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Waiting for justice

A YOUNG boy awaits the formal ceremony earlier this month to mark the construction of a protest house (seen in the background) at Honeymoon Bore, north-east of Alice Springs. Assisted by several trade unions, the Alyawarra people are building the house in protest at the Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER), or NT Intervention, which they say has failed to deliver basic housing and essential services in nearby Ampilatwatja. Photo courtesy of NSWALC. ● See page 6 for more.



NTER Bills probe

Proposed changes flawed but RDA must be reinstated immediately, Senate Inquiry told



SENATE Inquiry hearings, fierce lobbying, a lacklustre progress report card, cynicism about the national apology, rallies against 'government racism', and the opening of a bush protest house.

It has been a busy fortnight for the Rudd Government, its political foes, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and their supporters.

The Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs is examining proposals to extend the Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER) measure of compulsory welfare quarantining beyond Aboriginal communities to across the nation, a move which the Government

says would enable reinstatement of the Racial Discrimination Act but which some legal experts and rights bodies dispute. The committee has until 9 March to report back to the Parliament.

At least one key Aboriginal organisation has called on all political parties to pass the proposed changes, saying they're not perfect but can be fixed later. For now, though, neither the Federal Opposition nor the Australian Greens seem likely to agree – the former because it doesn't want the NT Intervention 'watered down', and the latter because they say compulsory welfare quarantining is discriminatory and demonises people.

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My FAMILY

ERICA SHORT – Wynyard, Tas



Pictured are Wynyard family members Rikki-Lee Short, Erica Short (holding grandson Aidon Popowski), Josh Bartlett and Denica Short.

LUCKILY I come from a strong family. I would never have survived without them. I was born on Flinders Island and spent the first two years of my life on Cape Barren Island, then we moved to the north-west coast of Tasmania as part of the assimilation process. But Mum and Dad couldn't stay away from the islands, and we all moved back and Dad got a loan to buy a cray boat. There were no jobs on the islands and I left again when I was 16 to work in Launceston before moving back to the coast where I raised my children.

I'm proud of my children, they are all doing something with themselves.

Josh is a qualified boner/slicer, he trained on King Island and then worked in South Australia. He's just come home. He's like his Mum – he gets the travel bug.

My middle daughter Rikki-Lee and her partner have just given me my first grandson, Aidon. She had a two-and-a-half-day labour and did a great job.

Candy, who isn't in the photo, is a health worker at the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre where she's earned herself the nickname of Dr Bartlett for her grasp of medical terminology. She's talking about nursing now and I'm encouraging her to go all the way and

become a doctor. She's only young. We don't have enough doctors in the Aboriginal community and we need them.

My youngest, Denica, is into her sports and music. She won the best on court for netball at last year's Aboriginal Generation Cup.

We all sing and play instruments and have performed at the Oyster Cove festival.

I had two other sons, Joseph and Jacob, who we lost in a car accident in 1983. I was pregnant with Josh at the time, and I had to cope. Mum, Dad, my sister, my brother, cousins, we all pulled together. I would never have got through it without them.

I have six brothers (two deceased) and a sister. I always lived close to my parents until they passed on. The others spread out.

I went up to Wadeye, an Aboriginal community in the Top End and worked for a bit. It was great to be back home, though, and spend this Christmas with the kids at Rikki-Lee's home. It was the first Christmas we had all been together in four years.

I'm all settled in Tasmania again for the moment and have just been appointed chair of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Land and Sea Council board and part-time caretaker at Preminghana. – *As told to Jillian Mundy*

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OUR CHILDREN



The Murray sisters from Kyogle (northern NSW) recently paid a visit to *The Koori Mail* office in Lismore. They are, from left, Dannielle, 9, Helena, 13, and Katelyn and Kristelle, both 11.

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Deadly hoodies, deadly Koories



Tyeli Hannah models a hoodie.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THE 'hoodie', sometimes associated with youth and crime, is about to be re-invented and given a distinctly Aboriginal flavour. Kooriez in da Hood is a Victorian arts project that celebrates culture and reclaims the hoodie as a symbol of pride and strength and, for the group of 15 young Aboriginal at-risk youth involved, has provided some positive direction.

Organised by the Koorie Heritage Trust (KHT) and directed by three Indigenous artists and mentors – Brook Andrew, Bindi Cole and Nikki Ashby – the project comprised three months of weekly workshops and wrapped up last week with a final exhibition and fashion parade.

For participant Grant Balcombe, a Tjapukai/Western Yallangi man living in Melbourne, the project was a chance to get back to culture in a new way.

"Our forefathers wore kangaroo and possum skin cloaks to represent their origins and tribal affiliations, the Kooriez in da Hood project gets us back in touch culturally to create hoodies that represent us and our culture through our eyes," he said.

KHT Chief Executive Officer Jason Eades said the project was

a cultural approach to involve young Indigenous people in a program that was relevant to their daily experiences.

"The project can also impart some positive life skills, we're reclaiming hoodies as a source of pride, rather than something to hide your shame and guilt in," he said.

"Along the way, the participants will be learning artistic and technical skills, right through to creating their own street fashion item.

"We're hoping that some of the designs may even end up in commercial production as an independent fashion label. That would be a great result for young Koorie youths who are seeking a sense of purpose and direction.

"This is street wear that everyone can relate to but with a distinctly Koorie flair."

Mr Eades said the long-term vision included a second stage where participants would undertake a product development and marketing workshop, with a view to marketing their artwork and setting up their own small arts business enterprise.

The limited edition hoodies, along with Bindi Cole's photographs of the project, will be on display at the KHT Gallery until early March. The community will also have the opportunity to buy one of the hoodies.

Photos by BINDI COLE, one of three project mentors.



Allan Bamblett shows his hoodie.

Alice site for visitors



THE Federal Government has announced the intended site for much needed short-term visitor accommodation in

Alice Springs.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said a site in Len Kittle Drive had been selected for a new, secure accommodation facility as part of the \$150 million Alice Springs Transformation Plan.

"When visitors come to town the lack of short-term accommodation means there is even more pressure on public housing and the already overcrowded town camps," Ms Macklin said on Friday.

"To reduce overcrowding, the site will be refurbished and re-opened as the Alice Springs Accommodation Park to provide drug and alcohol-free accommodation for families, children and older people."

The Alice Springs Accommodation Park will have the capacity to accommodate up to 150 visitors.

NT Minister for Central Australia Karl Hampton said the NT Government was committed

New facility set to ease accommodation crisis

to boosting the economy, supporting jobs for Territorians and improving the social housing stock.

"The Alice Springs Transformation Plan has carefully considered a number of options and this site has been identified as the one that can be progressed quickly to cater to the needs of Aboriginal people and visitors requiring accommodation," he said.

"Site and design plans are near completion for an integrated accommodation facility that offers visitors affordable choices of accommodation style from permanent cabins to camping in a secure and managed environment."

Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the Alice Springs Accommodation Park would also provide Indigenous people with safe, secure accommodation

while they were visiting town for medical treatment and other services.

He said the Accommodation Park would be supported by regular public transport services to make it easier for people to get to medical treatment and appointments.

Other projects planned to ease accommodation shortages in Alice Springs, as part of the Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan, include construction of a new 28-unit facility for managed transitional accommodation at Percy Court and the re-opening of The Lodge in Alice Springs Central Business District, following refurbishment to provide 35 rooms for people needing renal treatment.

As well, eight managed accommodation beds would be added to the existing Salvation Army facility on the east side of Alice Springs.



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Indigenous youth Antarctica-bound



THEY'RE about to set foot on the coldest place on Earth and for two young Indigenous Australians –

Narelle Long and Malcolm Lynch – it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

The first young Indigenous Australians to visit Antarctica will be joined by 2009 *Australian Idol* runner-up and Earth Hour Ambassador Hayley Warner as the Australian contingent on the World Youth Expedition departing on 3 March.

The group will join polar explorer and environmentalist Robert Swan and 40 other young people from countries around the world including India, China, Saudi Arabia, England, Canada and Ireland. They will travel from Ushuaia, Argentina, aboard a Russian icebreaker.

The focus of the expedition will be the official opening of the first environmental school, called E-Base, in Antarctica.

Set on King George Island, E-Base is an educational facility established by Mr Swan's 2041 foundation and powered entirely by renewable energy.

The group will participate in environmental research and science-based programs developed in conjunction with the University of Western Sydney. They'll also get the opportunity to camp out on the



Malcolm Lynch and Narelle Long with environmentalist Professor Robert Swan in Sydney last week. AAP image

ice, conduct a series of live crosses back to school students in Australia, and learn how to live on sustainable energy.

At the launch, attended by NSW Youth Minister Peter

Primrose and Australian author Thomas Keneally, Mr Swan said he hoped to inspire the young people to be the next environmental ambassadors for change and learn about the

possibilities of living off renewable energy.

The AFL Indigenous Program, Qantas and The Austereo Network have supported the participation of the three young

Australians. The expedition will form the basis of a new documentary series to be aired on Nickelodeon Channel and National Indigenous Television this year.

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Toomelah hoping for lifeline

By DARREN COYNE

THE remote community of Toomelah on the border of New South Wales and Queensland is hoping for a lifeline from the Federal Government.

Community representatives met with senior government officials last week to outline their concerns over the scrapping of the local CDEP program.

The program was axed nine months ago and, as *The Koori Mail* reported last edition, the small community has been in meltdown since the job program was scrapped.

There have been attempted suicides, mental health issues and a loss of basic services since more than 80 people were transferred from CDEP

Border community in grip of despair



The Koori Mail's coverage of the crisis in Toomelah as reported in our last edition.

on to the job network.

Toomelah Community Council Manager Rene Adams told *The Koori Mail* the officials had met with job network

providers in surrounding townships, and had been told the possibility of finding jobs for Toomelah residents was minimal.

She said the community representatives at the meeting were adamant they needed their own jobs program in order to get the community and its people back on track.

As a result of the meeting, Ms Adams said many of the district's former CDEP workers had been placed on disability support pensions because of chronic conditions such as alcohol and drug abuse, resulting from the loss of the program.

Ms Adams told *The Koori Mail* last Friday that a response from the Commonwealth Government was expected on Monday.

Ruby Hunter – born 1955, passed away 2010

Tributes flow for acclaimed singer

RUBY HUNTER, an influential voice for her generation – the Stolen Generation – has died. The acclaimed singer passed away last Wednesday in the arms of her long-time musical collaborator and soul mate Archie Roach and surrounded by family.

Her death, aged 54, sparked an outpouring of emotional tributes from across Australia – from politicians, fans and friends.

Born in 1955 at a billabong near the banks of the Murray River in South Australia, Ruby was removed from her family when she was eight-years-old.

She ended up living on the streets after a series of foster homes and institutions, turning to alcohol, fighting, and simply surviving.

At 15, she met Archie Roach at a drop-in centre run by the Salvation Army, and together they embarked on a journey which resulted in performances around Australia, and indeed the world.

But, according to the many tributes, Ruby never forgot her roots and was always available to her own community, as an entertainer and mentor, and the wider Indigenous community of Australia.

A long-time collaborator with Archie, Ruby released her debut album *Thoughts Within* in 1994.

During her career, she received two ARIA award nominations and three Deadly awards.

She collaborated with Paul Grabowsky and the Australian Art Orchestra for her renowned and very personal account *Ruby's Story*, a musical based on her life, and was a founding member of the Black Arm Band.

Her last public performance was at the recent St Kilda Festival, premiering *Out and About*, a performance of songs inspired by the imagination of children.

Friends, peers and officialdom remembered Ruby late last week.

NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Chairperson Bev Manton said Ruby's passing was a terrible loss and she hoped her husband and family could take comfort from the memory of her achievements.

"(Ruby) worked closely with people at a grassroots level, especially those less certain about themselves, under the demands of both their own and Western cultures," she said.

"...She gave herself and everything she could to make thousands of people feel good. She was a mother figure and trusted helpmate and adviser to generations of Aboriginal people.

"Ruby will be remembered by all who knew her for her stately presence and her passion for her people."

Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) Chair Stephanie Bell extended the alliance's deepest sympathy to Ruby's family and friends.

"Ruby Hunter holds a very special place in the heart of the AMSANT family," said Ms Bell.

"She and Archie attended our Youth Summit at Ross River, and her leadership was an inspiration to all those there."

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, Arts Minister Peter Garrett and Minister for the Status of Women Tanya Plibersek issued a statement following Ruby's death, describing her as 'a talented and inspirational Aboriginal singer and songwriter'.

Ms Macklin said Ruby was an exceptional artist with extraordinary spirit.

"In the face of adversity, she found her voice in music and through her songs spoke directly to so many of us about the loss suffered by the Stolen Generations," she said.

Mr Garrett described Ruby as a great Ngarrindjeri woman – a great songwriter and performer – who played a leading role in Australian music.

"She provided extraordinary inspiration and consolation to many, many people around this country," he said.

"Ruby will be greatly missed by her many friends, fans, and colleagues who span many cultures and generations."

Ms Plibersek said that, as the first Indigenous woman to be signed to a major record label, Ruby paved the way for future generations of Indigenous singers and songwriters.

Among other tributes, the Fred Hollows Foundation described Ruby as a great friend of the foundation, through her work promoting health and literacy, and her ability to inspire the many people she met on her visits to community.

Foundation CEO Brian Doolan said Ruby had a long association with the organisation, travelling as a member of the Black Arm Band to remote areas of northern Australia, to perform and conduct community development workshops promoting positive health messages and celebrating contemporary Indigenous culture through music.

Archie Roach and family have requested that their privacy be respected 'at this time of profound grief'. No details of funeral arrangements had been released at the time of printing. – **by Darren Coyne**



The late, great Ruby Hunter. Photo by JAMES PENLIDIS

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An emotional Barbara Shaw, of Mt Nancy town camp in Alice Springs, addresses protestors at the Ampilatwatja walk-off camp on 14 February.



Alyawarra people and their supporters at the ceremony to mark the construction of a protest house at Honeymoon Bore in the Northern Territory. Photo by JAGATH DHEERASEKARA

Friends stand with Alyawarra people



NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott with Ampilatwatja Elders Banjo Morton and Frankie Holmes. Mr Scott presented the community with a message of support from the NSWALC Board and a 'Declaration Bell', to highlight government failures in Indigenous affairs.



Paddy Gibson from the Intervention Rollback Action Group (IRAG) addresses about 100 protestors inside the Yeperenye Mall in Alice Springs on 13 February. The anti-intervention protest was timed to coincide with the second anniversary of the national apology to the Stolen Generations.

By KIRSTIE PARKER
Photos courtesy of NSWALC



WHEN Prime Minister Kevin Rudd apologised to Indigenous Australians, especially the Stolen Generations, he warned the symbolic gesture would be little more than 'a clanging gong' if not accompanied by action. He set the scene for a new national partnership with closing the gaps between Indigenous and other Australians at its core.

Despite the commitment of billions of dollars in combined government funds since then, for the Alyawarra people of Central Australia the imagery of a clanging gong rings loud and clear.

They say the Northern Territory Emergency Response (or NT Intervention), initiated by the Howard Government and largely maintained by Mr Rudd's, has failed to deliver even basic housing and essential services to their 'prescribed community' of Ampilatwatja, 350kms north-east of Alice Springs.

Last year, Alyawarra Elders voted with their feet and set up a bush camp at Honeymoon Bore outside of Ampilatwatja and, therefore, the NT Intervention's reach.

Not unlike the Gurindji people who walked off Wave Hill Station in 1966, they have refused to return until there's a real change for the better.

And like heroic Gurindji leader Vincent Lingiari whose efforts were immortalised in the anthemic song *From little things big things grow*, the Alyawarra have found they 'have friends in the south, in the cities and towns'.

Included amongst them are the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU), the Maritime Union of Australia, and the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC).

On 13 February, the apology's second anniversary, the Alyawarra and their guests gathered at Honeymoon Bore at a half-constructed 'protest house', built with union muscle over a matter of weeks to draw attention to the needlessly long delays getting proper housing in Ampilatwatja and elsewhere.



The Alice Springs protest moved to the offices of Member for Lingiari and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon. Ampilatwatja Walk-Off leader Richard Downs is pictured addressing the 100-strong crowd of protestors.



Professor Larissa Behrendt, from the Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning at the University of Technology, Sydney, addresses guests at the Honeymoon Bore ceremony.

"Our members are proud to pitch in and do what they can to help," said CFMEU Construction National Secretary Dave Noonan.

"The community asked for assistance from the union to help tackle some of their housing needs, so that's what we're doing."

Alyawarra community spokesperson Richard Downs said that, while his people

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Welfare hearings to finish

By KIRSTIE PARKER



THE Senate Inquiry into Rudd Government plans to roll out compulsory welfare quarantining across the nation in order to reinstate the Racial Discrimination Act under the NT Emergency Response (NTER) will conduct its final hearings in Canberra this week.

The Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs must report by 9 March on the likely impact and effectiveness of the changes proposed by the Government.

Currently, more than 15,000 people in 73 NT Aboriginal communities are subject to welfare quarantining under the NTER, or NT Intervention.

In Darwin and Alice Springs last week, the Senate committee heard from a range of Aboriginal justice and legal aid bodies, health, land, youth and social service organisations, as well as NT Government agencies. As of Tuesday, the inquiry had received 83 submissions.

Lacking the numbers in the Senate, the Government needs the Federal Opposition or, alternatively, the Australian Greens and independents to support the changes.

But things aren't looking good on either front. The Greens referred the Government's related bills to inquiry to ensure proper scrutiny of what it described as 'radical government plans to effectively roll-out unproven social policy nationwide'.

Demonising

They say compulsory welfare quarantining for anyone – whether Indigenous or not – is discriminatory, paternalistic and demonising.

And the Opposition says it wants suspension of the RDA maintained and will oppose attempts to 'water-down' compulsory welfare quarantining and other NTER measures in prescribed communities.

"Income management was introduced because of the horrific conditions that many women and children had been placed in throughout the communities," Shadow Minister for Families, Housing and Human Services Kevin Andrews said on 9 February.

"Violence and child-poverty were endemic in many places... The Coalition will not risk the lives and well-being of Indigenous women and children in the 73 communities by supporting this measure."

