Office of the Senior Practitioner

Parramatta

Permanent Full-Time (3 positions)

Position No: DADHC-08-14643

Total remuneration package valued up to \$84,855 per annum (Salary: \$69,468 pa - \$76,896 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Provide support to the Office of the Senior Practitioner in: conducting research and analysis; preparing high quality, innovative responses and reports; managing and evaluating special projects; providing specialist advice and maintaining networks.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Knowledge and understanding of key contemporary issues that reflect the needs of clients with a disability, stakeholders and government.
- Skills and experience in project development, implementation and management, with understanding of funding, planning, monitoring and evaluation.
- Analytical, problem solving, research and data analysis skills.
- Effective interpersonal, communication and negotiation skills with a high level of written communication and report writing skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to teamwork, building effective working relationships and consulting with a range of stakeholders.
- Tertiary qualification in a relevant discipline and/or equivalent knowledge, skills and experience.

Job Notes: There are three (3) permanent full-time positions available. Further information about this position is available online and you must address the full selection criteria and complete the forms.

Inquiries: Peter Goslett (02) 9841 9286

Information Package: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or 1800 185 466

Apply on-line: As per link given in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008

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BATCHELOR INSTITUTE
OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

Lecturer - Construction & Social Housing

Position No.: 14692

Fixed term appointment to December 2011 - Alice Springs, NT

Remuneration Academic Level B - \$67,006 - \$79,570

This position is responsible for the delivery of approved Vocational Education and Training programs in General Construction. This position requires the development of culturally appropriate teaching and learning outcomes, student assessment and maintenance of student files. Liaison with other training staff, remote Aboriginal communities and with industry partners is also required. Travel and working throughout the Northern Territory is an essential requirement.

Applications close Friday 22nd August 2008

For further information, the Selection Criteria 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) 8939 7272 or (08) 8939 7393; fax: (08) 8939 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 (AUSA report 2006). As such, BIITE endeavours to be a strong employer of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. BIITE strongly encourages applications for the above positions from suitably qualified and experienced Indigenous Australians.

A free commuter service is normally available for staff travelling between Darwin, Palmerston and some rural areas.



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Centrelink is part of the Human Services Portfolio working with other Human Services 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.

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Successful applicants may negotiate an attractive and competitive remuneration package.

Indigenous Services Officer

APS Level 5

Centrelink Band 3

\$55,170 - \$58,502

Broome, Derby and Kunurra

The Indigenous Services Officer (ISO) has a specialist role to deliver high quality customer experience and deliver results and appropriate outcomes for customers. The ISO is an integral part of customer service delivery and will assist in establishing, maintaining and extending the Area's Indigenous focus across all aspects of Centrelink business.

Duties include:

1. Work with business lines to facilitate appropriate participation and income support outcomes for Indigenous customers by developing strategies to improve customer outcomes.
2. Assist business lines by supporting Indigenous customers in preparing to participate in economic outcomes.
3. Work with Indigenous Communities and Agencies in developing community capacity to ensure appropriate take up and retention of Government and community services and programs by members of the Indigenous community.
4. Develop and report on participation and income support strategies outcomes for Indigenous customers.

Notes

Applicants must be prepared to and have the ability to travel to remote communities. Must have a current drivers licence and have the capacity to drive 4WD vehicles.

The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975. This employment opportunity is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

Selection kits are available at Centrelink website.

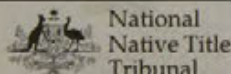
Please quote reference number ON120

For further information regarding the position contact Yvonne Dunn on (08) 8936 3818

Closing date is 28 August 2008.

Centrelink is committed to workplace diversity and encourages applications from Indigenous Australians, people of non-English speaking background and people with disability.

For selection documentation and more information about working at Centrelink, visit www.centrelink.gov.au and click on Careers



National
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- Rewarding work/life balance

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An exciting opportunity has arisen for a focused and dedicated leader to take charge of the delivery of the National Native Title Tribunals' services within Queensland. As Queensland State Manager you will have overall responsibility for managing the financial, administrative and human resource functions throughout the state and for exercising certain delegated authorities under the Native Title Act.

The key responsibilities include:

- Coordinating the delivery of the Tribunal's case management, future act and mediation services within the State
- Managing and coordinating State resources
- Participating in executive functions of the Tribunal
- Providing support to Tribunal Members for the delivery of mediation services

We are looking for someone who has:

- demonstrated knowledge and experience in leadership and management
- the ability to achieve results
- knowledge and understanding of Indigenous Australian societies and cultures, and the issues affecting these cultures in Australian society

To apply, view the Application Kit on our website at www.nntt.gov.au or freecall 1800 814 592, quoting reference number 256. For further enquiries in regards to the role profile, please contact Hugh Chevis on (08) 9268 7224.

The Tribunal embraces diversity in its workforce and Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Applications close: 28 August 2008.

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

Coordinator, Aboriginal Services and Planning

\$69,584 - \$84,190 + Superannuation

An exciting opportunity exists for a motivated and creative individual with the ability to create and develop relationships to join our team as the Coordinator of Aboriginal Services and Planning. The position works with Government, Aboriginal organisations and communities to develop positive working relationships, ensure a coordinated response to community needs and the effective implementation of a range of DHS and whole of government initiatives.

This is a challenging senior role for a person with excellent interpersonal skills, good personal organisation, the ability to write effectively, and engage with people from government and the broader community, within a department committed to supporting the aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Please note that this position is Fixed Term until 30 June 2009.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Michael Oerlemans on 03 5434 5555. To apply online and view the Job Description visit www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers and click on Vacancies.

Please quote reference no DHS/LOD/21086

Closing date for applications is 22 August 2008

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DHS recruitment practices. Applicants need to be committed to the DHS Values - DHS is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values Diversity.

To apply online and view the job description, visit www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers

and click on Vacancies. For other Victorian Government opportunities, please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au



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Indigenous Services Officer

APS Classification 5

Centrelink Band 3

\$55,170 to \$58,502

Various locations including the Northern Beaches, Sutherland/St George, Liverpool/Macarthur, Parramatta/Hills District, Greater Western Sydney and lower Blue Mountains.

Job Reference No: 0809/02

There are great opportunities across One Sydney for highly motivated and enthusiastic people to perform the role of the Indigenous Services Officer. Successful applicants will thrive in an environment where they can create partnerships with internal and external stakeholders to enhance service delivery to Indigenous Australians.

Duties will include:

- Assisting Indigenous Customers to access programs and services which support them in returning to the workforce, as well as negotiating and facilitating service options
- Networking in local community with different service providers (government agencies, Customer Service Advisors, business and community) to enable appropriate referrals for Indigenous customers
- Exploring opportunities for partnerships and programs with the different service providers and within Centrelink to assist with service delivery
- Representing Centrelink in the communities in each region and updating service providers and communities on Centrelink programs and services available

Applicants must be Australian Citizens.

This is an identified position at the APS 5 level. Successful applicants must have a knowledge and understanding of Australian indigenous cultures and issues, and be able to communicate sensitively and effectively with Indigenous people.

Driver's licence would be highly desirable as successful applicants will be expected to travel in order to provide a service across their respective region.

Information sessions about the position and the selection process will be held for interested applicants in Liverpool, Mt Druitt & Redfern. Please ring Carin Wills on 0438 453 734 to express interest in attending or for more details.

To apply, send an updated resume to people.area.sydney.east@centrelink.gov.au quoting ref no 0809/02.

Closing date 5pm, Friday 4/09/08

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For selection documentation and more information about working at Centrelink, visit www.centrelink.gov.au and click on Careers

CAPACITY BUILDING COORDINATOR

We are seeking a committed and highly skilled person to help us build the capacity of local Aboriginal people and organisations in the Lower Gulf communities of NW Queensland.

You will have a successful track record in community development through planning and delivering capacity building programs and training to Indigenous people in remote communities.

Please visit www.oxfam.org.au/jobs for application details. Closes 22 August. EEO Employer - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates particularly encouraged to apply.

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WAMINDA

South Coast Women's Health and Welfare Aboriginal Corporation

Aboriginal Family Health/Domestic Violence Support Worker

Temporary Full Time position (35 hrs/wk)

This is a opportunity for an Aboriginal Woman, who is qualified in and has experience in Family and Domestic Violence issues to work with Aboriginal women & children in the Shoalhaven area. The worker will be based at the Waminda Women's Health & Welfare Aboriginal Corporation Nowra.

This position is for a limited period of 12 months.

Essential Qualifications Include:

- Must be female and of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.
- Experience in crisis intervention and case management with women & their families who have family and/or domestic issues.
- Must have NSW drivers licence.
- Must be able to work as part of a team.

Salary: In accordance with Grade 3 of the NSW Social and Community Services Award. Pro-rata 35hr week (above award conditions)

Enquiries/Applications:

Faye Womer, Service Manager, South Coast Women's Health & Welfare Aboriginal Corporation, P.O. Box 978 NOWRA NSW 2541

Phone: (02) 4421 7400 Fax: (02) 4421 5004

Closing date: 20th August 2008

MARALINGA TJARUTJA

Maralinga Tjarutja is a major Aboriginal organisation located at Ceduna on the west coast of South Australia. Maralinga Tjarutja services the Aboriginal community of Oak Valley. Maralinga Tjarutja is seeking applications for the following Oak Valley based positions:

- CDEP Works Manager
- Aged Care Supervisor
- Essential Services Officer



CDEP Works Manager

\$42,500 plus remote area allowance of \$5,000

The CDEP Works Manager is responsible for the planning, coordination and implementation of the CDEP at Oak Valley community. The Works Manager will report to the CDEP Services Manager on all matters concerning the operation and delivery of CDEP services at Oak Valley.

Aged Care Supervisor

\$39,211 plus remote area allowance of \$5,000

The Aged Care Supervisor is responsible for the planning, coordination, team leadership, development, cooking and to ensure the provision of culturally appropriate Aged Care services to the Oak Valley Community. A certificate in Aged Care is desirable.

Essential Services Officer

\$55,000 - \$60,000 plus remote area allowance of \$5,000

The Essential Services Officer is responsible for a broad and significant range of 'core' activities, which include operation of essential services, power production, water supplies and services to effluent systems and reporting services for the local airstrip. Day to day activities regularly involve the use of modern technical equipment such as solar lighting and pumps, reticulation of water treatment plant and data logging equipment.

An understanding of Aboriginal culture and ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with Aboriginal people are desirable for these positions. Experience in living in a remote Aboriginal community is preferable.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

All employment positions at Maralinga Tjarutja are grant dependent. The positions will be offered as contracts to 30th June 2009 initially and then as one year contracts thereafter, subject to funding. All positions require a three month probationary period.

Job and person specifications for these positions can be obtained from Ms Tanya Darke at the Maralinga Tjarutja Office in Ceduna on (08) 8625 2946.

All of the positions will be awarded on merit; however people of Aboriginal descent are encouraged to apply.

APPLICATION LODGEMENT

Signed applications addressing all of the essential attributes must be lodged with:

Ms Tanya Darke
Maralinga Tjarutja
PO Box 435
CEDUNA SA 5690

BY 5.00pm (CST) on FRIDAY 29th August 2008.

Electronic applications (in Word document form) can be lodged by email to maratjar@bigpond.com. However, electronic applications must be followed by a hard copy signed application that should be POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN 29th August 2008.

TENANTS' UNION OF NSW Paralegal (Aboriginal)

Part-time (21 hours per week)

This position requires a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background. This is a genuine occupational qualification under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

The Tenants' Union of NSW is a community legal centre specialising in housing law.

A part-time Paralegal (Aboriginal) is required to join the legal practice of the Centre working in the area of housing issues. The successful candidate will support the work of the legal team by liaising with clients and witnesses, undertaking legal research, drafting documents, filing and serving documents, managing files and giving other administrative support.

The paralegal will spend 14 hours per week on Aboriginal issues and casework and 7 hours per week on general legal work.

Salary range \$46,572 to \$47,941 (pro rata) per annum plus salary packaging and generous conditions. For job description, selection criteria please contact Patrycja Arvidsson on (02) 8117-3709.

Applications close 5pm Wednesday, 20 August 2008.

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW

PRACTICE MANAGER

Clerk Grade 11/12
Legal Services Branch
Governance & Regulation
Head Office, Ashfield
Permanent Full-Time
Position No: DOH-08-14655

Total remuneration package valued up to \$116,886 per annum (salary \$91,589 pa - \$105,923 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Lead the planning & development of budgeting, staffing & IT systems within Legal Services & the continuous improvement of Best Practice. Advise on, maintain & review Housing NSW delegations.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Understanding of Best Practice LAW9000 framework with experience managing organisational change to achieve Industry Best Practice.
- Understanding of Legislation, Financial, Human Resources & Administrative Delegations.
- Broad understanding of IT systems & how they support achievement for best practice strategic objectives.
- Experience working in a legal services environment with tertiary qualifications in relevant field.
- Good analytical, research & problem solving skills.
- Excellent organisational skills with the ability to manage projects & coordinate others to meet strict deadlines.
- High level communication & interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrated leadership skills & the ability to motivate staff.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Chris Valacos (02) 8753 8393 or email: chris.valacos@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008

DOH 100000

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW

ANALYST, CONTRACTS & DOCUMENTATION

Clerk Grade 9/10
Strategic Procurement & Contracts
Governance & Regulation
Head Office, Ashfield
Permanent Full-Time
Position No: DOH-08-14642

Total remuneration package 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: This role exists to develop and control standard documentation on contracting and procurement across Housing NSW and to monitor the accuracy in the application of policy, strategy, standards and guidelines in preparation of documents.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Knowledge and experience working within a contracting and procurement environment, monitoring suppliers and providing procurement advice.
- Demonstrated experience and ability in translating corporate frameworks into documents, which support operational actions.
- Experience with providing input into corporately designed systems, frameworks, policies and processes, representing the needs of an organisation.
- Experience with developing and operating IT systems that support documentation and information gathering framework.
- High level oral and written communication skills and the ability to interact with key stakeholders.
- Ability to work collaboratively in the timely development of plans, systems strategies, policies and tools.
- Demonstrated commitment to achieving quality results through best practice solutions.
- Knowledge of contemporary reforms within the procurement industry.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Geoff Galea (02) 8753 8845

Information Packages:

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BUNJUM ABORIGINAL CO-OP

AEDO ABORIGINAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

(36 hours per week - 4.5 days)

The AEDO program assists Aboriginal people to access education and training pathways to facilitate the establishment and retention of viable Aboriginal business enterprises.

Bunjum is seeking a self-motivated, innovative and highly experienced Project Worker to fill this position. The AEDO will be based in Ballina with regular daytime hours travel within the Richmond/Tweed region.

Applicants are requested to contact Nita Roberts, Bunjum General Manager on 02 66 865644 (Email: generalmanager@bunjum.com) to request an information package prior to applying for the position.

A very competitive salary package including vehicle is offered. Closing date: 22 August 2008.

Note: This position is identified and exempted under S.21 of the Anti Discrimination Act, 1977



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

Clerk Grade 3/4

Northern NSW Housing Services Division

New England Area, Tamworth

Permanent Part-Time

Position No: DOH-08-14672

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,570 per annum (Salary: \$51,784 pa - \$58,701 pa). Full-time salary quoted includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Hourly rate: \$28.36 ph - \$31.05 ph

Job Description: To provide a broad range of administrative and project support to the Asset Operations Team.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Ability to understand program management.
- High level of oral and written communication skills including the ability to research and prepare correspondence, minutes, briefings, and other documents.
- Significant administrative support experience with demonstrated capacity to provide high level support to a professional team in a flexible manner.
- Experience in basic accounting functions including preparation of petty cash claims and budget monitoring utilising basic numeracy skills and high level accuracy.
- Extensive skills in Excel and spreadsheet manipulations, word processing, database packages and on-line research tools.
- Good interpersonal and negotiation skills.
- Ability to work independently or in a team environment and ability to meet deadlines.
- Good research, analytical and problem solving skills.

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Part-Time position (17.5 hours per week). Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Hugh Gentle (02) 6764 5502

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers/

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

041-709802



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW

DIRECTOR

Senior Officer Grade 3

Client Service Strategy Branch

Head Office, Ashfield

Permanent Full-Time. Position No: DOH-08-14634

Total remuneration package valued up to \$174,040 per annum (Salary: \$143,678 pa - \$157,716 pa). Includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: The Director, Client Service Strategy Branch leads a large team of staff and is responsible for the development, implementation and improvement of operational policies for delivering quality tenancy management by Client Service Teams.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- High level analytical & problem solving skills & demonstrated record of developing innovative & creative solutions to complex problems.
- Extensive experience in operational policy strategy & program development at a senior level and demonstrated experience at senior operational policy environment.
- Extensive experience in the design and development of innovative programs and services in a human services environment.
- High level understanding of social justice principles, social disadvantage and the operations of Government in the human services context.
- Proven ability to manage competing demands and prioritise actions.
- Capacity to analyse complex systems and process issues, develop systemic solutions and assess the impact of changes.
- Demonstrated ability to understand and influence key stakeholders from Government & non-government agencies and work collaboratively to achieve mutual goals.
- Ability to interpret internal and external environmental factors and anticipate their impact on the organisation and systems.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Mena Sardo (02) 8753 8833.

Information Package:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

041-709802

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS RADIO SERVICE (NIRS)

Manager

Reporting to: NIRS Board of Directors

SALARY: \$80,000.000 plus vehicle

The role has a strong sales focus and also includes programming, marketing, budgeting, grant applications and technical coordination. Successful applicant will have a proven sales and client management background. Applicants must have experience in working effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the issues affecting Indigenous Australians. Some interstate travel is required.

KEY DUTIES

1. Manage the operations of NIRS and its staff.
2. Generate advertising sales for NIRS and associated radio stations.
3. Implement policies as set by the Board of Directors.
4. Represent NIRS at State and Federal levels.
5. Oversee the operation of the company's National Indigenous News Service.
6. Work with the Board of Directors in the overall operations and strategic development of the organisation.

Applications must be in writing and forwarded to:

The Chairperson
National Indigenous Radio Service Ltd
P.O. Box 236
FORTITUDE VALLEY Q. 4006

Applications Close: 5th September 2008

Central Australian Stolen Generations and
Families Aboriginal Corporation
(CASG&FAC)

Link-Up Counsellor

Alice Springs, NT

Entitlements: Up to \$65,000 per annum depending on experience, salary sacrifice and 6 weeks leave.

CASG&FAC is an organisation that operates the Link-Up Service, and provides general support to the Stolen Generations people in order to aid healing processes.

CASG&FAC has an opportunity for 2 suitably experienced individuals to provide counselling services to our clients. The successful applicants will be a part of our specialised team in providing services to the Stolen Generations community, including their families.

Duties: To provide professional and confidential counselling to our clients.

Essential Criteria:

- Minimum qualification is a Certificate IV in counselling, psychology, social work, mental health or a related area;
- Ability to work with Stolen Generations people and experience in developing Indigenous service provisions.

Further Information: Applications must address the selection criteria and submit a curriculum vita, names and contact details of two referees.

Contact: Enquiries to Scott Lonard on (08) 89 533899 or email scott.lonard@central.link-up.org.au

Closing Date: Friday 29TH August 2008

Applications should be addressed to: Scott Lonard, CASG&FAC, PO Box 744, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871 or by email scott.lonard@central.link-up.org.au



OFFICE OF THE LEGAL AID COMMISSION

Solicitor, Civil Law, Aboriginal Identified

Legal Officer Grade I-III, Haymarket,

Permanent Full-Time,

Job Reference No CV08/143.

Total remuneration package valued to:

\$90,756 p.a. (\$55,472-\$82,244)

Total remuneration package includes salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Provide high quality legal advice and representation to the Commission's clients in accordance with its policies and guidelines. The successful applicant will predominantly practise social security law and migration law initially.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Legal qualifications and a NSW Practising Certificate. Knowledge and/or capacity to acquire knowledge of civil law including but not limited to consumer, housing, human rights, social security or migration law (as required) and a capacity to represent legal aid clients before Courts or Tribunals. Proven capacity to identify and understand legal and cross cultural issues facing socially and economically disadvantaged people. Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to conduct community legal education and to prepare court documents, correspondence, submissions and other written materials. Ability to understand Legal Aid Commission policies and procedures to determine applications of legal aid and advise clients about eligibility or the capacity to rapidly acquire such knowledge. Well developed legal research as well as the ability to meet deadlines, work without close supervision and to manage a diverse workload. Demonstrated computer skills and Class C Driver's Licence, as required.

Notes: This position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Inquiries: Bill Georgiannis (02) 9219 5903.

Information Packages:

Mary Healy-North on (02) 9219 5656.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:

Human Resource Management, Office of the Legal Aid Commission, PO Box K847, Haymarket, NSW, 1238 or by email to employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 29 August 2008

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Aboriginal Men's Health Worker

Department of Health and Families

Aboriginal Health Worker Class 4

(\$56 652 - \$59 673)

Sexual Health Blood Borne Virus Unit - Alice Springs

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We are looking for an Aboriginal Male Health Worker to join the Centre for Disease Control in Alice Springs. This position offers the potential to move to an AHWS within 12 months.

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You will be a Registered Aboriginal Health Worker in the Northern Territory and preferably with a relevant postgraduate qualification. You will have an interest in Public Health, Primary Health Care and Community Development and an understanding of the issues involved in working with indigenous Australians.

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Indigenous Research Officer

RESEARCH LEVEL A OR B

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REF 08116 This is an exciting opportunity for an Indigenous academic or health professional who wishes to contribute to the Centre's research effort aimed at improving health and social well-being outcomes in remote communities. The position of Indigenous Research Officer is integral to the implementation of the Primary Health Care Research Evaluation and Development (PHCRED) program across the Northern Territory. The successful applicant will participate in a variety of research and education activities related to primary health care in remote communities (such as in the areas of mental health, ageing and dementia care, sustainable communities, and workforce development), and will also be encouraged to pursue their own research interests with training and professional development provided as appropriate.

This position is available immediately for 3 years on a full-time basis.

Location: Alice Springs, Northern Territory.

Salary Range: Level A: \$52,800 - \$64,308pa
Level B: \$67,696 - \$80,387pa

Applications must address the specified selection criteria. Detailed position information (including selection criteria) and essential information for intending applicants are available via the Jobs@Flinders website: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment>. If you are unable to access this information, please contact Ms Jeanne Tahini, telephone (08) 8951 4700.

Applications may be lodged online at Jobs@Flinders: www.flinders.edu.au/employment or with the Executive Officer, Centre for Remote Health, PO Box 4066, Alice Springs NT, 0871 or E-mail: jeanne.tahini@flinders.edu.au

Closing Date: Monday, 25 August 2008.

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As part of our NSW Registry team, this traineeship will give you the chance to develop skills in the office administration field while making a valuable contribution towards the recognition of native title rights and interests.

Please consider applying for this position if you:

- Are an Indigenous Australian
- Have completed year 10 at high school
- Will be less than 25 years old at commencement of employment

Duties include:

- Providing administrative and reception support
- Assisting with correspondence relating to native title applications
- Maintaining information on a data base and other general office duties as required.

To apply, view the application kit on our website at www.nntt.gov.au or free call 1800 814 592, quoting the reference number 100. To find out about the Tribunal's initiatives to create an Indigenous friendly workplace, you can contact Susan Jenkins on (02) 9235 6322.

Applications close: 21 August 2008 at 5pm

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Project Officer - Indigenous Academic Success

- CBD location
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The Ngarara Willim Indigenous Centre is a specialist centre at RMIT University, which through case management approaches provides assistance and support to Indigenous students to enhance achievement of their academic goals and success in their courses/programs.

An opportunity has arisen for a passionate and supportive Project Officer to join the centre in this maternity leave contract, where the successful candidate will primarily be involved in student case management, in addition to the overall coordination and administration, including compliance and reporting of the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS) made available to all Indigenous students.

A demonstrated knowledge of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander networks and an understanding and appreciation of community needs, with a particular emphasis on the educational and personal support needs of Indigenous students will be considered essential.

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Director

Retail Stores Unit
Communities

Salary: \$114 282 - \$119 100 p.a.

Location: Brisbane

REF: QLD/COM7358/08

Key Duties: 1. Provide professional, authoritative and timely advice to the Director General, Deputy Directors General, General Manager and other senior management on matters relating to the operation of the Retail Stores Unit. 2. Lead the development, implementation and enhancement of systems and processes that further the development of the retail stores. 3. Provide industry knowledge and supervision to the managers of the retail stores to ensure that the stores maintain supermarket industry standards.

Skills and Abilities: Experience in multi store supermarket management. Demonstrated superior communication skills across both private and public sectors.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Manager (Specified)

Child Safety Services Division

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Child Safety

Salary: \$89 898 - \$95 082 p.a.

Location: Atherton

REF: QLD/CHS7559/08

Key Duties: To lead and manage the Child Safety Service Centre in the delivery of high quality child protection services to clients and communities through the implementation of quality case management systems/practices/standards and service delivery framework, the establishment of enduring productive partnerships with carers, the community, the public and non-government sectors, and the ongoing professional development and management of staff.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7693

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Manager (Specified)

Office for ATSI Partnerships

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Communities

Salary: \$89 898 - \$95 082 p.a.

Location: Brisbane

REF: QLD/COM7465/08

Key Duties: Develop, co-ordinate and implement whole-of-government policies and programs for improved outcomes for Indigenous Queenslanders and which are responsive to local needs. Provide high quality and timely advice and develop strategic partnerships across Government and with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to ensure that policy development is inclusive of the needs and aspirations of Indigenous Queenslanders.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Operations Coordinator

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing
Housing

Salary: \$81 139 - \$87 004 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/HO6862/08

Key Duties: Coordinate and manage the operations of the Community Program Delivery Unit to ensure effective delivery and reporting of program outputs.

Skills and Abilities: Coordinate the service delivery aspects of Communities Program Delivery in order to ensure departmental outputs targets are achieved. Assist with the management of the delivery of the capital grants program and monitor delivery compliance.

Enquiries: Terry Wallace (07) 4046 3011 or E-Mail: jobvac.hsg@ssa.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 25 August 2008

Senior Resource Officer

(Discretionary Measures) (Specified)

Service Delivery and Smart Service Queensland

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Communities

Salary: \$72 515 - \$77 584 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/COM7557/08

Key Duties: Provide leadership and operational management to homelessness project and/or program staff. Monitor trends and provide advice in regard to homelessness, displacement and public intoxication in public space.

Skills and Abilities: Demonstrated ability in developing and managing initiatives within community and individual support, health and/or homelessness areas. Ability to supervise and support staff in a direct service delivery environment.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Court Coordinator

Child Safety Services Division

(Part-time employment will be considered)

Child Safety

Salary: \$72 017 - \$77 584 p.a.

Location: Atherton

REF: QLD/CHS7553/08

Key Duties: Represent the Director-General in Children's Courts and higher courts in child protection matters and co-ordinate departmental representation in these courts. Provide information and advice on court and tribunal related matters, including researching and supporting staff and departmental witnesses in the preparation of evidence and quality assuring material for court and the Children Services Tribunal.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7693

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Indigenous Service Support

Officer (Identified)

Service Delivery and Smart Service Queensland

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Communities

Salary: \$54 534 - \$59 969 p.a.

Location: Roma

REF: QLD/COM7493/08

Key Duties: Support Youth Justice staff to consult and effectively work with relevant stakeholders to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people and their families subject to youth justice intervention.