However, at least one key Aboriginal organisation has called on the Parliament to pass the proposed changes, saying they aren't perfect but would restore equality for

Aboriginal Australians and could be improved upon later.

"The reform legislation is not perfect, but the evidence on the links between health and human rights is clear," Stephanie Bell, Chairperson of NT Aboriginal medical services peak body AMSANT, said on 10 February.

"...It is a stark choice for our political leaders. Support the human rights of Aboriginal Territorians through the restoration of the RDA now. Then engage with differences we might have with other elements of the legislation down the track."

AMSANT CEO John Paterson told the Senate committee in Darwin that continued suspension of the RDA would cause the already poor health of Aboriginal Territorians to worsen. "Surely this cannot be the outcome envisaged by the Intervention – yet this is the precise effect of the withdrawal of civil and legal rights," he said.

The North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) expressed disappointment at the Opposition's stance on the RDA, describing it as a 'setback in the failure of the NT Intervention to meet Australia's international obligation'.

"Suspending the RDA and second-class, discriminatory treatment has caused enormous harm and hurt to Aboriginal communities," said NAAJA Chairperson Norman George.

"Most importantly, it has alienated and not included Aboriginal people from the process of finding long-term solutions to the key issues people face."

"Whilst we have significant concerns about the way the Government is proposing to restore the RDA, the Opposition's stated intention to ignore Australia's human rights obligations and continue discriminatory treatment of Aboriginal people will do nothing to improve people's lives, and will only further alienate Aboriginal people from the process of finding long-term solutions."

The Australian Human Rights Commission said the Government's proposed changes would improve the NTER measures in prescribed communities, but cautioned that more needed to be done to make the intervention fully compliant with human rights.

Indigenous Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the scope of the proposed new income management measures was too broad and should be refined, with income management only applying for a defined period of time, and clearer definitions around the classification of welfare recipients as 'vulnerable' and therefore subject to income management.

Intervention we want or need but practical assistance like housing, training and job opportunities.

"We want to be treated like partners, not like a problem to be managed by the Government."

The Alyawarra people received a unique gift from NSWALC to mark the opening of the protest house. NSWALC Chief Executive Officer Geoff Scott presented them with a message of support

and solidarity from NSWALC's Governing Council, and a large brass 'Declaration Bell' which the council hoped would ring throughout the camp for 'justice and change'.

"Your action, in the face of such a denial of your human rights, has shone a powerful spotlight on one of the sorriest episodes in your long struggle for land rights and social justice," Mr

Scott told the Alyawarra people.

"We are sure your action has not been without its own share of deprivation and hardship. We applaud your courage and your commitment."

Mr Scott said many Aboriginal people in NSW could understand the Alyawarra people's frustration, given that they too struggled daily with poor housing and ailing infrastructure.

The activities at Honeymoon Bore coincided with a 'Day of Action' in Melbourne, Sydney and elsewhere to protest government racism.

In Brisbane, protesters whose Aboriginal flag police removed from the fence outside Parliament House, said they would hold a further demonstration there yesterday, 23 February.



Christine Fejo-King holds up her grandmother's birth certificate.

Fears raised of new 'protector'

By DARREN COYNE



CHRISTINE FEJO-KING held up her grandmother's birth certificate and her parents' marriage certificate to make the point that some things have not changed in the treatment of Aboriginal people.

Both certificates have signatures from the 'Protector of Aboriginals'. "For so long Aboriginal Australians lived under the policy of 'protectors', it almost seems that we have gone full

circle and have arrived back at that point," Mrs Fejo-King said. "Will we in the future be taken back to the time when the approval of the Protector of Aboriginals must be sought for our movements, our education, employment and our marriages?"

Mrs Fejo-King was launching the book *This Is What We Said*, produced following Federal Government consultations about the Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER) last year.

The book contains quotes from people from three Aboriginal communities, who spoke out against the 'intervention'.

The book was launched in Canberra under the auspices of 'Concerned Australians', a human rights group

supported by many church and socially concerned groups.

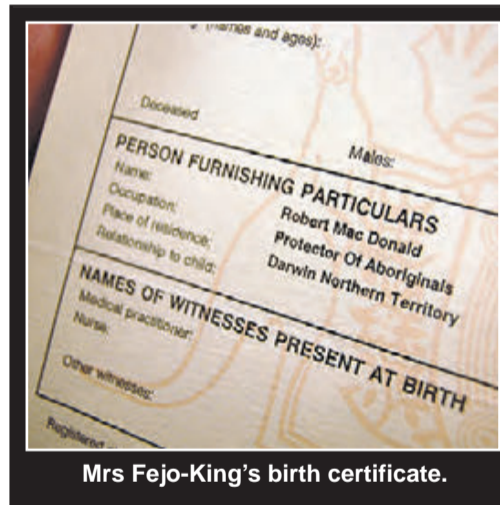
Mrs Fejo-King, who is Chair of the National Coalition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Workers Association and a Larrakia woman, said her own family in the NT had been affected by the intervention, and would be further affected if the Federal Government introduced extended powers of income management.

"We are gravely concerned, as social workers who believe in and work towards human rights and social justice, that the rights of our peoples have been and continue to be violated," she said.

"It is time for the Racial Discrimination Act to be reinstated with no strings attached and for governments to stop using our people as a political football."

"Free us from your paternalistic yoke, we are not children. Stop privileging the voice of so-called Aboriginal leaders who aren't even from the NT and have no right to speak above the voices of our Elders and community leaders who are, on the whole, good and honourable men and women."

The launch at the Australian National University (ANU) followed similar launches in other capital cities.



Mrs Fejo-King's birth certificate.

Strong support for Alyawarra people

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were thrilled with the unions' help, the project highlighted the 'monumental failure and waste' of the NT Intervention.

"The Federal Government has spent more than \$1 billion in the Intervention and yet it has failed to build one single house in our community," he said.

"It's not a Government

Police called in as SGV defunded



STOLEN Generations Victoria (SGV) has been defunded after an audit found nearly \$100,000 unaccounted for.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Richard Wynne said the Government had referred the matter to police and the Australian Securities and Investments Commission but would establish a new company, staffed by SGV employees, to take over support for the state's Stolen Generations.

Mr Wynne said forensic accountants BDO Australia had uncovered inappropriate expenditure and inadequate documentation for expenditure totalling about \$97,000.

"We do not tolerate financial mismanagement of any publicly-funded organisation, no matter what services they provide, but we recognise the value of the SGV staff's work and that is why we

will ensure services they previously provided continue to be available to those who need them," Mr Wynne said in a statement.

"This decision was not made easily, but it is in the best interests of the Stolen Generations community and I am now

Government with a three-year budget of about \$900,000.

SGV Acting CEO Janis Constable said the group would continue to operate under a new name and management structure.

Staff and clients would not be affected and only the 10-member board of

"It is very disappointing. I know it sounds like a lot of money but it hasn't really impacted how we deliver our services to our members.

"We understand that there are concerns and that some of our members are distressed by this decision, but staff at SGV want to assure everyone that we are positive about the future of service delivery to Stolen Generations members in Victoria."

A spokeswoman for Mr Wynne said the Government could not sack boards unless they were ministerially appointed but could force them to stop operating by cutting funding.

Ms Constable said staff had not been implicated in any of the issues raised by the audit.

She said clients would be better off under the new management structure, and the group would consult with the Aboriginal community in coming weeks over the appointment of a new board. – AAP

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focused on ensuring the seamless transition of services they need."

An investigation was triggered mid last year when SGV's chief executive was stood down and later sacked.

The group was established in 2005 in response to the Bringing Them Home report and is fully funded by the State

management would change, she said.

"Operationally the services that we provide will continue, it's just under a new governance structure," Ms Constable said.

"I can't really comment on the details of the forensic audit ... but there's \$97,000 that has come into question.

Sincerity of PM's apology queried

By DARREN COYNE



THE sincerity of Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's national apology to the Stolen Generations two years ago is being questioned.

On the eve of the national apology's second anniversary on 13 February, National Sorry Day Committee (NSDC) co-chair Helen Moran said many Australians and Stolen Generation survivors were now wondering if the apology was 'little more than political point-scoring'.

She said the Federal Government had failed to deliver a comprehensive response to the Bringing Them Home report, which called for guarantees against repetition, measures of restitution, rehabilitation and compensation.

She accused the Government of using the apology anniversary to push its own Indigenous reform agenda.

On the eve of the Indigenous All Stars rugby league game in Brisbane, Ms Moran said the minute's silence and 'handful of footy tickets' offered to members of the Stolen Generation were gestures that seemed 'as empty as the clanging gong' the Prime Minister referred to during the Apology.

"Each 'clang' highlights the lack of real commitment towards healing for the Stolen Generations," she said.

South Australia's Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) CEO Neil Gillespie said the Stolen Generations and their families were innocent victims of inappropriate and racist actions by governments.

"ALRM considers that a compensation fund – similar to that in Canada, New Zealand and



Looking back: Two images of scenes from the national apology to the Stolen Generations at Parliament House in Canberra on 13 February 2008.

other Australian jurisdictions – is a practical commitment to redressing the wrongs," he said. "A compensation fund that

directly assists members of the Stolen Generations to begin their healing is important. The apology is but one step, and must be

supported by the Government's healing agenda."

The PM also came under attack from Shadow Aboriginal

Affairs ministers in New South Wales and Western Australia.

In NSW, Kevin Humphries said the divide between Indigenous and other people continued to grow, and showed no signs of abating.

Mr Humphries said the NSW Government's Two Ways Together program was failing to tackle issues such as housing, education, child protection and health.

He said NSW had the worst retention rates for Indigenous high school students, and the adult Indigenous imprisonment rate was almost 17 times that of the overall rate.

In Western Australia, Labor's Roger Cook said the anniversary of the apology was an opportunity for Premier Colin Barnett's Government to 'turn around its dismal performance on Indigenous affairs'.

He criticised the WA Government for not responding to the first report by the Indigenous Implementation Board, headed by Lieutenant-General John Sanderson.

Joining the chorus of discontent, Central Australian Stolen Generations and Families Aboriginal Corporation Chair Harold Furber told ABC radio the Commonwealth was directly responsible for those affected in the Northern Territory.

But he said the PM had not come to Alice Springs to meet them.

"If he's fair dinkum about this stuff, you'd think the Prime Minister himself would be taking it on board instead of ... apologising to us from the House in Canberra, because it was also significant that the people that they keep talking about are actually from central Australia," he said.

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Rudd's closing the gap report blasted

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGENOUS leaders have slammed the Federal Government's progress in closing the gap following a yearly report from Prime Minister Kevin Rudd.

Mr Rudd delivered his Close the Gap report card last week in Parliament, admitting that more needed to be done to tackle Indigenous disadvantage.

Outlining details of the Government's \$5.5 billion, 10-year Close the Gap policy, Mr Rudd said there had been improvements in areas such as child mortality rates, school attendance and Indigenous employment.

He conceded, however, that an absence of clear data had made it difficult to determine the success or otherwise of a number of new programs in Indigenous communities.

On life expectancy, Mr Rudd said revised figures now meant Aboriginal men were expected to live 11.5 years less than non-Indigenous men, and that Indigenous women would live 9.2 years less.

"This is less than the 17-year gap we thought existed a year ago," Mr Rudd said.

"This is good news – but it is the result of having more reliable data, rather than the result of any real improvement on the ground."

During his address, Mr Rudd announced a further \$9.1 million for a program aimed at giving Indigenous mothers and babies better access to health care, advice and support. He also announced that 17 sports academies would be established across Western Australia, Victoria and the Northern Territory in an effort to improve attendance and outcomes for Indigenous students.

Meanwhile, the Prime Minister urged Indigenous leaders to 'step up and take responsibility for restoring social norms in their own communities'.

"Governments are responsible for helping communities to develop the structures and leaders they need to restore social norms, recognising that change takes time," he said.

"However, individuals also have responsibilities. To provide safe and secure homes for their children. To go to school or to make sure their children go to school. To pay rent, look for work, avoid self-destructive behaviour, and give the people in their care every opportunity to thrive.

"These are the foundations on which strong communities are built, and on which people can make the most of their natural abilities."

Close the Gap steering committee chairman Tom Calma told *The Koori Mail* the Government should be commended for 'taking significant steps forward', but he expressed concerns about the lack of



Tom Calma, left, and Les Malezer in Canberra for the Prime Minister's Closing the Gap report.



Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in Parliament.

relevant data to judge the success of projects on the ground.

Mr Calma released a shadow report on the Government's Close the Gap progress, which warned 'without an evidence-based and targeted plan, efforts to close the gap will simply fail'.

Among the shadow report's recommendations was the development of a capacity-building plan for the Aboriginal

Community Controlled Health sector, together with an injection of about \$150 million, scaling up to \$500 million over five years, then \$500 million annually.

The report also called for a national partnership agreement for the achievement of Indigenous health equality by 2030.

Human Rights campaigner Les Malezer told *The Koori Mail* he thought the PM's report was patronising, and showed that

Labor had the same approach to Indigenous Affairs as the Coalition.

"It was more like a policy or budget statement ... there were no actual achievements in the areas of health or housing," Mr Malezer said.

"There is no real recognition of rights for Aboriginal people."

Meanwhile, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) Chair Justin Mohamed welcomed the new funding for mothers and babies.

"Support for births and care for new mothers and babies has always been a high priority for all of our 150 Aboriginal community controlled health services nationwide. This new funding can build on what is already being done," he said.

"We look forward to the day when governments at all levels recognise meaningful engagement and equal partnerships with the Aboriginal community controlled health sector and at the national level though a partnership between NACCHO and the Federal Government and its agencies.

"Compared to nations like the USA, Canada and New Zealand, Australia falls behind in closing the life expectancy gap largely because Aboriginal peoples here have less control of the design and delivery of their health services."

Minister moves to dissolve land council



NEW South Wales Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch has moved to have the Koombahtoo Local Aboriginal Land Council (KLALC) at Fennell Bay, near Lake Macquarie, dissolved. Mr Lynch announced the move on 9 February, pursuant to section 87 of the

Aboriginal Land Rights Act.

The land council has been under administration continuously since February 2003.

"I am advised that this is the longest continuous period of administration of a local Aboriginal land council in the history of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act*," the Minister said.

"I will undertake the process of

statutory notification set out under the Act. Those affected by any proposed decision have 21 days, as set out in the Act, to provide me with submissions."

Mr Lynch said he first obtained a recommendation that he could consider within the Act on 10 November last year, and subsequently received advice from the Crown Solicitor and the

Registrar of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act.

Section 91(1)(g) of the Act provides that a Minister may dissolve a local Aboriginal land council if the LALC has had an administrator appointed for any three of the past five years.

The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) investigated the conduct of

certain officers of KLALC in relation to property dealings between 1997 and 2002.

In its report on this investigation, made public on 1 April 2005, the commission made corrupt conduct findings in relation to the land council's former chairperson and other officebearers, consultants and a developer.

Communities to tackle binge drinking



AT least two remote Aboriginal communities will receive \$250,000 each for two-year projects to tackle binge drinking.

Yarrabah in north Queensland and Alpururulam in the Northern Territory are among 19 projects worth \$3.5 million announced by the Federal Government.

Federal Minister for Health Nicola Roxon said Barkly Shire Council would work with the Central Australian Youth Link Up Service to implement the binge-drinking program in Alpururulam.

The remote NT Aboriginal community has a population of about 200 young people aged 12-24.

"Like many other communities, binge drinking amongst this age group is an increasing problem that contributes to poor school and work attendance, and anti-social behaviour," Ms Roxon said.

"The community is currently poorly resourced in relation to alcohol education and interventions.

"This grant will help the community



Yarrabah and Alpururulam communities have each received \$250,000 to help overcome binge-drinking problems.

hold regular events, such as football and cultural activities, and bring other young people into the region so they can also benefit from this grant."

Queensland senator Jan McLucas said the Gindjara Treatment and Healing Centre in Yarrabah would use its funding to run the two-year Beat da Binge project.

The project combines competitive sports with traditional and contemporary music and dance.

The project has been initiated by the Gindjara Treatment and Healing Centre, the Yarrabah Seahawks Sports Club and the Yarrabah community as a response to binge drinking among young people, which the community feels is mainly due to boredom.

Ms Roxon said the Government was committed to reducing the harmful effects of excessive alcohol consumption on individuals, particularly young people, their families and the wider community.

"Nationally, the statistics are horrifying. Four Australians under 25 die due to alcohol-related injuries in an average week," she said.

"On average, one in four hospitalisations of people aged 15-24 happens because of alcohol.

"Use of alcohol affects everyone in our community. This funding will help to reduce the mental, physical and social harm caused to individuals, families and communities."

'TJ' remembered

Six years on, hundreds at rally maintain call for justice



RESIDENTS of the inner Sydney suburb of Redfern/Waterloo are seeking an interim heritage order to stop the proposed demolition of the fence on which a local Aboriginal teenager became impaled after being followed by police.

Thomas 'TJ' Hickey sustained fatal injuries when he fell from his bike in 2004 after, some insist, being pursued and rammed by police. He died the next day in hospital.

On Sunday, 14 February, the sixth anniversary of his death, several hundred people attended a rally calling for justice.

They marched from the site of TJ's impalement before moving on through George and Redfern streets, stopping outside the police station and finishing off at the Block.

TJ's mum Gail Hickey used the anniversary to lodge a complaint with the United Nations human rights committee seeking a finding that Australia breached its human rights obligations in failing to independently investigate her son's death.

Ms Hickey is also seeking unspecified financial compensation, demanding new laws and a royal commission.

"His crime was being black," she said, as marchers and mourners fell silent for six minutes, one for each year since TJ's death.

Hickey family lawyer Tamar Hopkins said the day had been very emotional for the family and community.

"The pain of TJ's death is still very real," Ms Hopkins said. "Standing at the site of his impalement was a very sobering experience, it remains very hard to come to terms with.

"The strength of the Hickey family and the Indigenous community is clearly evident, but there is a lot of real anger in



Mourners turn protesters. Photos courtesy ANDREW WOODHOUSE

the community still, this is one issue that Redfern is not going to let go of."

Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) President Ray Jackson convened the speeches throughout the day and led six minutes of silence at three different locations along the way: At the site of the incident, the police station and at the Block.

"These three locations were chosen for their significance and each minute marked one year of TJ's life," Ms Hopkins said.

She said that apart from a Supreme Court appeal, all other domestic remedies had been exhausted and she anticipated the final process could take up to three years.

Last week, the Australian Heritage Institute applied to NSW Planning Minister Tony Kelly for an interim heritage order on the site to halt proposed demolition, based on its social and historical significance.

"If 'TJ' now means anything, surely it stands for a need for Truth and Justice," said the Institute's president, Andrew Woodhouse.



A mother's pain ... Gail Hickey at the Waterloo site where her son TJ was injured, later dying.

Women call for alcohol bans

By KEN BOASE in Perth



ABORIGINAL women in Perth have expressed support for the Mungullah community of Carnarvon and have called on the State Government to back a push for alcohol to be banned in the community.

The Djidi Djidi Aboriginal Corporation also called for more experienced police officers to be stationed in rural and remote areas of Western Australia, claiming that young inexperienced police were adding to the problems in Carnarvon and other locations.

Police in Carnarvon claim drug and alcohol abuse in the local Aboriginal community is out of control, juvenile crime is at crisis point and the town is a 'powder keg ready to explode'.

Djidi Djidi Director Gail Beck said the community in Carnarvon wanted alcohol bans to help calm down the situation but the police and the WA Government had ignored the requests.

"The community actually asked for alcohol bans similar to what they've done in Halls Creek and Fitzroy because they know there's a problem, and the way to alleviate that problem is stop the alcohol coming into the community," Ms Beck said.

"Now it's not being supported, and why is that?"

"I guess it's because the publicans are making a lot of money, and I know that was one of the big problems that the communities up in the Kimberley faced



Djidi Djidi Director Gail Beck... 'Police officers, if you want respect then give respect'.

because the publicans did not want to stop selling alcohol. It's all about money. It always has been."

Ms Beck also took issue with police claims that Carnarvon was a 'powder keg'.

"I'd like to know what they're basing that information on, because I know that a lot of the workers in government departments in

that town are ignorant and don't really have an understanding of what the community is facing.

"If the police think that it's going to blow up in Carnarvon, well what about Perth. It's the same here."

Ms Beck said communities in Carnarvon and many other country towns in WA faced

racism and ignorance from the local wider community, and especially government departments, on a daily basis.

"We've been trying to get what we call the Six Steps of Families Walking Together program happening, and we've got all of the letters of support but we can't get the funding to do it," she said.

"We had it working well but we can't get the infrastructure happening. There are communities where they might be on Aboriginal Lands Trust properties and there's no money available for services and the shire won't pick up the rubbish or grade the roads.

"There's supposedly millions of dollars being spent on these problems but, when you look at it, none of that money touches the ground and it's all spent on glossy documents to say what a good job the public servants are doing."

Mr Beck said police officers in towns with large Aboriginal communities needed proper cultural awareness training.

"And don't send young officers up there that are ignorant, because once they put that uniform on they think they're big bosses, but they're babies," she said.

"Police officers – if you want respect, then give respect... And if the Commissioner thinks there's no racism in the Police Service, then he doesn't know his own force."

WA Premier Colin Barnett admitted that his government needed to give more focus to the problems of Carnarvon and promised there would be high level visits in the near future.

Outrage sparked by Police Union boss

BY Perth Correspondent
KEN BOASE



COMMENTS by the President of the West Australian Police Union (WAPU) have outraged the state's Indigenous

community, giving weight to historical claims of racism within the WA Police Service.

The bashing of a female police officer at the Mungullah community near Carnarvon, about 1000kms north of Perth, prompted WAPU President Russell Armstrong to label Indigenous people in WA as violent thugs who target women and police officers.

"Stop throwing money at all these people, and give them jobs, give them meaningful tasks to do," Mr Armstrong said.

"You know, if you go and have a look around some of the remote communities I think the majority of people would be appalled.

"I want to see Indigenous young people and older people given jobs, working and they're not out intoxicated and using drugs, stealing cars, breaking houses as we've seen in the Carnarvon incidents."

Responding to the observation that non-Aboriginal people also attacked and bashed police, Mr Armstrong said 'people are tired of hearing about violence against the police from the Aboriginal community'.



WA Opposition Indigenous Affairs spokesman Roger Cook ... 'What these comments will do will reinforce the negative attitudes that are out there towards the police'.

"I'm voicing the opinion of the majority of people and my officers have had enough of being the punching bags, and we're not going to be the punching bags," he said.

"We're the only 24-7 agency working in remote communities in remote Western Australia, in Perth, dealing with both Indigenous and every other minority group out there, their problems."

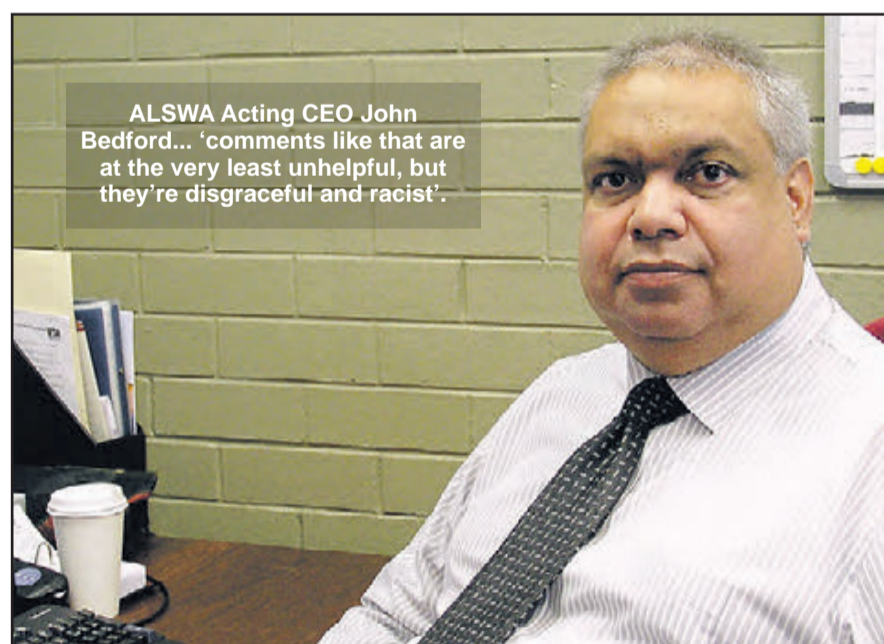
The Acting Executive Officer with the WA Aboriginal Legal Service John Bedford said the comments had angered the Indigenous community and set WA race relations back by years.

Mr Bedford said anyone who bashed police should face the full force of the law, but that didn't excuse Mr Armstrong's comments.

"You don't condone what is alleged to have occurred but it shows a complete ignorance and lack of understanding on (Mr Armstrong's) part," Mr Bedford said.

"It's a blame game, he's taken a cheap shot and it shows his complete ignorance on the matter.

"There's been some wonderful work undertaken to rebuild the trust and understanding between the police service and Aboriginal



ALSWA Acting CEO John Bedford... 'comments like that are at the very least unhelpful, but they're disgraceful and racist'.

people alike, and comments like that are at the very least unhelpful, but they're disgraceful and racist.

"I've even had phone calls from Aboriginal police officers who feel marginalised and upset about the comments."

WA Opposition Indigenous Affairs spokesman Roger Cook said Mr Armstrong should apologise.

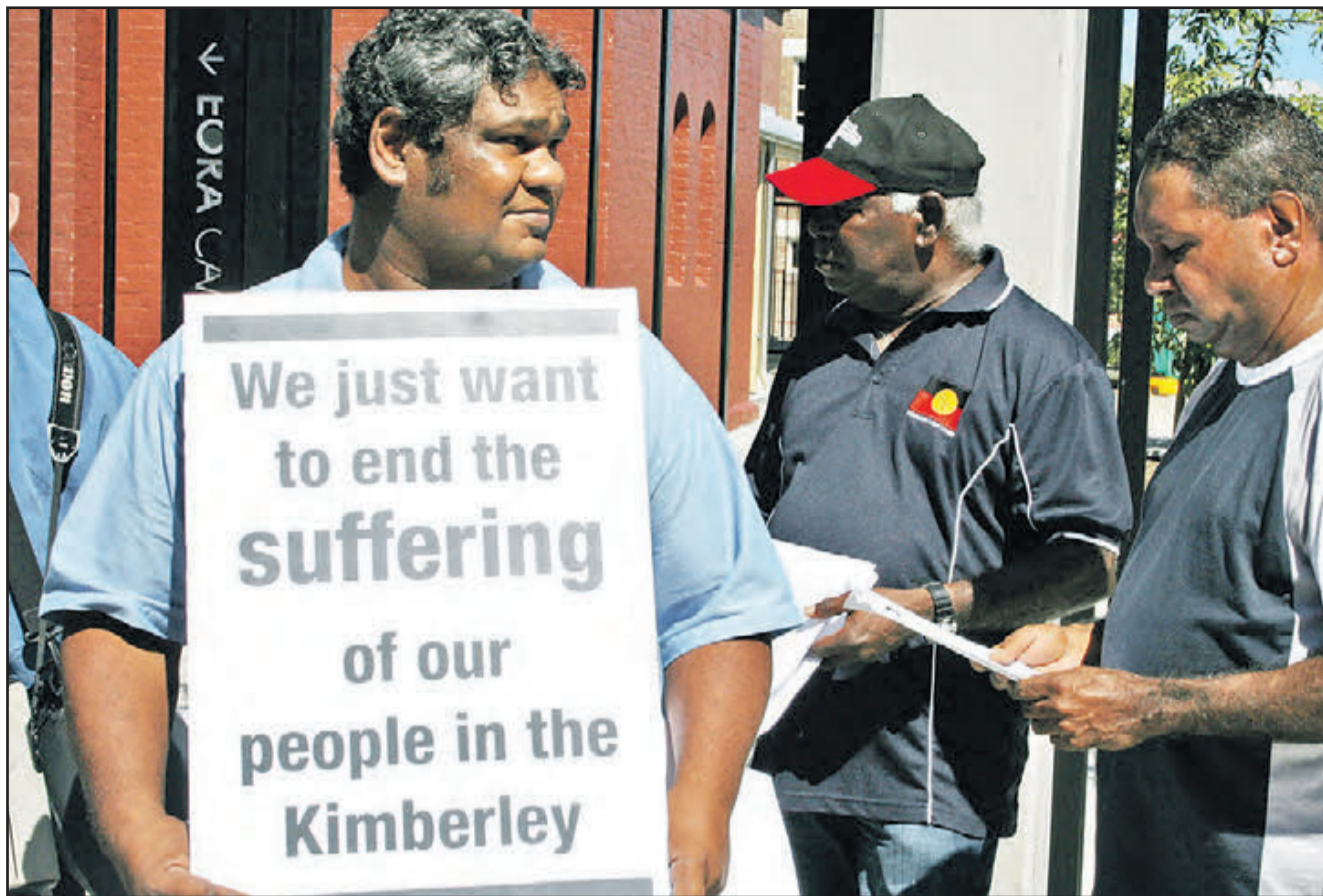
"What these comments will do will reinforce the negative attitudes that are out there towards the police and in regards to race relations in the community generally," Mr Cook said.

"He's let himself down and he's

let the other serving officers in WA down. But, more importantly, what this means is that young Aboriginal people who were perhaps looking towards the police force as a career will take note of Mr Armstrong's comments and possibly say 'well that's not the sort of culture that I want to be part of'."

WA Premier Colin Barnett said Mr Armstrong's comments were inappropriate and unhelpful, and showed a complete ignorance of the many issues facing the Indigenous community.

WA Police Commissioner Karl O'Callaghan declined to comment.



Jabirr Jabirr traditional owner Anthony Watson (left) and Bardi Elder Frank Davey.

Book sparks protest by Jabirr Jabirr



A GROUP of traditional owners from the Kimberley coast of Western Australia travelled to Sydney last week to protest against a book opposed to a proposed gas hub near Broome.

Representatives of the Jabirr Jabirr people, traditional owners of James Price Point where the LNG plant is proposed, said the book by former judge Murray Wilcox ignored their land rights and misrepresented their views.

The book, *Kimberley at the Crossroads: The case against the gas plant*, is about the development of a massive gas field in the Browse Basin, which is expected to be worth \$50 billion to the national economy.

Launching the book in Sydney, Mr Wilcox said Aboriginal people were being treated unfairly, and were expected to give up their cultural heritage in exchange for basic human rights of education and health.

"This isn't a rule that is applied to the rest of the population," he said.

Goolarabooloo lawman Joseph Roe, a supporter of the fight against the gas plant, said the proposal posed a threat to Indigenous culture.

"There is people there still looking after the country in a very strong way," he told ABC radio.

"There is still people using it today for sustenance fletching, hunting, camping, all that stuff.



Jabirr Jabirr traditional owners Henry Augustine (left) and Frank Parriman (middle).

"Burial sites still being looked after today and what we're going to do? We're going to kill it with a gas plant. No, I don't think so mate."

But co-chair of the traditional owner negotiating committee, Frank Parriman, said the Jabirr Jabirr people had been misrepresented in the book.

Another traditional owner, Henry Augustine, said he was hopeful the gas plant would provide economic and development opportunities for his people.

"Judge Wilcox has turned his back on our land rights and he has turned his back on our rights to the economic

and other opportunities development could bring, opportunities like housing, jobs, training and education," he said.

The owners who travelled to Sydney said they were upset that Mr Wilcox had not consulted with them.

They have been involved in long-standing negotiations with the WA Government, the Federal Government and resources company Woodside over an economic package that would deliver benefits to local people.

Last year, owners gave in-principle support for the proposed development at James Price Point, subject to environmental and other approvals.

Wild Rivers law must go, Abbott tells Parlt



QUEENSLAND'S wild rivers debate reached the national Parliament on 8 February when Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott called on the Prime Minister to overturn the state's controversial Wild Rivers Act.

In introducing the bill into Federal Parliament, Mr Abbott said the legislation, which restricts development along nine protected rivers in Queensland, also limited the ability of Cape York's Indigenous people to use their own land.

Mr Abbott said overturning the legislation would be an important and significant attempt to give the traditional owners and Indigenous people of Cape York back their birthright.

"The Queensland Government, through the application of the wild rivers legislation to the rivers of Cape York, has effectively taken away from the Indigenous people of Cape York the ability to use what we say is their land in the way that they would like," he said.

"We understand throughout this Parliament that the great challenge is to ensure that Aboriginal people have the same economic opportunities that other Australians do.

"We understand that the great challenge is to enable them to use their land not just as a spiritual asset but as an economic asset. Because if they cannot use their land, it is not really theirs, that is the problem with the Queensland wild rivers legislation."

Mr Abbott said the challenge was ensuring Indigenous people were not just honoured as the First Australians, but enjoyed full participation in society.

"They will never enjoy full participation in our society if they are never able to start a business, to own a home and to earn income in the same way that other Australians take for granted," he said.

"Yet how can they do that if the land that they love, in the land

where they and their ancestors have lived for millennia, they are prevented by yet another layer of bureaucracy from doing what the rest of us take for granted?"

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the Government wanted to see economic development in Indigenous communities.

"We have a desire to see economic development right across Australia for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," she said.

"I have been told there have been development applications agreed to in the areas covered by the Wild Rivers legislation, so plainly some development is possible."

Ms Macklin said discussions about resolving the matter would continue, adding the Rudd Government preferred to avoid a Federal intervention.

"We'll sit down and discuss the issue with the Queensland Government, with traditional owners, I think it's also important to resolve these issues by discussion rather than a heavy political act," she said.

The Koori Mail made repeated attempts to contact the Cape York Land Council for comment but was unable to get a response.

— By MAHALA STROHFELDT, with AAP



TONY ABBOTT

Four perform in LA

It was a long way from home to walking the red carpet at a \$10,000-a-table black tie gala dinner in Los Angeles recently for four young choristers from the Gondwana National Indigenous Children's Choir.

Tyus Arndt, Ben Yorkston (both 13) and Pearl Foster and Rashida Akee (both 12) performed alongside famous Australians Jimmy Barnes and Olivia Newton-John as well as the Australian Girls Choir and National Boys Choir as part of the annual G'Day USA celebrations.

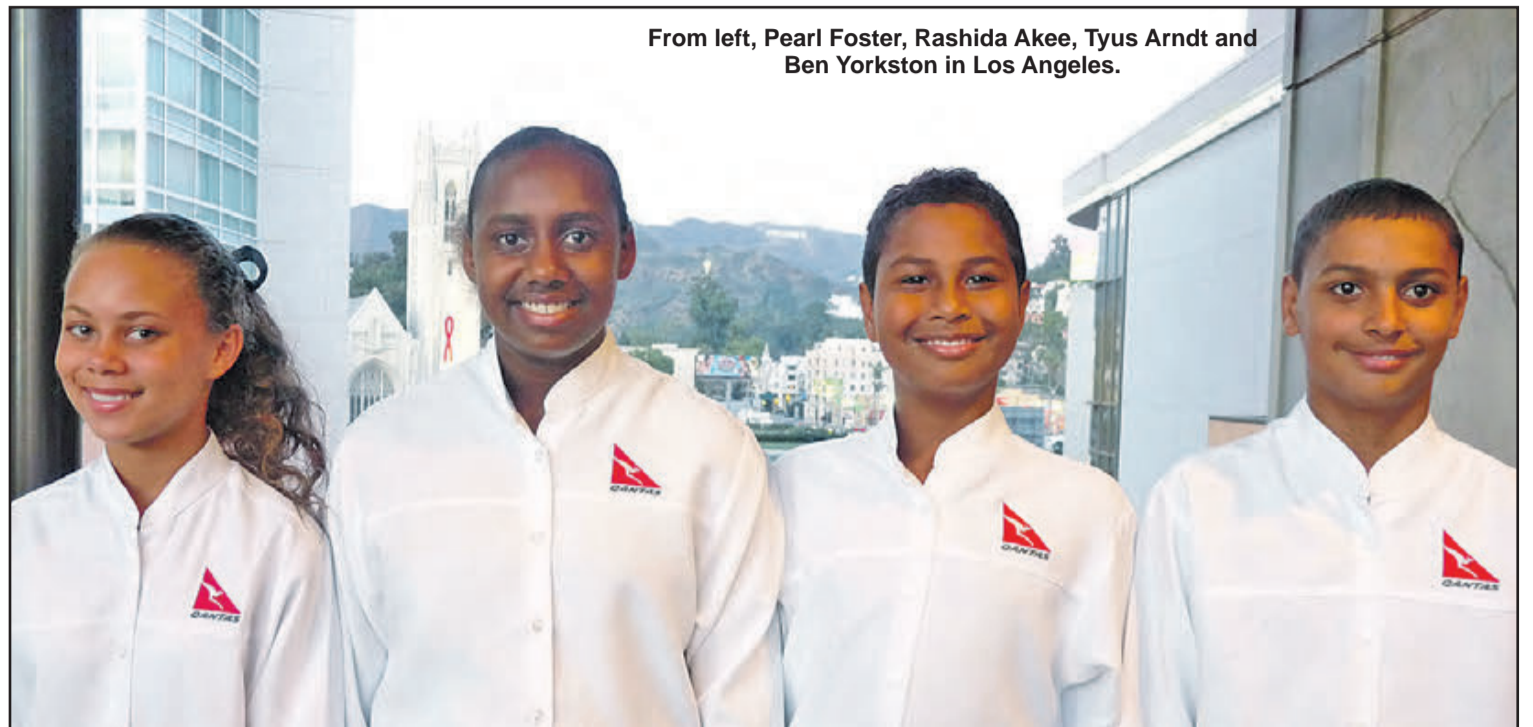
Their trip gave the four youngsters their first taste of international travel.