Skills and Abilities: Demonstrated written, oral and interpersonal communication skills.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Information and Administration Officer

Child Safety Services Division

(Two permanent full-time positions available)

Child Safety

Salary: \$46 121 - \$51 432 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/CHS7560/08

Key Duties: To provide support in the areas of administration, human resource, finance and records management within the Child Safety Service Centre.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7693

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Case Management Officer

Service Delivery and Smart Service Queensland

Communities

Salary: \$46 121 - \$51 432 p.a.

Location: Wacol

REF: QLD/COM7540/08

Key Duties: Input and collate data. Maintain and update an extensive record keeping system. Maintain detention file for Young People. Prepare release documents.

Skills and Abilities: Should be a team player with strong organisational and analytical skills. Should possess strong administration skills and good.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Caseworker (Specified)

Service Delivery and Smart Service Queensland

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Communities

Salary: \$46 071 - \$67 647 p.a.

Location: Roma or Charleville

REF: QLD/COM7539/08

Key Duties: Deliver best practice statutory casework services to young people using sound assessment and intervention skills in accordance with the legislative, policy and procedural requirements. Communicate effectively and sensitively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Caseworker

Service Delivery and Smart Service Queensland

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Communities

Salary: \$46 071 - \$67 647 p.a.

Location: Woodridge

REF: QLD/COM7556/08

Key Duties: Provide culturally appropriate and well planned services to young people to assist with their compliance with court orders and reintegrate into the community.

Skills and Abilities: Engage and communicate effectively with disadvantaged and marginalised young people, from diverse cultural backgrounds

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Police Liaison Officer

Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$39 804 - \$42 622 p.a. (\$23 204 - \$35 077 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

Location: Rockhampton

REF: QLD/PO357/08

Enquiries: Murray Shields (07) 4928 6323

Closing Date: Monday, 25 August 2008

Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) Coordinator

Child Safety Services Division

Child Safety

Salary: \$70 973 - \$73 824 p.a.

Location: Mount Isa

REF: QLD/CHS7532/08

Key Duties: Coordinate the effective functioning of teams within the SCAN System.

Skills and Abilities: Coordinate the functioning of SCAN Assessment and Management (AM) Team in a manner that assists in effective and professional discussion and recommendations that are responsive to case needs.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7693

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) Team

Administration Officer

Child Safety Services Division

(One permanent part-time position available)

Child Safety

Salary: \$23 060 - \$25 716 p.a.

Location: Mount Isa

REF: QLD/CHS7535/08

Key Duties: To provide timely and effective support to the Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect Assessment and Management (SCAN) Coordinator and Team.

Skills and Abilities: Organise SCAN team meetings as required, and record accurate minutes to reflect SCAN Team discussions and recommendations.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7693

Closing Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2008

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Aboriginal Child and Family Violence Counsellor (Specialising in Sexual Assault)

Kaleidoscope, Wallsend

Perm Part Time, 20 hpw

Position No: 58520

Applicants must be female and the position is identified for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people under Sections 31 and 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Enquiries: Raisa Miller, (02) 4924 6333.

Closing Date: 29 August 2008.

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Closing Date: 29 August 2008.

MENTAL HEALTH

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker – Multidisciplinary (Grade 1)

Ref: 56324. F/T at Liverpool, Campbelltown, Camperdown or Canterbury/Bankstown. Enq: Shai Marshall, (02) 9616 4250.

Trainee Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (HEO Non-Grad)

Ref: 56495. Salary: \$38,878-\$66,313 pa. F/T at Liverpool, Campbelltown, Camperdown or Canterbury/Bankstown. Enq: Shai Marshall, (02) 9616 4250.

FOR BOTH POSITIONS:

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Team Leader AJA (2)

Aboriginal Services

Position No: 006622, 006618

Level/Salary: 7 PSGA \$82,227 - \$88,191 pa

These dynamic positions are responsible for managing and assisting with the development of AJA plans throughout Western Australia. You will be responsible for supervising a project team which will facilitate strategic, high level partnership engagement between Aboriginal communities, Government, consultants and key stakeholders throughout Western Australia. You will also be responsible for working with AJA regional coordinators to ensure that plans, priorities and actions are identified and agreed upon across WA.

Job Application Package: To access information about this position, visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key the Position No. or Keyword into the Search Box or Ph: (08) 9476 0011.

For Further Job Related Information: Please contact Gordon Cole on (08) 9264 6128.

Closing Date: Mon, 18 August 2008 at 4.30pm.

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At North Coast TAFE we're renewing our approach to Aboriginal vocational learning programs for youth and adults. We have created the **North Coast Aboriginal Learning Partnerships (NCALP)** initiative and support team to steer our future efforts in Aboriginal vocational learning, careers pathways, community capacity building, and workplace learning consultancy services.

Five new and exciting Aboriginal identified positions, at Senior Education Officer (SEO) Level and reporting to the Director of NCALP, now exist within the NCALP Support Team:

Team Leader, Aboriginal Learner Support Services, Location negotiable at one of our 16 campuses, JRN 08/107.

Aboriginal TAFE Consultant – Upper North Coast, Located at either Lismore or Kingscliff, JRN 08/110.

Aboriginal TAFE Consultant – Mid North Coast, Located at either Coffs Harbour or Grafton, JRN 08/109.

Aboriginal TAFE Consultant – Lower North Coast, Located at either Port Macquarie or Taree, JRN 08/108.

Aboriginal TAFE Consultant - Djigay without Borders Initiative, Located at Kempsey, JRN 08/111.

Closing Date: 19 September 2008

If you're interested in these positions then we'd love to hear from you.

Please contact Tony Dreise on 02 6623 0335 or log onto our website
www.nci.tafensw.edu.au or phone our vacancies hotline for an
information package on 1800 008 233.





Delta
electricity

Indigenous Apprenticeships

Great Development Opportunities
Highly regarded apprentice program

Delta Electricity through HGT EastCoast Training has Indigenous apprenticeships available at their Central Coast Power Stations (near Gosford/ Newcastle, NSW) in the following trades:



• Electrical Fitter • Mechanical Fitter
• Metal Fabrication

So if you are enthusiastic, value a team environment and want to learn, this is the stepping stone to a rewarding career.

Selection Criteria

- Completion of School Certificate or equivalent
- Possess a basic Safety Awareness
- Demonstrate a positive attitude and strong work ethic
- Be of Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander descent

How to Apply

Written applications should include a covering letter:

1. Addressing the selection criteria,
2. Including your resume and 2 of your most recent school reports

Applications can be forwarded to:

Christina Roberts
HGT EastCoast Training,
PO Box 363, GOSFORD NSW 2250 or email:
admingst@hgtlaust.com.au

For further information call:

HGT
EastCoast Training
Christina Roberts on
(02) 49066700

CLOSING DATE for written applications is Wednesday 27 August 2008



Government of South Australia

Department for Families
and Communities

A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER...

Experience the Great Australian Outback while making a difference in the community of the Anangu people in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands.

Families SA are recruiting the following positions:

Child Protection Worker & Senior Social Worker

These rewarding jobs will give you an opportunity to work closely with children, young people and their families in a remote setting. These unique roles involve becoming part of a local team, building strong links and relationships with community members, local Aboriginal organisations and other government departments. Families SA wants you to be part of this team so we can make a change for the better to the health and wellbeing of our future generations.

We will provide training and development in the area of Child Protection through the Department's College for Learning and Development, which is a registered training organisation. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent applying for these positions who have the appropriate background, knowledge and skills but not the formal qualification in social work are eligible and strongly encouraged to apply.

Salary - \$61,060 - \$68,023 p.a. plus 9% superannuation, plus up to 50% country incentive package (approximately \$34,011 p.a.) plus locality allowance of approx. \$6,536 p.a. plus flexible working arrangements, government housing and relocation expenses.

Total approx. annual salary of up to \$108,570

The Department for Families and Communities will be recruiting for positions within six communities on the APY Lands. Applicants must hold a current driver's licence and have a willingness to drive in remote areas. Applicants may possess an appropriate degree in Social Work or qualification approved by the Chief Executive.

If you are interested in making a difference, please contact Julianne Donnelly, Manager Coober Pedy District Centre on 08 8672 4500 to obtain an information package and application form or visit our website <http://www.familiesandcommunities.sa.gov.au/> and select the 'careers' link.

NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING



HOUSING NSW SENIOR SOLICITOR PROPERTY & ADVISING

Legal Officer Grade VI
Legal Services Branch
Governance & Regulation
Head Office, Ashfield
Permanent Full-Time
Position No: DOH-08-14656

Total remuneration package valued up to \$114,313 per annum (salary \$101,454 pa - \$103,591 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Provide authoritative specialised legal advice to the Executive and Major Projects and operational advice in relation to property matters involving leasing and commercial law, GST and legislative change.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Five (5) or more years experience in the practice of property law & provision of specialist advice regarding property, corporate & GST law.
- Knowledge of policies & procedures relating to property, leasing, tendering, contracting, procurement & current market conditions.
- Understanding of a wide range of legislation, including but not limited to Conveyancing, Housing, GST, Leasing, Corporate, Local Government, Environmental & Planning, Property, Contract & related laws.
- Demonstrated ability to interpret complex legislation.
- Demonstrated research, analytical & problem solving skills.
- Excellent oral & written communication & interpersonal skills & able to work independently.
- Excellent negotiation & conflict resolution, capacity to implement, alternate/early dispute resolution techniques.
- Experience working within the housing/land industry & must be admitted as a Solicitor & have a current practising certificate.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria

Inquiries: Chris Balomatis (02) 8753 8375 or email: chris.balomatis@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

GLW-170808

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

OFFICE OF THE LEGAL AID COMMISSION

Solicitor (Career Development Program) Aboriginal

Legal Officer Grade I-III, Haymarket and
Metropolitan Sydney, Temporary Full-Time,
Job Reference No EX08/145.

Total remuneration package valued to:
\$66,255 p.a. (\$55,472-\$60,041)

Total remuneration package includes
salary, employer's contribution to
superannuation and leave loading.

We are looking for a bright, hard working newly admitted solicitor to join our two-year rotational Career Development Program working as a legal practitioner in two practice areas in our Criminal, Family and Civil divisions.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. A credit average grade in a LLB (or equivalent law qualification) from an accredited body completed in or after the 2007 academic year and hold a current NSW Practising Certificate before the Program commencement date (23 February 2009). Knowledge of family/criminal/civil law, capacity to acquire knowledge of any specific area of law as required to represent legal aid clients and undertake an advocacy role before Courts or Tribunals. Strong interpersonal skills and an ability to provide quality customer service in a high volume work environment. Proven capacity to identify and understand legal and cross cultural issues facing socially and economically disadvantaged people. Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to conduct community legal education and to prepare court documents, correspondence, submissions and other written materials. Ability to understand Legal Aid NSW policies and procedures to determine applications of legal aid and advise clients about eligibility or the capacity to rapidly acquire such knowledge. Ability to meet deadlines, work without close supervision, manage a diverse workload as well as demonstrated computer skills.

Notes: This position is temporary full-time under Sections 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002, for a period up to February 2011. This position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Note that the placements may be in either the Haymarket office in Sydney CBD or in a Sydney metropolitan office and the rotations may involve placements in different offices.

Inquiries: Anita Fredkin (02) 9219 5954.

Information Packages:

Timika Williams on (02) 9219 5994.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:

Career Development Program for New Solicitors,
Human Resource Management Branch, Office of the
Legal Aid Commission, PO Box K847, Haymarket 1238;
online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or by email to
employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 19 September 2008

NSW DEPARTMENT OF
**juvenile
justice**

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Women, Aboriginal People, Torres Strait Islanders, people from diverse racial, ethnic and ethno religious minority groups, mature aged workers and people with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply.

No Smoking in the workplace is Departmental policy. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and ethical practices.

UNIT COORDINATOR (ABORIGINAL) 2 POSITIONS

Lidcombe, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 06/119. Total remuneration package valued to: \$69,582 p.a. (\$55,010-\$63,056) including salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Supervises and directs the work of a team of Youth Officers to ensure the appropriate care and custody of clients and safety of staff. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and knowledge, understanding and respect for Aboriginal culture Certificate IV in Juvenile Justice (Youth Work) or Community Service or equivalent. Experience in working with, motivating, supporting and communicating effectively with young people with challenging behaviours, including an understanding of their needs. Capacity to maintain a safe and secure environment for staff and clients. Demonstrated ability to manage a team including conflict resolution, negotiation, liaison and problem solving and advocacy skills. Demonstrated ability to prepare accurate and concise reports and make recommendations. Knowledge of the Department's casework and programming practices. Current minimum Class C NSW driver's licence.

Notes: Applicants are encouraged to obtain an information package. It is an offence under the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks. Eligibility List may be created to fill future permanent or temporary positions. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorized by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Inquiries: Bruce Cunningham (02) 8737 5000.

Information Packages: Karen McNamara (02) 8737 5000.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Employee Services Officer, Department of Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240.

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

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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. These positions are available only to Aboriginal people.

Vacancies currently exist at the following schools:

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Gorokan High School
- Kingscliff High School
- Newcastle High School
- Northlakes High School
- Noumea Public School
- Sanctuary Point Public School
- Toronto High School
- Wyong Technology High School

TEACHERS AIDE PRE SCHOOL

- Tolland Public School

TEACHERS AIDE SPECIAL

- Buninyong Public School
- Dubbo College, Senior Campus School
- Dubbo College, South Campus School
- Kurri Kurri High School
- Moree Secondary College Carol Avenue Campus

For full position criteria and to apply for these positions go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au

Closing date for applications is **Friday 29 August 2008**.

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.



New South Wales Government

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Have you got the skills we need?
Want to work in a flexible and professional environment?

The North Coast Institute encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for our vacant positions.

Check our website on:

www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm



CASEWORK MANAGER (IFBS) IN THE HUNTER & CENTRAL COAST.



"I LEAD AND SUPPORT MY TEAM AS THEY WORK WITH ABORIGINAL FAMILIES IN CRISIS. I FEEL PROUD TO KNOW I AM HELPING KEEP ABORIGINAL FAMILIES TOGETHER."
CASEWORK MANAGER

Salary package from \$87,383 - \$89,840 p.a.

Intensive Family Based Services (IFBS) is a home-based program for Aboriginal families in crisis. Lead a team of DoCS caseworkers in the Hunter and Central Coast and receive:

- professional support and training
- flexible working conditions
- great career opportunities
- dedicated, professional teamwork.

Applicants need:

- three years community services experience working with Aboriginal children and families
- experience managing people and leading teams
- a passion for working with children.

Aboriginal caseworker managers must identify and be recognised as Aboriginal.
* Temporary position up to 12 months with the possibility of permanent appointment.

Join us now.

For more information and to apply visit
www.community.nsw.gov.au/careers
or phone 02 9716 2225

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 22 August 2008



Senior Project Officer

(Aboriginal Languages And Curriculum Support K-12)
Senior Education Officer Grade 2
Curriculum Branch

Position No: BOS/512

Salary: Total remuneration package valued up to \$113,752 per annum includes salary (\$103,083 per annum), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Location: Sydney

Job Status: Temporary Full time

Responsibilities:

Assist in the development of K-10 Aboriginal languages syllabus support materials and with the development of support programs and documents across both Primary and Secondary curriculum.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- An understanding of the issues related to the education of Aboriginal students K-12.
- Appropriate tertiary qualification(s) and successful recent teaching and/or research experience.
- Knowledge and understanding of issues related to the teaching of Aboriginal languages.
- Knowledge and understanding of curriculum and assessment issues to support Aboriginal education.
- Demonstrated ability to manage projects.
- High level of interpersonal and oral and written communication skills and expertise in word-processing.
- Ability to work in a team.

Job Notes:

The qualification of Aboriginality for this position is authorised by the Office of the Board's EEO Management Plan in accordance with part 9A, Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. Temporary employment/secondment under sections 24, 27 or 101 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002 commencing Term 1, 2009 for a period of up to 3 years.

Consistent with the entitlements of public sector applicants, the Office is prepared to negotiate bilateral agreements with current employers of successful non-government school applicants to facilitate right of return and recognition of service while employed by the Office.

Enquiries: Kevin Lowe (02) 9367 8198
or e-mail: kevin.lowe@bos.nsw.edu.au

Closing Date:

Information Package: Nezmia Hay (02) 9367 8140
or e-mail: nezmia.hay@bos.nsw.edu.au

Applications To:

Personnel/Payroll Officer, Office of the Board of Studies,
GPO Box 5300, Sydney NSW 2001, or you can apply on-line
at www.bos.nsw.gov.au



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following mining lease applications under the Mining Act 1978 (WA):

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
47/673-91	Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	12944.0ha	50km NW of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°56' Long 117°13'	Ashburton
47/692-702	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd	8327.90ha	45km W of Newman	Lat 22°11' Long 115°18'	East Pilbara
47/703-7	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	3297.59ha	88km NW of Newman	Lat 22°49' Long 118°08'	East Pilbara
47/706	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	150.87ha	80km NW of Newman	Lat 22°52' Long 119°02'	East Pilbara
47/709	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	833.12ha	89km NW of Newman	Lat 22°53' Long 119°02'	East Pilbara
47/710-7	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	6409.53ha	74km NW of Newman	Lat 22°42' Long 119°24'	East Pilbara
3/47/725-8 47/716-24 3/47/729-31 47/732-6	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	4669.53ha 4012.73ha	46km N of Newman 95km SE of Tom Price	Lat 22°57' Long 119°37' Lat 23°04' Long 118°37'	East Pilbara Ashburton/East Pilbara
47/737-60	Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	2196.39ha	101km W of Newman	Lat 23°04' Long 118°48'	East Pilbara
47/761-80	Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	18624.06ha	66km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°57' Long 118°50'	Ashburton
47/761-2	Itchu Minerals & Energy of Australia Pty Ltd Mitsui Iron Ore Corporation Pty Ltd BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	1006.66ha	79km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°41' Long 118°56'	Ashburton/East Pilbara
70/125	Roxia Pty Ltd	27.84ha	23km of Perth	Lat 32°09' Long 115°48'	Cockburn City

Nature Of The Act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification Day: 13 August 2008

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 13 November 2008. 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. 13 December 2008), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (CTH) in relation to the area of the mining leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



NOTICE TO GRANT 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
15/4906	Motator Mining Pty Ltd Focus Minerals Ltd (ACN 005 470 729)	9.71ha	2km E of Wagin	Lat 31°30' Long 121°54'	Coolgardie
15/5022	Allison NL	119.4ha	19km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°46' Long 121°08'	Coolgardie
15/5023	Allison NL	111.19ha	19km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°46' Long 121°08'	Coolgardie
15/5250	BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd	40.34ha	20km W of Kalbarra	Lat 31°11' Long 121°27'	Coolgardie
15/5268	David Charles Lyons	164.0ha	14km NW of Coolgardie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°03'	Coolgardie
24/4010	Dukeston Consolidated Pty Ltd	199.97ha	42km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°29' Long 121°14'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4011	Dukeston Consolidated Pty Ltd	144.72ha	43km NW of Kalbarra	Lat 30°22' Long 121°14'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3651-63	Michael O'Donnell	2456.9ha	24km SE of Kalbarra	Lat 30°54' Long 121°38'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1807	Hampton Resources Limited	69.86ha	60km N of Kalbarra	Lat 30°16' Long 121°46'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
31/7643-4	Argon Resources Limited	327.83ha	60km N of Kalbarra	Lat 27°52' Long 121°12'	Leonora
31/7645-6	Argon Resources Limited	355.63ha	58km N of Kalbarra	Lat 27°55' Long 121°09'	Leonora
31/7647	Chad Gwynne Johnson Neale Gwynne Johnson	49.99ha	16km N of Leonora	Lat 28°48' Long 121°20'	Leonora
36/0159	John Stephen Biddis Milward	54.99ha	54km W of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°58' Long 122°20'	Laverton
36/0382	Kage Bay Resources NL RMM Australia Pty Ltd	192.3ha	49km W of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°54' Long 122°25'	Laverton
36/2305-6	South Boulder Mines Ltd	286.17ha	90km NW of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°50' Long 122°04'	Laverton
36/2540	Genesis Technologies Ltd	101.74ha	58km W of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°48' Long 122°20'	Laverton
36/2541	Genesis Technologies Ltd	189.88ha	58km W of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°48' Long 122°19'	Laverton
36/2572	Dukeston Resources Pty Ltd Hage Resources Limited	125.17ha	57km NW of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°48' Long 122°20'	Laverton
36/3177	Melkor Resources Ltd Barrick (GCM) Limited (ACN 002 594 881)	165.40ha	11km NW of Laverton	Lat 28°34' Long 122°15'	Laverton
36/3279	Russell Philip Dowling	9.97ha	97km NW of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°52' Long 122°02'	Laverton
36/3782-6	Herraphoe Resources Ltd	945.84ha	20km E of Laverton	Lat 28°35' Long 122°36'	Laverton
39/4496	Golden City NL	41.26ha	53km E of Laverton	Lat 28°57' Long 121°52'	Leonora
39/4584	Trevor John Dixon Rozal Frederick Onw	171.0ha	53km E of Leonora	Lat 29°00' Long 121°55'	Leonora
39/4690	Chick Gold Mines Ltd	69.93ha	61km E of Laverton	Lat 29°09' Long 122°01'	Laverton
39/4803	John Robert Vinn Money	190.63ha	55km E of Leonora	Lat 29°38' Long 121°52'	Leonora
39/4934	Golden City NL	120.99ha	40km E of Leonora	Lat 29°51' Long 121°49'	Leonora
39/4935	Roger Michael Lindsay	15.74ha	97km E of Laverton	Lat 29°29' Long 122°21'	Merrilee
39/4937	Douglas Daniel White	153.13ha	60km E of Leonora	Lat 29°00' Long 121°56'	Leonora
40/1132	Peter Andrew Wilshire	0.81ha	63km SE of Leonora	Lat 29°20' Long 123°59'	Merrilee
45/2681	Newcrest Operations Ltd	6.74ha	24km SE of Yelfer	Lat 21°52' Long 122°22'	East Pilbara
45/2704	Robney Craig Bruce	04.1ha	1km E of Marble Bar	Lat 22°10' Long 119°45'	East Pilbara
47/1435	Hemphill Exploration Pty Ltd	48.26ha	57km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 29°40' Long 118°38'	Ashburton
59/1681	Desmond Michael Sequerish	17.47ha	26km SE of Paynes Find	Lat 29°16' Long 117°41'	Yalgoo
63/1647-8	David Andrew Nixon	242.66ha	28km N of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°43' Long 121°42'	Exmouth
63/1673	Kalgoorlie Boulder Resources Ltd	5.68ha	8km SW of Newman	Lat 32°15' Long 121°43'	Dundas
63/1674	Kalgoorlie Boulder Resources Ltd	170.66ha	11km SW of Newman	Lat 32°16' Long 121°41'	Dundas
63/1675	Australian Strategic & Process Metals Refinement Pty Ltd	16.18ha	5km SE of Newman	Lat 32°13' Long 121°43'	Dundas
74/251	Jardies Resources Ltd	165.72ha	81km N of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°51' Long 119°59'	Lake Grace

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: 13 August 2008

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 13 November 2008. 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. 13 December 2008), 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 AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

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 amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978:

EXPLORATION NO	APPLICANT	AMALG NO	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
537097	Rogala Gold Ltd	280352	434.23ha	49km NE of Wiluna	Lat 26°23' Long 120°40'	Wiluna
577028	Legend Mining Ltd	291243	23.88ha	88km NW of Sandstone	Lat 27°10' Long 119°25'	Wentworth
577096	Legend Mining Ltd	288151	13.41ha	90km NW of Sandstone	Lat 27°19' Long 119°38'	Sandstone
577099	Legend Mining Ltd	288144	102.63ha	79km NW of Sandstone	Lat 27°19' Long 119°31'	Sandstone

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 13 August 2008

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 13 November 2008. 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 9700.

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. 13 December 2008), 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.

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Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 27 August 2008



National Native Title Tribunal



Q12008/013 ZeroGen - Darumbal Pipeline ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement is a 200km corridor, covering about 8.7km². It is located approximately 4km south-east of Stanwell travelling generally in a westerly direction to Melaleuca Creek as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Rockhampton Regional Council.

The parties to agreement and their contact addresses are:

ZeroGen Pty Ltd, c/- Allens Arthur Robinson
PO Box 7082, Riverside Centre
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Alan Douglas Hatfield, Robert Michael Muir,
Rodney William Mann, Warren John Malone and
Vanessa Ross (the Applicants)
on their own behalf and on behalf of the
Native Title Claim Group (the Darumbal People)
c/- Darumbal Enterprises, 133 Dee Street
NORTH ROCKHAMPTON QLD 4701

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 4 Statement for the purpose of the NTA

4.1 The parties agree that this Agreement is to be registered in an area agreement under sections 24CA to 24CL of the NTA and regulation 7 of the Native Title (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Regulations 1999 (Cth).

4.2 Right to Negotiate Procedure does not apply

The parties agree that the Right to Negotiate Procedure is not intended to apply to the grant of the Project Rights and the construction and operation of the Pipeline.

Clause 7 Non-extinguishment Principle

The Parties agree that the Non-Extinguishment Principle applies to the grant of the Project Rights and the construction, maintenance and operation of the Pipeline.

Clause 9 Grant of Project Rights and Development of Project

9.1 Consent in acts

The Applicants, on behalf of the Native Title Claim Group, and ZeroGen consent to:

- a) the grant or issue of the Project Rights;
- b) the construction, maintenance and operation of the Pipeline; and
- c) any other act necessary or desirable to give effect to the Project, in relation to the ILUA Area.

9.2 No challenge to Validity

The Applicants agree that they will not take or support any proceedings which challenge the validity of any Project Rights which may be granted to ZeroGen.

Definition

"Project Rights" means all and any rights, consents, renewals, permits, authorisations, leases, titles, tenures, easements, licences or approvals and any other entitlements whatsoever (Approvals) required for the Project in the ILUA Area including but not limited to:

- a) pipeline licences and associated easements;

b) any Approvals for any act done by ZeroGen for the purposes of the Project, including, without limitation, any works necessary or desirable for the construction, operation, and maintenance, of facilities for any part of the Project.

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 Guring Land Council (Aboriginal Corporation) 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 in writing 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 sections 23B(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Brisbane by 27 November 2008.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. 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 Karyl Phillips on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



KOORI PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES, COURTS AND TRIBUNALS UNIT

Programs and Strategy Branch

Project Manager: Grade 5, \$60,584 - \$84,190, Position No: DJ5877 Ongoing

Project Officer: Grade 4, \$60,307 - \$68,424, Position No: DJ3195 Fixed-term 12 months

Koori Programs and Initiatives implements initiatives under the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (VAJA), in particular the expansion and consolidation, monitoring and evaluation of the Victorian Koori Court Program. The Victorian Koori Court Program currently comprises Adult Koori Courts at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Werribee, Mildura, La Trobe Valley, Bairnsdale, Swan Hill and the Melbourne and Mildura Children's Koori Courts.

The Project Manager is critical to the delivery of effective outcomes for the Courts' VAJA responsibilities. The successful applicant will proactively work to capture learnings and optimise efficiency and effectiveness for the Koori Programs and Initiatives in the Courts environment.

The Project Officer works in a team environment to assist the business unit to develop effective working relationships with stakeholders and provide administrative support for a range of core functions within Koori Programs and Initiatives.

Both positions are Identified Positions in accordance with the VAJA policy and we encourage all Aboriginal people to ring us and ask about the job if they have any questions.