The children were also delighted to meet celebrity John Travolta, an ambassador for Qantas, on the red carpet.

While in Los Angeles, the children visited famous sites such as Venice Beach, Universal Studios and the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Students from the Laurence School were also treated to a performance by the choirs and didgeridoo player William Barton.

Rubina Kimiia, from Gondwana Choirs, who accompanied the children, said



From left, Pearl Foster, Rashida Akee, Tyus Arndt and Ben Yorkston in Los Angeles.

they demonstrated their 'brilliance and resilience' in rehearsing, memorising and learning choreography in a very short time. "They adapted well, learned quickly and exercised great discipline to fulfill all that was required," she said.

"G'Day USA was an unforgettable experience. These kids are pioneers. They are ambassadors for their people, their professionalism and example paving the way for future opportunities being opened to other Indigenous

children. Our involvement with Gondwana Choirs and all that has stemmed from it has been incredible and our lives are all the richer."

The Gondwana National Indigenous Children's Choir (GNICC) is a project of

Gondwana Choirs, a national not-for-profit organisation providing training and opportunity for talented young Australians to perform alongside artists of the highest calibre in Australia and throughout the world.

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Hanson leaves one nation for another



So long Australia... Former One Nation leader Pauline Hanson on her property west of Brisbane. AAP Image



THE nation's politicians say it will be the end of an era when One Nation founder Pauline Hanson packs her bags for the United Kingdom and closes the door on Australian politics for good. Ms Hanson has put her million-dollar property up for sale in Coleyville, south-west of Brisbane, and has announced she's moving to Britain.

"I'm going to be away indefinitely. It's pretty much goodbye forever," she told *Woman's Day* in an interview.

"I've really had enough. I want peace in my life. I want contentment, and that's what I'm aiming for."

But Ms Hanson said she would always be an Australian citizen.

"I have no intention of ever renouncing my Australian citizenship," she said in a new interview last week.

"While I have my health and am able to, I want to experience living in other countries.

"But I will always be an Australian citizen and will always love this country. Australia is my homeland, I love Australia and will never consider myself anything other than an Aussie."

Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott said Australia had moved on from Ms Hanson.

"I just think that, you know, there was a time when she articulated a cry of rage from a section of the Australian population but that time has passed and she's now chosen to go in different directions and that's her right," Mr Abbott said.

Queensland Premier Anna Bligh says she'd be glad never to see a return of Ms Hanson's politics.

"I don't bear any grudges against people but I certainly wouldn't want to see any return of the political philosophy of One Nation," she said in Brisbane.

"I think it's important for people to

remember the terrible damage that One Nation did to our reputation as a country."

At the peak of its popularity the party had 11 Queensland MPs.

Ms Hanson's hardline views on race sparked a national debate over immigration policy and Aboriginal disadvantage from the time she entered Federal Parliament in 1996.

In her maiden speech, she said 'we are in danger of being swamped by Asians', and questioned multiculturalism.

Ms Hanson, 55, told the magazine she was disappointed with the way Australia had changed.

"Sadly, the land of opportunity is no more applicable," she said.

Never run again

After several failed attempts to re-enter politics, Ms Hanson told the magazine she would never run again, but her One Nation co-founder David Oldfield said she could be planning to launch a political career in Britain.

"I can't see her going back to fish and chips," Mr Oldfield told AAP last Tuesday.

"Is she retiring or is going to become involved in politics in England?"

Within a day, there were reports that the far-right British National Party would welcome Ms Hanson should she decide to play a political role in Britain.

BNP Leader Nick Griffin also said he felt sorry for Ms Hanson because she had been 'forced out of her country by this politically correct intimidation and bullying'.

"She would not be a sponger," he told Fairfax. "We would regard her as a good addition."

Ms Hanson said she was planning to spend a few months in the South Island of New Zealand and eventually relocate to Britain.

Her father is English and her mother's family is Irish, which means she can hold dual citizenship. — AAP

More health workers



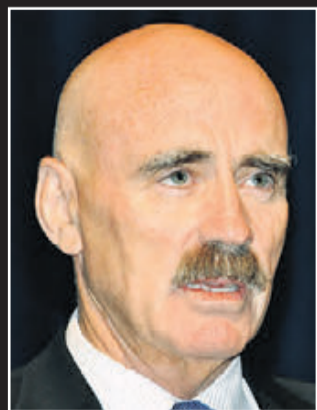
FUNDING for 83 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker placements across Australia was announced last Thursday as part of the Prime Minister's report on closing the gap.

Queensland has been allocated 24 outreach workers, New South Wales will receive 23, Western Australia will get 12, Victoria, nine, the Northern Territory eight, South Australia, six and the Australian Capital Territory will get one.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the outreach workers would help increase the uptake of Indigenous health checks and identify Indigenous people who would benefit from improved access to health services.

"In addition, they will assist Indigenous people to access other health services, including follow-up care, specialist services and community pharmacies," he said.

The outreach workers will be employed by Aboriginal community controlled health organisations and Divisions of General Practice and appointments are expected to be in place before the end of June. The



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— Minister Warren Snowdon

workers will have access to nationally accredited basic level training through the vocational education and training sector.

"This will give them the flexibility to develop career paths in the health sector if they choose, by undertaking more advanced training such as that for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers or enrolled nurses," Mr Snowdon said.

One of the 12 workers allocated for WA will be placed with the Ngaanyatjarra Health Service (NHS) in Warburton.

NHS manager Gavin Robbins said the allocation created the opportunity for a local Ngaanyatjarra person to supplement and support the work of existing Ngaanyatjarra health staff.

"This new appointment will strengthen existing community linkages between

individuals, the Ngaanyatjarra Health Service and its health programs," Mr Robbins said.

"With greater personal interaction and communication between community members and the NHS, we hope to be able to achieve much better outcomes in well-being and health care."

Mr Snowdon said the 83 outreach worker positions formed more than half of the 160 positions being funded under a \$42 million commitment to build the capacity of the Indigenous health workforce over four years.

He said the Federal Government's \$805.5 million Indigenous Chronic Disease Package would also provide significant new resources to improve the prevention, early detection and management of chronic diseases, which account for about two-thirds of premature deaths among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"Some of the biggest contributors to excess mortality are cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes and respiratory diseases, with smoking alone accounting for around 20 per cent of all Indigenous deaths," he said.

More being locked up



THE number of Indigenous young people being locked up in Australia has steadily increased over the past decade, a Federal parliamentary committee

has been told.

In a submission from the Australian Institute of Criminology, members of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs were told Indigenous juveniles made up 58 per cent of all detained juveniles in Australia.

The AIC said males were 28 times more likely to be locked up than their non-Indigenous counterparts, while Indigenous females were 24 times more likely to end up in detention.

AIC director Dr Adam Tomlinson and research analyst Dr Kelly Richards appeared before the inquiry 'into the high level of involvement of Indigenous juveniles

Committee told of high youth detention rates

and young adults in the criminal justice system' in Canberra on 11 February.

Dr Tomlinson and Dr Richards told the committee there was a great deal of evidence to demonstrate that Indigenous young people were significantly over-represented at every stage of the criminal justice system.

They said the AIC had monitored juveniles in detention in Australia for nearly three decades, since 1981.

"The juveniles in detention monitoring program obtains data from each jurisdiction

on a quarterly basis on the number of juveniles in detention, and the characteristics of these juveniles," they said.

The inquiry also heard the AIC was now monitoring the contact Indigenous juveniles had with police and courts.

A report last year found Indigenous juveniles came into contact with police disproportionately compared with other juveniles.

Dr Tomlinson and Dr Richards outlined various successful programs.

Meanwhile, a study quoted in the AIC's submission showed that diversionary measures resulted in positive outcomes for juveniles.

"Importantly, the study found that continued contact with the criminal justice system is less common among those juveniles who participate in diversionary alternatives to court," the submission said.

Committee Chair MP Bob Debus said diversionary measures such as conferencing and intensive court supervision for Indigenous juveniles 'should be available everywhere if we are truly committed to closing the gap on Indigenous juveniles and young adults' involvement in the criminal justice system'.

Further public hearings will be held around the country until May.

For information go to <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/atsia/index.htm>

Quairading man's battle finally wins recognition



ABORIGINAL man John Kickett may have lost the struggle to have his children attend a West Australian school during the early 1900s, but his efforts have now been officially

recognised almost a century later.

The former Quairading State School and its associated living quarters have been included on the WA State Register of Heritage.

In 1915, Mr Kickett, a local farmer, began lobbying to have his children attend the school. He conducted a letter-writing campaign and organised petitions, which were supported by many non-Indigenous people.

During this period, segregation and exclusions were common at many schools, with the Education Department insisting the education of Aboriginal children was the sole responsibility of the Aborigines Department.

WA Heritage Minister John Castrilli said the 1913 weatherboard and iron school building was central to the story of Mr Kickett's determination to end such segregation.

"Mr Kickett remained undaunted, repeatedly writing to the Education Minister for a number of years," the Minister said last week.

Mr Kickett organised a petition, which was signed by the majority of local 'white' parents. He also gained the support of his local Member of Parliament, the Chief Protector of Aborigines and the new head teacher at Quairading – all to no avail.

"In one poignant letter, written in 1918, Mr Kickett outlined how one of his children's uncles had died and four others were fighting in France on behalf of 'King and Country' and yet his children continued to be excluded from school," Mr Castrilli said.

"Mr Kickett's fight was symbolic of the plight of other Aboriginal families, including families in the Quairading area, who fought to have their children attend their local state schools."

In 1948, it became compulsory for Aboriginal children to attend school although it was still on the proviso that



At the recognition ceremony with WA Heritage Minister John Castrilli (centre) were, from left, Connie Collard, Winnie McHenry, Veronica Winmar, Ettie Winmar, Basil Winmar, Muriel Collard, Olive Wilkes and Lynette Winmar, all brother and sisters descended from John Kickett's daughter Edna Winmar (nee Kickett).

Below: The Quairading State School, which has been included on the WA State Register of Heritage.

parents of non-Aboriginal children did not object. In the same year in Quairading, a new brick school was built across the road, which has since been attended by many of John Kickett's descendents.

"While the original building is a good representative example of a single-room timber-framed country school built during this era, it is the stories around it that make it worthy of being included on the State Register of Heritage Places," the Minister said, also pointing out that times had changed.

"Today, 28 per cent of the Quairading school population is Indigenous, illustrating how attitudes have changed," he said.



Malu Sara compo talks break down



A COMPENSATION claim by the family of one of five people killed when a Federal Immigration boat sank in the Torres Strait in 2005 may be headed for court after mediation discussions failed.

Lawyers for John Saub, whose daughter Valerie was killed when the *Malu Sara* was lost at sea, had set a deadline of Friday, 12 February, for discussions to be finalised with the Government.

However, the deadline passed

without any agreement, leaving Mr Saub and his legal team to consider their options.

"There is always options for further negotiations, but at this stage we don't have an outcome," lawyer Laura Neil, from Maurice Blackburn law firm, said.

"There will need to be discussions with the respondent about how we approach the matter from here in terms of whether we just go ahead and file court proceedings."

The missed deadline came 12 months after Queensland Coroner

Michael Barnes described the tragedy as 'totally avoidable' when he handed down his findings on the *Malu Sara* sinking.

Sub-standard

The *Malu Sara*, part of a group of vessels later found to be sub-standard, sank between Saibai and Badu islands on October 15, 2005, leading to the death of the two Immigration Department employees and three passengers on board.

A search was not launched until eight hours after skipper

Wilfred Baira had told police his vessel was 'sinking fast'.

Ms Neil said her client was more upset that no action had been taken against the parties responsible for the tragedy than he was about the stalled compensation claim.

"Compensation is not his priority, it's simply the only means of getting redress for what has happened," she said.

"He wants to see justice.

There is still no outcome in terms of disciplinary action for those directly responsible for

what happened."

In his findings, Mr Barnes directed the blame for the tragedy at Immigration Department official Garry Chaston, Torres Strait police officer Sergeant Warren Flegg and Cairns boatbuilder Don Radke.

However, he did not refer any of the men to the Director of Public Prosecutions for charges to be considered, and Queensland Attorney-General Cameron Dick has ruled out initiating a special prosecution in the matter. — AAP

Mona Mona gets a new lease on life

By Cairns Correspondent
CHRISTINE HOWES



WITH the celebrations over, descendents and residents from Mona Mona in far north Queensland are working towards what they see as the first step towards ownership of the land they successfully stopped being turned into a national park.

Late last year, a year after the national park announcement, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle said the State Government would enter into negotiations with the Djabugay people and other Aboriginal people with historical connections to Mona Mona for a 30-year Trustee Lease over the entire 1600ha reserve.

"The people of Mona Mona now need to form an incorporated body representing the interests of Aboriginal people connected with the Mona Mona reserve and they will speak with one voice for its future," she said.

"Though it will be a long road with some complicated matters to deal with along the way, we are agreed that the goal is the return of the land."

Mona Mona Steering Committee Chair Gerald Hobbler said after initial celebrations in December, the group was now back to work.

"We had a bit of a celebration up the road there, everyone was laughing and happy, it was a really good feeling," he said.

Wanted freehold

"When we got the news we started planning straight away, we need to set up a trust to start negotiating with government because the 30-year lease is not the option we wanted.

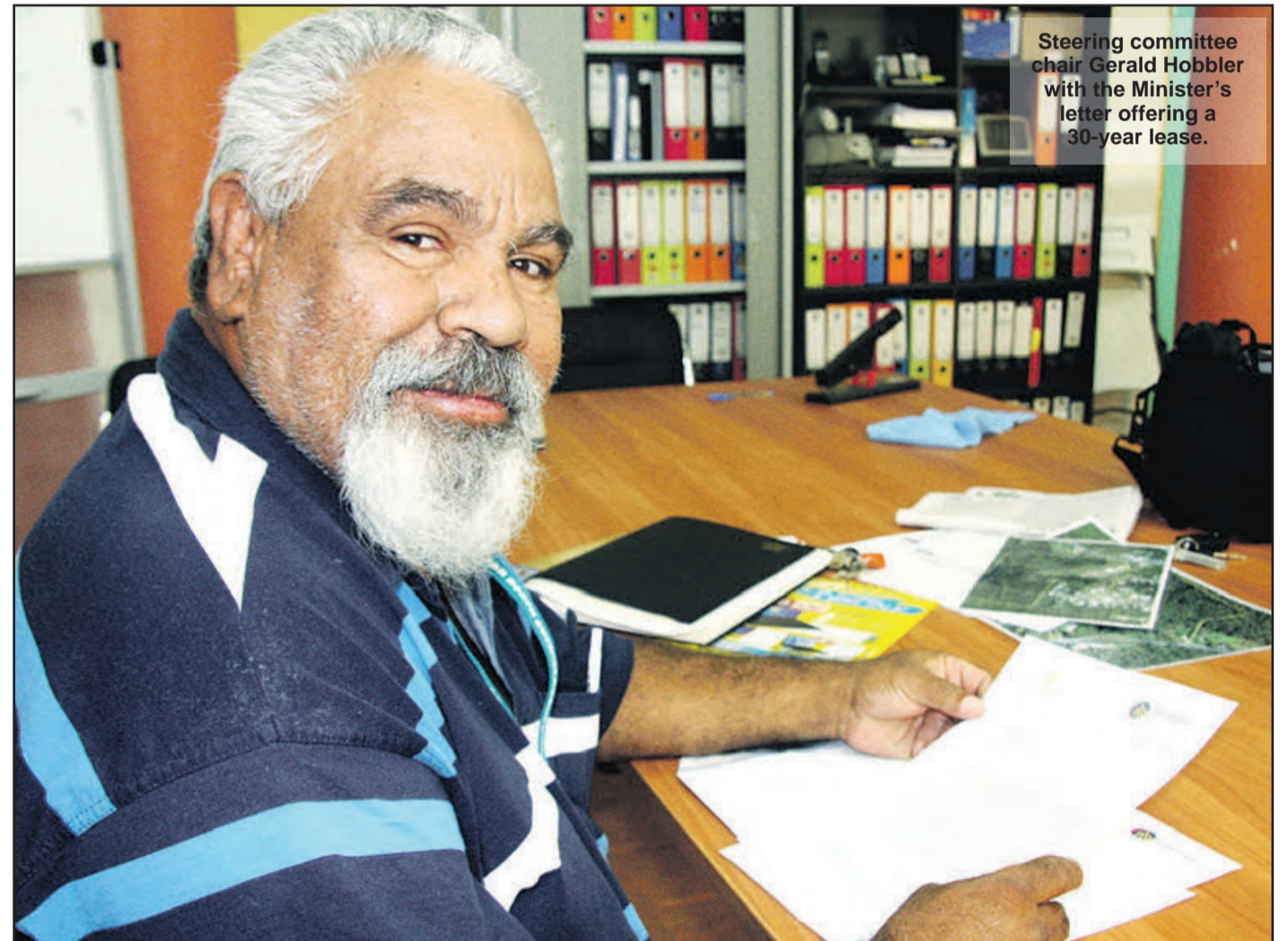
"We wanted freehold, which we would own forever.

"Our aim was to get Mona Mona back for everybody. It's a beautiful spot – you could never leave a place like Mona Mona, it's a place to live."

Committee member Glenys Grogan said there were some very happy people around town.

"Sure, it's in a lease but that's still recognition that it's Aboriginal land," she said.

"And they'll work with us and we'll work with them to make sure that it's set up properly and at the same time an



Steering committee chair Gerald Hobbler with the Minister's letter offering a 30-year lease.

application for Indigenous freehold title will be submitted."

Mr Hobbler said there was a lot of work to do in terms of basic services as well as sustainable long-term options such as a cultural centre and a diversionary centre for young people.

"Everything's not fixed yet, we're still going through things and we want to make sure it's going to work and be transparent," he said.

"Everyone's got to be quite clear on the decisions they make and to do that we've got to all be working together.

"We want conditions (on the lease) that we can build houses, a medical centre and probably a school out there, because it's a big area and we can almost do anything out there, but you can't do it if you haven't got the land in your hands.

"Roads, sanitary, toilets, electricity, water, same as everybody else is entitled

to. Everybody has a basic human right as to where they want to live.

"I think credit goes to the committee, that we didn't give up. We challenged the decision they made in December 2008, which was that they were going to turn Mona Mona into a national park.

"We stood defiant and said 'we're not going to move, we're not moving for anybody'."

Mr Hobbler said there had already been a series of local meetings for Mona Mona people and their descendents in Kuranda and Mareeba, and another was scheduled for Cairns tomorrow (25 February).

He said anyone who hadn't made it to a meeting could contact Anthony Penrith on 1800 001 931 for more information, or write to the Mona Mona Steering Committee, c/ PO Box 26, Kuranda, Qld 4881.



Mona Mona Steering Committee member Glenys Grogan.

Murrin work praised



NSWALC's Craig Cromelin at Murrin Bridge community.



NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Wiradjuri Regional Councillor Craig Cromelin says recently upgraded water and sewerage facilities in Murrin Bridge have the potential to save lives.

The work, which will help prevent effluent from overflowing from a pump station into the surrounding environment, was carried out under a 25-year \$200 million partnership between NSWALC and the NSW Government.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch and Cr Cromelin inspected the recently completed upgrading of the Murrin Bridge community's water and sewerage facilities last week.

The project replaced a partially collapsed and clogged sewage rising main to prevent overflow of waste into the environment from the pump station.

"We've waited a long time for this to happen," Mr Cromelin said.

"The community is delighted with the upgrade, it makes a real difference.

"Just as the overall impact of this joint water and sewerage program makes a difference, a huge difference, that's why the State Land Council committed \$100 million of its own funds to make it possible.

"It will potentially save lives, it will improve the health and well-being of thousands of people in the 60 communities where upgrades will be carried out."

Cr Cromelin said it was also important to land councils to have agreements reached with local government shires to fulfill ongoing maintenance infrastructure like water and sewerage.

"I know negotiations to this effect have started with Cobar Shire Council, and for the local Murrin Bridge Aboriginal Land Council it is vital that they succeed. I urge everyone concerned to try and have these negotiations completed as soon as possible," he said.

NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton said the initiative would see improved health outcomes for thousands of Aboriginal families across the state.

"Well over 2000 people live in the communities that have already received upgraded and improved facilities," Ms Manton said.

Acceptable levels

"It's simple. To 'Close the Gap', the water and sewerage infrastructure in our communities must be brought up to acceptable levels for the sake of our families.

"By spending \$100 million of our own money NSWALC is signalling the depth of our commitment to deliver vital outcomes for the state's Aboriginal families and our children. It is investing in our future."

Ms Manton said the joint initiative was a targeted program that would deliver not just upgraded and repaired facilities, but also regular and ongoing maintenance.

Mr Lynch said the Government understood the importance of access to drinking water and the safe disposal of wastewater to the health of Aboriginal people.

"In larger cities and towns we often take water and sewerage for granted, but in many discrete Aboriginal communities, residents rely on tank, creek or bore water and on-site septic sewerage systems that regularly break down," he said.



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Application packages, including an Expression of Interest form, are available from www.rdl.wa.gov.au. If you require more information regarding the WARDT, please contact Paul Rosair, A/Director General, Department of Regional Development and Lands, phone (08) 9217 1418 or email paul.rosair@rdl.wa.gov.au.

For any questions regarding the application package please contact Michele Howard, phone (08) 9217 1639 or email michele.howard@rdl.wa.gov.au.

Expressions of Interest from Indigenous Australians are encouraged. Applications will only be considered from applicants residing in Western Australia.

Expressions of Interest close on Monday, 1 March 2010.

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13-year-old charged over fatal car chase



POLICE have charged a 13-year-old after an allegedly stolen car rolled during a high-speed chase, killing her friend, in Western Australia's Pilbara region.

Police allege the 13-year-old was driving a stolen Ford Falcon with four female passengers aged 13-14 along Great Northern Highway, Port Hedland, about 7.05pm (WST) on 7 February when police pursued the vehicle.

The teenage driver lost control of the car, resulting in the death of a 13-year-old girl.

The alleged driver, from Marble Bar, who cannot be named, has been charged with dangerous driving occasioning death in

aggravated circumstances, stealing a motor vehicle and driving dangerously, failing to stop when called upon, and failing to have a driver's licence.

She was due to appear before the South Hedland Children's Court on Monday.

Police internal investigations will continue into police involvement in the incident.

Members of the surviving girls' families are reported to have told *The West Australian* newspaper that the driver and her three friends faced 'payback' under Aboriginal tribal law. The newspaper reported several family members as saying the beatings could be violent enough to break the girls' arms and legs, and that they may end up in hospital in Perth. – AAP

SA leaders in talks on big issues



SOUTH Australian Aboriginal leaders have met with State Government ministers at an inaugural Leaders with Leaders

meeting.

Leaders from the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands discussed issues such as housing, economic development and the concept of a family responsibilities commission with Government ministers.

APY Executive Chairman Bernard Singer welcomed the meeting, saying Aboriginal people wanted to work in greater partnership with the Government to improve the lives of Anangu on APY Lands.

"The Leaders with Leaders meeting gets us face to face with Government ministers at the same time so we can discuss the big issues, and know that decisions will be followed through," Mr Singer said.

Both APY and the Government said progress was made on some of the important challenges.

The parties agreed to



BERNARD SINGER

examine ways of improving the collection of rent to ensure rents were ploughed back into repairs and maintenance of housing.

On economic development, the parties agreed to progress an MOU between Government and APY regarding the distribution of royalties to Anangu from any mining activities permitted by APY on the Lands.

The Government also acknowledged the significant efforts of the APY in facilitating

minerals and petroleum exploration on the Lands

The parties also agreed to explore the possibility of establishing a form of Family Responsibilities Commission on the lands. In Queensland Cape York centres, residents sit as commissioners in communities to promote school attendance, better household maintenance and child safety.

"There remains a lot of work to do to secure a better future for Anangu and there needs to be a culturally appropriate model," Mr Singer said.

"But today we took some important steps towards that better future."

Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Jay Weatherill said the Leaders with Leaders meeting was a symbol of the Government's firm view that securing better outcomes for Aboriginal people required it to work with the Aboriginal community.

"Ultimately, long-lasting solutions for Aboriginal disadvantage will have to come from Aboriginal people, or be taken up and owned by Aboriginal people," Mr Weatherill said.



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– SA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jay Weatherill

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Centre of attention



LAST minute preparations are under way for this Friday's official opening of the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern. Prime Minister Kevin Rudd is expected to do the honours, but it was Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin's turn for a tour on 12 February. Ms Macklin is pictured here with NCIE Chief Executive Officer Jason Glanville taking in the swimming pool at the impressive facility, which also features an intensive literacy tutorial centre for 60 primary school students, community meeting rooms, multi-purpose sports courts and playing field and computer room. The centre aims to address Indigenous disadvantage through sports, arts and culture, learning and innovation, and health and well-being.

Lawyers the goal



THE Law Council of Australia has adopted a new policy to encourage more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to study and

practise law.

The Law Council's Policy Statement on Indigenous Australians and the Legal Profession represents a commitment by Australian lawyers to addressing Indigenous disadvantage and promoting Indigenous participation in the study and practice of law.

Launching the policy statement in Darwin last week, Law Council President Glenn Ferguson said this meant working with Indigenous associations, Australian law schools, law practices and the state and territory law societies and bar associations to develop pathways for Indigenous people into legal practice.

"This is the first policy statement of its kind for the entire legal profession. It recognises that all Australian lawyers can play a part in addressing Indigenous disadvantage," Mr Ferguson said.

The policy statement was

developed by the Law Council's Indigenous Legal Issues Committee, which consulted publicly with more than 60 Indigenous and other stakeholders.

Mr Ferguson said many law firms in Australia already invested in significant programs to encourage and assist Indigenous law students into practice.

"While there are several developing law graduate assistance programs in each jurisdiction conducted by the law societies and bar associations, more needs to be done," he said.

"It is my hope that with concerted effort and partnership, the legal profession and Indigenous bodies can dramatically increase the number of practising Indigenous lawyers toward equal representation within a generation."

The Victorian Bar welcomed the statement, saying it would add weight to its own existing programs.

Chair of the Victorian Bar Indigenous Lawyers Committee Daniel Star said there was already evidence that the Victorian Bar's programs were working.

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Lismore, NSW
Community worker

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Favourite other food?
Asian.

Favourite drink?
Bundaberg Ginger Beer.

Favourite music?
At the moment, Pink, Rogue Traders and Deep Forest.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Playing softball, going to the gym, and watching AFL.

What are you reading?
The Koori Mail, our local paper and our softball team newsletter.

What are you watching?
The L Word, anything sci-fi and my favourite movie this year has been *Bran Nue Dae*.

What has been the greatest highlight of your life so far?
Finding out where I am from and visiting my mother's land at Warren, and my father's land at Nambucca Heads. Also, being 'in recovery' – I have been sober and clean for 14-and-a-half years. That has changed my life and allowed me to be in contact with my true spirit.

What do you like in life?
My friends and family, good food, travel, learning and seeing new things, and non-judgmental people

What do you dislike?
I strongly dislike racism.

Who would you most like to meet and why?
Whoopi Goldberg, because she's funny and a strong black woman.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
My Auntie Lorraine Peeters and my close friends.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
I would eradicate racism from our lives.

Quote



'His crime was being black'

Gail Hickey speaking about her son 'TJ' at a rally on the sixth anniversary of his death in Redfern, Sydney

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Unquote

Frustrations everywhere

The Federal Government's relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, which it is so fond of saying it is working hard to re-set, is a fragile thing. And the past fortnight proves it.

The Prime Minister may not quite have wished that he'd never promised to account annually on his Government's progress in closing the gap. But he must have found it harder than usual to get out of bed on 11 February.

In fact, he had relatively little to report except, as he has said before, that the problem's a big one, it'll take a long time to fix, and inadequate data needs to be addressed.

Of course, this is not all the fault of the Federal Government or its state and territory COAG partners but it doesn't change the fact – as pointed out by close the gap campaigners – that it still has no real plan of attack. And it didn't stop Queensland's Les Malezer's sage observation that the report card read more like a policy or budget statement.

Political manoeuvring with regards to the Government's various NTER related bills continued last fortnight.

The Opposition has now effectively said that it wants discrimination to continue in NT Aboriginal communities. The Greens are doing their best to keep a reign on huge welfare changes that deserve much more debate and consultation. And, in the middle, Aboriginal people are trying pragmatically to salvage what they can – hopefully equality.



OUR SAY

Perhaps the most telling indicator of growing Indigenous discontent came from the National Sorry Day Committee a day after the PM's report card and on the eve of the second anniversary of the national apology.

The committee's chairperson Helen Moran questioned the sincerity of the apology itself, suggesting it might have been little more than political point scoring by the incoming Rudd Government to push its close the gap campaign.

We're not sure that's the case. The actual campaign – which came more from Indigenous communities and their supporters than governments – had yet to really take shape at the time of the last election.

But Ms Moran's suggestion alone would indicate that the Government can only trade for so long on the apology, something of a sacred cow up until this point but more and more a clanging gong.

Finally, we express our deep sadness at the death last week of Ruby Hunter and extend our sincere condolences to Ruby's partner Archie and her family. Vale, sister.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

By KIRSTIE PARKER

LOLA FORESTER doesn't do things by half. Over the course of 18 years – 15 of them as host of SBS Radio's weekly live Aboriginal program – she became one of the best-known Indigenous voices on Australian radio and picked up a Deadly Award for her trouble.

The tenth anniversary of the Uluru handback in 1996, the national Reconciliation Convention in Melbourne in 1997, the Sydney Harbour Bridge Walk in 2000, and the national apology to Australia's Indigenous peoples in 2008 – Forester covered them all.

She also captured those and countless other Indigenous events on film, amassing an incredible personal collection of more than 20,000 photographs.

And whether wielding her microphone or camera on the red carpet or on red dirt, she did it all in bold sartorial style – leopard print, leather and even feathers were all wardrobe staples. Her toothy grin and glorious long curly hair made her hard to miss.

Forester's CV is packed with achievements in many different realms. She started a modelling agency in Redfern, co-ordinated the first Indigenous Women's Music Conference and chaired Bangarra Dance Theatre for its first six years. But it's broadcasting for which she is best known.

So it was a major change (and a shock for some of her friends and peers) when Forester resigned from SBS at the end of 2008.

"I'd had enough," she candidly told *The Koori Mail*. "It was time for me to allow the next generation to come along.

"I'm not invincible; I had health issues but it wasn't just that. After 20 years of doing Aboriginal affairs, it was also because of anger and frustration about what happens in our lives.

"With my job, people used to say I was lucky because I got to go to this event and that event – and I was. But that whole thing about separating your emotion from your professionalism? That's the hardest thing to do as an Aboriginal person.

"There were times when I was just about to go on air and learned that someone I knew had passed away. I always say that when we lose an old person, we lose a library... language and culture.

"It's so hard sometimes, and I think I had gotten to the stage where the pain had gotten too deep. I needed to take some time out to heal myself."

Time out

Having truly earned her long service leave, Forester chilled out for several months, doing a computer course and even developing a penchant for *The Bold and the Beautiful*.

But it wasn't long before she popped back up again on the 'scene'. Some of her photographic portraits featured in the exhibition 'Marella: The Hidden Mission' and she graced the big screen alongside Rachel Maza and Kelton Pell in the 2009 short film *Aunty Maggie and the Womba Wakgun*.

She took a six-month contract as a senior researcher for National Indigenous Television (NITV), freelanced as an MC for a range of events, and became chair of 'Show Me The Way', a web-driven initiative that uses role models to encourage Indigenous students to stay at school and continue on to formal tertiary studies.

Australia heard Forester's dulcet tones again on Friday night when SBS Radio repackaged an interview she recorded some years back with singer Ruby Hunter, whose death last week saddened the nation.

For all of her work honouring and telling the stories of other Indigenous Australians, Forester's own is interesting and entertaining.

One of four children, the now confirmed Sydneysider actually grew up on a



Lola Forester on the red carpet at a Deadly Awards ceremony in Sydney.

Bold and beautiful

pineapple farm in Nambour on Queensland's Sunshine Coast. Her Yuibera dad, Kingsley, laboured on the farm for six months a year, and the other six in the sugarcane. Her South Sea

Islander mum Loretta – a Meninga – was a cook.

"I thought I grew up poor but we actually grew up rich," Forester said.

"We ate off the land and were able to

go fishing. We'd go to the beach for Christmas holidays.

"I went to the same school as (Prime Minister) Kevin Rudd. (Treasurer) Wayne Swan went there too."

But Forester admitted she didn't spend that much time at school. Dyslexia complicated things and she was often in fights.

"I used to fight because some of the other kids would call you names – stuff like 'nigger' or 'blacky'. Luckily, I was pretty resilient."

Forester's dreams of becoming a sports teacher were dashed when she learned that she'd need maths and science.

So, instead, she went off to business college in Brisbane.

"I remember the first morning I work up in Fortitude Valley when I was 15," she laughs. "There I was, a country kid used to waking up with birds.

"I was a naughty girl at 17. My daughter Tamara is 37 this year. She and my grandson Jameal, who is 16, live in Brisbane on Jagera country.

"I'm very lucky to have two beautiful branches from my tree."

It is clear that, even off the national airwaves for now, Forester still has the fire in her belly. She feels the full potential of the national apology has yet to be realised, and rails against the ongoing Northern Territory Intervention.

"I think that a lot of people felt optimistic about the change of government and Kevin Rudd promising Aboriginal people that things would change," she said.

"But they're not talking to Aboriginal people and communities, they're still making decisions for us. We're living in the 21st century and we still have white people talking on our behalf."

Still, Forester said she was inspired by the likes of the Alyawarr people who walked off their prescribed community of Ampilatwatja, north-east of Alice Springs, in protest over government neglect.

When asked who else inspires her, she reeled off a long, thoughtful list: The 'grannies of the desert' who taught her about compassion, tolerance, forgiveness and different cultures; 'grassroots' women like Isobel Coe and Jennie Munro who struggled and sacrificed; women like Northern Territory politicians Malarndirri McCarthy and Alison Anderson who've moved into the mainstream; Jackie Huggins; 'our late sister' Yvonne Butler in far north Queensland, the Elders group in Rockhampton and Brisbane Elder Aunty Ruth Hegarty.

"I really could go on and on but it has mostly been our older women," Forester said.

"I've been fortunate enough to meet these people and learn our way, the Aboriginal way."

What's next?

So what's next for Forester?

With her health issues mostly ironed out, she's now looking around for the next wave.

"I still want to do a lot of things," she said, including supporting young Indigenous people in the media.

"I get on well with young people and they appreciate honesty. What's the use of bullshitting? You have to be honest and sometimes people need that reality. I know what it's like, I had strong mentors who I could go to.