We encourage applications to be based on stories of achievement in partnership with Government and Koori community, relevant to the experience and skill that applies to the position for which you are applying.

To apply online and for further information on the role in the position description, visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 22 August 2008

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE

TEAM LEADER

Aboriginal Access & Assessment Team

Grade 11/12 (HCS Admin)

Aboriginal Home Care

Parramatta, Referral & Assessment Centre

Permanent Full-Time

Position No. HCS-06-14842

Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,393 per annum (Salary: \$68,051 pa - \$73,750 pa) leave loading and employer's contribution to superannuation.

Job Description: The Team Leader will be responsible for managing a state wide network of Aboriginal Assessors, be highly motivated, committed to improving intake and assessment for Aboriginal communities accessing Aboriginal Home Care and HACC services.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and a demonstrated understanding of contemporary issues for Aboriginal people including an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal people.
- Demonstrated staff supervision skills including an ability to manage and monitor a geographically dispersed team.
- Excellent communication and problem solving skills, proven experience in a high volume customer service environment as well as knowledge of client rights issues including confidentiality, privacy and complaint handling.
- Experience with Word computer packages with the ability to produce data base and spread sheets and proficient use of automation technologies to deliver effective and efficient IT and over the phone customer support.
- An understanding of the Home and Community Care (HACC) program context and its relationships with the broader community care and health services environment.
- Current driver's licence and ability to travel.



Inquiries:
Kathy Pattinson - Manager Referral and Assessment Centre
(02) 9841 9121

Information Package:
Maree Hofer, Administrative Assistant Referral and Assessment Centre (02) 98419125 or email: Maree.Hofer@dadhc.nsw.gov.au

Apply on line at:
www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or email to Christina.Nana@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to The Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink Pty Ltd, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 18171

Closing date:
Friday 5 September 2008



WELLINGTON ABORIGINAL CORPORATION HEALTH SERVICE

Accountant/Finance Officer

(Funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing)

A great opportunity exists to work closely with management and Board of this progressive community based organisation. You will have a strong knowledge and understanding of accounting principles relevant to a Public Benevolent Institution and completed or near completed a tertiary degree which qualifies for entry into the CA or CPA programs. You must be career-minded, an excellent communicator with a good sense of humour and possess excellent interpersonal skills.

A very attractive package is available comprising a \$90K+ salary and a fully maintained company motor vehicle. Salary packaging is also available for this position on the completion of a compulsory 6 month probation period.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Prospective applicants should contact Darren Ah See, Chief Executive Officer at Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service phone (02) 6845 3545 or emailing enquiries@wachs.net.au for an information package which details the "Essential Criteria" to be addressed in applications.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 29 August 2008.

Department of Sustainability and Environment

Indigenous Natural Resource Management Traineeship Program - Swan Hill or Mildura (Fixed Term 24 Months)

Program Coordinator

\$69,584 - \$84,190 + 9% Super

Position No: DSE 803933

Are you:

- Interested in working with the community?
- Interested in protecting our natural and cultural heritage?
- Wanting to contribute towards reducing disadvantage in Aboriginal communities?

Do you have:

- Extensive knowledge of Indigenous culture and society?
- An understanding of the key issues affecting Indigenous Victorian communities?
- Experience working across agencies and with Registered Training Authorities?
- Good policy, communication and self management skills?

Then this position may interest you.

As the Program Coordinator you will be responsible for developing and managing the Mildura/Swan Hill Indigenous Land Management Traineeship Program. You will work across Indigenous and non-Indigenous agencies and with the Registered Training Authority to deliver natural resource based projects enabling trainees to obtain nationally accredited certificates in conservation and land management.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is Sunday 24 August 2008.

www.dse.vic.gov.au

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WALGETT ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE

CO-OPERATIVE LTD A.B.N. 780 1499 0451

37 Pitt St (PO Box 396), WALGETT NSW 2832

Phone: (02) 6828 1611, 6828 1796

Fax: (02) 68281201

Email: walggettams@bigpond.com

SEXUAL HEALTH WORKER

Walggett Aboriginal Medical Service (WAMS) is a community controlled organisation that provides primary health care to people living within the Walgett Shire.

Outreach programs are provided through the Brewarrina Aboriginal Health Service Limited.

WAMS currently has a vacancy for an experienced Aboriginal Health Worker in the area of Sexual Health. Salary is based on qualifications and experience. Assistance with accommodation is available. For further information and an Application Package please contact Program Practice Manager Kylie Gilmore on 02 68 28 1611.

In this position an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification, and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1997, as amended.

ACCOUNTABILITY Responsible to the WAMS Board of Directors via the Chief Executive Officer.

JOB SUMMARY: To conduct programs which prevent and treat communicable diseases with particular emphasis on sexually transmitted diseases (including Aids)

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

ESSENTIAL:

- To be of Aboriginal descent
- Current NSW Driver's licence
- Ability to communicate effectively with the general public
- Interest in primary health care

DESIRABLE:

- Previous experience working in health and/or related fields
- First Aid Certificate
- Knowledge of communities served by WAMS

This employment is conditional on the basis that a successful Criminal Record Check/Working With Children Check has been received by NSW Department of Health

Salary in Accordance with the Aboriginal Health Services Award.

Job Description available on request.

Application addressed in writing to:

The Chairperson
Board of Directors
Walggett Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Limited
PO Box 396, WALGETT 2832 NSW

CLOSING DATE 12th September 2008

FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL DEPT OF HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES & THE NSW DEPT OF STATE HEALTH

Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 27 August 2008



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2007/027 Jangga People / Plath ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 54 hectares and is located approximately 83km north north west of Clermont and covers part of Lot 4 BL9 as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Isaac Regional Council.

Parties to agreement and their contact address:

Colin McLennan, James Gaston,
Thomas Brown, Tyrone Tiers, Dorothy
Hostler and Marie McLennan
on their own behalf and on behalf of
the Jangga People.
C/- Dillon Lawyers
Att: Jeff Dillon
62 Blackwood Street
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4180

State of Queensland
Department of Natural
Resources and Water
Landcentre,
Cnr Main and Vulture Streets
WOOLLOONGABBA QLD 4102

Martin John Plath, Evelyn Plath
and Stephen John Plath
C/- Thynne & Macartney
Att: Bill Loughnan
Level 27, 12 Creek Street
BRISBANE QLD 4001

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 5 - Consent to Acts

5.1 - The parties consent to the Surrender.

5.2 - The Surrender will take effect upon Registration.

5.3 - The parties agree that the Surrender is intended to extinguish any Native Title that may exist in relation to the ILUA Area / Surrender Area.

5.4 - The parties consent to the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520

Clause 6 - Inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520

6.1 - The parties acknowledge that the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520 is subject to the State being satisfied, in its absolute discretion, that the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520 is permitted under, and complies with, Queensland Law.

6.2 - If Queensland Law provides for the exercise of discretion, or a decision to be made, in relation to the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520, the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520 is subject to the discretion being exercised, or a decision being made.

6.3 - To avoid any doubt, nothing in this ILUA, including the consents contained in clause 5, will act as an agreement, a fetter or an estoppel about the exercise of discretion or the making of a decision under Queensland Law in respect of the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520.

6.4 - The Native Title Parties agree that they and the Jangga People will not object to the Surrender, or the inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520 or do, or omit to do, any act that may prevent or delay the Surrender, or inclusion of the ILUA Area / Surrender Area in GHFL 12/2520.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body(ies) for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by 27 November 2008.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Brisbane QLD 4001 by 27 November 2008.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources and Water, Queensland. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Louise Casson on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

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BERNDT MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY

- 2 ongoing appointments
- Closing date: Friday, 29 August 2008

We are seeking to appoint one male Aboriginal and one female Aboriginal staff member. The positions are being advertised under Section 50d of the WA Equal Opportunity Act. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification for the positions. For cultural reasons one appointment will be made of each gender.

Assistant Curator (REF: 2457)

- Salary range: Level 5/6: \$50,197 - \$61,051 p.a.

Or, subject to qualifications and experience

Curator (REF: 2458)

- Salary range: Level 8: \$68,719 - \$75,260 p.a.

These two positions, at either level, are responsible to the Museum Director. They are each responsible for the management of restricted materials (the male with respect to those secret to Aboriginal men and the female with respect to those secret to Aboriginal women); for liaising with Aboriginal communities relevant to the scope of the Museum's collections; for cataloguing and conducting research on collections for dissemination, exhibition and public programmes; facilitating access to the collections and other duties as directed.

To discuss or clarify any aspects of the position please contact Dr John Stanton on 6488 3854 or email jstanton@cyllene.uwa.edu.au.

Application Details: Please obtain the position's application package by accessing the website <http://jobs.uwa.edu.au/> or telephoning the 24 hour "hotline" on 6488 3733. Essential details of the University's application procedures are contained in the package.



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Home Visitor/ Home Tutor to work with Indigenous families, Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) Fitzroy

Interested in making a difference to the lives of children and families? HIPPY works with parents who want to learn to help their children make a good start to reading and school life. The Brotherhood of St Laurence is seeking to employ a person to work with Indigenous parents of pre-school children.

This position is initially a maternity leave position, for six months, with a possibility of extending. A parent or carer from within the Indigenous community, wanting to undertake the program with their 3 1/2 to 4 year old child will be preferred but not essential.

• Salary will be \$12.72 per hour, based on the National Training Wage Award for 15 hours per week while completing the 12 month Traineeship.

• The successful applicant will be required to undergo a standard Police Check and Working with Children's Check

See the position description, at www.bsl.org.au or phone on 9483 1383. For further information contact Marisa Pizzini on 9415 1316 or 0438 076 025. Please send written applications addressing the key selection criteria to:

Karen Russell - HR
Brotherhood of St Laurence, 67 Brunswick St Fitzroy 3065
email: krussell@bsl.org.au; fax (03) 9483 1190
Applications close: 20th August 2008
VCAT Application No's: A103/2007 & A288/2006



Aboriginal Liaison and Training Officer (ALTO)

- Do you have the knowledge, commitment, focus, energy and drive for this role?
- Creative and strategic role
- Opportunity to build cultural knowledge

St. Vincent's located in Melbourne has created this full time position to ensure that all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients across St. Vincent's receive culturally appropriate care. The role works closely with key stakeholders to build capacity by planning, developing, evaluating and reporting on Aboriginal health services and initiatives.

You are a suitably experienced person with the ability to promote understanding throughout the organisation about the delivery of culturally appropriate care to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients.

The ALTO will be responsible for:

- Development, coordination, delivery and evaluation of ongoing cultural awareness education programs and experiences for staff and other groups
- Development of training and rotational initiatives
- Effective liaison with community controlled organisations
- Clinical work and consultation to other clinicians

You are enthusiastic about working for St. Vincent's and know how to create success. You will have the relevant tertiary qualifications and will work closely with the St. Vincent's Aboriginal Health Advisory Committee.

This is an Aboriginal-identified position. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification and VCAT exemption from provisions of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 has been obtained Application No: A157/2008.

Enquiries to: Danielle Moss (03) 9288 3456

Closing Date: 29 August 2008 Ref no: 24991

For more information visit www.svhm.org.au

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NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW SENIOR CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER (GENERALIST)

Clerk Grade 5/6
Greater Western Sydney Division
Penrith and Blacktown
Permanent/Temporary Full-Time (3 positions)
Position No: DOH-08-14664

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:

Housing NSW requires a person with a problem solving approach to the delivery of client service, take ownership of day to day operational matters, deal with more complex client issues, and contribute to team development and training.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with a wide range of human service groups and organisations.
- Sound understanding of and capacity to relate to people from a diverse range of social and cultural backgrounds, including those with complex needs.
- Sound understanding of and capacity to implement quality customer service standards.
- Demonstrated experience in delivering a high quality client service to people with complex needs in a high volume work environment.
- Computer literacy, knowledge of Microsoft Office applications and experience in the use of computerised client management systems.
- Experience in a relevant field and/or post secondary qualifications.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: There are 3 positions available, one permanent full time position & 2 temporary full time positions for a period of up to 2 years under the terms of Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002. An eligibility list for the division will be created for this position and will remain active for 12 months. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Kim Simpson (02) 4721 6424

Information Package:
www.housing.nsw.gov.au/AboutUs/Careers

Apply on-line: As per link given in the Information Package.

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

043-799000

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
EPC1121 This Application consists of three separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 41 km SSW from Miriam Vale Centred at approximate Lat.24°40'S Long.151°23'E Local Government Area: Gladstone Regional Council, North Burnett Regional Council and Bundaberg Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 187 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 60 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 521 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 522 a, f, l, q, v 593 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 594 a, f, l, q, v	Brothers Mining Pty Ltd 090 839 008
	Part 2: Approx. 37 km WNW from Miriam Vale Centred at approximate Lat.24°12'S Long.151°14'E Local Government Area: Gladstone Regional Council	Area of Part 2: 53 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 17 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 159 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, u, x 160 1	
	Part 3: Approx. 31 km W from Miriam Vale Centred at approximate Lat.24°15'S Long.151°16'E Local Government Area: Gladstone Regional Council	Area of Part 3: 37 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 160 r, w 231 d, e, k, p 232 a, b, c, g, h, n	

* 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.

Native title parties: 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), 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 4302. Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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.

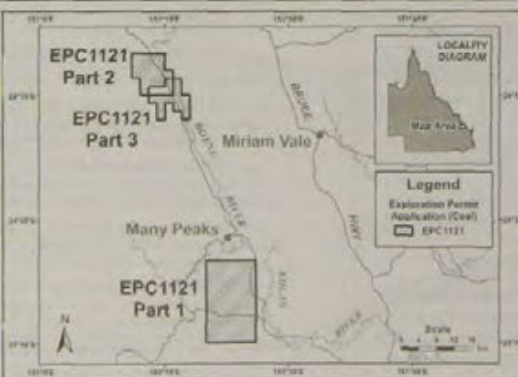
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 3 September 2008



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



Australian Government
Indigenous Land Corporation

PROJECT ADVISOR

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The ILC assists Indigenous Australians to acquire and manage land to provide cultural, social, economic or environmental benefits for themselves and future generations.

The role of a Project Advisor is to:

- administer land management and land acquisitions projects, including coordinating assistance from other agencies;
- report to the Operations Manager about land acquisition applications and the progress towards granting of land to Indigenous Title Holding Bodies; and
- provide advice to Indigenous clients about land management, land acquisition and other assistance available from government and non-government agencies.

We are looking for an energetic, highly focused strategic thinker to work in a challenging, and rewarding team environment. The preferred candidate will have a commercial focus, excellent project and contract management skills, communication skills, demonstrated negotiation skills and the capacity to back their own judgement, allowing them to facilitate high quality outcomes with Indigenous communities, industry and State and Federal Agencies. The candidate should also have an understanding of Indigenous social and economic issues across urban, rural and remote communities.

Tertiary qualifications in Land Management or similar would be an advantage, but not essential. Commencing salary is negotiable within the range above depending on your skills and experience.

For further information, please contact Alison Vidal, Operations Manager on (08) 8100 7100 or Freecall 1800 818 490. (Position documentation and more information on the ILC are available on our website at www.ilc.gov.au)

Applications are to include the ILC Cover Note (available on the website), covering letter and detailed current CV only. Further information may be requested if you are required for an interview.

Applications should be emailed to vacancies@ilc.gov.au or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to: Adam Jenkins, Indigenous Land Corporation, GPO Box 652, ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Applications close at 12 noon on Monday 25 August 2008.



NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
53/1322	Echo Resources Ltd	47.04km ²	70km Ely of Wiluna	Lat 26°53' Long 120°54'	Wiluna
53/756	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	18km ²	119km S of Sandstone	Lat 29°11' Long 119°13'	Sandstone

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: 13 August 2008

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 **13 November 2008**. 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. **13 December 2008**), 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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NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence application under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1797	Kode Kaseh	153.81km ²	45km NE of Derby	Lat 16°58' Long 123°53'	Derby West Kimberley
04/1798	Kode Kaseh	850.9km ²	86km SW of Flinders Crossing	Lat 16°55' Long 125°18'	Derby West Kimberley
04/1802	Kode Kaseh	287.54km ²	12km NW of Derby	Lat 17°13' Long 123°34'	Derby West Kimberley
08/1847	Brookman Iron Pty Ltd	31.28km ²	80km SW of Pannamoon	Lat 22°22' Long 115°54'	Adairland
20/885	Druse Robert Legendre	39.65km ²	37km N of Gali	Lat 27°06' Long 117°58'	Gali
21/132	Multiple Resources Pty Ltd	121.44km ²	35km SW of Gali	Lat 27°37' Long 117°36'	Gali/Mount Magnet
21/133	Adelaide Prospecting Pty Ltd	21.36km ²	30km S of Gali	Lat 27°42' Long 117°54'	Gali
25/364	Brakenridge Pty Ltd	2.93km ²	40km NE of Kambalda	Lat 30°58' Long 122°07'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
25/375	Rubicon Resources Ltd	8.8km ²	50km E of Kambalda	Lat 31°08' Long 122°11'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
25/376	Rubicon Resources Ltd	5.67km ²	44km E of Kambalda	Lat 31°08' Long 122°07'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
25/378	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	11.76km ²	50km NE of Kambalda	Lat 30°58' Long 122°00'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
27/688	Pennell Nickel Ltd	5.92km ²	64km N of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°10' Long 121°33'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
28/1844	Zeebich Enterprises Pty Ltd	29.44km ²	70km NE of Kambalda	Lat 30°49' Long 122°14'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
28/1847	Bathurst Pty Ltd	70.9km ²	85km NW of Renmark	Lat 30°31' Long 124°31'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
29/1849	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	38.45km ²	100km NE of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°22' Long 122°24'	Kalgoorlie Boulder City
31/825	Herz Resources Ltd	14.95km ²	121km NE of Kalgoorlie	Lat 29°56' Long 122°18'	Menzies
36/601	Sermy Resources Pty Ltd	182.69km ²	54km N of Leonora	Lat 27°28' Long 120°30'	Leonora
36/679	Colson Minerals Pty Ltd	3171.68km ²	87km S of Wiluna	Lat 27°21' Long 119°59'	Leonora/Sandstone
36/681	Montrose Resources Ltd	39.41km ²	22km W of Leonora	Lat 27°58' Long 120°28'	Leonora
36/683	Montrose Resources Ltd	12.1km ²	18km S of Leonora	Lat 28°05' Long 120°41'	Leonora
36/684	BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd	15.22km ²	57km N of Leonora	Lat 27°05' Long 120°33'	Leonora
39/1370	Rubicon Resources Ltd	62.85km ²	97km S of Laverton	Lat 29°30' Long 122°27'	Menzies
39/1376	Bendigo Chevvy Desdon	17.54km ²	66km E of Laverton	Lat 29°13' Long 122°14'	Leonora
39/1378	Golden Ditch NL	17.55km ²	62km S of Laverton	Lat 29°10' Long 122°19'	Leonora
40/245	Rubicon Resources Ltd	5.99km ²	22km S of Leonora	Lat 29°04' Long 121°23'	Leonora
45/2962	Newsworld Operations Ltd	66.83km ²	10km N of Teluk	Lat 21°37' Long 122°14'	East Pilbara
45/2988	Landscape Eric Christopher Cooper	38.58km ²	32km E of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°27' Long 119°48'	East Pilbara
45/3216	Kode Kaseh	223.95km ²	73km SE of Shay Gap	Lat 21°03' Long 120°33'	East Pilbara
45/3217	Hosono Mining NL	35.25km ²	49km S of Shay Gap	Lat 20°58' Long 120°11'	East Pilbara
45/3218/9	Hosono Mining NL	428.21km ²	30km S of Marble Bar	Lat 21°09' Long 119°27'	East Pilbara
46/730	Catalpa Iron Pty Ltd	586.97km ²	37km W of Newman	Lat 23°03' Long 120°06'	East Pilbara
47/1943	Hemisphere Exploration Pty Ltd	37.85km ²	79km E of Iron Pits	Lat 22°56' Long 118°01'	Adairland
50/2210	Acron Holdings Pty Ltd	3.09km ²	138km NW of Meekatharra	Lat 25°03' Long 117°40'	Meekatharra
50/2211	Acron Holdings Pty Ltd	3.09km ²	138km NW of Meekatharra	Lat 25°04' Long 117°41'	Meekatharra
50/2219	Warwick Resources Ltd	162.78km ²	96km SW of Newman	Lat 24°03' Long 119°09'	Meekatharra
53/1404	Desert Energy Ltd	214.66km ²	52km W of Wiluna	Lat 26°47' Long 119°30'	Wiluna
57/747	Desert Energy Ltd	173.53km ²	62km N of Sandstone	Lat 27°28' Long 119°14'	Sandstone
57/749	Pennell Iron Ore Ltd	120.8km ²	87km SE of Sandstone	Lat 26°35' Long 119°52'	Menzies/Sandstone
57/751	Robert Christopher Cooper	91.13km ²	64km E of Sandstone	Lat 27°47' Long 119°54'	Sandstone
57/753	Freelink Holdings Pty Ltd	213.19km ²	73km NE of Sandstone	Lat 27°28' Long 119°45'	Sandstone
57/754	JML Resources Pty Ltd	90.78km ²	58km SE of Sandstone	Lat 26°09' Long 119°36'	Sandstone
57/758	Lake Minerals Pty Ltd	12.16km ²	52km NE of Sandstone	Lat 27°06' Long 119°36'	Sandstone
58/358	Maiturus Resources Ltd	157.06km ²	55km E of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°14' Long 118°21'	Mount Magnet
58/360	Maiturus Resources Ltd	211.22km ²	49km S of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°18' Long 118°12'	Mount Magnet
59/1408	Multiple Resources Pty Ltd	72.85km ²	68km W of Gali	Lat 27°38' Long 117°13'	Cash/Cogoo
59/1481	Pennell Iron Ore Ltd	6.01km ²	66km W of Paynes Ford	Lat 26°40' Long 117°44'	Mount Magnet
59/1500	Karina Mining Limited	11.07km ²	73km E of Meekatharra	Lat 29°07' Long 116°45'	Pennell
63/1212	Kalgoorlie Boulder Resources Ltd	5.77km ²	35km N of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°40' Long 121°42'	Expendance
63/1215	Kalgoorlie Boulder Resources Ltd	14.47km ²	34km S of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°29' Long 121°49'	Gundah
70/2842-3	Paul Windsor Adams	369.93km ²	17km NE of Mount Barker	Lat 34°33' Long 117°40'	Playwright
74/338	Range Resources Ltd	7056.19km ²	73km N of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°58' Long 120°01'	Lake Grace
77/1386	Dalhousie Consolidated Pty Ltd	58.89km ²	38km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°24' Long 119°49'	Nyngan
77/1501	St Barbara Ltd	117.15km ²	26km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°27' Long 119°22'	Nyngan
80/2912	Boulder Resources Limited	16.62km ²	261km NW of Wyndham	Lat 13°56' Long 126°17'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4092	Reggie Exploration Pty Ltd	230km ²	77km S of Wyndham	Lat 16°10' Long 127°55'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4094	Boulder Australia Pty Ltd	186.43km ²	233km NW of Wyndham	Lat 14°35' Long 126°09'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4095	Hydro Aluminium Western Australia Pty Ltd	663.93km ²	198km NW of Wyndham	Lat 14°05' Long 126°58'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4097	Hydro Aluminium Western Australia Pty Ltd	662.71km ²	177km NW of Wyndham	Lat 14°37' Long 126°44'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4098	Hydro Aluminium Western Australia Pty Ltd	311.18km ²	166km NW of Wyndham	Lat 14°51' Long 126°43'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4099-100	Hydro Aluminium Western Australia Pty Ltd	971.65km ²	152km W of Wyndham	Lat 15°14' Long 126°21'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4100	Timorpan Holdings Pty Ltd	301.32km ²	130km SW of Kununurra	Lat 14°35' Long 126°04'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4110-1	Timorpan Holdings Pty Ltd	6.54km ²	127km S of Kununurra	Lat 16°51' Long 126°21'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4116	Buchanan Resources Ltd	222.57km ²	123km S of Kununurra	Lat 16°52' Long 126°34'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4129	Kode Kaseh	229.09km ²	142km S of Kununurra	Lat 16°57' Long 126°13'	Halls Creek/Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4130	Kode Kaseh	208.05km ²	90km W of Halls Creek	Lat 18°22' Long 126°50'	Halls Creek
80/4131	Kode Kaseh	227.74km ²	69km W of Halls Creek	Lat 18°08' Long 127°05'	Halls Creek
80/4148	Kode Kaseh	126.51km ²	26km SW of Wyndham	Lat 15°35' Long 127°55'	Wyndham & 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: 13 August 2008

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title party in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **13 November 2008**. 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 areas are acts attracting the expedited procedure.

Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **13 December 2008**), 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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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
EPM17054	Approx. 18 km NE from Theodore Centred at approximate Lat.24°53'S Long.150°15'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Area: 311 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 651 f, u, y, z 652 g, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 722 e, k, p, u, z 723 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 724 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 794 e, k, p 795 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 796 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n	Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd 078 093 606
EPM17060	Approx. 27 km WSW from Monto Centred at approximate Lat.24°54'S Long.150°52'E Local Government Area: North Burnett Regional Council	Area: 124 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 40 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 730 j, k, o, p, u 731 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 803 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p	Aussie Q Resources Limited 121 964 725
EPM17099	Part 1: Approx. 41 km SSW from Eidsvold Centred at approximate Lat.25°42'S Long.150°56'E Local Government Area: North Burnett Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 53km SW from Eidsvold Centred at approximate Lat.25°42'S Long.150°45'E Local Government Area: North Burnett Regional Council and Dalby Regional Council Part 3: Approx. 49 km SSW from Eidsvold Centred at approximate Lat.25°46'S Long.150°55'E Local Government Area: North Burnett Regional Council	Area of part 1: 167 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 54 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1309 q, v, w 1379 a, b, f, g, i, m, r, w 1380 e, k, p, t, u, x, y, z 1381 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w 1451 b, c, h, n, o, p, r, s, t, u 1452 c, d, e, h, k, l, m, n, p, q, r, s 1453 a, f, l Area of part 2: 130 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 42 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1378 h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t, w, x, y, z 1448 k, p, u 1449 f, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u 1450 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s Area of part 3: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1523 e, k	Rugby Mining Pty Limited 128 324 103

* 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 2, 14 March 2007 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, Landcenter, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 1814.

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.

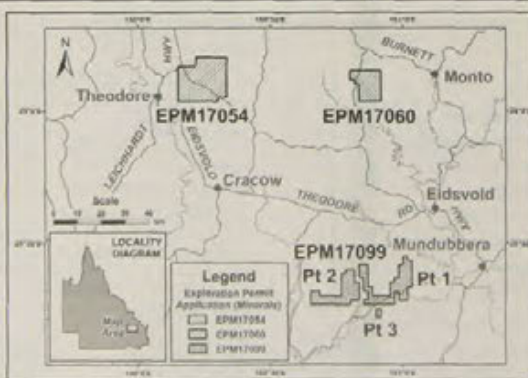
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 3 September 2008



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

COMMUNITY JUSTICE GROUP COORDINATOR

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Requires a suitably experienced and qualified person to fill the statutory role of Community Justice Group Coordinator. Must have sound knowledge and skills in relation to the criminal justice system. Be able to assist local courts when dealing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Must demonstrate an ability to establish effective communications and linkages with the ATSI communities and work collaboratively with community agencies, OPS, Legal Aid. A strong work ethic and an ability to work within a team environment with minimal supervision to meet deadlines are essential.