"I don't miss SBS but I do miss broadcasting. I miss going to air and doing what I'm good at."

Never one to take the easy road, Forester says she'd like to have a crack at something a little different.

"I want to make a break into commercial radio or TV," she said. I might be the first Indigenous shock jock!

"You might look up and see me on a billboard or turn on the TV and see me. I won't stop til my ancestors tell me to stop. I am guided by my ancestors and forefathers. The universe will open up."

Heritage Act, 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

Trial Bay Gaol, Trial Bay Gaol Access Road on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of its heritage significance.

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place. Please post written information to the address below until 17 March 2010.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing.

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8534, or Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565.

Heritage Council of New South Wales
Locked Bag 5020, Parramatta NSW 2124

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Do You Mull?

Are you male aged 25-34 years old?

The University of New South Wales and North Coast Area Health Service Health Promotion are conducting a study on the relationship between tobacco and cannabis/Yarndi.

We are looking for Aboriginal men aged 25-34 years old who use both substances and who are willing to be interviewed.

Identifying details will be kept confidential under strict ethical guidelines of both organisations.

Interview participants will be offered vouchers for participation in the study.

If you would like to take part in the study, please phone or text Leonie on 0427 465 692 to leave a message and I will contact you.



Nation Building Program



Upgrading the Pacific Highway Kempsey bypass

Project update

The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) is forming an alliance with Leighton Contractors, AECOM and Coffey Geotechnics to design and build the Kempsey bypass.

The Macleay River and floodplain bridges will be delivered by a separate design and construct contract.

The 14.5 kilometre Kempsey bypass involves building a four-lane divided highway that bypasses Kempsey and Frederickton. It is the first stage of the approved 40 km Kempsey to Eungai upgrade.

Construction of this first stage is expected to commence in April 2010 with the project open to traffic in mid 2014.

Preconstruction activities are underway. These include:

- Detailed ground survey and geotechnical investigations.
- Preparation of the detailed design.
- Property acquisitions.
- Flood mitigation works.
- Identification of public utilities.
- Minor vegetation clearing.
- Installation of fencing along the boundaries of construction sites.
- Temporary access tracks across the entire project.

During these early works, you may notice some changes around your local area such as construction vehicles, traffic management signs and personnel.

For the safety of motorists, pedestrians and construction workers, please observe all project signage and traffic control directions.

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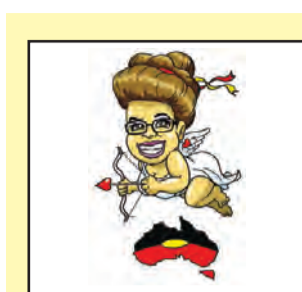
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A year for being kinder

WELL hello everyone, I'm back for more laughs and adventures in 2010. Since you last heard from me I've been laying up under shady trees working on my tan. Christmas has come and gone and I've attended my first singles night.

In an attempt to get out of my comfort zone this year, me and a friend signed ourselves up to attend a comedy singles night. My tan is still pretty awesome and Christmas with family was just lovely.

But I bet you're gagging to hear about my first singles night! It was a comedy night for singles in Sydney. The ad for the night looked great – comedians, finger food and opportunities to mix and mingle with all the other singles. It wasn't a singles night for Aboriginal people ... I just went to chat with males to see if I've



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still got it.

Heaps of other women also thought it was a great set-up because in the end there were 10 guys and about 30 girls. Great for guys, not good odds

for finding someone for the ladies. There were no blackfellas there, which was a real shame, so no luck for me.

Unfortunately I didn't even speak to any guys because they were already yarning up to two or three chicks.

My friend and I truly knew it wasn't our kind of event when one of the guys attending said he was looking for someone who could cook, clean and make babies.

Instead of being offended I saw him laughing up and chatting with two chicks. So it just goes to show there's someone out there for everyone. But I'm not bitter. In fact, this singles night has given me a focus for this year. I've decided this year is the year of not being so hard on myself for still being single Nigel-no-friends. I'm

being kinder to myself.

I'll keep my guilt to having too much chocolate and spending too much money on books (I'm so loving Harry Potter). I'm over beating myself up for the fact that maybe I'm doing something wrong; that I'm not nice enough for guys or I'm just not single/housewife/ attractive enough. I'm just going ahead with trying to be myself. If that guy could get up at the singles night saying he wanted a woman who cooks, cleans and makes babies, there's no way I'm going to feel guilty about staying single until I find my own black man to love and cherish.

So here's to 2010 – a year of loving and being kinder to myself. And hopefully finding some lovely black man to share my chocolate and Harry Potter books with!

Time of change for native title

THE introduction of the *Native Title Act* in 1994 was a significant event in Australia's history. The Act, among other things, gave some Indigenous people the chance to have their traditional rights and interests to land and waters recognised under the general law of Australia.

As readers with experience in native title would understand, this is a developing and very complex area of law.

New challenges arise in light of experience and decisions of courts, and the Act has been amended several times over the past 16 years.

Two sets of amendments were introduced last year, and more are being considered. To help you keep up to date with changes, I will summarise amendments that were made last year, the changes that the Parliament is debating and an idea for change that the Commonwealth Attorney-General has asked people to comment about.

Native Title Amendment Act 2009

Reforms in 2009 were aimed at improving the operation of the native title system and the outcomes for parties. The main changes came into force on 18 September 2009.

As well as some minor and technical changes, the amendments focused on five main areas:

- The Federal Court now decides whether the Court, the National Native Title Tribunal or another individual or body should mediate each native title claim.
- Where the parties reach agreement, the Court may rely on an 'agreed statement of facts' between the key parties, to simplify the processes in making consent determinations of native title. The Court can accept a statement of facts agreed to by the parties without them necessarily having to submit the evidence to the Court.
- The Court can make orders about matters beyond native title if the parties ask for those orders. This recognises the broad nature of agreements being negotiated by native title parties which can help deliver real economic and other benefits for claimants.



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Tribunal President
GRAEME NEATE

- Changes to the laws about evidence which make it easier for the Court to hear evidence of traditional laws and customs, particularly in relation to proceedings that began before the evidence law changes came in, on 1 January 2009.

- Processes for the recognition of native title representative bodies, with the aim of reducing administrative time and cost while keeping the system of recognition for the bodies open and fair.

Native Title Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009

The provision of public housing and infrastructure for health, education and emergency services in Indigenous communities is the focus of proposed amendments introduced in October 2009.

The Bill proposes a new process to speed up the delivery and construction of housing and infrastructure for communities on land where native title may exist, without the need for an Indigenous land use agreement or

compulsory acquisition of native title.

The process relates to the future act sections of the *Native Title Act*. It is anticipated that these amendments will remove uncertainty about the application of future act processes.

The proposed process aims to strike a balance between the urgent need for services and the need to engage meaningfully with native title holders, to protect their rights and interests and give them the opportunity to provide input into proposed projects.

The amendments also encourage State and Territory governments to act quickly to address the need for housing in Indigenous communities.

Written and oral submissions about this Bill have been considered by a Senate Committee which is due to report this week.

Possible historical extinguishment amendment

On 14 January this year, the Attorney-General issued a discussion paper outlining another possible change to the Act. This would allow the government party and the applicant to agree to disregard the historical extinguishment of native title on land that had been set aside as national parks or to preserve the natural environment.

Such an amendment would not affect any existing interests in the area and could provide opportunities for more claims to be settled by negotiation rather than litigation.

The native title page on the Attorney-General's Department website at www.ag.gov.au has more information about this proposal. The department welcomes submissions on this proposal until 19 March.

What does this mean?

Native title legislation is complex. It covers not only processes for dealing with native title claims but also what can happen on land where native title exists.

The Tribunal welcomes reforms that may speed up the resolution of native title issues and contribute to better outcomes for parties. We will continue to work with parties to facilitate timely and effective native title and related outcomes.



A banner outside the New Way Summit held in Canberra last month.

Are we without flaw, fault?

DISCUSSING the outcomes of the 'New Way Summit' that was recently held in Canberra and convened by Michael Anderson, one has been causing me some concern.

It has been reported: "Michael Anderson, the convenor of the summit said, 'The participants, who came from across the continent, urged in the strongest way that the Aboriginal collaborators and traitors be named

and shamed through the internet for all to see and this will be done through a descriptive biography'. This was loudly acclaimed."

So it would seem that we now have an Aboriginal ASIO.

I agree with the discussion on many of the other issues highlighted by the Summit, and I don't hide my criticism towards people and issues that I object to.

But really, are (the Summit participants) so without fault or flaw as to cast the first stone?

Come on you mob, you're sounding like so-called 'Ethics Council' of the National Congress for Australia's First Peoples that you, yourselves, criticise.

LEE WILLIS-ARDLER
Dubbo, NSW

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– EDITOR

Poetry

Sorry

My friend's mother passed away the other day.

I saw him sitting saddened and stricken with loss.

'Hello,' I said, as if to withdraw his attention from the pain.

'Sorry, mate, I'm so sorry'.

'Thanks,' he said. His reply was genuine; soft, broken yet genuine.

And he received my words not out of pity, not out of shame. Nor did I give them out of blame that she had gone.

I gave them because I too had lost and because I too had felt pain.

Not the same pain and I could never really comprehend how he felt.

I gave them because I knew that he was hurting and because he was my friend.

I was there today when he finally met his mother.

I was there when they played *Amazing Grace*.

And I was there when the brothers he was yet to know helped carry her to her resting place

They held each other, they cried and I heard him say 'I'm sorry'.

ANONYMOUS



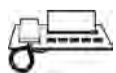
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Gundungurra Small Grants Program

The NSW Government has allocated funding for developing co-management programs between the Gundungurra Aboriginal community and the Department of Environment and Climate Change and Water (DECCW) to act cooperatively as partners in the management of parks in Gundungurra Country.

The Gundungurra Small Grants Program aims to provide funding for one to four years to Gundungurra people for projects that assist with delivering long term goals of cultural heritage management, site protection, education, interpretation or training in parks within Gundungurra Country, while raising the profile of Gundungurra heritage and culture.

Guidelines and applications for the Gundungurra Small Grants program are available from:
www.environment.nsw.gov.au/comanagement/gundungurrasmallgrants.htm and close on **FRIDAY 19th MARCH 2010**.

For more information contact the Strategic Programs Coordinator on 9895 7578 or the Aboriginal Co-management Officer on 4784 7309.

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NOTIFICATION & REGISTRATION OF ABORIGINAL INTEREST NORTH WEST AND SOUTH WEST GROWTH CENTRES, NSW.

Sydney Water is planning for water related services to service future development in the North West and South West Growth Centres (NWGC and SWGC), Sydney. The services would be mostly located in the NWGC, (in the local government areas of Hawkesbury, Blacktown and Baulkham Hills), and the SWGC, (in the local government areas of Camden, Campbelltown, Liverpool, Fairfield and Penrith).

The project is being assessed under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* (NSW). As part of this process, an Aboriginal heritage assessment is being prepared by Archaeological & Heritage Management Solutions (AHMS) Pty Ltd. An important part of the assessment will be Aboriginal community consultation that aims to identify cultural values and places of importance to the Aboriginal community relevant to the proposed water related services.

AHMS are undertaking Aboriginal community consultation in accordance with the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's *Interim Community Consultation Requirements for Applicants (2004)*. In accordance with Part B, Section 1 of the requirements, we invite Aboriginal groups or individuals to register their interest in the assessment and any subsequent works. Registrations must be received in writing by **10th March, 2010**. Please register in writing to:

AHMS
Attn: NWGC & SWGC
349 Annandale Street
ANNANDALE, NSW, 2038



Human Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Aboriginal Clients, Families and Carers You are invited to the 2010 Aboriginal Client & Carer Forums Gathering Knowledge

At: Jannali Community Centre
Cnr. Jannali Avenue &
Mary Street Jannali

When: Wednesday, 10 March, 2010
Time: 11.00am to 2.00pm

OR

At: Liverpool Catholic Club
Cnr. Joadja Road & Hoxton Park Road
Liverpool West

When: Wednesday 21 April 2010
Time: 11.00am to 2.00pm

*Lunch and refreshments will be provided
on both days*

Come along, have a yarn and share your thoughts, experiences, and ideas about the delivery of culturally appropriate services with Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) Metro South Region.

Aboriginal clients, families and carers can register their interest in these forums by contacting **Clayton Freeman** at clayton.freeman@dadhc.nsw.gov.au, on 02 9334 3732 or 0458 293 774. The feedback report from the last forums is also available upon request.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Sue Mathieson

Sue Mathieson
Regional Director

Your Say

Failing on care of mentally ill

I READ with interest the story titled 'Jail Often Only Option' (KM, 27 January 2010), which highlighted that the mentally ill are often being sent to prison because of a lack of suitable facilities to house them.

In NSW, we certainly share this problem that too often frustrates magistrates, concerned that the lack of mental health facilities are resulting in people needlessly being sent to prison.

The Mayor of Griffith recently spoke out on this, as did former magistrate Jeff Hogg.

The question is: Why is NSW State Labor Government failing to appropriately house mentally ill patients?

More so, what preventative methods are in place to prevent incidents escalating into crimes by those with a mental disorder?

In regards to the mental health of Aboriginal people in NSW, the Department of Aboriginal Affairs' 2007 'Two Ways Together' report states on Page 23 'more than one-quarter of Aboriginal people report high or very high levels of psychological distress, around twice the level of non-Aboriginal

people. The hospitalisation rate for self-harm is 2.7 times higher for Aboriginal people than for the whole population. Hospitalisation rates for self-harm are higher for young people aged 15-24 years and for females'.

Page 66 of the same report states 'Aboriginal incarceration in NSW is significantly higher than the broader population. In 2006, 20 per cent of the adult population was Aboriginal and 33 per cent of adult females in prison were Aboriginal. In 2006, half the juveniles on remand were Aboriginal, and the rate of Aboriginal juveniles on remand remained more than ten times higher than the general juvenile population between 2001 and 2006'.

A report by NSW Justice Health in 2006 titled 'Mental Health Status of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australian prisoners' concluded: "The demand for mental health services in prison is considerable and that Aboriginal women are one of the most vulnerable groups. Services and programs providing an alternative to incarceration are needed, as are culturally sensitive approaches to treatment."

Given that the report called for an

alternative to incarceration, one can only conclude that the prison system is not conducive to the well-being of a mental health patient, thus any chance of recovery or rehabilitation is lost.

The failure lies with the NSW Labor Government's ability to pro-actively address the needs of the mentally ill.

In short, mental health patients remain marginalised through the lack of community care facilities and a hospital system that is under-resourced and over-stretched, often locking people out who desperately need help, only to end up in crime.

On 5 July 2007, the NSW Labor Government launched a new initiative to tackle Aboriginal mental health issues.

I question what are the results of this initiative or has it abandoned like many other programs by this same cash-strapped Government.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES
State Member for Barwon
NSW Shadow Minister for
Aboriginal Affairs
NSW Shadow Minister for Mental
Health

All talk, no action

A FRIEND of mine in Perth told me about a disturbed young fellow in Alice Springs who has said that he and others are sick of problems they think are caused by Aboriginal people alone.

Alice Springs once had a peaceful Aboriginal community whose members were quite happy until white governments interfered and disrupted the community's traditional lifestyle and big business moved in looking for tourist dollars.

Moving Aborigines off their traditional sites, destroying their culture introducing the grog, and raping young Aboriginal girls resulted in mixed relations of white and Aboriginal folk.

People like this young fella I mentioned earlier cannot stand our Aboriginal folk and he wants them moved out of Alice Springs. Surely, it is people like him who should be moved on!

I worked in Alice Springs in the years after cyclone Tracey hit Darwin. Alice Springs was a different town even then, but by all

accounts, it has gotten worse since.

Surely governments have a role to play in bringing peace to these areas where our folk have been pushed and shoved around for far too long. Isn't it time governments spent more time in their own back yard, instead of flying off overseas every time a conference of some sorts is held?

If the Rudd Government is fair dinkum in closing the gap between Aborigines and other folk, then it should do so instead of just talking.

To me, governments are all talk and no action. They're good at throwing money around.

I say to Mr Rudd: Show the Aboriginal community some positive results. Two houses in as many years? Who were the builders, for goodness sake? Even the smallest of ants can build their community ant nests in less time than it has taken the government-employed builder?

What a joke, Mr Rudd. You should tell this to folk at the next world conference

you attend.

Having worked in both State and Commonwealth governments for my people, I have witnessed much waste of our taxpayer money. I fully understand why it took two odd years to build those two NT homes.

Governments might be able to pull wool over the eyes of some people, but not this old Aborigine who worked in the system.

LES RIDGEWAY
Bonney Hills, NSW



LES RIDGEWAY

Get over it, Danny

THE recent comments from Australia's most 'infamous' boxer Danny Green about offering fellow boxer Anthony Mundine a shot at him on his terms, hoping a '45-45 win purse with a 10 per cent split for the Indigenous population' can coax Mundine back into

ring is nothing but a cry from a desperate man.

Green is still riding his 15-minutes of fame after his controversial win against an 'ageing' Roy Jones Jr over two months ago, and surely cannot get over the beating

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Poetry

Who will cry for the little girl?

Who will cry for the little girl
That lives inside of me?
Who will cry for the little girl
That no-one can ever see?

Who will cry for the little girl
That's looking for her mum?
Who will cry for the little girl
That never had any fun?

Who will cry for the little girl
That sleeps alone at night?
Who will cry for the little girl
When a man has given her a fright?

Who will cry for the little girl
That wants to be held and hugged?
Who will cry for the little girl
That needs to be cared for and loved?

I will cry for the little girl
For she lives inside of me!
And I will help this little girl
Feel so happy and so free!

JADE M NYKOLYN-BELL
NSW

Better understanding

I AM writing to thank you and to congratulate you and all at *The Koori Mail* for an excellent newspaper.

Due to your newspaper and the articles written there I, and fellow students of the U3A (University of the Third Age) Albury-Wodonga 'Indigenous Australian Studies' group continue to be informed of the issues affecting Indigenous people throughout Australia. The personal

stories and poetry have also touched our hearts.