All applicants must obtain a package to address the position's criteria by email from: bwjustice@datawave.net.au

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**Parramatta
West Zone Substation**

**Aboriginal Cultural
Heritage Assessment**

**Notification and Registration
of Aboriginal Interests**

Integral Energy is planning to construct a new substation at 15 Macquarie Street, Parramatta. Integral Energy will be applying to the NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change for approval under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 to undertake archaeological test excavation prior to construction of the extension.

Jillian Comber of Comber Consultants Pty Ltd has been appointed by Integral Energy to undertake the archaeological test excavations and cultural heritage assessment.

Prior to obtaining the permit, Integral Energy would like to consult with relevant Aboriginal organisations to ascertain Aboriginal concerns and views in respect of the proposal and managing cultural heritage at the site.

Integral Energy invites Aboriginal groups and individuals to register their interest in the Aboriginal Archaeological and Cultural Heritage assessment in accordance with DECC's Interim Community Consultation guidelines.

You can register indicating the nature of your interest by writing to:

Jillian Comber
Comber Consultants Pty Ltd
99 Edwin Street North
Croydon NSW 2132
Tel: (02) 9799 6000 Fax: (02) 9799 6011
jillian.comber@comber.net.au

**REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY COB FRIDAY
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE, CULTURAL AND HERITAGE DIVISION

No Smoking in the workplace is Departmental policy. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and ethical practices.

HERITAGE INFORMATION OFFICER

Environment Officer Class 7, Hurstville, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number DECC08-308. Total remuneration package valued to: \$81,363 p.a. (\$66,732-\$73,732) Salary package includes base salary, annual leave loading and employee contributions to superannuation scheme.

Manage cultural heritage information and administer information systems. Develop information protocols with Aboriginal communities consistent with DECC policies. Negotiate and ensure management of sensitive data. **Selection Criteria:** This position is an identified Aboriginal position and therefore Aboriginality is a requirement of the job. Extensive knowledge and appreciation of the way Aboriginal people manage and protect their cultural knowledge, and Aboriginal community dynamics and cultural protocols. Understanding of information management and the use of database systems, such as the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) and Historic Heritage Information Management System HHIMS. Understanding of the issues and sensitivities associated with Aboriginal Heritage information. Strong computer skills relating to either IT (such as networks, databases or operating systems) or the use of GIS (such as previous use of GIS such as ArcView). Proven presentation, consultation and negotiation skills with particular ability to work with Aboriginal communities on a one to one and group basis, and delivery of training. Demonstrated initiative and organisational skills, and the ability to work independently and as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Current Driver's Licence.

Notes: This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. This position will be required to deal with sensitive information and to liaise in a culturally appropriate way with the local Aboriginal communities in the collection and dissemination of this information. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Cheryl Brown (02) 9585 6470 Email: Cheryl.Brown@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Genevieve Thompson (02)9586168 or jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Recruitment Officer, Department of Environment and Climate Change, NSW, Personnel Services Section, Post Office Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220, Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE
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NRO (ABORIGINAL SUPPORT)

Clerk Grade 4/5, Queanbeyan, Temporary Full-Time, Job
Reference No CMA2008/071. Total remuneration package
valued to: \$69,582 p.a. (\$55,010-\$83,056).

Facilitate opportunities for Aboriginal communities to be
involved in natural resource management within the
Murrumbidgee catchment. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality.
Understanding of local Aboriginal cultural heritage issues and
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working with Aboriginal community groups. Good written and
oral communication skills, including basic computer skills.
Ability to plan and organise events and projects including
report writing and record keeping. Ability to work as part of a
team/network. Ability to liaise with Government agencies, other
organisations and individuals. Current drivers licence.

Notes: This is a temporary position under Sections 27 & 28 or
66 of the PSE&M Act 2002 for a period up to 30 June 2009.
Inquiries: Geoff Simpson (02) 6932 3247.

Information Packages: cma.infpack@dnr.nsw.gov.au with
071 in subject.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Recruitment
Services, ServiceFirst, PO Box 3720, Parramatta NSW 2124.
Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT ABORIGINAL
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COORDINATOR, ABORIGINAL CLIENT SERVICE SPECIALISTS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people
with disabilities and people from culturally and
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Clerk, Grade 7-8, Parramatta, Permanent Full-Time, Position
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Coordinate the implementation of policy and strategic plans
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provide sound advice on Aboriginal issues; Capacity to build
effective relationships with community groups and
organisations and be accepted by these groups; Knowledge
of the criminal justice system and the issues affecting
Aboriginal people in relation to Court and Registry services;
Ability to research and analyse information, and to prepare
written briefings and submissions; Highly developed
interpersonal and verbal communication skills - ability to
communicate with and provide information to a range of
diverse audiences; Good negotiation and conflict resolution
skills; Ability to work collaboratively and as part of a team;
Ability to travel within NSW (overnight travel will be required).

Notes: This position 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.

Inquiries: George Blacklaws (02) 8688 8043 Email:
george_blacklaws@agd.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: George Blacklaws (02) 8688 8043.

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Applicants can apply
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Closing Date: Friday 29 August 2008 754692

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A great opportunity exists to work closely with a number
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(ACCHS's) across the Greater Western Area Health
Service which makes up the Bila Muuji Regional
Aboriginal Health Service. This position is auspiced by
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(WACHS) though is responsible to the Regional Bila Muuji
Executive. The position will be responsible for the
planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of
Patient Information Recall Systems (PIRS) training and
support to staff employed within these ACCHS's.

The successful applicant will need to possess a very high level
of skills in Information Technology and have knowledge or
experience in PIRS which may include Ferret, Communicare
or Medical Director. The possession of qualifications in
Information Technology or Work Place Assessment & Training
would be an advantage. The successful applicant will need to
be career-minded, an excellent communicator with a good
sense of humour and possess excellent interpersonal skills.

Experience in working with Aboriginal Communities and/or
organisations would be an advantage with Aboriginal & Torres
Strait Islander people encouraged to apply.

An attractive package is available comprising a \$55K+ salary
and a fully maintained company motor vehicle. Salary
packaging is also available for this position on the completion
of a compulsory 6 month probation period.

Prospective applicants should contact Darren Ah See, Chief
Executive Officer at Wellington Aboriginal Corporation
Health Service phone (02) 6845 3545 or emailing
inquiries@wachs.net.au for an information package which
details the "Essential Criteria" to be addressed in applications.
Please note extensive travel across the Greater Western Area
Health Service is required.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 29 August 2008.

Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* of the proposed
grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagrams)	Description of Area of Application*	Description of Area of Application
ML90187 Lucky Luke	Approx. 95 Km East from Dajarra Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Current Land Tenures Lot 13 on SP150177 - Pastoral Development Holding 13/345 (mining and access) Lot 5328 on PH1749 - Pastoral Development Holding 4/5328 (access only) Lot 5 on WNR6 - Unallocated State Land (access only) Road Reserve (access only)	Barrick (Osborne) Pty Limited 061 300 025
Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 1572.5612 Ha			

Nature of the Acts: Grant of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*
(Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the
Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years, with
the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years.

Name and address of person doing Acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease
be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* by the Governor-in-
Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy, PO Box 15216,
City East, Queensland, 4002.

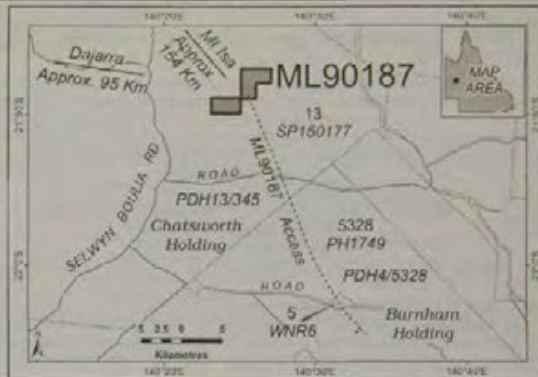
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the
Mining Lease, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the
Mining Lease application, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and
Energy (DME) Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba,
Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, (DME), 13 Isa Street,
Mount Isa, Qld 4825. Telephone (07) 4747 2103.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who
is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed
grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*
persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain
steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be
directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law
Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or
Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be
directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street,
Brisbane, Qld 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 10 September 2008.



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *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
EPM17108	Approx. 60 km NW from Richmond Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'5" S Long.142°45' E Local Government Area: Richmond Shire Council	Area: 321 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1 lat x 1 long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 200 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 201 q, v, w 272 b, c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, u 273 a, b, f, g, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 274 l, q, v, w, x 345 b, c, d, e, k, p 346 a, b, c, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, x, y, z 347 f, g, l, m, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 418 d, e, k 419 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, i, m, n	Intermin Resources Limited 007 761 186

* 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 2, 14 March 2007 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) 3238 3814.

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
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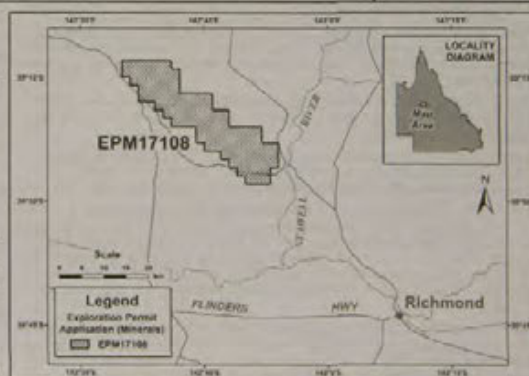
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Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30,
239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

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: 3 September 2008



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



BUNJUM ABORIGINAL CO-OP
44 Tamar Street BALLINA 2478

TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANT

36 HOURS PER WEEK (4.5 days)

Applications are sought from experienced and qualified Employment Consultants. Direct Job Network experience and ability to achieve employment KPI outcomes is essential. Applicants must have an awareness of ATSI Culture and ability to communicate at all levels within an Aboriginal Organisation.

Interested parties are requested to contact Nita Roberts, General Manager, on 02 66 865644 or email generalmanager@bunjum.com to obtain an Information Package prior to formally submitting an application.

An attractive salary package with fringe benefit options will be offered to the successful applicant. Closing date: 22 August 2008



**SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

Bringing Them Home Counsellor (Full Time Permanent)

SCMSAC is looking for an Aboriginal person who can provide culturally appropriate counselling and support to individuals, families and Communities affected by the Stolen Generations as well as provide other social and emotional wellbeing programs for the Aboriginal communities in the Shoalhaven. This Bringing Them Home Counsellor will also participate in group healing programs and provide community education on Stolen Generation and mental health issues.

For further information:

For an information pack please contact Mark King
on (02) 4428 6666 or email recruitment@southcoastams.org.au.

To discuss the positions contact:
Lesley Floxbee on (02) 4447 8037

Salary - will be negotiated within a set range with the successful applicants dependant on qualifications and experience.

Closing Date: by COB Monday 25 August 2008

Lodging Applications: Applications should include the application form, a CV and responses to the selection criteria provided in the information pack. Two referees who can be contacted to comment on your work should be identified.

Send the application by mail or fax to:

Mr M King, Senior Manager Operations

South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation PO Box 548, NOWRA NSW 2541

Fax (02) 4428 6666



Administration Assistant

\$35,000 (pro-rata) + superannuation | Part-Time (3 days per week)

The Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages (VACL) is the State Peak Body responsible for the retrieval, revival and maintenance of Victorian Aboriginal Languages.

The Corporation's main aims are:

- To work with Victorian Aboriginal communities on community language programs, projects and to assist Aboriginal communities to work on their own language and provide formal training in language work
- To provide and maintain a library and other facilities as a central resource for both Indigenous & non-Indigenous people.
- To promote & educate both Aboriginal people and non-Aboriginal people about the history, value & future of Aboriginal languages.
- To record and collect information relevant to Victorian Aboriginal languages.

The Corporation is currently looking for an Administration Assistant to join our team. This challenging role provides a range of administrative support to the office and delivers service excellence both in person and over the telephone to the community and our customers.

Key Selection Criteria

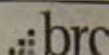
- Have a good knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal history and culture.
- Proven administrative experience and skills.
- Good computer knowledge, specifically Microsoft Word & Excel skills, as well as the ability to learn new skills.
- Good communication skills, both written and verbal.
- A driver's licence is not essential but is an advantage.

Applications Close Friday 5th September 2008

For a copy of the position description, call (03) 9600 3811 or visit our website at www.vaclang.org.au

Applications to be addressed 'Private & Confidential' to:
Program Manager
Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages
295 King St, Melbourne Vic 3000.

Spyns Inc.



Aboriginal Child and Family Caseworker/Groupwork

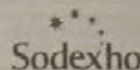
Part Time 28hrs per week SACS Award Level 4/5 Neg

Spyns Inc. is a community-based, non-profit organisation in the Penrith area which covers a wide range of community based projects.

The position of Aboriginal Child and Family Caseworker/Groupwork will provide an early intervention and prevention service for Aboriginal children and their families to prevent them from entering or further escalating into the child protection system.

To request an information pack please forward your up to date resume to dan@brcruitment.com.au or for more information contact Dan on (02) 8666 9911.

Applications close 9am Monday 25th August 2008.



Hospitality Positions Available at Sodexo!

Who is Sodexo?

Sodexo Australia is part of the Sodexo Alliance, a global integrated facilities management company. We have been operating in Australia for over 14 years. We provide a wide variety of facilities management services to clients in the corporate, education, healthcare, remote and seniors sectors. We are also a proud sponsor of the GARMA Festival. We are currently looking for people with enthusiasm, flexibility, reliability and basic knowledge of OH&S & Food Safety to join our exciting teams in Parkville, Melbourne.

Positions Available

We have two Part Time Catering Assistant roles available, one from 6.30am-11.00am Monday to Friday, & one from 7am - 3.30am Monday to Friday.

We also have one Part Time Kitchen Hand role available working Monday 7.30am-2.30pm & Tuesday-Friday 8am-2.30pm.

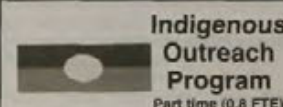
* These roles are also available as Traineeships (Certificate III in Hospitality Operations)

Duties include:

- Customer service
- Milk run - including cleaning & general maintenance of the buggy
- Dish washing duties and general cleaning duties, including table run
- Operating coffee cart and coffee machine
- Basic food preparation
- Cash handling
- Implementing and adhering to OH&S and Food Safety requirements

Do you want to work for an organisation that prides itself on its career development and training opportunities? What are you waiting for?

Apply now by submitting your application to
www.sodexo-au.com. Or for more information call
Lesley Milway on 03 9880 6392.



Eastern Domestic Violence Service Inc (EDVOs) is a not for profit community organisation located in the eastern metropolitan region of Melbourne. EDVOs provides a range of outreach services to women and children experiencing domestic and family violence.

In partnership with the Eastern Region Indigenous Family Violence Action Group, EDVOs introduced an Indigenous Program into our organization a little over a year ago. The positive relationships developed with local Indigenous people and organizations has resulted in a significant increase in the numbers of Indigenous women and children accessing our services.

An opportunity exists for a woman to join the Outreach team, in the Indigenous Program. The role requires knowledge in risk assessment, engagement and safety planning. Successful applicants will have an understanding, knowledge and experience in supporting women and children who are subjected to abuse, a commitment to social justice, and specifically all applicants must have a sound understanding and knowledge of Australian Aboriginal culture and of Indigenous family violence.

Indigenous women are especially encouraged to apply.

EDVOs believes in

- Improving access and service delivery to Indigenous women and children experiencing family violence and acknowledges the importance of working in partnership with the Indigenous community to develop strategies that will best address their needs.
- Providing options for Indigenous women to access Indigenous specific or mainstream services if they want.
- Respecting the beliefs, traditions, values and life experiences of women from different backgrounds.
- Being aware of negative past experience that Indigenous women may have been exposed to when seeking assistance and protection from family violence, and why Indigenous women may hold fears of statutory bodies that have a history of removing children.
- Being sensitive to the needs of Indigenous women whom are reluctant to use mainstream services.
- The diversities within Indigenous communities. All clients will be assessed individually to determine their needs.
- Supporting the rights of Indigenous women to receive services without discrimination.

This permanent part time position (0.8) is subject to a 3 month probationary period. Salary and conditions are according to the SACS Award, class and year dependent on qualification and experience, with employment subject to a satisfactory police records check.

Women only need apply; VCAT Exemption A268/2006

Applications close 27 August 2008. Position descriptions attached, or available by phone 03 9870 5939, email edvos@edvos.org.au. For enquires please phone Maryclare or Robyn on 03 9870 5939

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
EPM16985	Approx. 19 km SW from Gympie Centred at approximate: Lat.26°17'S Long.152°30'E Local Government Area: Gympie Regional Council	Area: 139 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 45 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1902 s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1903 v 1974 d, e, j, k, o, p, s, t, u, z 1975 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 2046 e	Ausnico Pty Ltd 122 957 322
EPM17047	Part 2: Approx. 16 km W from Gympie Centred at approximate: Lat.26°11'S Long.152°30'E Local Government Area: Gympie Regional Council	Area: 12 km ² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1902 c, k 1903 a, f	China Australia Mining Pty Ltd 125 784 189

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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 2, 14 March 2007 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2007.

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) 3238 3814.

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.

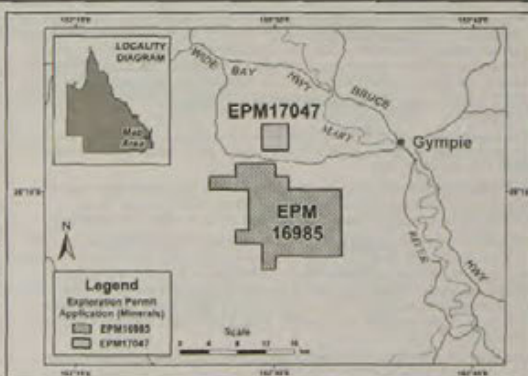
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Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal 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 6200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 3 September 2008



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

WELLINGTON ABORIGINAL CORPORATION HEALTH SERVICE (WACHS)

Family Support Coordinator

(Funded by the Commonwealth Dept of Family, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs)

This is a newly funded position within Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service which will be responsible for coordinating parental support services to Aboriginal families within the Wellington Shire. This program has been funded under the Indigenous Parenting Support Service (IPSS) initiative to identify and address barriers to good family relationships, whilst supporting them through children's transitions to childcare, pre-school and primary school. The program will also be targeting vulnerable families to address complex issues of social and financial disadvantage that can lead to a diverse range of family issues that may impact on the development and health of children.

The successful applicant will need to demonstrate a very high level of skills and experience in family or children services supported by relevant tertiary qualifications, and have experience in providing these support services to Aboriginal communities. The IPSS program has been funded to also provide a part-time Aboriginal Health Worker, to which the Family Health Coordinator will be responsible for supervising in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer.

Suitably qualified and skilled people from Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander heritage are encouraged to apply.

Prospective applicants will need to contact Darren Ah See, Chief Executive Officer at Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (02) 6845 3545 or by emailing enquiries@wachs.net.au for an information package which details the 'Essential & Desirable Criteria' to be addressed in application.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 29 August 2008.



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

HOUSING NSW CLIENT LIAISON OFFICER

Clerk Grade 3/4

Northern NSW Housing Services Division
New England Area, Tamworth
Permanent Part-Time

Position No: DOH-08-14671

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,570 per annum (Salary: \$51,784 pa - \$56,701 pa). Full-time salary quoted includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Hourly rate: \$28.36 ph - \$31.05 ph

Job Description: To improve the service delivery by contractors through timely resolution of access or related issues achieved through better understanding and communication of Housing NSW clients and contractor needs.

Selection Criteria:

- Experience in client service.
- Experience in asset service delivery.
- High level organisational skills.
- Awareness and capacity to use management systems and software to deliver local components of asset management programs.
- Experience in managing expectations of clients with diverse and complex needs.
- Ability to communicate sensitively with others coming from diverse backgrounds.
- Capacity to work with others.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Part-Time position (17.5 hours per week). Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Hugh Gentle (02) 6764 5502

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About/Us/Careers/

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008

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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

Take notice that DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 061 267 061) of 87 Wickham Terrace, Spring Hill Queensland 4000, registered holder and mining operator, proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land:

DESCRIPTION OF AREA (EL 4112)

The land is located in the state of South Australia, approximately 150 km northwest of Coober Pedy, referred to as the Ouldubra area and is the land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 27°31'S and longitude 133°36'E, thence east to longitude 133°55'E, south to latitude 27°32'S, east to longitude 134°00'E, south to latitude 27°49'S, west to longitude 133°50'E, north to latitude 27°45'S, west to an eastern boundary of Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands, thence generally northerly and westerly along the boundary of said Lands to longitude 133°35'E, north to latitude 27°33'S, east to longitude 133°36'E, and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD 66).

AREA of the land: approximately 969 square kilometres.

DESCRIPTION OF AREA (EL 4113)

The land is located in the state of South Australia, approximately 180 km northwest of Coober Pedy, referred to as the Marla area and is the land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 27°14'S and longitude 133°47'E, thence east to longitude 134°00'E, south to latitude 27°25'S, east to longitude 134°01'E, south to latitude 27°26'S, east to longitude 134°08'E, south to latitude 27°34'S, west to longitude 134°00'E, north to latitude 27°32'E, west to longitude 133°55'E, north to latitude 27°31'S, west to longitude 133°47'E and north to the point of commencement, but excluding area reserved (see GG 13.11.1975). All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD 66).

AREA of the land: approximately 885 square kilometres.

DESCRIPTION OF AREA (EL 4114)

The land is located in the state of South Australia, approximately 130 km northwest of Coober Pedy, referred to as the Wintinna area and is the land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 27°49'S and

longitude 133°50'E, thence east to longitude 134°00'E, north to latitude 27°34'S, east to longitude 134°08'E, south to a northern boundary of Antakirinja Area Minerals Exploration Indigenous Land Use Agreement, thence west along boundary of said Area to longitude 133°50'E and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD 66).

AREA of the land: approximately 959 square kilometres.

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land are as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation, which (without limiting that general description) may include the following: reconnaissance activities such as mapping and gridding; aerial and other photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling; water sampling; hydrological studies; trenching; drilling including aircore and hammer; downhole probing.

The proposed operations are authorised by the following exploration authority under the Mining Act 1971 (SA).

If, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971 (SA), there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land. Such a determination may be made on conditions the Court considers appropriate.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED as follows:

DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED

Level 2, 87 Wickham Terrace, Spring Hill, Qld 4000

Telephone: (07) 3832 5666

Facsimile: (07) 3832 5300

Contact: Mr David Hall

Alternative Contact: Mr David Jelley

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EPM17244	Approx. 39 km S from Burketown Centred at approximate Lat.18°06'S Long.139°31'E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council	Area: 326 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1° lat x 1° long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1746: t, u, x, y, z 1747: p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1748: f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1817: b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1818: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v 1819: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r 1820: a, b, c, f 1889: b, c, d	Teck Cominco Australia Pty Ltd 091 271 911

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Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

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Notification Day: 3 September 2008



Aboriginal Community Elders Services (ACES)

MANAGER ACES NURSING HOME & HOSTEL

ACES are seeking to employ a Manager (Division 1 Registered Nurse), who will ensure the ongoing high standards of culturally appropriate care and support services to Indigenous Elders. ACES has a 15 bed high care nursing home and a 10 bed low care hostel facility.

ACES is located in the midst of the hustle and bustle of East Brunswick, the Caring Place nestles in the serenity of lush, well maintained, bush-like gardens and the Mern Creek. The setting provides residents with a friendly, relaxed culturally relevant home-like environment which is important to their health and well-being.

Salary: \$67,600 per annum, plus on call allowance (including Salary Packaging up to \$16,049 p.a.)

Location: Brunswick East, Melbourne, Victoria

Hours: Mon - Fri 8am to 5pm plus on call

Applications close: 15 August 2008

This position reports directly to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Essential:

- Qualifications Registered Nurse Division 1
- Demonstrated experience in Aged Care Nursing, including Dementia related illnesses.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Indigenous people and their families.

Skills required:

- Ability to supervise staff engaged in the care of Elders with complex care needs in a culturally appropriate manner.
- Excellent communication and conflict resolution skills
- Demonstrated supervision and management skills
- Ability to liaise with Doctors/Specialists, and other allied health providers
- Knowledge of residential accreditation standards and relevant legislation

For position description contact: Deborah Deacon on (03) 9383 4244 or email deborahd@acesinc.org.au

For further information regarding the position contact

Ray Ahmad, CEO

Youth Program Officer

We need your energy, motivation and experience to support our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Program. The challenge is to inspire and support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth to have their voices heard, and to have the same health, wellbeing and life opportunities as other young Australians.

You will have:

- a broad knowledge of the issues facing Indigenous Australian young people
- strong program management skills
- experience in cross cultural communication

Please visit www.oxfam.org.au/jobs for application details. Closes 25 August. EEO Employer - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates particularly encouraged to apply.

Oxfam Australia is working for a just world without poverty.



TENANTS' UNION OF NSW Aboriginal Legal Officer

Full-time

The Tenants' Union of NSW is a community legal centre specialising in housing law.

A full-time Aboriginal Legal Officer is required to join the legal practice of the Centre working in the area of housing issues of Aboriginal clients. The successful candidate will conduct test/strategic litigation (and advocacy) in a range of courts and tribunals, provide advice and opinions to tenancy workers and clients, participate in policy and law reform work and assist in the training of consumer advocates.

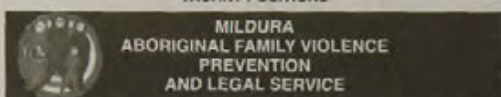
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Salary range \$52,053 to \$62,332 per annum and generous conditions. For job description and selection criteria please contact Patrycja Arvidsson on (02) 8117-3709.

For further information please call Grant Arbuthnot on (02) 8117-3704.

Applications close: 5pm Wednesday 20 August 2008.

VACANT POSITIONS



The Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service Victoria (FVPLS Victoria) provides legal assistance, counselling, information, referral and support services for Aboriginal victims/survivors of family violence and sexual assault.

The FVPLS Victoria's head office is based in Melbourne and has regional offices in Lakes Entrance and Warrnambool. The FVPLS Victoria has recently received funding from the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department to establish an office in Mildura and is seeking to appoint the following positions:

- **Co-ordinator** - for a copy of the position description co-ordinator@mildura.fvpls.org
- **Counsellor/Sexual Assault Worker** - for a copy of the position description counsellor@mildura.fvpls.org
- **Paralegal Support Worker** - for a copy of the position description paralegal@mildura.fvpls.org
- **Office Manager** - for a copy of the position description officemanager@mildura.fvpls.org

For further information call 03 9654 3111 or visit www.fvpls.org

Positions close - 5 September 2008

ILLAWARRA LEGAL CENTRE INC

Aboriginal Legal Access Worker

Part Time

(until end June 2009)



The Illawarra Legal Centre is an independent community legal centre funded by government grants to provide free services. The Centre is seeking to employ an Aboriginal Legal Access Worker to be part of our team to assist in making the Centre's services more accessible to Aboriginal people and encourage them to access these services.

Training and on-going support will be provided to the successful applicant.

Illawarra Legal Centre Inc considers that being an Aboriginal person is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

The wage range is \$40,000 to \$47,000 pa, pro rata depending on skills and experience. Salary packaging is available.

Further information and information packages, including the selection criteria, can be obtained by calling 02 4276 1939 during business hours.

Applications addressing the selection criteria will be received up to 5pm Monday 25 August.

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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EPM16398 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 44 km N from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°18'S Long.140°32'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 40 km NNE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°24'S Long.140°43'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 45 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 14 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 246 z 247 h, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x 319 a, b, c, d Area of Part 2: 38 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 321 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 322 q, v	Newcrest Operations Limited 009 221 505

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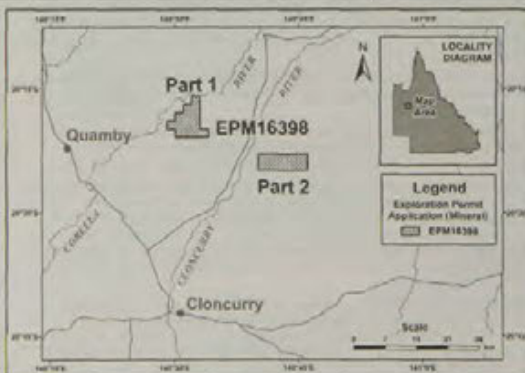
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Notification Day: 3 September 2008



Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water



SOUTH WEST INNER SYDNEY
HOUSING (SWISH)
COOPERATIVE

The South West Inner Sydney Housing (SWISH) Cooperative mission is to build sustainable communities through the provision of affordable housing for low to moderate income earners. The office is based in Redfern.

Housing Managers

SACS Award Grade 4

Full Time Permanent Position and Temporary Position available
The successful applicant is responsible for a significant property portfolio of tenancies. This position requires good people skills, proven housing management expertise, ability to manage a demanding workload, good organisational and analytical skills and the ability to communicate with a wide range of people. Driving licence essential and car desirable.

Applications close 4.30 Thursday 21 August 2008

For an application pack please send your up to date resume dan@brcruitment.com.au for more information call Dan (02) 8966 9911 Applicants must obtain an information package which contains the complete details of the position and information about the organisation. Applicants have to address all essential criteria

ATSI and CALD applicants are strongly encouraged to apply.



BUNJUM ABORIGINAL CO-OP

AEDO

ABORIGINAL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

(36 hours per week - 4.5 days)

The AEDO program assists Aboriginal people to access education and training pathways to facilitate the establishment and retention of viable Aboriginal business enterprises.

Bunjum is seeking a self-motivated, innovative and highly experienced Project Worker to fill this position. The AEDO will be based in Ballina with regular daytime hours travel within the Richmond/Tweed region.

Applicants are requested to contact Nita Roberts, Bunjum General Manager on phone 02 66 865644 (Email: generalmanager@bunjum.com) to request an information package prior to applying for the position.

A very competitive salary package including vehicle is offered.

Closing date: 22 August 2008.

Note: This position is identified and exempted under S.21 of the Anti Discrimination Act, 1977

NJERNDABORIGINAL CORPORATION

Positions Vacant

Aboriginal Family Decision Maker

The Family Decision Making Program in partnership with DHS aims to implement a culturally appropriate model of decision-making with children, young people and their families of the Aboriginal community who are clients of the regional child protection service or who are at risk throughout the Southern Loddon Mallee Region. This is a Full-time position requiring travel throughout the region with 2 days being based in Bendigo.

Best Start Coordinator

Temporary 6 Month Position

Best Start is a prevention and early intervention project that aims to improve the health, development, learning and wellbeing of all Victorian children from pregnancy through to transition to school (usually taken to be eight years of age). This is a challenging position with a focus on community partnerships to achieve the best outcomes for Aboriginal children.

Applications Close Friday 22nd August 2008

For a Copy of the Duty Statements please Contact Miss Kelli Bartlett on 03 5462 6566.



SECRETARIAT OF NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND ISLANDER CHILD CARE INC.

The Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) is the national peak body in Australia representing the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families. SNAICC's operations include policy, research, advocacy and the production of resources on child rearing and development, family wellbeing and service governance.

SNAICC is currently recruiting staff for the following two positions:

SNAICC Resource Service (SRS) Manager

Full time position responsible for development of resources materials for Indigenous early childhood and family welfare services, management of the SRS, government and community liaison, staff supervision and implementation of community based projects. Salary range \$69,600 - \$76,400.

SNAICC Project Officer (National Conference)

Part time (hours negotiable) position responsible for development and organisation of the SNAICC National Conference. Salary range \$60,200 - \$66,400.

Both positions are located at SNAICC's Melbourne office.

Selection criteria and information: contact Angelique Davis: ph: 03 9489 8099 or email: admin@snaicc.asn.au or see www.snaicc.asn.au/aboutus

Applications close: Monday 25 August 2008 at 5:00pm.

SNAICC is an equal opportunity employer and encourages Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous people to apply.



The Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts (ACPA)

ACPA is an inspirational centre of training excellence and innovation, committed to the development of the next generation of world class Indigenous artists.

We are looking for experienced and talented people to build a strong administrative team that will deliver a robust platform for the future growth of the company.

Business Manager: Experienced in financial management, business systems, OHS, reporting and risk management.

Training Manager: Experienced in AQTF processes, compliance, funding opportunities in the training sector, learning frameworks, improving learning outcomes.

Administrative Officer: Strong computer skills, an excellent people person, administrative support and systems.

Further information: www.acpa.net.au

Contact: Paul Adams 07 3546 7211.

Closing date for applications: Monday 25 August.



Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care

DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE

ASSET & PROPERTY PROJECT OFFICER

Clerk Grade 7/8

Strategic Asset Management & Procurement Unit
Central Office, Clarence Street, Sydney
Permanent Full-Time

Position No: DADHC-08-14652

Total remuneration package valued up to \$84,855 per annum (Salary: \$69,468 pa - \$75,896 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Provide support to the DADHC asset acquisition program in the management of the delivery of disability accommodation residential projects in conjunction with Regional property officers.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Skills and experience in project development and implementation and an ability to allocate priorities, resources and manage according to a budget.
- Knowledge and understanding of property and asset management, service delivery and client issues.
- Analytical, problem solving, research and data analysis skills.
- Ability to interpret and apply legislation and policies.
- Effective written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills for liaising and consulting with a diverse range of stakeholders.
- Demonstrated commitment to teamwork and a willingness to show initiative and flexibility and reliability in meeting deadlines.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria and complete the forms.

Inquiries: Sam Fallah (02) 8270 2172

Information Package: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or phone 1800 185 466

Apply on-line: As per link given in the Information Package

Closing Date: Friday 22 August 2008

DAH-198672



Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care

DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Clerk Grade 5/6

Metro North Region
Parramatta
Permanent Full-Time

Position No: DADHC-08-14630

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: Provide high quality executive and administration support to the Regional Director and regional executive.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated experience in providing high level support in a senior executive environment.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Demonstrated planning, organising and priority setting skills.
- Demonstrated resourcefulness and initiative in responding to urgent requests and situations.
- Demonstrated research, writing and report preparation skills.
- Ability to work as a member of a team to achieve work outputs, and improve administration systems and processes.
- Ability to exercise sound judgement, discretion and maintain strict confidentiality.
- Highly developed computer skills and experience with various software packages, including Microsoft Office, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria and complete the forms.

Inquiries: Greg Loder (02) 9841 9452 or email: greg.loder@dadhc.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or 1800 185 466

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DAH-198672

NORTHERN TERRITORY STOLEN GENERATIONS ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

NTSGAC is an organisation which was incorporated in 1998 to aid Stolen Generations people in the Top End. We host the Top End Link-Up Program.

To support this program we are currently seeking to fill two new Link Up Counselling positions at our Darwin Office.

Link Up Counsellors

The Link Up Service Counsellors facilitate healing and improvements in wellbeing of Stolen Generations people who have been affected by past policies and practices of forced removal. This will be achieved through the provision of professional and confidential counselling. The service facilitates and supports family reunions.

The successful male and female applicants will need to be able to work as individuals and as part of a team. They must be able to demonstrate the necessary skills, experience and qualifications needed for these positions.

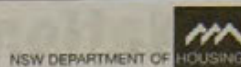
Applications Close: 29 August 2008

Applications Addressed to:

Chairperson
NTSGAC
PO Box 703
SANDERSON NT 0813

Indigenous people are urged to apply.

For a further position description and selection criteria: Please phone: 08 8981 7900 or Fax: 08 8981 7933 or email: director@topendsg.org



HOUSING NSW SOLICITOR

Legal Officer Grade IV/II

Legal Services Branch, Governance & Regulation, Head Office, Ashfield
Permanent Full-Time, Position No: DOH-08-14633

Total remuneration package valued up to \$90,756 per annum (salary \$60,041 pa - \$82,244 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Work as part of a team to provide support, legal advice & draft legal documents in relation to tenancy, property & other legal issues.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- One (1) or more years experience in the practice of law with demonstrated experience providing legal advice.
- Knowledge of litigation process and ability to interpret legislation.
- Drafting, research, analytical and problem solving skills.
- Ability to use computerised systems including databases, internet/intranet and relevant IT systems for research.
- Ability to prioritise work to meet deadlines and to provide consistent accurate legal advice.
- Good oral and written communication skills, negotiation, conflict resolution & interpersonal skills.
- Ability to influence others to take action consistent with organisation direction.
- Must be admitted as a Solicitor in law and hold a current practising certificate.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Chris Valacos (02) 8753 8393 or email: chris.valacos@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/AboutUs/Careers

Apply on-line: As per link in the Information Package

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DAH-198672

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EPM17066	Approx. 6 km E from Croydon. Centred at approximate Lat. 18°13'S Long. 142°18'E Local Government Area: Croydon Shire Council	Area: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1'lat x 1'long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1924 j, n, o, t, y	Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd 078 093 606
EPM17069	Approx. 21 km ENE from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat. 18°10'S Long. 142°27'E Local Government Area: Croydon Shire Council and Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 120 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 37 (each 1'lat x 1'long) Block Number Sub-blocks 1853 p, t, u, y, z 1854 l, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1855 q, v 1926 h, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, u 1927 a, f, l, q	Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd 078 093 606
EPM17118	Approx. 50 km SE from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat. 18°31'S Long. 142°36'E Local Government Area: Croydon Shire Council and Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 253 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 78 (each 1'lat x 1'long) Block Number Sub-blocks 2072 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y 2143 c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, y 2144 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o 2215 d, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 2216 f, g, h, i, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x 2287 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u 2288 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t	MKY Corporation Limited 099 247 408

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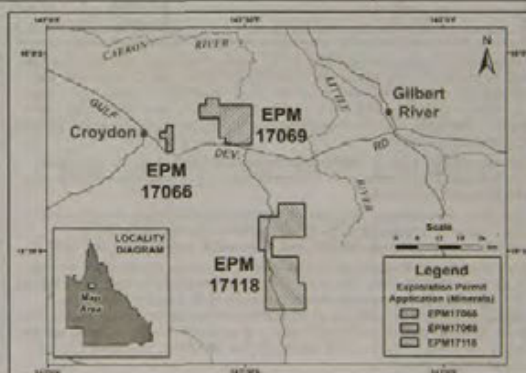
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National Calendar

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Ongoing: Living Black on SBS Television. Held every Wednesday at 6pm on SBS. Details: (02) 9430 2828 or 1800 500 727 or email news@sbs.com.au

Ongoing: Australian Indigenous Global Sports Academy (AIGSA) and Prokick Australia are looking for Koori male youths ages 15-17 to play a series of American gridiron games against high schools in the USA. Details: Richard Young on (0422) 866 201 or email rd@bold.net.au

Ongoing: Tranby Aboriginal College 50th anniversary 2008. Tranby is seeking former staff and students and other community members who are interested in coming together to catch up and to share their experience over the past 50 years. Held at Tranby Aboriginal College, 13 Mansfield St, Glebe. Details: Annaliese Monaro on (02) 9660 3444 or 1800 601 988 email a.monaro@tranby.edu.au visit www.tranby.edu.au

Ongoing: The Aboriginal Heritage Projects is providing grants of up to \$75,000 to conserve Aboriginal heritage

and encourage greater understanding of Aboriginal culture. The program assists in the conservation of culturally significant Aboriginal sites, documents community events and contributes to Aboriginal tourism. Details: Richard Sharpter on (02) 9873 8577 or email richard.sharpter@heritage.nsw.gov.au

Ongoing: Day Club provides social and recreational activities for veterans, their spouses, war widows/widowers and any other members of the community. Details: Margaret Morgan on (02) 9213 7225 or Erica Greig on (02) 9213 7482 or visit www.dva.gov.au/health/day_clubs

Ongoing: Certificate IV in Training and Assessment for Aboriginal people who want to become TAFE teachers or workplace trainers. Held in Ballina. Details: Deb Evans on (02) 6681 8911 or email debbie.evans@tatenw.edu.au or 131601 or (02) 6586 2249 or email nci.courseinfo@tatenw.edu.au

Until 15 August: Replant, a New Generation of Botanical Art. This exciting exhibition of limited edition etchings and photographic prints explores the unique characteristics of species that survive and prosper through the climatic extremes of monsoonal rains, annual drought and wild fires in northern Australia. Free entry.

Held at the Red Box Gallery, Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney from 10am-4pm. Details: Clarence on (02) 9231 8128 or (0409) 902 256 or call Sheryl on (02) 9231 8164 or visit www.rbg.gov.au

Until 18 August: Autism Early Intervention Panel Applications for Funding. The Australian Government has committed \$190 million for four years till June 2012 to deliver the Helping Children with Autism package. The package will help address the considerable need for support and services for children with autism spectrum disorders (ASDs). Details: 1800 289 177 or email asd@fahcsia.gov.au or visit www.fahcsia.gov.au

Until 20 August: Rosella Namok from Sand Beach Side Art Exhibition. New paintings from the acclaimed artists. Held at Hogarth Galleries, Paddington. Details: (02) 9360 6839 or email info@hogarthgalleries.com or visit www.aboriginalartcentres.com

Until 22 August: Veteran and Community Grants, which aims to maintain and improve the independence and quality of life of members of the veteran community by providing financial assistance for activities, services and projects that sustain and or enhance well being. Details: Katrina Zmuda on (02) 9213 7128 or 1300 550 465 or visit

www.dva.gov.au

Until 22 August: 'Looking In Looking Out' Art Exhibition by Lotus Glen Correctional Centre visual art students. Held at Banggu Minjaany Art Gallery, Tropical North Qld TAFE, Cairns. Details: Semah Hodges on (07) 4042 2632 or 1300 656 959 or visit www.tnqitafe.qld.gov.au

Until 24 August: Stomping Grounds Art Exhibition featuring the inspiring works of Raymond Walters Japanangka. Held at Katrina Manton Gallery, 325 Montague St, Albert Park. Details: (03) 9415 6539 or (0422) 363 676 or email admin@reddust.org.au or visit www.reddust.org.au

Until 28 August: In Living Memory NSW Tour. An exhibition dedicated to the memory of the Stolen Generations. Held at Dharriwaa Elders Group Centre, Walgett. Details: Andrew Williams on (0408) 602 936 or Susan Charlton on (02) 8247 8660 or visit www.records.nsw.gov.au

Until 30 August: Gandel Family Foyer Gallery and Darren-Pattie Bux Gallery Art Exhibitions. Each featured artist brings their own preferred and unique style, fusing together traditional stories with contemporary techniques. Held at the Koorie Heritage Trust.

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Senior Project Coordinator - Indigenous Health

FACULTY OF MEDICINE
National Centre in HIV Epidemiology & Clinical Research
Re-advised position, previous applicants need not apply.
Are you a dynamic project coordinator, with experience working with Indigenous communities?
Base: \$63K - \$80K pa | Ref 5858 KM

For full details, applications procedure and other vacancies, visit our website www.hr.unsw.edu.au/jobs/hr

NSW HEALTH SYDNEY SOUTH WEST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Closing Date: 29 August 2008.

MENTAL HEALTH

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker - Multidisciplinary (Grade 1)

Ref: 56495. Salary: \$38,878-\$56,313 pa. FT at Liverpool, Campbelltown, Camperdown or Canterbury/Bankstown. Enq: Shai Marshall, (02) 9616 4250

Trainee Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (HEO Non-Grad)

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FOR BOTH POSITIONS:
Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Apply online at: www.sswahs.nsw.gov.au
or email application quoting Ref No. to: jobs@sswahs.nsw.gov.au or send application to: Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 7050, Liverpool NSW 1871.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Program Support Officers
Full time and Part-time
Employment, Training, Case Management

BSI Learning is a national company that provides training and case management services to a diverse range of clients. A particular focus of BSI Learning is working with marginalised and disadvantaged groups under contract to the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

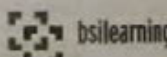
BSI Learning currently has a full time and part-time position available for Sydney based Program Support Officer's to oversee our current and upcoming employment, training and case management programs.

The successful applicant will have:

- Experience working with Indigenous people
- Proven ability to work independently & within a team environment
- Sound administrative skills
- Ability to network with Employment and Indigenous groups
- Own reliable transportation and current drivers license required

A background in employment, training or social work community services will be highly regarded. A salary package commensurate with experience will be negotiated with the successful applicant.

Enquiries can be directed to:
Leona Oliver at BSI Learning on (02) 9993 0703 or to apply for this position please email leona.oliver@bsilearning.com.au



MANAGER

35 Hours Full Time

Bathurst Women and Children's Refuge requires a highly skilled manager to lead a new team of staff and assist in the establishment and running of a restructured service.

To be female is a genuine requirement for this position under (Section 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977)

ESSENTIAL:

- To have a commitment to feminist principles and ability to provide services within a feminist framework.
- Proven ability to implement strategies and appropriate forward planning to enhance service provision
- Proven ability to supervise staff and work within a multi-disciplinary team
- Proven ability to implement case management models
- Proven understanding of the issues surrounding domestic violence and the effects on women and children
- Knowledge and understanding of cultural diversity
- Proven ability liaising with Government Departments and community organizations
- Ability to fulfill SAAP accountability requirements
- Current N.S.W. Driver's licence.

DESIRABLE: Knowledge of SAAP Programs, previous women's refuge experience. Knowledge of resources available in the local community, and tertiary qualifications or demonstrated relevant work experience.

ATSI AND CALD WOMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
Employment as per SACS State Award

Only applications addressing the criteria for employment outlined in the advertisement and providing 2 referee employee referees will be considered. Successful applicants will be required to undergo a "Working with Children" check and a "Criminal Record Check" prior to commencement of employment.

Enquiries and Job Description contact Joy Cavanagh
Phone: (02) 9621 8253 or 0409 778 229 or Marilyn Fogarty on 0426283055 or 0419289277

Address Applications marked 'Confidential' to: The Secretary Post Office Box 392 Campbelltown 2560 NSW

CLOSING DATE: 22nd August, 2008

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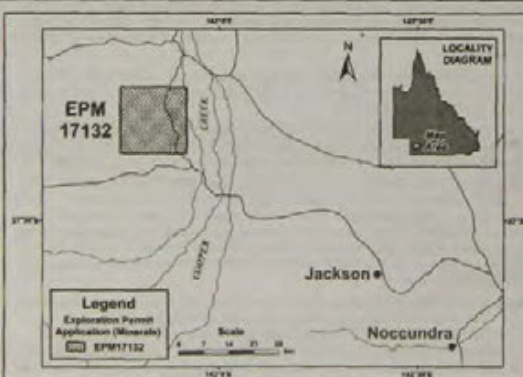
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Until 30 August: Aunty Joyce Johnson and Community Access Gallery art exhibitions. The works in these exhibitions depict connectedness to Country and belonging to family. A variety of mediums are used from acrylic on canvas, pastel on paper, prints, pelts and leathers. Held at the Koorie Heritage Trust, Melbourne. All welcome. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or email reception@koorieheritagetrust.com or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

Until 31 August: Eddie Kneebone *Bones of Contention* art exhibition. This exhibition is a compelling representation of what is often referred to as our 'hidden history.' Eddie Kneebone tells the story of colonial settlement and its impact on the Indigenous clans of the Victorian north-east and upper Murray region of Victoria. All welcome. Including public lectures, screening events, music and storytelling in the Art Museum. Held at La Trobe University Art Museum. Details: Renae Belton on (03) 9479 2111 or email artmuseum@latrobe.edu.au or visit www.latrobe.edu.au/artmuseum

Until 6 September: *Big Eye* is a showcase of Aboriginal Animations. This exhibition maintains a steadfast place and allows Aboriginal voices and perspectives from within 'old world' and new world traditions, including stop motion, 3D and other animation techniques. Held at The Art Northern Territory Centre for Contemporary Art, Darwin. Details: (08) 8981 5368 or email 24hrart@24hrart.org.au or visit www.24hrart.org.au/programs.html

Until 7 September: The *Our Mob 08* Exhibition. This is a statewide celebration of remote and regional South Australian Aboriginal artists. Free entry, all welcome. Held at Artspace and Adelaide Festival Centre, Festival Drive, Adelaide from 12-5pm. Details: (08) 8216 8600 or (08) 8216 8724 or email contact@adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au or visit www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

Until 19 September: *Cherbourg Time* - Young, Black and Deadly Art Exhibition. This is an exhibition honouring the work produced by the kids at Cherbourg State School which include paintings, sculptures, collages and murals. Held at The Block, QUT Creative Industries Precinct, Musk Avenue.

Kelvin Grove. Details: (07) 3138 5495 email ciprecinct@qut.com visit www.creativeindustries.qut.edu.au

Until 21 September: *Neo Goth Back in Black* Exhibition dips beneath the surface and takes a peek at the noir underbelly of Australian culture as it is manifested across art, fashion, film and literature. Held at the UQ Art Museum, St Lucia from 10am-4pm. Details: Mariko Post on (07) 3365 3046 or email m.post@uq.edu.au or visit www.artmuseum.uq.edu.au

Until 28 September: *Our Metro Mob*. This is an exhibition showcasing a selection of Adelaide-based contemporary Australian Indigenous artists. Held at Tandanya, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or email tandanya@tandanya.com.au or visit www.tandanya.com.au

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Until 12 October: The Couzens Family Exhibition. This exhibition showcases paintings, photos, sculptures and artifacts revealing the unique, collective story of four generations of the Couzens family clan, an

Indigenous family from the Western District of Victoria. Held at Melbourne Museum, Carlton from 10am-5pm. Details: (03) 8341 7141 or email bunjilakarsvp@museum.vic.gov.au or visit www.museumvictoria.com.au

Until 12 October: 2008 Xstrata Coal Emerging Indigenous Art Awards. An initiative of the Queensland Art Gallery in partnership with Xstrata Coal, the art awards is an acquisitive prize of \$30,000 awarded to an emerging Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artist.

The associated exhibition presents the work of the ten short-listed artists from across Australia. Held at the Gallery of Modern Arts, South Bank. Details: (07) 3840 7303 or (07) 3840 7038 or visit www.qag.qld.gov.au/exhibitions

Until 14 October: Indigenous Small Grants calling for applicants for projects that enhance youth participation or create opportunities for the development of Indigenous young people aged 12-25 years. Grants of \$5000. Details: (03) 9670 5436 or 1800 252 316 or email fya@youngaustralians.org

Until 31 October: ARMTours is looking for up to 50 role models to join their mob. Role models from different sport, academia, music and cultural backgrounds welcome. Details: Carrie Bendeich on (02) 9221 8655 or (0433) 157 316 or email carrie@nasca.com.au or visit www.nasca.com.au

Until 3 November: Dance Grants Program. Individual artists, companies and other organisations are welcome to apply.

Details: (02) 9215 9000 or 1800 226 912 or email mail@australiacouncil.gov.au or visit www.australiacouncil.gov.au

Until 14 November: *Chopped Liver* Australian tour. Black comedy play informing about hepatitis C. Details: on event locations, call (03) 9212 4777 or email info@libijerri.org.au or visit www.libijerri.org.au

13 August: Yulugi and Cultural Festival discussion night. Billir Indigenous Man Consultancy invites interested individuals to this meeting to hear and discuss the proposals of the Yulugi and Cultural Festival. Speaker: Paul Spearin followed by traditional performance and slide show with light refreshments.

Held at the Old Leagues Club, Anne St, Moree, from 1-4pm. All welcome. Details: For details call Paul Spearin on (0403) 883 359 or (07) 3161 6436 or (0411) 824 176 or email paulspearin@yahoo.com

13-17 August: Cultural Fest 08 has the theme is *Unity in Diversity*. During five fun filled days of dance, food, music, arts, workshops and sports. Held at Strand Park, Townsville, from 10am-10pm. Entry fee \$2 and kids under 10 free. Alcohol and drug free event. All welcome. Details: (07) 4772 4800 or email culturalfest@bigpond.com or www.culturalfest.org

13-16 August: The Tiwi Art Network exhibition. Yirrajirra murakuppuni ngingingaji ngawila pumpuni jilamara *Three Countries, all of us, our Good Designs*. At Brown's Mart, corner of Smith St and Harry Chan Ave, Darwin, with a special opening

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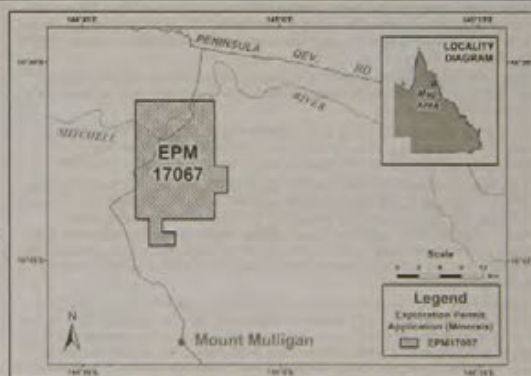
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Indigenous Talent Identification Programme

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIGENOUS SINGERS

Announcing a Spring Intensive Course for Indigenous singers who have some experience or show promise in the area of classical vocal music.

The Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts and Cultural Development in partnership with Short Black Productions is pleased to present the 2008 Spring Intensive Course as part of its new Indigenous Talent Identification Programme.

The 2008 Spring Intensive coincides with the creation of Pecan Summer, Australia's first Indigenous opera by written and composed by Deborah Cheetham.

This year 8 places will be made available to Indigenous singers who show promise in the genre of classical vocal music.

Entry is by audition. Applicants may submit their audition by CD, DVD, MP3 or YouTube link. The deadline for applications is the 6th of September, 2008. To receive your application form are available from deborah.cheetham@bigpond.com.

Successful applicants will have the opportunity to be involved with the on going development and ultimate staging of this ground-breaking production.

21st to 28th of September 2008

Victorian College of the Arts, St Kilda Road
Southbank, Melbourne, Australia

For more information contact Deborah at
deborah.cheetham@bigpond.com.