The U3A is for people aged over 50, and the 12-15 people who have attended the above group over the past three years have gained a greater understanding of the difficulties, harsh treatment, and losses that Australia's first people have endured, as well as their dignity, resilience, ancient culture, and the spiritual importance of the land.

Much to our shame and sorrow, we

have discovered the little we were taught at school and in the greater number of our homes about your peoples was very, very inadequate and incorrect.

The leader of our group is from Irish background but in past years has worked with TAFE Adelaide putting together appropriate bridging courses for Indigenous people.

His purpose has been to promote greater understanding of, and respect for, the various original Peoples of Australia.

We have had guest speakers from local Indigenous peoples to our sessions.

It is the valuable work of *The Koori Mail*, and programs such as *Living Black* and *Message Stick*, that educate and inform all people of the successes and the needs of the peoples, and which encourage respect and understanding. For this we are very grateful.

WENDY COLE
Albury, NSW

Get over it, Danny

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Mundine gave him in Sydney a couple of years ago.

Green's ego has been over-inflated by his own crappy fumes for the whole country and the world to see. He thinks he can call anyone out now and dictate on his terms, all to no avail though.

US and world champion boxer Bernard Hopkins doesn't want anything to do with him because he knows Danny is a chump and has no class. That's why he wants Roy Jones Jr more than Danny Green.

It seems our Australian public, especially the boxing fans, have very short memories and need to wipe the sleep out of their eyes.

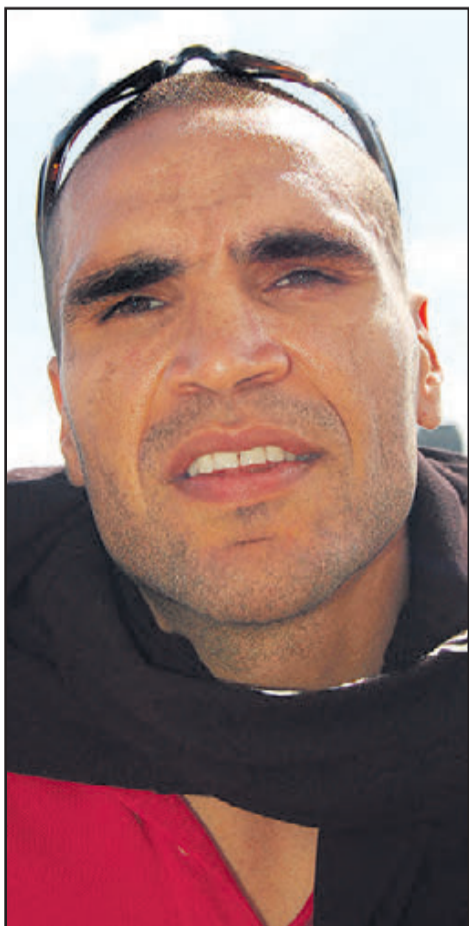
Mundine whipped Green a few years ago and will do it again to finally zip up all the critics' lips.

Mundine is a role-model to our people and is multi-talented sports superstar. He has excelled at both sports he played and was even chased by the Sydney Kings in the NBL over a decade ago.

Green's recent comments have done nothing but make him look silly again, especially talking about helping the Indigenous people and Anthony turning his back on his people.

I think Green's 15 minutes of fame are almost up and he knows it.

BRAD HIGGINS
Gordonvale, Qld



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Looking for answers



By MICHAEL ANDERSON

WHAT happened to the Aboriginal revolution? Money! That's my answer to this question.

Paul Coe, an activist of the 1970s, has commented that the Government cleverly pacified the militant movement.

I believe he is correct. They, the Federal Government, did it through a program of disguised manipulation.

This programming gave to our people a false hope and security.

Former Labor Prime Minister Gough Whitlam said this was 'self-determination', while former Liberal Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser said it had to be 'self-management'.

I recall being propositioned with a very attractive job offer with the former Department of Aboriginal Affairs (DAA). The terms of the offer were for me to go around Australia and into Aboriginal communities setting up Aboriginal organisations, through which funding would be directed to deliver much-needed services such as housing, legal services and welfare services.

Refused

This position did not eventuate for me as I refused it on the basis that the Department of Aboriginal Affairs was about to create a monster.

I refused the position because I was informed that, in setting up these organisations, I would be told the names of people who would run these organisations.

When I walked out, I was told in no uncertain words that I would never work in Aboriginal Affairs again and those who made this comment were, indeed, true to their word.

History shows that they did proceed with the creation of these local organisations, as they popped up like flowers all over the country.

The people of the 1970s militant movement were ostracised if they failed to fall into line and were branded trouble-makers by DAA if they said anything about this process.

What was even worse was the establishment of the Federal Government's Council and Associations Act. This offshoot of DAA was said to be independent of the department's influence but this could not be, when the Registrar of the Act was an appointee from within the department.

It was from within this organisation that the senior administrators of the department could manipulate and control all Aboriginal organisations

throughout Australia, thereby ensuring that the Aboriginal community members would toe the government line.

This was an easy way of controlling Aboriginal people on what government wanted because the Aboriginal people who had been authorised to establish the organisation fought hard to keep control of their operations, much to the disgust of most of their local constituency.

This also gave rise to major divisions within our communities and set family against family. The distrust and mistrust within our communities and the casting of horrible accusations against those who were in charge.

In some cases the charges were warranted but, as Aboriginal people, we know that if someone in a senior government position says something bad about a member of our community, our people are quick to judge the accusation as true. Unfortunately, this has led to the demise of some very good and deserving programs.

Tarnished

In the meantime, many good Aboriginal people have been tarnished through manipulative processes, and recovery within our communities will be a long, hard road.

The result of this destructive force has seen the abolition of many of our community-controlled programs and service delivery.

They were set up to fail and thereby render us incompetent, along with all the other nastiness that we Aboriginal people know and understand if we were part of this in the past 25 years.

Then the 'saviours' came. They were the appointed non-Aboriginal staff who took over community-controlled organisations.

The power of the departments to do this was on the basis of a fundamental change in administrative procedures.

Unfortunately for us, this came at the hand of national organisations like the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC). Despite the leadership of this organisation being elected Aboriginal people, the bureaucracy was Government-owned and not Aboriginal.

In fairness to the elected ATSIC councillors, the process of closing down Aboriginal community-owned and controlled organisations started towards the latter days of DAA when the Registrar of the Aboriginal Councils and Associations Act was very active.

ATSIC, on the other hand, cannot be insulated from blame as they failed to understand the need to keep these organisations operating. In fact, they continued with the process of closing down and de-funding Aboriginal community-controlled organisations amidst a fever of scandals,

accusation, and character assassinations across Australia.

The damage that resulted shut down all Aboriginal movements and some of the people associated with this have planted themselves within government departments and agencies and they now continue to cause havoc for our people all over Australia.

They are the collaborators who now act as the gatekeepers for all governments, never mind who comes to power.

The Aboriginal resistance was stifled because DAA and the subsequent national organisations had launched a very cleverly designed disgracing program which saw many Aboriginal community leaders shamed and tarnished through damaging accusations without trial and access to natural justice to defend themselves.

Now they have to live with this tarnished and disgraced image that was designed to destroy any trust the local community may have had in their leadership.

The growth of the Aboriginal wealth during the period from the 1970s to the 1980s was staggering and with a number of university studies and continued observation, governments realised that if they failed to intervene in some form, Aboriginal Australia could gain economic power that had the potential to establish an Aboriginal power base that was not loyal to Australia as a nation.

Hamstrung

By shutting down key Aboriginal organisations such as land councils and housing companies, Aboriginal economic development was hamstrung and closed down.

All of the assets returned to the Government through organisations such as Indigenous Business Association (IBA). This organisation took control and ownership of all assets of the former ATSIC and its forerunner organisation, the Aboriginal Development Commission, centralising Aboriginal wealth which we as peoples no longer own.

If we take a good look in the mirror so that we can see over our shoulders, we need to ask ourselves 'who were those people in our communities?'

They certainly were not our friends.

● MICHAEL ANDERSON is a Euahlayi man from north-western New South Wales. He is the last surviving member of a group of Aboriginal men who established the Aboriginal Tent Embassy on the lawns of Old Parliament House in Canberra. At the end of January, Mr Anderson convened the first New Way Summit in Canberra (see report TKM, 4 February 2010). Further summits are planned for Sydney over the Easter long weekend and in Melbourne in June.

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

Shepherd's Hill Defence Group Military Installations, The Hill Newcastle (Part Lot 0 SP4203; Part Lot 42 DP152846; Part Lot 78 DP154075; Lot 3116 DP755247 and the interior fabric of the searchlight tunnel)

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

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place. Please post written information to the address below until Friday, 5 March, 2010.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing.

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8534, or Bill Nethery on (02) 9873 8566.

Heritage Council of New South Wales
Locked Bag 5020
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Darug Small Grants Program

The NSW Government has allocated funding for developing Co-management programs between the Darug Aboriginal Community and the Department of Environment Climate Change and Water (DECCW) to act cooperatively as partners for management of parks in Darug Country.

The Darug Small Grants Program aims to provide funding for one to four years to Darug people for projects that assist with delivering the priority issues outlined in *The Darug Peoples Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)* for park and cultural heritage management.

Guidelines and applications for the Darug Small Grants program are available from www.environment.nsw.gov.au/comanagement/DarugSmallGrants.htm and close on **FRIDAY 19th MARCH 2010**.

For more information contact the Strategic Programs Coordinator on 9895 7578 or 0438 412 881.

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Request for Tender Curriculum Development – Advanced Diploma of Indigenous Leadership

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified persons to provide Curriculum Development Services for an Advanced Diploma of Indigenous Leadership.

Opening date: Saturday, 20 February 2010

Closing date: 5.00pm on Friday, 12 March 2010

Enquiries: Please contact Maria Castles, phone: 02 6251 5770 or e-mail: maria@indigenousleadership.org.au

Lodgement: As detailed in the tender documents

Tender documents including submission requirements are available via a link to New Opportunities on the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre's Website.

www.indigenousleadership.org.au



Camels the target of agreement



THE Central Land Council (CLC) has announced the signing of a two-year agreement with Arnhem Meats for the removal of feral camels from an area on the Petermann Land Trust in Central Australia. And it says it's hopeful that more deals can be negotiated for the management of feral camels.

The land council said the agreement had taken a number of years to negotiate and at the time of signing was the only comprehensive, written plan proposing the removal of feral camels in its region that was sufficiently advanced enough for the CLC to put to traditional owners for their consideration.

The agreement with Arnhem Meats will be reviewed after 12 months.

The land council said that while many people claimed to have the ability to process huge numbers of camels, few had actually followed up with written submissions.

The Arnhem Meats plan involves at least a third of the labour requirements being met from local Aboriginal communities in the south-western corner of the Northern Territory.

With more than one million camels estimated to be roaming Central Australia and expected to double within 10 years, the CLC said it would welcome more interested parties developing concrete plans to utilise the resource in co-operation with traditional owners.

WA bus to drive better services



With the new bus are Jonathan Ford, Noongar Elder Theresa Walley, Jasmine Ford, AMA (WA) President Professor Gary Geelhoed, Jasmine's grandmother Rosemary Walley and Brand MP Gary Gray.



The bus is fitted out with a mobile office.



INDIGENOUS families in the Kwinana-Rockingham region in outer Perth should have better access to health, employment and education

programs through a new community bus service.

The eye-catching bus has a mobile office to link Indigenous people with health programs and provide help with literacy, numeracy and basic pre-employment assistance as well as training and employment services.

The bus forms part of the Federal Government's Innovation Fund (an initiative of Job Services Australia) and will operate in partnership with the Western Australian Medical Association (AMA).

Launching the bus recently, local Federal MP Gary Gray said the service would provide a simple yet practical way for local Indigenous people to address barriers to employment and, in turn, improve health and employment opportunities.

Former West Coast Eagles' star Chris Lewis attended the launch and said the community bus service would make it much easier for the local Indigenous community to access essential health and employment services.

"I can't stress enough the difference being fit and healthy makes to getting a good job," Mr Lewis said.

Mr Gray added Kwinana and Rockingham had a large Indigenous population, with limited programs and services designed to meet their needs.

"They are in dire need of assistance and this mobile bus service will offer a family-friendly environment which will be particularly helpful to Indigenous people having difficulty accessing support," he said.

Mr Gray said the Government recognised that closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage through community partnerships and better service delivery was extremely important in addressing health and well-being among Indigenous communities.

AMA (WA) President Professor Gary Geelhoed said the life expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians was intricately linked to poor education, unemployment, overcrowded housing, poor infant diet and high-risk behaviour.

"We're hopeful that initiatives such as the mobile bus service can help break that cycle by improving health, education and employment standards," he said.



Can you help? Searching for the Boer War Aboriginal trackers.

In 1899, Australia sent troops to the Anglo-Boer War in South Africa including five Aboriginal trackers. Four men are believed to have come from Palm Island and one from Burketown, North Queensland.

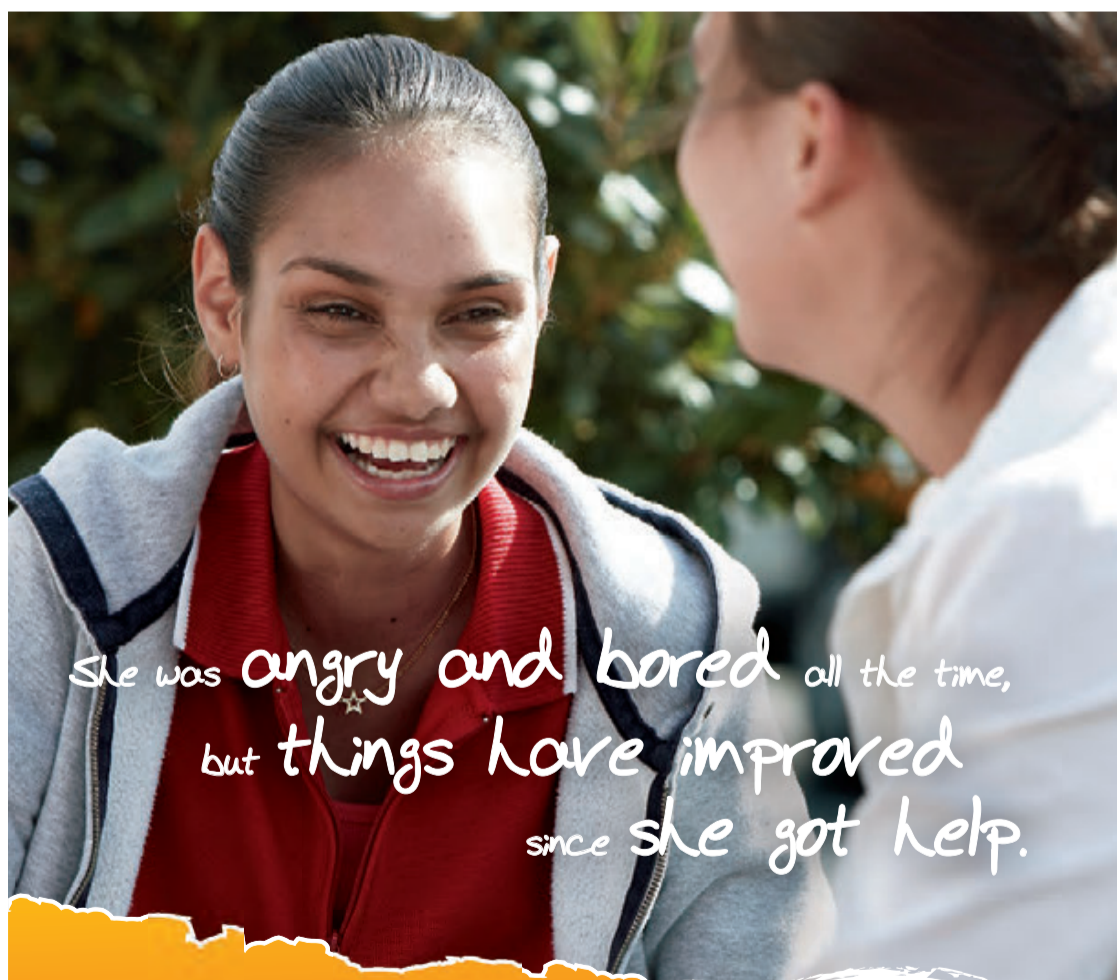
Griffith University Aboriginal researcher Dr Dale Kerwin would like to hear from anyone who has information regarding the fates of these men.

Phone (07) 3735 5884, email d.kerwin@griffith.edu.au or mail to:

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Land handed over to Miriuwung Gajerrong



TWO blocks of land have been handed over to Aboriginal native titleholders in Kununurra, Western Australia.

WA Indigenous Affairs Minister Kim Hames handed over the land titles of 'The Kurrajong Blocks' in Kununurra to the Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong

Dawang Aboriginal Corporation (Miriuwung Gajerrong Corporation), the determined native title holders of the area.

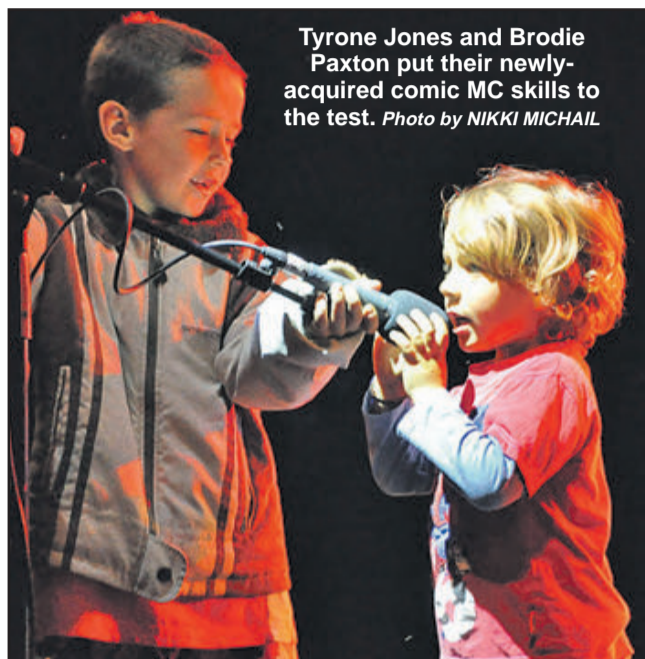
Dr Hames said the two blocks at Lot 55 and Lot 57 Kurrajong Street were being transferred from the Aboriginal Lands Trust (ALT). He said the transfer was in line with policy objectives focused on meeting the aspirations, needs and optimum use of land as a basis for economic opportunity and

independence for Aboriginal people.