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breakfast on 15 August at 9am. Hours 10am-4pm. Details: (08) 8941 3593 or visit www.tiwiart.com

15 August: Darwin Festival. Jeff Lang 8pm, Uber Lingua 10pm, The Ballad of Backbone Joe 7.30pm, 25th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award 6pm, Star shell opening party 10pm Botanic Gardens. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

15 August: Growing Old Well - a life cycle approach for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. The workshop includes life cycle risks and protective factors for healthy ageing in Indigenous peoples with a focus on translating conclusions into actions. Speakers include Tony Broe, Lisa Jackson Pulver, Tim Agius, Vicki Wade and Gail Daylight. Free entry all welcome. Held at the Edmund Blacket Building, Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick, from 9.30am-5pm. Details: Sandra Forster on (02) 9382 4259 or email Sandra.Forster@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

15-17 August: The Drumley Walk. Follow the footsteps of Billy Drumley in the early 1900s as he regularly set off on a 70km journey to check on his sister and her family. Organisers are calling for volunteers to help with the organisation of the event. Information sessions will be held on the Gold Coast, in Brisbane and in Beaudesert. Details: (07) 3807 8155 or email thedrumleywalk@optusnet.com.au or www.thedrumleywalk.com

15 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland

Tour, at Metro, Sydney, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545 or visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

16 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Fishos, Manly, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

16 August: Darwin Festival. Indigenous Art Gallery exhibition Tour 11am-5pm, 9th Annual Vincent Lingiari Memorial Lecture 7pm, 2008 Symposium on Indigenous Music and Dance 8.45am-5.30pm, The Ballad of Backbone Joe 7.30pm, Traditional Indigenous Dance 6.30pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

16 August: Aboriginal Rights Coalition Speak Out and Concert. Stop the Federal intervention into Aboriginal communities, end the racist land grab, restore the Racial Discrimination Act, no welfare quarantining in NT or elsewhere! Performances by MC Wire, Charlie Trindall and others. Speakers include Rosalyn Frith, Sam Watson, Pat Eatock and more. BBQ and live music. All welcome. Held at Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern, from 1pm onwards. Details: Greg on (0432) 050 240 or www.aboriginalrightscoalition.wordpress.com

17 August: Darwin Festival. 2008 symposium on Indigenous music and dance 9.30am-1pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

17-23 August: Darwin Festival traditional

Indigenous dance 6.30pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

21-22 August: Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival. This festival will present films by the country's many talented Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander filmmakers, as well as of international Indigenous directors. Featuring documentaries *River of no Return*, *Mad Morro*, *Wanjia Warrior Dog*, *Spirit Stones*, *When Colin met Joyce*, *Courting with Justice* and Australian and International shorts featuring *Yolngu Guya Djamarrir*, *Who Paintin' Dis Wandjina*, *Bollywood Dreaming*, *Storytime* and more. Held at Deckchair Cinema, Darwin. Details: (08) 8981 0700 visit www.deckchaircinema.com or Blackfella Films on (02) 9380 4000.

21 August: Darwin Festival. Opening and Meet the Artists Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival 7.30pm, Lipstick and Ochre 7pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

21 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Baroque @ Carrington, Katoomba, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

22 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Panthers, Newcastle, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

22 August: Darwin Festival. Message

Sticks Indigenous Film Festival 6.30pm, Lipstick and Ochre 7pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

23 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Woodport Inn, Erina, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

23 August: Darwin Festival. Lipstick and Ochre 7pm, Leah Flanagan Band and Tinpan Orange 10pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

24 August: Darwin Festival. Lipstick and Ochre 7pm, Sculpture in the Park, opening 4pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

24 August: Reopening of the Pungenna Art and Cultural Centre. The artists descend from several cultural groups including pungenna, (Aboriginal Tasmanian) Koori and others, therefore their work incorporate varied traditional and contemporary art styles. Held at Pungenna Art and Cultural Centre, Main road, Murdunna, from 11am-3pm. Details: J Macdonald on (0439) 908 394 or email pungennaart@yahoo.com.au or visit www.pungennaart.wetpaint.com

25 August: Family Drug Support. Do you have a family member/loved one with drug/alcohol? This support group offers a place to talk/listen with others struggling with similar problems. 7-9 pm Guide House, Carlyle St, Byron Bay. Details Margaret (0427) 85 092, or David Morgan, 34 Bellevue Av, Lismore Heights, phone (02) 6624 3254.

27 August: Tranby Aboriginal College Annual General Meeting. Held at Tranby Aboriginal College 13 Mansfield St, Giebo from 7pm onwards. Details: (02) 9660 3444 or visit www.tranby.edu.au

27 August: Darwin Festival. Lipstick and Ochre 7pm, Jimmy Little in concert 8pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

27-31 August: Pasifika Festival. Back by popular demand the festival of music, theatre, visual arts, markets, workshops and discussion. Free and ticketed event. Held at Brisbane Powerhouse. Details: Rachael Morgan on (07) 3358 8670 or (07) 3358 8600 or visit www.brisbanepowerhouse.org

28-30 August: Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival. This festival will present films by the country's many talented Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander filmmakers, as well as of international Indigenous directors. Held at Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre, Mt Gambier. Details: (08) 8723 8743 visit www.countryarts.org.au or Blackfella Films on (02) 9380 4000.

28 August: Darwin Festival. Lipstick and Ochre 7pm, Liberty Songs 6.30pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

28 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at the Great Northern, Byron Bay, NSW. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

29 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Bar 399, Brisbane, Qld. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

29 August: Darwin Festival. Lipstick and Ochre 7pm, Gurrumul and Ego Lemos 8pm, Blue King Brown 10pm, Munuk Gapu 8pm, The Man from Snowy River 6.30pm, Artist Talk: Creating Liberty Songs: Music Across Cultures, noon. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

29-31 August: Australian Nuclear Free Alliance meeting. Aboriginal people opposing uranium or nuclear waste projects on their country are invited to join. Talk with other affected communities and representatives from environmental and public health organisations. Held 120km from Darwin. Details: Donna Jackson on (0427) 847 186 or Natalie Wasley on (08) 8952 2011 or (0429) 900 700 email natwasley@alec.org.au

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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
EPM17110	Approx. 28 km SSW from Ravenshoe Centred at approximate Lat. 17°50'S Long. 145°22'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area: 39 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1'lat x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1529 l, m, q, r, v, w 1601 b, c, g, h, m, r	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684

* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block 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 2, 14 March 2007 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 Culture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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: 3 September 2008



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National Calendar

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30 August: Darwin Festival. NT Indigenous Music Awards 7pm. *Lipstick and Ochre*, 7pm, Connecting through Film: 2008 Schools Film Festival 7:30pm, Munuk Gapu 8pm, Sculpture in the Park winners announced 4pm. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

30 August: NT Indigenous Music Awards 08. This music awards recognises excellence, dedication, innovation and outstanding contribution to the Music Industry by Territory musicians. Details: (08) 8981 2010 or (0417) 875 901 or email nlima@agentur.com.au or visit www.musicnt.com.au

30 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Coolangatta Hotel, Gold Coast, Qld. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

31 August: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Sands, Coolool, Qld. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

31 August: Darwin Festival, *Lipstick and Ochre*, 7pm, Paradise: Remixed 6pm and 8pm, Closing party 9:30pm Botanic Gardens. Details and locations: (08) 8943 4200 or email contact@darwinfestival.org.au or visit www.darwinfestival.org.au

2 September: Walking Together *Lest We Forget* documentary film. Indigenous Australians have served in every theatre of war and peacekeeping mission in which Australia has been involved since the 1899-1902 Boer War. View a short documentary film and hear guest speakers from the NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans and Service Association. Free, all welcome. Held in The Cove Room, Lane Cove Civic Centre, from 7pm onwards. Details: Kerrie McKenzie on (02) 9428 1197 or Jill Chambers on (02) 9428 1150.

4 September: Aboriginal caseworker career information session. The NSW Department of Community Services (DoCS) will be holding an informal presentation for members of the Aboriginal Community who are interested in a career as a caseworker. Held at Redfern Community Centre from 5.30-8pm. Light refreshments will be provided. Details: Deborah Faulkner (02) 8303 7600

4 September-4 October: *In Living Memory* NSW Tour. An exhibition dedicated to the memory of the Stolen Generations featuring more than 1000 black and white photographs, documenting more than 47 years of the former Aboriginal Welfare Board. Held at the Tourist Information Centre, Brewarrina. Details: Andrew Williams on (0408) 602 936 or Susan Charlton on (02) 8247 8660 or visit www.records.nsw.gov.au

4 September: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Uni Bar, Hobart, Tasmania. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

5 September: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Billboard, Melbourne, Vic. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

6 September: The Last Kinection supporting The Herd on The Summerland Tour, at Fowlers, Adelaide, SA. Tickets available from www.oztix.com.au or by phoning 1300 762 545. Visit www.myspace.com/thelastkinection

9-12 September: Third annual National Basketball Championship. There will be a dunk competition and 3-point shoot out. Cost per team \$250. Held at the Darwin Basketball Stadium. Drug and alcohol-free event. Details: Nikita Ridgeway on (0415) 095 661 or email koorigirl@mail.com or visit www.darwin.basketball.net.au

9-25 October: 2008 Melbourne International Arts Festival. This is a 17-day Festival showcasing over 90 events, comprising 19 world premieres and 28 Australian premieres with free and ticketed events geared to young and old alike. Be transfixed by astonishing works of contemporary theatre, dance, music, film, visual arts and more. Details: (03) 9662 4242 email contact.us@melbournefestival.com.au visit www.melbournefestival.com.au

10 September: Queensland Council of Social

Service Regional Conference. We would like to have a good number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities attending the conference as half of the workshops are run by Aboriginal people and the topics are focus on areas of interests for Indigenous communities. Cost: \$150 for members and \$200 for non members. Held at Mercure Inn, Woolcock St, Townsville. Details: (07) 3004 6900 or 1800 651 255 or email qcross@qcross.org.au or visit www.qcross.org.au

12-19 September: School holiday program. The Tasman and districts aboriginal community school holiday program will be held at the Pungenna Art and Cultural Centre from 10:30am onwards. All welcome. Details: Judi Macdonald on (0439) 908 394 or email pungennaart@yahoo.com.au or visit www.pungennaart.wetpaint.com

12-13 September: National Indigenous Legal Conference. Held at the RACV Club, Melbourne. Bookings essential. Details: Aislinn Martin (03) 9607 9474 or (0413) 009 072 or email amartin@liv.asn.au or visit www.tarwirri.com.au

13 September: Inaugural Indigenous Legal Ball, Town Hall, Melbourne. Bookings essential. Details: Aislinn Martin on (03) 9607 9474 or (0413) 009 072 or email amartin@liv.asn.au

15 September: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Health and Wellbeing Community Consultation. This one-day community consultation for women will discuss the health and wellbeing issues affecting Indigenous women in NSW. All welcome. Held at Paddington Town Hall, Oxford St, Paddington, Sydney, from 9am-4.30pm. Details: Gail Hilton on (02)

9285 6225 or email gailh@ywcansw.com.au or visit www.ywcansw.com.au

22-25 September: Creating Futures Conference - Research, Practice and Policy for Indigenous, Rural and Remote and Island Peoples. This conference will focus on theoretical debates and evidence based interventions with particular attention to three groups of interest such as residents of rural and remote communities, Indigenous populations with in Australia and elsewhere and island nations experiencing social transition. Held at Yarrabah Aboriginal Community and the Cairns International Hotel. Details: (03) 9349 2220 or email info@conorg.com.au or visit www.conorg.com.au

24-25 September: Big hART's Ngapartji Ngapartji is a long-term intergenerational language and arts project based in the Central Desert. The Ngapartji Ngapartji theatre show is an epic story of displacement as the desert nations are swept up in the Cold War. Written and directed by Scott Rankin and performed by Spinifex man and master storyteller Trevor Jamieson. Held at Ernabella Arts Centre 60th anniversary celebrations. Details: (08) 8951 1122 or visit www.ngapartji.org or www.artattheheart.com.au

29 September-5 October: Convergence on the Centre. Become involved in helping fight the racist NT intervention. Actions include a rally to mark the Federal Government's Review Report, listening tours to communities to meet with Aboriginal elders and major actions in solidarity with affected communities. Participants travelling from interstate must be self-sufficient with food, bedding and transport to communities. Other costs incurred in visiting NT

communities will be covered by the Intervention Rollback Action Group. Details: Paddy Gibson on (0145) 800 586 or Barbara Shaw on (0401) 291 166 or Marlene Hodder on (08) 8952 5032 or visit www.rollbacktheintervention.wordpress.com

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3-5 October: Bellingen Global Carnival. This is a cross-cultural arts festival which offers the audience an intimate encounter with performers and their art form. Children 12 and under are free but the weekend still provides a fully programmed children's festival as well as a range of delicious food and craft from around the world. Held at the Bellingen showgrounds, Bellingen. Details: (02) 6655 3024 or Andrew Heslop on (0412) 850 080 or email aheslop@mncdgp.org.au or Uncle Larry Kelly on (0427) 695 912 or (02) 6569 5912.

3-5 October: Art at the Heart Regional Arts Australia Conference 2008. Art at the heart will provide an opportunity for artistic and cultural exchange, cross cultural collaboration and best practice approaches to working in the arts. All welcome. Held in Alice Springs, NT. Details: (08) 8951 1152 or email artattheheart@nt.gov.au or visit www.artattheheart.com.au/ah/1.asp

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
EPM17106	Approx. 47 km WNW from Bowen Centred at approximate Lat.19°53'S Long.147°48'E Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Area: 45 km Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 14 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3358 g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x.	George Arthur Spotswood (50%) Lynda Joan Spotswood (50%)

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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 2, 14 March 2007 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2001.

Name and address of person doing acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

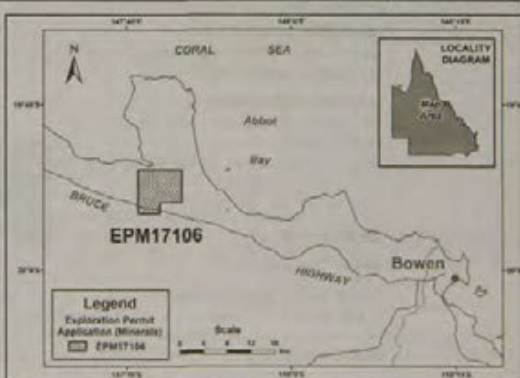
Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 20 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

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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.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

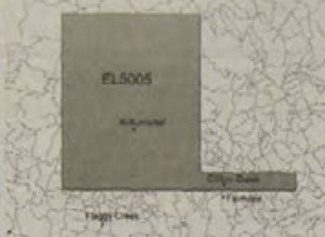
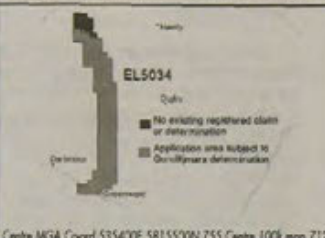



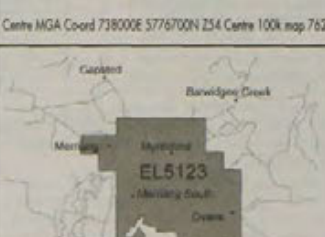
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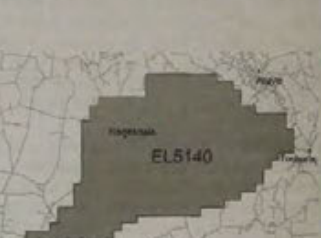
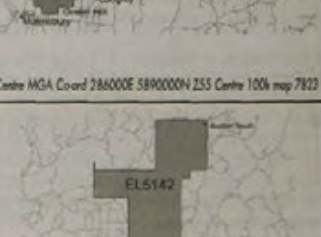


Queensland Government
Natural Resources and Water

Notice Under Section 29(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)


The State of Victoria proposes to consider the **GRANTING** of the following exploration licence applications under Section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICANT DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL 5005	NAME: Pacific Minerals Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Bullumwood & Clifton Creek as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 83 - H2-H5, J2-J5, A2-A5, B2-B5, C5, D5, E5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 429 km ² SHIRE: East Gippsland	 Centre MGA Coord 546500E 5836900N Z55 Centre 100k map 8422
EL 5034	NAME: Diatreme Resources Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Approx 9km east of Dartmoor. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 71 - G4-G9, H4-H9 TERM: 5 years AREA: 171 km ² SHIRE: Glenelg	 Centre MGA Coord 535400E 5815500N Z55 Centre 100k map 7122
EL 5074	NAME: BTB Mining Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over McMillans & Horfield as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 21 - D7-D9, E7-E9, F8-F9, G9 Map 30 - E2-E5, F2-F5, G2-G4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 433 km ² SHIRE: Gannawarra, Loddon & Campaspe	 Centre MGA Coord 231100E 6012600N Z55 Centre 100k map 7725
EL 5121	NAME: Holloman Minerals Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Lismore & Camperdown as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 74 - G8, H7-H9; Map 75 - B7-B9, C8-C9, D8-D9, E8-E9, F8-F9, G7-G9, H7-H9, J7-J9; Map 76 - A7-A9; Map 90 - H2; Map 91 - B2, B6-B7, C2-C7, D2-D7, E2-E7, F4-F7, G4-G7, H2, H6-H7, J2; Map 92 - A2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 1150 km ² SHIRE: Colac Otway, Corangamite, Golden Plains & Mayne	 Centre MGA Coord 695200E 5784800N Z54 Centre 100k map 7521
EL 5122	NAME: Holloman Minerals Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Wingee, Ombersely & Armytage as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 91 - J3-J6 Map 92 - A3-A6, B2-B6, C2-C6, D2-D6, E2-E6, F2-F6, G2-G6, H2 Map 76 - B9, C9, D9, E8-E9, F9, G9 TERM: 5 years AREA: 1316 km ² SHIRE: Colac Otway, Corangamite, Golden Plains & Surf Coast	 Centre MGA Coord 738000E 5776700N Z54 Centre 100k map 7621
EL 5123	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Myrtleford, Ovens Marriang & Marriang South as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 49 - C2 & C3, D2 & D3, E2 & E3 TERM: 5 years AREA: 61 km ² SHIRE: Alpine and Wangaratta	 Centre MGA Coord 475000E 5952000N Z55 Centre 100k map 8224

TENEMENT	APPLICANT DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL 5131	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Carryang & other towns as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 37 - E4 & E5, F4-F8, G4-G9, H4-H9, J4-J9 Map 52 - C1 TERM: 5 years AREA: 445 km ² SHIRE: Towang	 Centre MGA Coord 582000E 5990000N Z55 Centre 100k map 8425
EL 5132	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Nariel & Stacey's Bridge as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 37 - D9, E8 & E9, F8 & F9, G9, H9, J9 Map 51 - F2-F5, G2-G5, H2-H5 Map 52 - B2-B5, C3 & C4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 325 km ² SHIRE: Towang & East Gippsland	 Centre MGA Coord 582000E 5954000N Z55 Centre 100k map 8424
EL 5133	NAME: Minico Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Bungul, Mount Doran, Ballark, Elaine & Morrisons as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 77 - B4-B7, C4-C7, D5-D6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 200 km ² SHIRE: Moorabool & Golden Plains	 Centre MGA Coord 243000E 5817200N Z55 Centre 100k map 7722
EL 5140	NAME: Fiddlers Creek Gold Mining Co Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Redesdale & Melcalie East as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 44 - J9; Map 45 - A9, B9, C9, D9, E9; Map 59 - H3-H5; Map 59 - J2-J4; Map 60 - A2-A4; Map 60 - B2 - B3; Map 60 - C2-3; Map 60 - D2-D3; Map 60 - E2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 450 km ² SHIRE: Greater Bendigo City, Macedon Ranges, Mitchell & Mount Alexander	 Centre MGA Coord 286000E 5890000N Z55 Centre 100k map 7823
EL 5142	NAME: Martin Blakeman LOCATION DESCRIPTION: South west of Buchan South as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 84 - H3-H4 Map 85 - B2-B5, C2-C5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 152 km ² SHIRE: East Gippsland	 Centre MGA Coord 592900E 5834000N Z55 Centre 100k map 8522

Nature of Act: Exploration

The State of Victoria proposes to consider the **GRANTING** of the following mining licence applications under Section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICANT DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN 5497	NAME: Basin Minerals Holdings Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Approx 2km west of Kulwin. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 12 - B2 TERM: 20 years AREA: 15.10 Ha SHIRE: Mildura Rural City PARISH: Kulwin	 Centre MGA Coord 647000E 6122200N Z54 Centre 100k map 7427

Nature of Act: Mining

Maps showing the application areas listed above, and further information about these tenement applications is available on request from Minerals and Petroleum Division at Level 16/1 Spring St Melbourne VIC 3001, Ph. (03) 9658 4454

The notification day for the tenement applications listed above is **13 AUGUST 2008**. Under Section 30 of the Act, persons have until **13 NOVEMBER 2008** to take steps required to become "native title parties" in relation to the affected tenement application. The time and procedure for becoming a native title party are set out in the Act. Inquiries in this regard should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, Ph. 1800 640 501.

For further information about native title and/or the right to negotiate process, contact Zuzanna Lelito, Native Title Coordinator, Department of Primary Industries, Ph. (03) 5172 2181.

Under 16s to play on grand final day

By PETER ARGENT



FOR the first time in the history of the national under 16 championships, the grand finals of division one and division two will precede the 2008 Australian Football League (AFL) grand final in Melbourne on 27 September.

The Northern Territory, coached by Jason Mifsud, and Tasmania won their way in the division two grand final. In the final game, the Northern Territory's

potent forward line proved too much for home side Queensland, with the Territorians prevailing by an 82-point margin.

"From the Thunder, Stephen Motlop, the young brother of Power player Daniel, displayed a lot of the same skills as his brother is recognised for during this tournament," AFL Talent and International Manager Kevin Sheehan said.

"Others to really take the eye from the Northern Territory included Curtley Hampton, from Pioneers, Steven May, from Southern Districts, and Anthony Hale, from

St Marys. May and Hale were among a handful of Aboriginal boys who also played in the Tom Wills round re-enactment match between Melbourne Grammar and Scotch College before the Friday night AFL match at the MCG."

Familiar rivals Western Australia and Victorian Metro will clash to decide the 2008 under 16 division one championship after victories in the final round-robin matches on the Gold Coast in earlier this month.

Victoria Metro and Western Australia have shared the last five under 16 titles,

and clashed most recently in the final of the 2008 National Australian Bank AFL under 18 championships.

Western Australia scored a hard-fought nine-point victory over South Australia to claim a finals berth.

Indigenous small forward Brandon Matera, the son of former AFL footballer Wally and nephew of 'hall of fame' Peter, was dangerous, scoring three goals and was high among the best players.

From this championship, the AIS-AFL academy squad will be announced during the next week.

Notice of application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland
Notification day: 27 August 2008



Q12007/002 Ewamian ILUA (Towns of Forsyth, Ennisleigh, Georgetown and Mount Surprise)

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 89.2 hectares and covers specific lots within the townships of Forsyth, Ennisleigh, Georgetown and Mount Surprise as shown on the locality map [specific lot numbers are available from the Tribunal on request]. The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Etheridge Shire Council.

The parties to agreement and their contact addresses are:

The State of Queensland, Executive Director, Indigenous Services, Department of Natural Resources and Water
Locked Bag 40, COORPAROO DC QLD 4151

Ewamian People, North Queensland Land Council
Native Title Representative Body
Aboriginal Corporation, c/- Mr Martin Dore
PO Box 679N, CAIRNS NORTH QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 5.1 The parties consent to the Surrender and to the doing of the Agreed Acts. This consent includes consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts to the extent that the Agreed Acts are Future Acts.

Clause 5.2 The parties agree to the validation of any invalid Future Acts done on the Agreement Area prior to the Execution Date.

Clause 6.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2, Division 3 of Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts

Clause 11 Surrender of Native Title

11.1 The surrender is intended to extinguish any Native Title that may exist in relation to the Surrender Area.

11.2 Clause 11.1 is a statement for the purposes of s 24EB(1)(d) of the NTA.

11.3 The surrender will take effect immediately prior to the grant of the Freehold Area in accordance with clause 12.

Definitions:

"Agreed Acts" means:

(a) the Surrender;

(b) the grant of freehold title in the Freehold Area to the Ewamian Entity;

(c) the dedication or adjustment, under the Land Act 1994, of the parcels of land in the Reserve Area as reserves for the purposes set out in Schedule 4 [available from the Tribunal on request], and the management and use (including the construction of infrastructure) of the land consistent with the dedicated purpose; and

(d) all acts necessary to give effect to the acts listed in (a) to (c) above.

"Surrender" means the surrender to the State of any Native Title in relation to the Surrender Area.

"Surrender Area" means the area comprising the parcels of land described in Schedule 2 [available from the Tribunal on request].

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 North Queensland Land Council Native Title Representative Body Aboriginal Corporation, 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 in writing 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 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Brisbane QLD 4001 by 27 November 2008.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. 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 Mick Rodd on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.



National
Native Title
Tribunal

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND ENERGY

Applications for Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, have been received from:

LOWER MURRAY GROUNDWATER WATER SOURCE

Timothy Malcolm BURGE for 1 x Bore on Lot 20 DP756269, Parish Coolagali, County Townsend for irrigation purposes. (Application No. 1935).

KYAGRE HOLDINGS PTY LTD for 1 x Bore on Lot 32 DP756331, Parish Thurgoon, County Townsend for irrigation. (Application No. 1930).

Lindsay Gordon & Jill PARK for 1 x Bore on Lot 71 DP832878, Parish South Deniliquin, County Townsend for irrigation purposes. (Application No. 1924).

Applications to amend an existing Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, have been received from:

NSW MURRAY REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE (MURRAY RIVER)

Ian Geoffrey GALLAGHER and Karen Ann COLLINS-GALLAGHER for 1 x 50 mm pump (existing) on Lot 2 DP213417, Parish Speewa, County Wakool for stock and domestic water supply. (Application No. 50WA500520).

MATO INVESTMENTS PTY LIMITED for 1 x Pump (additional) on Lot 4 DP753732, Parish Collendina, County Hume for industrial purposes. (Application No. 50CA504090).

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5898-3900. Written objections, specifying grounds, must be lodged with the Department of Water and Energy, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710, within 28 days of the date of this publication.

Lindsay Holden, Senior Licensing Officer
(03) 5898-3900

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that CALLABONNA URANIUM LIMITED and its wholly owned subsidiaries, FROME URANIUM PTY LTD (ACN 127 624 971) and CALLABONNA ENERGY PTY LTD (ACN 127 112 350), of Level 2, 66 Hunter Street, Sydney NSW 2000, registered holder of and mining operator, proposes to carry out exploration mining activities on the following land located in South Australia.

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land is as follows: Exploratory drilling and geophysical surveying which will have minimum impact on the land. The proposed operations are authorised by the following exploration authority under the Mining Act 1971 (SA): Exploration Licences 3842, 3845, 3846, 3847 and Geothermal Exploration Licences 305, 306, 307 and 350.

Callabonna Uranium Ltd seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 (SA). If, two months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971 (SA), there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, Callabonna Uranium Ltd may apply ex parte to the ERD Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the

land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land. Callabonna Uranium Ltd propose to rely on section 63O of the Mining Act 1971 (Expedited procedure where impact of operations is minimal) on ground that the mining operations will not directly interfere with the community life of the holders of native title in the land on which the operations are to be carried out; and will not interfere with areas or sites of particular significance, in accordance with their traditions, to the holders of native title in the land on which the operations are to be carried out; and will not involve major disturbance to the land on which the operations are to be carried out.

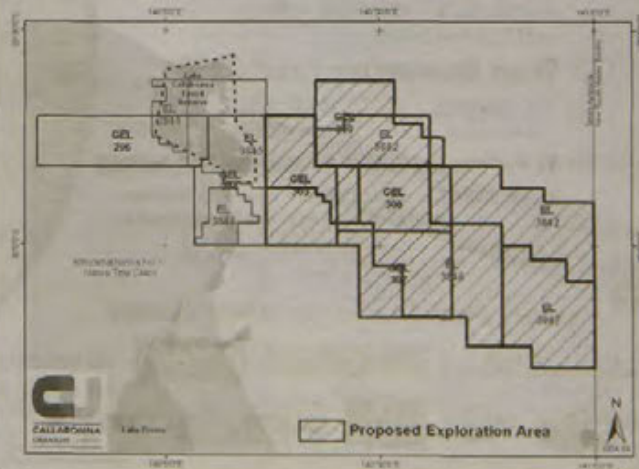
Such a determination may be made on conditions the Court considers appropriate. Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent Callabonna Uranium Ltd as follows:

Callabonna Uranium Limited

Level 2, 66 Hunter Street, SYDNEY
NSW 2000 Telephone: 02 9300 3366
Email: mbergman@callabonna.com.au

Contact:

Michael Raetz or Megan Bergman.





Jarwin Carey cuts up a wave in Tahiti.

Surfers fly our flag

By PETER ARGENT



THREE surfing talents – Otis and Jarwin Carey and Amber Mercy – were members of a small Australian

Indigenous team which competed in the international Oceania Cup in July held in French Polynesia (Tahiti).

The annual event is contested by indigenous surfers from the nations in the South Pacific region.

Otis Carey surfed in the men's open event and progressed through to the quarter-finals, but a controversial 'interference' call had him knocked out of the competition at this stage.

He had been grabbing attention throughout the contest and was 'out in the water' with his radical, powerful surfing style.

Talented teenager Jarwin Carey entered the open men's and junior divisions, excelling in both areas.

In the open men's, he progressed through to the

semi-finals, while in the junior section he finished third in the final.

Amber Mercy, from the NSW north coast, surfed in the open women's event and also performed well, being knocked out in the quarter-finals.

"New Zealand, New Caledonia, Australia and Tahiti attended the competition, which drew large crowds," Mercy said.


"Jarwin surfed brilliantly throughout the contest and it is fair to say Otis was very unlucky."

"All the competitors were given a big taste of Tahitian culture and were involved in many celebrations."



"The surfers were also treated to two trips to the 'heaviest wave on the planet' – Teahupo'o – for a surf."

While next year's host country for the Oceania titles is yet to be decided, Mercy is keen for Australia to take a full seven-person team to this event and is looking for prospective talented young Indigenous surfers.

She can be contacted via email initially on amber_mercy@hotmail.com



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● ABOVE: Amber Mercy and Otis and Jarwin Carey at the Oceania Cup surfing contest in Tahiti.

● LEFT: Otis and Jarwin Carey (wearing shirts with the Aboriginal flag) with the traditional costume wearing Tahitians at the opening ceremony.

Pictures: Grant McDON

Fight outside the ring

Rival boxing factions can't see eye-to-eye

By ALF WILSON



THE tyranny of distance, high costs and a bitter split between two amateur boxing organisations is costing talented young Palm Island fighters

the opportunity of Olympic and Commonwealth Games selection.

Palm Island Club boxers are members of the Sunstate Amateur Boxing League, which some years ago split from the Amateur Boxing Association.

Association members are the only ones eligible for Commonwealth and Olympic selection.

Veteran Palm Island Ray Dennis gave *The Koori Mail* an in-depth interview on the subject after he had returned from a tournament at Gordonvale, in far north Queensland.

A few weeks earlier I spent a day and a night with Dennis on Palm Island, where he trains a large contingent of local boxers at the PCYC.

Turn professional

Two of his star boxers – Luke Lenoy and Selwyn Seaton – have been approached to turn professional, and that is the preferred option for the two oldest youths in the Palm Island Boxing Club.

"If we were part of the association, my boys would have to travel south down to Gladstone and the costs are far too high," Dennis said.

"But I wish my boys could fight the best from the association. I reckon they would go very well."

At Gordonvale, Palm Islander Dennis Haines beat Broughton Worth, from Babinda, in a light flyweight bout and has now won ten Boxing League fights.

Patrick Clarke, from Palm, defeated Tim Huddleston, from Mackay, in a lightweight bout and has been showing the benefit of hard training and looks set for a big future.

Palm's Anthony Bourne easily beat Lewis Brampton, from Moranbah, in the 32kg division and did well at his first bout.

"Albert Gorrige was defeated by Harry Patterson, from Moranbah, in the 40kg division and then William Palm Island was matched against an opponent from Mareeba who I was told was 2kg heavier and it turned out he was 12kg more than my lad," Dennis said.

"I pulled William out of the bout in the first round as he had no possible chance giving away that much weight."

Reggie Palm Island again failed to get a bout and that was testimony to the point Dennis makes about wanting to fight opponents from the association.

"Reggie is too good and nobody near his weight will fight him and he has had three bouts and won them all," Dennis said.

Dennis has a proud history with Indigenous boxers since he started training at the Townsville Fitness Centre in 1967.



Ray Dennis with boxers, from left, Anthony Bourne, 13, Patrick Clarke and Reggie Palm Island waiting for their Palm Island ferry at Townsville after they returned from Gordonvale on 27 July.

"At that time we were boxing under the North Queensland Boxing Association which was part of the Australian Boxing Association," he said.

Dennis said he trained 15 Queensland champions at that time, including Doug Sam, who went on to represent Australia and also won the world boxing championship.

"Doug later fought for a world professional title in Korea," Dennis said.

Alf Clay was another of the Dennis-trained boxers who was rated the best junior in Queensland. He defeated Norm Stevens who later represented Australia.

Another champion boxer trained by Dennis was Neil Pattel, who is now a Townsville security guard. He won the Australian welterweight and middleweight professional titles.

Now aged in his late 40s, Pattel made a comeback of sorts in early 2000 when he travelled to Hughenden and fought a local under the big tent of a travelling boxing troupe.

Pattel showed he still had class by knocking out his much taller opponent early even though he had a severe reach disadvantage.

Another champion

Junior Thompson was another good Aboriginal boxer trained by Dennis. He went on to become an Australian professional champion.

"Josh Gela won a State title and the late Esrom Gela was in my opinion the best of them all, winning three State titles," Dennis said.

"I thought he could have gone on to win a world professional title."

Dennis said Stanton Friday was another of his quality boxers who won a State title.

"Colin Scott trained with me from when he was aged just nine and he won 21 of 23 bouts and later went on to play rugby league with the Broncos, State of Origin and one Test for Australia," Dennis said.

Versatile Carl Wyles was another good boxer who was trained by Dennis.

"Carly played basketball, rugby league and Australian rules for Indigenous club Garbutt Magpies and he was fast and good," Dennis said.

He said a talented Brian Magill came from Sydney and never lost a bout while training with him.

"At the Commonwealth Games trials held in Maryborough for Queensland, Magill easily beat the Australian champion, but I was refused permission to travel with him for the final selection trials in Tasmania," he said.

Another Dennis-trained boxer – Terry Tears – turned professional and had lots of bouts on the television Ringside.

Referring to the Boxing League and Global Boxing as 'breakaway' bodies, Dennis said he was not sure how the rift with the association occurred.

"There are many breakaway clubs in NSW, Queensland, Victoria and Tasmania and I am sure there must have been a very good reason. At our (Boxing League) 2008 Australian titles held in Parkes, there were 45 boxers from NSW," he said.

Dennis called for an amalgamation of the two, saying it was wrong that Boxing League fighters were not given a chance to represent Australia.

Dennis said he had at least three boxers who were good enough to beat the best in Australia.

Dennis has called on the rival groups to end their differences so that amateur boxers could fight for the one national title.

Dennis said that Pita Bourne, from Palm, had defeated current Australian professional champion Fred Mundraby several times when the latter was an amateur.

"Bourne also defeated Paul Flemming twice and Flemming is representing Australia at the Beijing Olympics. Bourne also defeated Tom Clarke three times before Clarke turned pro and has since won two bouts and is soon to fight for the Queensland professional title," Dennis said.

"I have seen many great boxers here but some had sadly gone astray because of drugs and drink."

However Dennis said that for every one young boxer who didn't go on to achieve their full potential, he could easily find others.

"The domestic rugby league competition has started here this season and some of the clubs are having trouble finding enough players for their A grade and reserve teams and some of my boxers are playing against much heavier opponents," Dennis said.

"Two of my Australian champion boxers have recently played full games in both grades to the detriment of their boxing."

"Hosea Murphy is just 15 and weighs 43kg and he played two football games against some forwards weighing more than 100kg."

"Selwyn Seaton has just turned 16 and is 60kg and risks injury in the football matches. I do not believe these two boys are mature enough to play A grade rugby league – they have bright futures in boxing and I don't want to see them become cripples."

Dennis said he would continue to train Palm Island boxers until he became too old or was physically incapable.



Ray Dennis, right, with former champion Indigenous boxer Carl Wyles.

Sarri's dream comes true



Sarri Kawane with dad Richard and at back are mum Dulcie with Isiah, Emmanuel, Geoffrey and Richard Jr.

By ALF WILSON



RISING young Indigenous soccer player Sarri Kawane has been chosen by the National Scouting Report of Soccer Australia for a university scholarship to an overseas college of her choosing.

The 16-year-old Sarri lives in Townsville and was one of a handful of girls selected for the prestigious international soccer scholarship.

"My ambition has always been to be good enough to be picked for the Australian women's soccer team, the Matildas," she said.

"I am proud to be an Indigenous girl and I was happy when told of my acceptance which came in the mail. The selection was done here at the Murray Stadium."

Her idol is Manchester United star Cristiano Ronaldo and her proud dad

Richard said he thought that Sarri would be a basketball player.

Her father has descendants on St Paul's Island, in the Torres Strait, and her mother Dulcie has family on Darnley Island. The family are committed Christians.

Sarri gets lots of support from brothers Geoffrey, 15, Richard Jr, 10, Isiah, 6, sister Tula, 15, and also has a baby brother Emmanuel, 13 months.

"I always played rugby league and myself and Sarri are junior rugby league referees. Since Sarri started playing soccer, she has come ahead in leaps and bounds. She plays for Mundingburra Saints club in the under 18 fillies grade and often gets asked to also have games in the senior women's division," Richard Kawane said.

Sarri looks set to travel to the USA where she will attend a college which offers a soccer program, but won't know which one until next February.

"The women who make it in the USA get paid as much as the men," Richard said.

When in the United States, Sarri will study to be a nurse or physical education teacher.

"I hope this inspires other Indigenous kids to do their best," she said.

In October Sarri will be a touch judge at two All Blacks rugby league carnivals in Townsville.

To get to the USA, Sarri's family has to raise \$4996 by 20 November, with an immediate \$2500 deposit.

"We are also wanting to raise money for the flights and travel equipment and the like. We will be doing this actively through community events and other fund-raisers. I would like to be able have as little financial drain on our family as possible," Richard said.

Anybody who can help can phone Richard Kawana on 0431 772 252.

Pearce finds the missing formula

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER winning the Showdown Medal for the best player in South Australian football's marquee AFL clash between the Crows and the Power, 2006 Rising Star winner Danyle Pearce freely admitted he

had been struggling with his game earlier this year. The fleet-footed left-booster Pearce was constantly tagged, resulting in him being dumped after Port Adelaide's round-four defeat by Brisbane. He missed one week, playing with his foundation SANFL club Sturt before quickly winning his spot back in the Power combination.

Collecting the Showdown XXV Medal for best on ground, Pearce kicked three goals, in a 24-possession game in the Sunday 20 July round 16 win over the Adelaide Crows.

"It's one-on-one for everyone out there, and you've just got to beat your man. Unfortunately the first half of the year wasn't my best," Pearce said.

"My head wasn't 100 per cent in it, and I just hope I've turned that around in the second half of the year."

(Assistant coaches) Matthew Primus and Tony McGuinness have helped rediscover the missing ingredient to my success - hard work.

"(I have to) make sure I work hard and get to every contest I can, and just make sure I give 100 per cent effort every game.

"You just want to have a consistent performance each week."

Power coach Mark Williams explained what Pearce experienced was a good lesson for young footballers.

"He was disappointed to get dropped a couple of months ago, but it's not like he spat the dummy or gave up. He went back and came back very determined to show he could produce," Williams said.

"Every week won't be like this. But he understands that what he had in the first year just doesn't come easy, and that's important for all young players to understand.

"It's a really tough game and a lot of scrutiny comes to those who want to stand up and shine. And you have to keep improving to stay ahead of the rest."

Pearce explained the Showdown win was emotional for Port after losing a number of close matches at home.

Power have lost six games by 12 points or less during this 2008 season.

"It's fantastic to win a close one," he said.

"It's been six weeks (since our last win), and the emotion in the change rooms was just amazing and a great feeling to have back.

"We don't have time machines, we can't go back and change past results.

"But it's good to see that we really stuck at it for four quarters, and we'll show that for the rest of the year."



Seven in World Cup squad



SEVEN Indigenous players are in the Australian 46-man squad for rugby league's World Cup. They are Greg Inglis, Greg Bird, Justin Hodges,

Sam Thaiday, Johnathan Thurston, Carl Webb and Scott Prince.

The squad will be cut back to 24 on 6 October as Australia prepares to defend the World Cup, which opens at Dairy Farmers Stadium, Townsville on 25 October with a match between England and Papua New Guinea.

The tournament's opening ceremony will be held the following night at the Sydney Football Stadium, where Australia will play New Zealand and an Australian Indigenous team will play the New Zealand Maoris in a curtain-raiser.

Australian selectors have included 11 uncapped players in a preliminary 46-man squad.

While the squad includes experienced campaigners including captain Darren Lockyer, Petero Cioniceva, Johnathan Thurston and Cameron Smith, selectors also included a handful of inexperienced players.

Among the surprise selections are

Countdown to showpiece of rugby league

Penrith youngster Michael Jennings and Dragons prop Justin Poore.

Other non-capped players in the squad are Ben Cross (Newcastle), Robbie Farah (Wests Tigers), Anthony Lafranchi (Gold Coast), Joel Monaghan (Canberra), Nate Myles (Roosters), Anthony Quinn (Melbourne) and Manly trio Josh Perry, Glenn Stewart and Anthony Walmough.

Selectors overlooked NSW halfbacks Peter Wallace and Mitchell Pearce, with Melbourne's Cooper Cronk, Gold Coast's Scott Prince and South Sydney's Craig Wing named as back-up halfbacks to Thurston.

Michael Crocker and Danny Buderus were also named despite defecting to play rugby league in England, but French rugby-bound centre Mark Gasnier was not included.

Australian coach Ricky Stuart said players left out of the squad should not be discouraged with the final 24-man team not named until 6 October.

"For the players who haven't been picked and think they should be there, it's a great opportunity to show over the next six weeks plus semi-finals that they have the form to warrant a position in the team," he said.

The squad is: Braith Anasta, **Greg Bird**, Danny Buderus, Petero Cioniceva, Matt Cooper, Ben Creagh, Michael Crocker, Cooper Cronk, Ben Cross, Robbie Farah, Craig Fitzgibbon, Israel Folau, Paul Gallen, Kurt Gidley, Jarryd Hayne, **Justin Hodges**, Ryan Hoffman, Karmichael Hunt, **Greg Inglis**, Michael Jennings, Dallas Johnson, Brent Kite, Anthony Lafranchi, Darren Lockyer, Willie Mason, Joel Monaghan, Nate Myles, Luke O'Donnell, Josh Perry, Justin Poore, Steve Price, **Scott Prince**, Anthony Quinn, Steve Simpson, Billy Slater, Cameron Smith, Brett Stewart, Glenn Stewart, Brent Tate, **Sam Thaiday**, **Johnathan Thurston**, Anthony Tupou, Anthony Walmough, **Carl Webb**, Brett White, Craig Wing. -AAP

Buddy closing in on century



HAWTHORN forward Lance Franklin is fast closing in on becoming the first player in a decade to kick 100 goals in an Australian

Football League home and away season, helped by a stellar performance against Collingwood on 1 August.

The 21-year-old kicked eight majors in the Hawks' 17.14 (116) to 8.14 (62) win at the MCG, taking his tally to 85 with four rounds to play.

Such was his dominance over Collingwood's Nick Maxwell, he was able to take 12 marks, pick up 21 possessions and have 15 shots on goal, including six behinds and one shanked shot which failed to register.

It prompted Collingwood coach Mick Malthouse to speculate that he could one day break the all-time record of 16 goals in a game.

The last player to reach the century mark in the regular season was the league's goal-kicking record-holder Tony Lockett and the list of players to have done so is a roll-call of the game's great forwards.

But Franklin said it was not an achievement he was focussed on.

"To be honest, I haven't really thought about that at all," he said.

"I'm just playing every game on its merits and just keep playing consistent football and if that comes, it comes."

Accuracy questionmark

The one query on his performance this season has been his shooting from goal, particularly over the past five or six rounds.

His showing in that department was again erratic against Collingwood, including some fine snaps and set shots from tight angles, but some easy misses from directly in front.

But Franklin said while he was constantly working on his kicking, he was not overly concerned providing he was contributing to Hawthorn wins.

"It doesn't really come into my head, if I'm kicking goals and points are still there and we're winning, I've got no problem with it," he said.

Likewise, Hawthorn coach Alastair

Lance Franklin of the Hawthorn Hawks marks in front of the Western Bulldogs' Tom Williams during the AFL game in Melbourne on 26 August 2007. Hawthorn won the game by 84 points

- AAP Image



Clarkson said to focus on some missed shots from goal would be overly picky, given what Franklin gave to the side.

"We're pleased with the contribution he makes for our footy club," Clarkson said.

"There's a lot of people out there that seem to be displeased with it, but we're pretty happy with the contribution that he makes."

"Maybe there might be an opportunity for the media to focus on the guys that can't get the footy, rather than the guy that can get the footy and then focus on the goal-kicking."

"The way that we look at it, he is a very very dangerous forward and what it's doing is opposition sides are starting to double-team him and that's going to create opportunities for other forwards in the side." - AAP

Be our guest at the rugby league World Cup

THE National Rugby League has announced the Indigenous Team of the Century. The focus now turns on the selection of the Australian Indigenous team to play the New Zealand Maoris at the opening ceremony of rugby league's World Cup at the Sydney Football Stadium on 26 October.

The highlight of the opening celebrations will be the World Cup game between Australia and New Zealand.

The very best of our Indigenous players are sure to be playing for Australia.

This means they won't be considered for the Indigenous team to play the Maoris.

But there's still a wealth of talent available to the selectors of the Indigenous team and the man at the helm of that selection panel is Arthur Beetson.

The *Koori Mail* is offering four readers complimentary tickets to the World Cup opening extravaganza at the Sydney Football Stadium on 26 October. Each winner will receive a 'category A' ticket.

They will be able to cheer on the Indigenous team against the Maoris, watch the opening ceremony, and then see Australia take on New Zealand in a World Cup opener.

To be in the running for a ticket, all you have to do is name the Chairman of the Australian Indigenous Team selection panel.

Readers can enter the competition as many times as they like. Entries will only be accepted if they are from *The Koori Mail*. Photocopied entry forms will NOT be accepted.

There's still time to enter. We will accept entries until last mail on Friday 10 October.

We will attempt to notify winners by telephone or email. Winner's names will be published in *The Koori Mail* on 22 October.

It's a pretty simple competition, so go to it.

The judges' decision is final.

● The entry form is printed below.

Win one of four tickets to the Rugby League World Cup opening

All you have to do is name the Chairman of Selectors of the Australian Indigenous team to meet the New Zealand Maoris in the Welcome to Country game as part of the World Cup opening extravaganza at the Sydney Football Stadium on Sunday 26 October.

Name of Chairman of Selectors

Your name.....

Address.....

Town/city.....

State/Territory.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....

Email.....

Entries close last mail, Friday 10 October.

Entries must be on this form (Photocopies not accepted)

Enter as many times as you like.

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Program showing results for students

By DAVID CARROLL

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SCHOOL attendance levels of Indigenous students are improving as a result of the

Aboriginal Power Cup (APC), to be held in Adelaide on 14-15 August.

The APC is an initiative of the South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy (SAASTA), the Port Adelaide Football Club (PAFC) and the South Australian Attorney-

General's Department.

SAASTA co-ordinator at Ceduna Area School Sam Bourke said since the APC's inception in April, attendance by Indigenous students had increased.

"Part of the deal requires that the students attend at least 70 per cent of their classes, and since the start of the program, attendance of Indigenous students has improved out of sight," he said.

Mr Bourke said although the APC had not received a lot of media attention, students and parents in the community

were motivated.

"The parents of the kids are being supportive and they are also coming to training and getting involved," he said.

Port Adelaide midfielder Shaun Burgoyne said the APC was a great initiative and it had been welcomed by all members of the community.

"I think it is great and the response has been really positive," he said.

"The APC will give many Indigenous players the opportunity to show off their skills, but also improve their organisational skills when they

are asked to help put teams together and manage their teams during the carnival," said Burgoyne.

The Attorney-General Department's Matthew Sanderson said the APC hoped to deliver tangible results for young people.

"We expect to see an improved lifestyle for the students, better personal health and improved school attendance," said Mr Sanderson.

The APC grand final will be held at AAMI Stadium on 15 August.

Up with the best



KOORI MAIL Australian football correspondent Peter Argent has a new camera, and he's pretty pleased with this early effort. He snapped AFL draft candidate Terry Milera taking a spectacular mark for Port Adelaide in the SANFL reserve grade match against Norwood in the round 18 match at Alberton Oval, Adelaide. Argent said some people at the ground were calling Milera's effort the mark of the century. The Port Adelaide small forward propelled himself so high he was able to take the mark in his hands in front of him. The Magpies, who are fighting for a place in the final five, beat Norwood 16.12 (118) to 12.9 (81).

League offer from the West

WA THE Willagee Rugby League Club in Australian rules-mad Western Australia is looking for players – and is willing to pay them and find them a job. Willagee was established in 1962 and plays in the West Australian Rugby League (WARL) competition.

The club said that in recent years, it had been promoted from reserve and third grade to the first grade WARL competition.

"We are looking at attracting senior players with experience to help our up and coming juniors adjust to first grade," the club said

in an email to *The Koori Mail*.

"What we seek are reliable, committed senior players to take the club into the future."

"So if you're a first grade or senior player who wants a change of scenery, experience a different lifestyle and may seek more representative honours, then why not come play for Willagee?"

The club is offering match payments, a job, accommodation and a 'social and friendly atmosphere'.

Prospective players can contact Daniel on 0431 772 160 or Sean 0439 091 285 or send an email to – bearsrugbyleague@bigpond.com.au

Tassie bid gains a major sponsor



THE Tasmanian Government's unlikely bid to be granted an AFL licence has received a major boost with the announcement of a \$4-million, three-year sponsorship deal.

Confectionary brand Mars will rename their chocolate bar the Believe Bar for the month of September, as part of a deal to become the proposed new club's inaugural major sponsor.

Tasmanian Economic Development Minister Paula Wriedt said the deal demonstrated the island State was attracting the business backing to support the emotional case of its historical links to the sport.

"This announcement of a major new sponsor for Australian rules football that hasn't been involved before really does show that we can put together a serious business case," Wriedt told the Nine Network.

"We've been given all these criteria from the Australian Football

League (AFL) that we'd be expected to meet, as I presume the other bids would be expected to meet, and we are slowly ticking them all off."

"We may be a small State population-wise but we have a long proud history of Australian football being played in Tasmania, we are passionate supporters of the game and increasingly we're seeing that we can put together a sustainable business case."

The Tasmanian Government has mounted a concerted campaign to be granted their own AFL team, despite the AFL stating that its priority is to create new teams on the Gold Coast and in western Sydney.

The new Gold Coast club is scheduled to enter the AFL in 2011, with a western Sydney team expected to follow in 2012.

But despite its lukewarm response towards the Tasmanian overtures, the AFL has agreed to allow the Tasmanian Government to submit a bid to the AFL Commission later this year. – AAP

Widders off to Castleford

KOORI MAIL columnist Dean Widders is set to become the latest National Rugby League star to head overseas, with the South Sydney forward released from the final year of his Rabbitohs deal to link with Castleford.

Widders will see out 2008 with Souths before starting a three-year contract with the United Kingdom Super League club next season.

"Dean is one of the game's true gentlemen, a hard-working community hero and a fine footballer," Rabbitohs Chief Executive Shane Richardson said.

"We wish him the best of luck at Castleford."

Widders has played 159 NRL games throughout his career, including 34 for the Rabbitohs since joining the club from Parramatta in 2007. – AAP

A true brother

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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"DON'T see myself in the Gavin Wanganeen mould – I just see myself as Andrew."

These are the words of a humble Andrew McLeod, who maintains he is 'nothing special'.

McLeod could quite easily just be sitting back and enjoying the accolades – and he deserves plenty after reaching his 300-game milestone.

Humility is the sign of a true champion. In the majority of cases – although not all – I have found that the more successful a sportsperson is, the more humble they are away from the field.

Too often you can see talented kids who let their ego get in front of them and you just know they are not going to fulfil their potential.

Then you look at a person like Andrew McLeod, who wanted his good mate Graham Johncock playing alongside him in his 300th game against Richmond last Sunday.

"It would be nice," said McLeod before the match that would make him the third Adelaide player to reach the milestone.

Ready to return

McLeod felt Johncock was ready to return to the AFL after spending two weeks in the SANFL following his dumping by the club's leadership group for disciplinary reasons.

McLeod said he had counselled Johncock about the behaviour that had got him into strife and said he would emerge a better person and player for the punishment.

"Hopefully, for Graham's sake, it's something that's going to hold him in good stead for the rest of his career," McLeod said.

"We've had a bit of a chat, we always have a bit of a chat, and the reality is Graham's a bit of a leader with the younger players as well so it's important for him to uphold the right standards."

To give time and effort to focus on the needs of somebody else is the mark of a true mate, a true brother and a true champion.

The year 2007 could be described as almost a perfect season for McLeod.

He became the oldest Crow to win the

Club Champion (he was also the youngest to win it in 1997), polling votes in every game, and for the second year running (and fifth time overall) he earned

All-Australian honours.

McLeod finished 2007 with 550 disposals, leading the club with long kicks, handballs received and loose ball gets.

McLeod acknowledged that while September action was the ultimate goal, personally he was very pleased.

"It's probably one of the most consistent seasons that I've played and I've really worked on that over the past couple of years," he said.

"Obviously you'd prefer to go further into September with your team, but it's a great reflection on what was, personally, a good year."

The accolades did not stop there.

All-Australian

McLeod became the first Indigenous player to be named captain of the All-Australian team.

From Darwin, McLeod started his SANFL career at Port Adelaide, where he played in the club's 1994 premiership.

It may have been good fortune that brought Andrew McLeod to West Lakes, but luck had nothing to do with what followed.

In 1994, Adelaide and the recently formed Fremantle effected one of the most lopsided trades in AFL/VFL history when the Crows switched forward Chris Groom for an unknown Indigenous teenager called McLeod.

The meeting between McLeod, his father, Jock, and the then Fremantle coach Gerard Neesham, who allegedly had never even seen the half-back play, left both parties unimpressed and, as a result, the deal to send McLeod to the Crows was struck.

McLeod reflected on just how different his career could've been if not for that fateful day in WA.

"I wouldn't have two flags," he said with a wry smile.

"At the end of the day, it was a wonderful decision for me to be able to come to the Adelaide Crows and I'm very grateful.

"Gerard Neesham probably cops a bit of a hiding about it, but I'm very grateful I got the opportunity to come to a great club and I have been very fortunate to be here for 14 years ... jeez, I'm bloody old.

"I wouldn't have had the opportunities to probably play with some of the players I have and I wouldn't have played in those two grand finals. It was just luck."

It didn't take long for the boy from Darwin to make Fremantle regret its decision.

In 1997, the Crows made it on to the game's biggest stage for the very first time and it was there that McLeod came of age.

The 21-year-old was instrumental in



ANDREW McLEOD

Adelaide's upset win over St Kilda, racking up 31 possessions on his way to becoming the youngest-ever winner of the North Smith Medal.

In 1998, Adelaide took a different path to the grand final, but the end result was the same, another Crows victory and another mercurial McLeod display.

McLeod repeated his Norm Smith Medal-winning performance – a feat made even more remarkable by the fact he was carrying what would soon be revealed as a degenerative knee injury.

More to give

Earlier this season, McLeod's surgeon described him as having the knees of a 60-year-old, but through careful management, strong will-power and a solid bike program, he has missed just a handful of games since establishing himself at the Crows in 1996.

And McLeod is hopeful he has a bit more to give the club yet. He celebrated his 32nd birthday on Monday and was confident he could still play some of his best footy well into next year.

"I've got another year on my contract, so I'll see what happens there, but at the moment, I'm pretty... happy if I get through that," McLeod said.

McLeod, who grew up idolising stars like Michael McLean, Michael Long and Wanganeen, couldn't be more proud of his standing alongside Wanganeen as the greatest ever Indigenous player.

"To be the first two Indigenous people to do it is pretty special and, hopefully, that will just go on and inspire other players to be able to do it," he said.

"It might inspire some young Aboriginal boy in the sticks to play AFL footy and be like Gavin Wanganeen and Andrew McLeod and play 300 games.

"You'd like to think you've paved the way or opened the doors for it to happen again and for someone to go on and beat it."

It will be something special to see – an Aboriginal boy just like either of two of our greats.

Champions with humility – true brothers – the both of them.

Until Next Time – Keep Dreaming!

MCG hosts Aussie rules Hall of Fame



ONE of the more glaring omissions in sports-mad Melbourne has been righted, as the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) is now the official host of the Australian Football Hall of Fame.

The hall of fame, established by the AFL in 1996 and expanded annually to include the game's greatest, was for several years housed in a building in the city's CBD.

But in a move that will doubtless please fans, the exhibition now is housed at the MCG, regarded as the game's spiritual home.

The hall of fame has been incorporated into the National Sports Museum, which has already attracted more than 70,000 visitors since it opened in March. The hall of fame wing was opened to the public on 5 August.

Football legend Ron Barassi marked the opening by unveiling a display

celebrating his former teammate Alex Jesaulenko, who took arguably the game's most famous mark, in the 1970 grand final, when Barassi coached Carlton to the premiership.

Barassi said it was about time the MCG hosted the definitive historic tribute to the AFL and Australian football.

"It's marvellous that the AFL and the MCC (Melbourne Cricket Club) have got together in this way because, as we know, they were parted," he said.

"This (the MCG) is the home of football, (Melbourne) is the biggest city in Australia for sport, so, to me, it's an absolute natural fit.

"So many things have gone on here, with cricket, the American army staying



Ron Barassi at the MCG Hall of Fame opening on 4 August.

Picture: Slattery Media Group

here during the (second world) war, the Olympics – it just goes on and on, the history of this area.

"For football to be part of it, to me, is very natural."

AFL chief executive Andrew Demetriou said the MCC deserved credit for establishing the exhibition and that the opening was timely this year, which marked the 150th anniversary since the first game of Australian football was played.

MCC chief executive Stephen Gough said any sports museum at the MCG was incomplete without recognition to Australian rules.

"They've been here for 150 years, so we're delighted we've been able to convince Andrew and the AFL Commission that we could do the job properly and allocate enough space and in the right manner that AFL will get the respect it deserves in this hall of fame," he said. – AAP

Indigenous Dream Team

● From back page

I am pleased the selectors found a place for **Dale Shearer** on one wing as he played with distinction in every position across the backline, with the exception of halfback.

His anticipation and big game mentality would make him a perfect starter in this company.

Despite his many great achievements, I remember 'Rowdy' being absolutely dominant one day at Parramatta Stadium when Manly shredded the Eels by more than 60 points.

I cannot argue with the selection of **Lionel Morgan** on the other wing as he deserves a place of honour, given that he paved the way for the modern generation being the first Aborigine selected for Australia.

When I hear the likes of Arthur Beetson talk with respect and awe for his achievements, I know he has not just been selected for being the 'first'.

He was a class player who remains a leader for our people today.

Steve Renouf is another player who has maintained his standing in the game well past his retirement.

He was a rare athlete and was often described as poetry in motion.

He was a natural athlete who also had great technique in defence, making him the perfect package.

Few who witnessed it will forget his

length-of-the-field try against the Dragons in the early 1990s – it was one of the great tries of our time.

It is not surprising that the selectors went for another supreme athlete in **Greg Inglis** to partner him in the centres.

Inglis – despite being at the start of his career – could have been included in any number of positions in the side and nobody would have been able to argue.

His best is still ahead of him and I believe he has the potential to be one of the greats of the game, let alone one of our own Indigenous greats.

His record in grand finals, State of Origins and Tests simply demand his selection.

Imagine either of these two centres playing outside **Laurie Daley**, who has gained the position of five-eighth.

Daley was a match-winner at all levels and the bigger the game, the better he performed – the sign of a true champion.

The beauty of Daley is that he could not only set up his supports, but he could also break the line seemingly at will.

You also did not want to run at him as he was a punishing tackler who could shut down any attack.

He would be a perfect foil for another of the current greats, **Johnathan Thurston**, whose consistency at the top level is

the North Sydney Bears.

The selectors were obviously of an opinion similar to mine in that a position simply had to be found for the great **Cliff Lyons** in the top XIII.

His selection at lock is hardly of concern as in the modern game he could still play his natural game.

As if anybody could tell Cliff how to play!

He was the master of teasing and torturing a defence and remains the greatest conjurer of tries the game has seen.

The record of **Gorden Tallis** speaks for itself.

Tallis was the fiercest of competitors who inherited his passion for the game from his father who toured overseas with one of the pioneering Aboriginal sides.

Tallis could intimidate sides into submission and always led from the front.

Gorden became the type of player other players wanted to play alongside – still the greatest compliment in the game.

Alongside Tallis is the player many might consider the 'bolter' of the side – that is until you stop to reflect on his record.

Sam Thaiday grew up with Gorden as one of his heroes.

He has emulated Tallis' record by already winning a premiership at the Broncos, being a member of winning State of Origin teams and has represented his country with distinction.

He has earned his spot alongside his hero.

Arthur Beetson picks himself as one of the front-rowers.

An immortal in all areas of the game, no more needs to be said outside of the fact that in my opinion he is the greatest forward ever to lace on a boot.

The other 'bookend' is one of the great characters of the modern game, **Sam Backo**.

Backo's size and confrontational style made him an obvious crowd favourite, but he was also a player of great skill.

He also had an amazing turn of pace for a big man and is remembered for setting many an Origin contest alight with his

passion and fire.

Mal Cochrane as hooker had the skill to set the rest of the team on the right path.

He almost pioneered the role of the specialist dummy-half playing like a second halfback with his creative darts from the ruck putting the defence in two minds.

He was also tough as teak in defence.

George Green was by all reports a more traditional 'rake'.

Recognised as the first Indigenous rugby league player, Green played for Eastern Suburbs from 1908 to around 1910 and his contribution to rugby league is far from just being the first Aborigine to have played the game.

Green coached Easts to success in the inaugural President's Cup competition in 1910 and later played at Norths where he captained the club in 1919 and played in Norths' only two premierships in 1921 and 1922.

A great record by any standards.

The claims of **Frank Fisher** also demanded recognition.

Also known as the 'King', all reports suggest he was an Aboriginal version of Wally Lewis in the way he played the game.

To be denied opportunity to play in England because of his Aboriginality is a reminder to us all of the pioneers who went before us.

Another player who overcame the disadvantages of his times was **Wally McArthur**.

Born in Borroloola, in the Northern Territory, in 1933, he became a first-class sprint champion in Adelaide in the early 1950s.

McArthur played most of his rugby league in England, where he etched out a memorable 165 game career with a highlight being scoring four tries for the Rest of the World against Great Britain.

The final spot was awarded to one of the most humble players ever to lace a boot, **John 'Chicka' Ferguson**.

A dynamic winger, Ferguson was the master of beating a man 'one on one'.

Few would forget his memorable try for the Raiders in perhaps the greatest grand final of all against the Tigers in 1988.

Speaking of the greatest of all there they are – Our Dream Team.

The coach – all they would have to do was follow the immortal **Beetson** so it was no surprise when he was selected as mentor.

A fitting conclusion to a truly great team. I salute them all!



A Cherbourg team picture from the 1930s. The great Frank Fisher was the captain, pictured holding the football. Long after his playing days, he became known as a black version of Wally Lewis. Fisher was named as a reserve in rugby league's Australian Indigenous Team of the Century.

nothing short of amazing.

As incumbent halfback in the Australian team, he carries the mantle of the best player in the game and deserves his recognition in the 'starting XIII'.

The only honour to elude him at this stage of his career is the live Churchill Medal.

One can only start to imagine what havoc he would create leading this side around the paddock!

Last edition I posed the question of who could remember a young Aboriginal player who played the occasional game at lock for

DEANO'S LEAGUE



With DEAN WIDDERS

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It is interesting that last weekend's game with the least impact on the National Rugby League premiership table carried such a huge significance for Indigenous players and indeed the broader Indigenous public.

Last year's inaugural Reconciliation Cup between the Cowboys and the Bulldogs was a top-of-the-table affair and proved to be one of the more entertaining games of the season.

It was a great first for the game and established some great momentum for Indigenous issues within the game.

On the back of this momentum, the game became the first sport to launch a formal Reconciliation Action Plan.

As part of this, there was a commitment to form a Player Advisory Group, of which I am a member, along with Johnathan Thurston, Matt Bowen, Sam Thaiday, Preston Campbell and Greg Inglis.

For the first time, there is an attempt backed by the game to bring the diverse aspects of the game under one umbrella through the formation of the ARL Indigenous Council.

Knockout unity

They are setting up a structure to help unify the NSW Koori Knockout and that will assist the professionalism of similar competitions in other areas.

They are also supporting the work of Ricky Walford and his team in the development of grassroots initiatives and will provide a strong voice on these issues to the governing bodies.

People like Smiley Johnstone, Larry Corowa, Neil Appo, Sol Belliar and Carl Currey all bring along years of community, game and administrative expertise to the table, along with representatives from the ARL and NRL.

They will help oversee the Indigenous side to be managed through NASCA that will play the 'Welcome to Country' game against the New Zealand Maoris as part of the World Cup opening.

I am like many who would have preferred to see a team play in the World Cup itself, but this is still a great opportunity for players across the NRL to represent our peoples.

Then, of course, there is the rugby league Indigenous Team of the Century, which was announced last Saturday at Suncorp Stadium.

I know the team is included in this edition, but I am not aware of it at the time of writing.

I do know I am looking forward to being in the room with some of the legends and am embarrassed that my name is even mentioned with them.

It was great that Cowboys captain and Indigenous Team of the Century nominee Johnathan Thurston joined Bulldogs

Recognition and respect



● ABOVE: North Queensland and Australian rugby league halfback Johnathan Thurston (second from right) at the Reconciliation Cup launch at Parliament House, Brisbane, last week with Indigenous league legends, from left, Steve Renouf, Lionel Morgan, Larry Corowa and Sam Backo.



● RIGHT: The Nunukul Yuggera Dance Troupe performing on the lawns of Parliament House during the launch of the Reconciliation Cup.

fullback Luke Patten and a host of Indigenous Team of the Century nominees in Parliament House, Brisbane, last week to launch the Reconciliation Cup and the announcement of the team at the game.

That it took place at Parliament House was significant not only for the game, but also our people.

Thurston, who last week was named in the provisional Australian squad for the Rugby League World Cup, said he was honoured to be nominated for the Indigenous Team of the Century.

"Last year's Reconciliation Cup was a great recognition of the importance of rugby league to many Indigenous communities," Thurston said.

"To be nominated this year for a position in the Indigenous Team of the Century is humbling and an honour I rank equal to any other in the game."

Thurston's sentiments were echoed by

fellow nominees Larry Corowa, Steve Renouf, Sam Backo and Lionel Morgan, who joined him at the launch.

"The modern explosion of Indigenous talent owes much to the pioneers from earlier eras," said Queensland great Tony Currie.

"It is great to see that the game has sought to recognise those who succeeded in times when to be Indigenous was not such an advantage.

Easier pathway

"The likes of George Green, Glen 'Paddy' Crouch, Frank Fisher (grandfather of Cathy Freeman), my grandfather Arthur 'Stokel' Currie, and Lionel Morgan - who was the first Aborigine to play for Australia - all made the pathway easier for us."

The extent of this talent in the game can be measured by the fact that Thurston was joined by six other players of Indigenous heritage - Greg Inglis, Justin

Hodges, Scott Prince, Sam Thaiday, Greg Bird and Carl Webb - in the provisional Australian squad for the World Cup.

The ARL Indigenous Council will also name this seven as a sign of respect when it announces the Indigenous squad to play New Zealand Maoris in the 'Welcome to Country' game, which will be televised live on Channel 9 as part of the World Cup opening on 26 October.

"If I am lucky enough to retain my Australian position, my heart will also be with the Indigenous side on the night," Thurston said.

"I know all the boys have been waiting for the opportunity to represent our people and I hope this will be the first of similar games in the future."

The key to true reconciliation is recognition and respect.

Both were shown to our people last week in what was a great event for the game.

Swan Hill boy in Disney soccer tournament



AN Aboriginal boy from Swan Hill, in country

Victoria, has just returned from Florida where he represented Australia in an international soccer tournament.

Ridley Livesey, 15, was a member of the Australian Football Skool (AFS) under 17 team which played against teams from other countries in the Disney International Youth Tournament in Orlando, Florida.

Ridley was the only Indigenous boy in the team.

The Melbourne-based AFS also sent under 13 and under 14 teams to compete in Florida.

Ridley's team was knocked out by a German team in a semi-final, but in their bronze medal game, thrashed Greater Osceola

United (Florida) 6-2.

The under 13s missed out on playing in the finals by being defeated by tournament winners the British team South Kirby Colliery, a team that prepared for the tournament for two years and played more than 100 games in that period.

The AFS under 14s reached the final of the tournament in a nail-biting game that they lost in extra time.

The AFS operates in metropolitan and country Victoria and offers out-of-season soccer to children.

Ridley moved from Swan Hill to Geelong to further his soccer and education careers. He comes



RIDLEY LIVESLEY

from a soccer-mad family of seven.

The Australian Football Skool is a program dedicated to developing young football



The Australian Football Skool under 17 team at Disneyworld. Ridley Livesey is in the front row, seated third from the left.

players' skills and talents within a supportive and friendly environment. Players are exposed to different training environments such as, indoor

soccer (Futsal), beach sessions, grass and synthetic surfaces.

The AFS offers an interzone competition held from October to February.

Toowoomba sisters have the same goals



THREE Indigenous Toowoomba sisters are sharing a common dream - representing their country in Muay Thai (Thai

kickboxing).

They are Sinead Lasserre, 15, and sisters Chelissa, 13, and Chelsea, 11.

The girls made the move from karate to kickboxing just over two years ago and are making steady progress. They are members of Team Ngapuhi Muay Thai Kickboxing at Toowoomba.

Chelsea has had four fights, Sinead has had two and Chelissa one.

Bouts are arranged by age and weight.

The girls train for two hours a day for three days a week.

And while they harbour a desire to represent Australia, an even stronger incentive is to represent Indigenous Australia.

They come from the Kamilaroi mob and have family at St George, Dirranbandi, Moree and Mungindi.

They have two younger brothers and will encourage the boys to take up the sport when they are older.

Sinead is in Grade 10 at St Saviour's College, Toowoomba, while Chelissa is in Grade 8 at St Saviour's. Chelsea is in Grade 7 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School, Toowoomba.

They enjoy the fitness that the sport gives them and also like the travelling that goes with the sport.

The girls designed their own



From left, Chelissa, Chelsea and Sinead Lasserre in their Thai boxing uniforms.

uniforms, ensuring an emphasis on their culture.

But it all costs money and their mum and dad, Kathleen Washington and Michael Lasserre, find it hard to pay the bills while endeavouring to support their girls in their sport.

The uniform the girls wear was designed by them in conjunction with their trainer and their parents. Their Indigenous culture is a feature of their uniform.

The girls are performing well at school and enjoy spending time with their family.

● Muay Thai, translated into English as Thai Boxing, is the national sport of Thailand and is

a martial art with origins in the ancient battlefield tactics of the Siamese (or Thai) army. It evolved from Krabi-Krabong, literally sword and baton, the hand-to-hand tactics of the Thai army. The early Muay Thai bouts pitted different companies within the Siamese army against each other with few rules and no weight divisions or time limits. In the early 20th century, time limits, boxing gloves as well as a uniform set of rules were introduced. During the latter half of the 20th century Muay Thai was exported to many countries and is now practised by hundreds of thousands of people around the world.

Softball team richer for the experience

By GRAHAM HUNT



AN Australian Indigenous team finished out of the placings, but richer for the experience, at the 2008 softball International Challenge Series in Sydney last month.

The Australian Schoolgirls team defeated the Invitational team 4-1 in the final at Blacktown Olympic Park on 25 July.

The tournament featured six teams: Schoolgirls, Invitational, Indigenous, US Red, US Blue, and NSW Metro.

They played a double round-robin on the first three days before the top two teams lined up for the final.

The Invitational side finished on top at the end of the round-robin, with nine wins from ten matches, followed by the Schoolgirls, then US Red, US Blue, the Indigenous team and NSW Metro.

Mildura's Jacara Egan was a key member of the Indigenous team.

Egan described the experience as 'awesome'.

"We were a very young team and although we didn't have a lot of success, we were competitive and earned a lot of respect," she said.

She said she was proud to have been part of the team.

"It is a great goal for Indigenous softballers throughout Australia to aspire to be a part of this team," Egan said.

In their ten games, the Indigenous team lost 7-2 to United States Blue, lost 10-0 to Invitational, drew 4-4 with United States Red, lost 9-2 to Schoolgirls, beat NSW Metro 6-2, lost 7-5 to US Blue, lost 7-2 to Invitational, beat NSW Metro 6-1, lost 9-2 to US Red, and lost 10-1 to Schoolgirls.



JACARA EGAN

150 years on, Aussie rules still kicking goals



AUSTRALIAN football last week celebrated its 150th anniversary with the Tom Wills Round and its Kick Around Australia day. Thursday 7 August marked 150 years since the first recorded match of Australian football. In 1858, Tom Wills helped create the rules and the framework of the game. To commemorate the anniversary,

fans throughout Australia were urged wear their team's colours to work, take a footy to school and have a kick or share a cake after footy training.

On Friday 8 August the AFL's oldest clubs - Melbourne and Geelong - went head-to-head at the site of Australian football's original battleground, the MCG.

The match kicked off Tom Wills Round, a weekend of AFL football

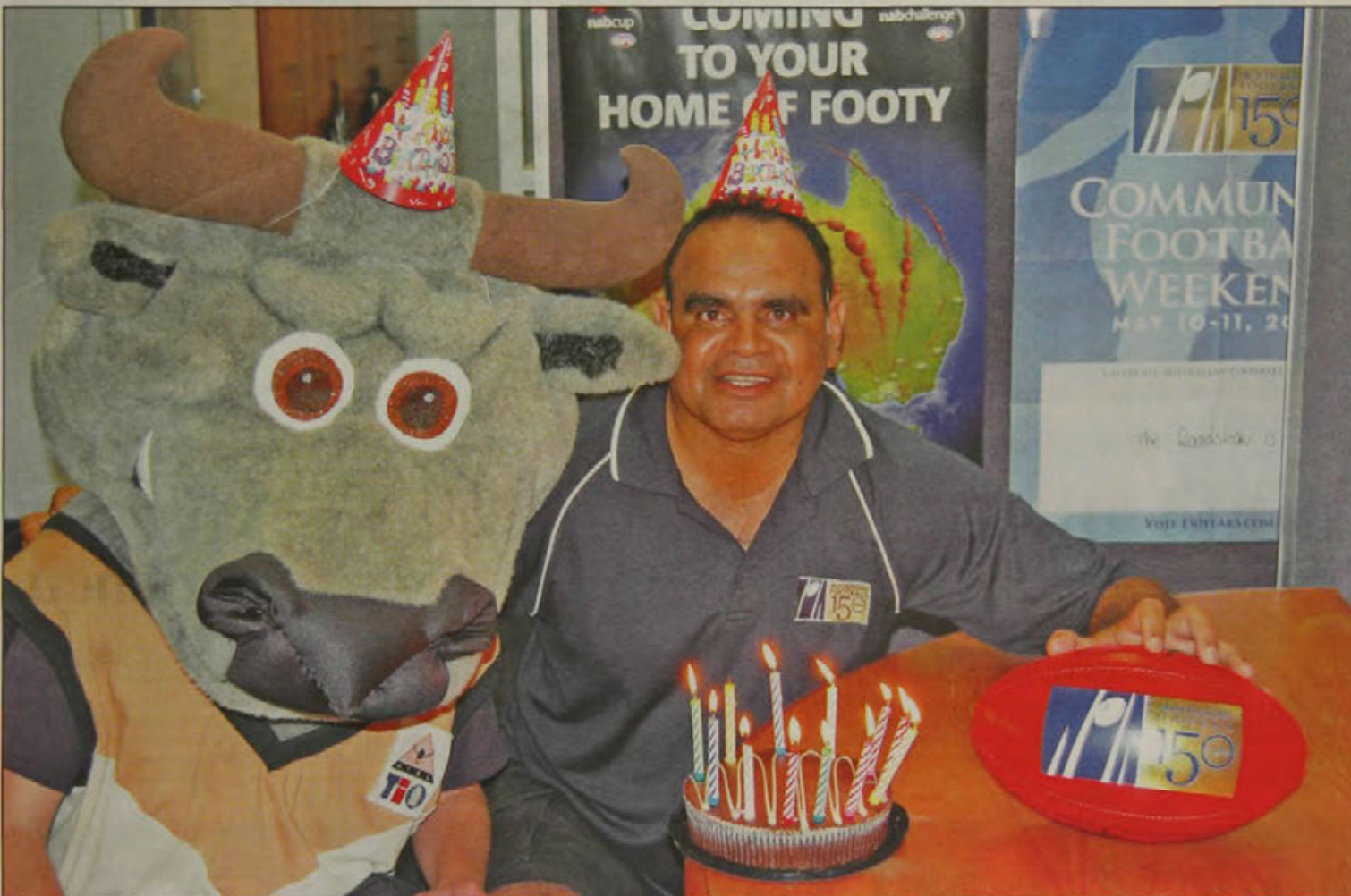
celebrating the first official game of our indigenous code held at Richmond Paddock.

To mark the birth of Australian football, the curtain-raiser to the Melbourne-Geelong match featured Scotch College and Melbourne Grammar, the schools that played the first officially recorded game of Australian football.

It is recorded that the Melbourne

Grammar v Scotch College game on Richmond Paddock in 1858 was played on a ground about 600 metres long.

After four hours it grew dark, with the scores level at one goal each. The teams played for a total of a further eight hours over another two Saturdays, but no further goals were scored and the game was declared a draw.



Australian football legend Michael Long and Buff Star, the Northern Territory Football League mascot, cutting the birthday cake in Darwin to celebrate the 150th birthday of Australian football. Long also visited St John's College, Darwin, where he talked to students about the history of Australian football before the students played a game using the original ten rules from 1858.

Mundine beats Crazy Kim



ANTHONY Mundine defeated Japan's Crazy Kim in a unanimous points decision in their non-title fight in Newcastle on 30 July.

A determined Mundine, fighting at super middleweight, outpointed Crazy Kim in nearly every round, except for the third in which Kim dropped Mundine to the deck.

Mundine commanded the fight from the outset, keeping Crazy Kim on the back foot.

It was obvious Mundine was searching for the knockout punch and he almost got it in the eighth round.

In that round repeated punches by Mundine to Kim's head nearly dropped the

33-year-old.

Mundine, the former two-time WBA super middleweight champion, was fighting for the first time since he defeated Sam Soliman in Melbourne last May.

Out of his 32-bout career Kim has won 28 fights - 24 of them by knockout.

But he simply wasn't good enough for Mundine, who, at 33 years of age, has won 32 of his 35 professional fights - 23 by knockout.

"I was looking for the knockout punch but Kim proved he was a worthy challenger and stayed on his feet," Mundine said.

Mundine said he was disappointed that he was felled but all the great fighters had been knocked down at some stage in their careers. - AAP



● LEFT: Former Runaway rugby league player Sonny Bill Williams, left, speaks to Australian boxer Anthony Mundine outside the training ground of Williams' new home, the Toulon rugby union team in France, on Wednesday 6 August. Legal action by Williams' former team, the Canterbury Bulldogs, is pending.

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The Voice of Indigenous Australia



Members of the Indigenous Rugby League Team of the Century together with family representatives of those team members who could not be present after the 'Dream Team' was announced on Saturday night at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, before the Reconciliation Cup clash between the Brisbane Broncos and the North Queensland Cowboys. The Cowboys broke a 13-game losing streak to win 36-12. Pictured are, back from left, Johnathan Thurston, Cliff Lyons, ARL Indigenous Council member Sol Belleair, Frank Fisher's grandson, ARL Council member Neil Appo, a representative for Sam Backo, Greg Inglis' father Wade and Steve Renouf and, front from left, Lionel Morgan, Aunty Valda Coolwell representing George Green, Sam Thaiday, Dale Shearer's mother June, Mal Cochrane, ARL Council member Carl Curry representing Laurie Daley and Eric Simms. Gordon Tallis was absent from the picture.

Best of the Best

Indigenous Rugby League Team of the Century named



IT was a proud moment for all associated with Indigenous rugby league when the Team of the Century — our true Dream Team — was announced

last Saturday night.

From the heartfelt 'Welcome to Country' by Aunty Valda Coolwell to the proud performance by the Nunukul Yuggera dance troupe and the stirring rendition of the National Anthem by Don Bemrose, a Gungahlin man from the Sunshine Coast, the stage was set for some of the legends of the game — our legends of the game.

Although there will still be great debate over some of the selections and

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positional choices, one simply cannot deny the achievements of any of the greats chosen.

Each individual's record speaks for itself and this team would be the match of any chosen from the full parade of players — Indigenous and non-Indigenous — over the past century of the game.

The case of fullback underlined the dilemma facing the selectors, as it contained some of the great attacking

players the game has seen, but the choice of Eric Simms causes one to reflect on the impact he had on the game.

Simms was part of a golden era for the Rabbitohs when they took over the mantle of the game's dominant club in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

His attacking prowess and tactical kicking game are often overlooked because of his expertise in goal-kicking and his mastery of the field goal.

So dominant was Simms in this latter skill that the game's administrators were forced to reduce the value of the field goal from two points to today's solitary point.

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Our Dream Team

Fullback: Eric Simms
Wingers: Dale Shearer, Lionel Morgan.
Centres: Steve Renouf, Greg Inglis.
Five-eighth: Laurie Daley.
Halfback: Johnathan Thurston.
Lock: Cliff Lyons.
Second-rowers: Gordon Tallis, Sam Thaiday.
Props: Arthur Beetson, Sam Backo.
Hooker: Mal Cochrane.
Reserves: George Green, Frank Fisher, Wally McArthur, John Ferguson.
Coach: Arthur Beetson.

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