"In addition, the transfer of the lots and amendment to unconditional freehold provides the Miriuwung Gajerrong Corporation with all the benefits of a registered proprietor, including security of tenure and the ability to develop the property, increase their capacity to compete in the labour market and broaden their socio-economic environment," he said.

The Minister handed over the titles at a small ceremony attended by local Miriuwung Gajerrong people at Kununurra's Kimberley Grande Hotel.

MG Corporation acting chief executive Bob Taddeo said the transfer was very significant to the Miriuwung Gajerrong people and would enable them to develop the land to improve economic opportunities in the town.



Tyrone Jones and Brodie Paxton put their newly-acquired comic MC skills to the test. Photo by NIKKI MICHAIL



The men and boys perform a dance. Photo by NIKKI MICHAIL

Bruny gets Good Spirit

Pictures and Story by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



GOOD vibes flowed at the second Nayri Niara (Good Spirit) Festival held on Tasmania's Bruny Island earlier this month. Growing from last year's event, the festival brought people together to enjoy an array of activities and a culturally diverse range of music.

Festival director Ruth Langford was thrilled with the results of workshops for the Aboriginal community leading up to the event.

"We had the deadly Sean Choolburra working with youth and looking at sharing stories and performing as an MC," Ms Langford told *The Koori Mail*.

"We invited cultural custodian Leigh Maynard to share a traditional story previously told by one of the old people Woorredy, from Bruny Island, about the creation of Trowunna (Tasmania).

"He worked with a group of children and artist Liz Thompson on the creation of a children's book, which will be published later in the year.

"Men did a song and dance workshop, resulting in a good spirit dance and Cape Barren Goose dance which was performed at the festival."

Ms Langford said women's weaving workshops proved popular.

"The results were stunning,



Funny man Sean Choolburra providing some good laughing material for the audience at the Nayri Niara Festival.

Photo by NIKKI MICHAIL

there are three festival baskets which will be kept for the next festival in 2012," she said.

"It's great to get a feel of all of the country around us, it's important for us to understand that the whole of lunuwunna (Bruny Island) is a special place even though we are gathering to sing and dance at one particular place."

Festival-goers were treated to a range of music including Archie Roach, Ruby Hunter and Dave Arden, Dwayne Everettsmith, Saritah, Penelope Swales, local duo JuRythum, Fabio and Radio

Fire, with front man local Aborigine Andry Sculthorpe.

An entertaining highlight was an eclectic collaboration of local Aboriginal and African dancers, the internationally acclaimed Yidaki (Digeridoo) player Ash Dargan and Junkology, a percussion group with a deadly beat on 'junk'.

Sadly, the headline act will be fondly savoured as Ruby Hunter's last performance in Tasmania (see separate story page 5). Accompanying her partner and soulmate Archie Roach, promoting the launch of his album 1988, Hunter's powerful *Women of the Land* had the entire crowd on their feet – first the women, then the rest of the audience and finally a pair of sea eagles* joined soaring overhead.

Reflecting on Ruby Hunter's passing and the festival, Ruth Langford said she would like to dedicate the festival to her.

"Auntie Ruby brought not only her song, and her story but her immense spirit," she said.

"(Personally), I think the most powerful thing was when Archie Roach sang the song *A Child is Born*, because I love that country and I birthed my baby on the country and how deeply moved I was to have both of them singing and having those amazing rare birds come and bless us."

*The White Bellied Sea Eagle is on the Tasmanian threatened species list, so it is a treat to see a pair. It is believed the species pair with a single partner for life.



Archie Roach and the late Ruby Hunter performing.



Artist Ros Langford explains the meaning of her original artwork which was used to promote the festival, to raffle winner and proud new owner of the piece, local Aboriginal man Sheldon Thomas.



Harley Saunders and Jodie Mansell enjoyed the festival.

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Scholarship recipients celebrate



SUCCESSFUL applicants for Indigenous Business Australia's Scholarship fund attended a celebratory dinner in their honour in Canberra last week, hosted by ABC *Message Stick*'s Miriam Corowa. The IBA Scholarship Fund is an initiative that helps mature-age Indigenous Australians develop their knowledge and skills in business and finance through education, the idea being that this will then contribute to economic development in Indigenous communities.

IBA Chair Dawn Casey presented the awards to the scholarship recipients and said she was proud IBA could provide mature-age Indigenous Australians with opportunities to study and achieve educational qualifications.

"I congratulate the IBA Scholarship recipients on their commitment to study and their community," she said.

"I look forward to hearing about their achievements in furthering economic development within their communities."

Guests at the dinner included scholarship recipients Ross Andrews, Sharon Brady, Yvette Carolin, Kalina Morgan-Whyman, Charmaine Munro and Sam Raciti Mackay, Department of Families and Housing, Community and Indigenous Affairs Secretary Jeff Harmer, IBA board members and staff.

For further information on the IBA Scholarship fund, visit www.iba.gov.au



At the IBA scholarship celebration, front from left, Janita Chapman from Bundaberg, Qld, Charmaine Munro from Worrigeer, NSW, and Sharon Brady from Cairns, Qld, and back from left, Ross Andrews from Cairns, Qld, Kalina Morgan-Whyman from Lilydale, Vic, Sam Raciti from Mackay, Qld, and Yvette Carolin from Anula, NT.

Guide in business



LOOKING for an Indigenous business in Victoria? If so, there's an updated official guide, with the launch last week of the 2010 Victorian Indigenous Business Directory.

The directory, produced by the state's Koori Business Network, lists 120 businesses across 14 industry categories.

Speaking at the launch in Melbourne's Charcoal Lane restaurant, State Small Business Minister Joe Helper said Victoria's Indigenous businesses were thriving.

He told a large gathering at the launch that the number of businesses listed had increased by 50 per cent since the project started three years ago.

Confidence

"More than one quarter of this year's directory represents new business ventures, highlighting the confidence among Victoria's Indigenous population about starting a new business," Mr Helper said.

The Minister's optimism was reflected by Victorian Indigenous Business Excellence Award winner Jodie Sizer, who MCed the launch.

"The Victorian Indigenous Business Directory is more than just a wonderful resource," the principal of the successful Ballarat-based Ingenuity Aboriginal Consultants business group said.

"It's also a celebration of 120 Indigenous business success stories that are rarely mentioned in the mainstream media."

Copies of the directory are available by contacting the Koori Business Network on (03) 9651 9158 or by email at kbn@diird.vic.gov.au



● ABOVE: At the directory launch were Victorian Aboriginal Health Service CEO Rod Jackson, left, KBN Manager Esme Manahan and Victorian Small Business Minister Joe Helper.

● LEFT: Australian Taxation Office officials Maria Cruz-Martinez and Loc Trinh were there.

● RIGHT: Indigenous business directory launch MC Jodie Sizer.



Davis backed for UN forum



PROFESSOR Mick Dodson has endorsed the Federal Government's nomination of

Aboriginal lawyer Megan Davis to join the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII).

Prof Dodson, whose own term on the UNPFII concludes at the end of the year, said Ms Davis was an excellent choice who would serve the forum with distinction if her nomination were successful.

Ms Davis is Director of the Indigenous Law Centre at the University of NSW Faculty of Law, and has extensive experience as an international human rights lawyer. She participated in the drafting of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples



UNPFII nominee Megan Davis.

from 1999-2004.

"Her existing international experience will be a bonus and I am confident she will fiercely and independently

stand up for the rights and fundamental freedoms of all Indigenous peoples wherever located," Prof Dodson said.

"She is just the right person

to be there with the others pursuing the mandate of the forum."

If her nomination is successful, Ms Davis will take up the appointment for three years from 1 January 2011.

Professor Dodson's six-year term as a member of the forum concludes at the end of the year. He has been the community nominated member for the Pacific during that time.

The UNPFII consists of 16 members from around the world chosen for their expertise in various areas. Eight members are chosen by member governments, while the remaining eight are chosen on the nomination of Indigenous groups.

Ms Davis is also an occasional columnist for *The Koori Mail*.

Tweed Heads services win Burney's praise



NSW Minister for Community Services Linda Burney has praised the Tweed Heads-based Aboriginal Fathers' Project and Family Support Worker – Goori Project. Ms Burney said the services, which are run by Bugalwena Health Service and funded by the NSW Government under Families NSW, did a lot of great work helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to improve parenting skills.

"With a focus on young parents and those who are vulnerable, these services aim to equip parents with culturally appropriate tools to strengthen their families," she said.

"These services stand as good models for how to effectively work with Aboriginal families, and the NSW Government is proud to be providing over \$100,000 this financial year to support their work."

During her trip to Tweed Heads, Ms Burney also visited the Kingscliff Mini-School, which is funded by the NSW Government under the Children's Services Program.

She praised the mini-school for successfully nurturing a positive relationship with the local Indigenous community and said up to 30 children aged from three and six attended each day.

"Research shows that a good early childhood learning experience sets children up for life and helps them prepare for big school," the Minister said.

"The service works collaboratively with early intervention and health services to make sure that children are given opportunities to access these services."

Authorisation Meeting

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

The **Barunggam People** invite persons with proven Barunggam Lineage to attend a meeting at the:

Club Hotel Central Motor Inn
131 Heeney Street, Chinchilla QLD 4413
on Sunday 14 March 2010 at 12 noon.

for the purposes of

AUTHORISING
a Native Title Claim for the Barunggam People.

All Barunggam People are welcome to attend.
Lunch will be provided.

The meeting shall be focused on questions of Barunggam law and applicants and is to be held on Sunday 14 March 2010 at 12 noon at the Club Hotel Central Motor Inn, Chinchilla.



Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing

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The Remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Service Development Assistance Panel

Under the Australian Government's \$46 million Indigenous Aged Care Plan, the Department of Health and Ageing will establish a Support Program to give eligible aged care service providers access to a range of capacity building services and professional support.

The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking tenders from capable and experienced organisations to participate on the Remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Service Development Panel (SDAP).

The anticipated contract period will commence on 1 July 2010.

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

Any difficulties accessing this site should be addressed to the

Project Officer: Abel Miles
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Fax: (02) 6289 7805
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Tenders will close at 2pm on 18 March in Canberra.

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Gooda welcomed



MICK GOODA



THE President of the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) has welcomed Mick

Gooda to his five-year term as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner.

Cathy Branson said last week that she looked forward to working with Commissioner Gooda, who was bringing more

than 25 years' experience in Indigenous affairs to the job.

"On behalf of myself and Commissioners Broderick and Innes, I welcome Mick to our human rights family and know he will be a strong and tireless advocate in protecting the human rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Ms Branson said.

Former Commissioner Tom Calma also wished Mr Gooda all the best in his new role, saying

he believed he would take on the new challenge well.

Mr Gooda is a descendant of the Gangulu people of Central Queensland and was previously Chief Executive Officer of the Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health (CRCAH) in Darwin.

He also held membership of the Western Australian Premier's Advisory Council on Racial Discrimination and is the Australian representative on the

International Indigenous Council which focuses on healing and addictions.

"The Australian Human Rights Commission looks forward to the insights and perspectives Mick brings to the role from his many years of advocacy on behalf of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Ms Branson said.

Commissioner Gooda is based in Sydney at the Australian Human Rights Commission.

Maree on the right course to give help



WHEN Maree Lawrence was growing up in country New South Wales, she would often wonder where she really came from.

"I knew I was adopted, but kids at school used to say I was Aboriginal because I had dark hair and eyes and my skin was also dark," she said.

"My school mates called me 'Blackjack'. I would often ask my parents if I had Aboriginal blood in me but they said I was probably just a mix of Spanish.

"But I felt I had more in common with the Indigenous students and would often mix more with them than anyone else."

Later, when Maree married and moved to Brisbane, her husband encouraged her to trace her background and find out who she really was and she contacted the hospital where she was born.

"The hospital confirmed I had been put up for adoption shortly after my birth – I then realised I was a member of the Stolen Generation," she said.

It turned out her mother's family had been packed up and moved from their riverbank camp in country NSW and taken to a mission near Sydney. Her mother went on to have six children and all were removed from her at one stage or another.

"A family friend can remember being in the hospital after I was born and watched as a nurse took me away from the arms of my mother as she fed me," she said.

"Eventually I was adopted by a white family and raised as a white."

Maree's research also uncovered that her mother died in tragic circumstances about five years after the birth and was buried in an unmarked grave.

"An aunty told me where she was buried and took me there, where I just collapsed on the grave and sobbed for about an hour," she said.

"I was crying because I thought maybe if things were different, I could have changed things for her – I could have turned her life around."

Today, Maree is working and raising a family in Maryborough where, with the support of Centrelink Indigenous Services Officer Brenda Williams, she has returned to university to obtain her Bachelor of Human Services (Counselling).

"Brenda has been very supportive



Maree Lawrence ... "I want to help people and I especially want to help the grandchildren of the Stolen Generation – and there are many of them."

in letting me know what assistance I am eligible for while at university and continues to give me on-going support," Maree said.

"I want to help people and I especially want to help the grandchildren of the Stolen Generation – and there are many of them.

"It doesn't stop with those of us that were taken. There are many people who haven't healed and whose anger

and tears carry through to other family members."

Maree believes her life experience has brought her to where she is now.

"I feel like I've come full circle – I've been able to heal and move on with my life and now I have the opportunity to help others heal," she said.

Centrelink has a network of Indigenous services officers available to help all Indigenous residents. For more details phone 13 63 80.

Reconciliation Award for Business now open in Qld



QUEENSLAND businesses and community organisations leading the way in reconciliation have been encouraged to nominate for a 2010 Reconciliation Award for Business.

Last year's awards showcased a range of initiatives and winners and included Qantas, which has increased its Indigenous staff by 25 per cent as part of its Reconciliation Action Plan, and the Drumley Walk, an annual four-day walking pilgrimage from Beaudesert to Southport, which allows Indigenous and other people to share stories and learn about nature and local history.

Other winners were a partnership between Warner Village Theme Parks and the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, which offers traineeships to Indigenous youth from remote communities, and Western Cape Centre Ltd, which fosters reconciliation through providing cultural awareness training for people working in the Cape York region.

Premier Anna Bligh said the awards were now in their eighth year and she encouraged everybody to apply.

"It doesn't matter how big or small your organisation is," she said. "I am sure the 2010 nominees will bring to the forefront more successful reconciliation projects."

Awards ambassador Indigenous role model Nadine McDonald-Dowd said it was terrific to see so many organisations from diverse industries taking positive steps towards strengthening reconciliation in Qld.

"These projects all acknowledge our past and help pave the way for a better future," she said.

Ms McDonald-Dowd has facilitated Indigenous programs for Qld Government departments, city and regional councils as well as many festivals and is currently the senior producer for the Creative Communities Program for the Brisbane Festival.

The awards offer total prizemoney of \$25,000 across five categories: Emerging Business, Established Business, Community Organisation, Partnerships and the overall Premier's Reconciliation Award for Business.

Award winners will be announced at a presentation ceremony during Reconciliation Week in May.

Nominations close Friday 12 March. For more information or to download a nomination form, visit www.reconciliation.qld.gov.au or telephone (07) 3033 0672. The awards program forms part of the Queensland Government's commitment to the 2009-2012 Reconciliation Action Plan.



ANNA BLIGH

National Apology Anniversary



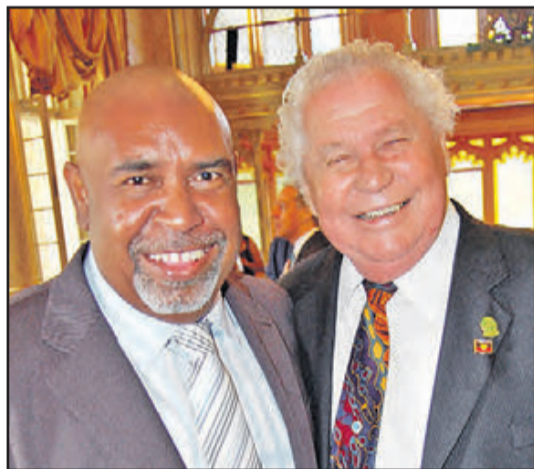
Ivan Clarke and Ryan Sadler of NSW Link Up, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, Michael McLeod of Message Stick Communications, and NSW Governor Marie Bashir.



Susan Bell, Glenda Simon, Perry Rook, Marcelle Hoff and Cindy Duncan, all from Link Up NSW.



ABSEC Chief Executive Bill Pritchard and Lola Edwards, secretary of the Stolen Generations Council NSW/ACT.



Victor Morgan, of Liverpool, with former NSW Parliamentary Secretary for Aboriginal Affairs Colin Markham.

Governor hosts Sydney brekkie

By DARREN COYNE



IVAN CLARKE lost his hair but gained a life-long friend after his first day at primary school.

Having been 'taken' at five years of age following the death of his father in prison, and then his mother while in foster care, Mr Clarke and his brother were found to have head lice on their first day at school.

As was the practice, those in charge of the religious institution they were living in decided to shave the heads of the young Aboriginal boys.

"A big white boy came up and asked to have his head shaved too, and when they asked why he said 'because they'll cop it at school tomorrow'.

So began a friendship which survives to this day. "He builds houses and when he builds a house he always builds a room for me," he said. "You could say we're the poster boys of reconciliation."

Mr Clarke was speaking at a breakfast gathering of Stolen Generations

members, hosted by NSW Governor Marie Bashir at Government House in Sydney last week.

Corporate leaders and members of the Stolen Generations, along with Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, attended the breakfast organised by Michael McLeod of Message Stick Communications.

He urged those attending to have a yarn and shake the hand of the person sitting next to them.

"That's how to make the apology (from Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in 2008) work," he said.

Opportunity

Ms Macklin seized an opportunity to announce funding of \$585,000 to develop the leadership skills of the Stolen Generations to support them as positive role models in the community.

"As part of this package the Government will deliver 10 scholarships totalling \$81,000, for members of the Stolen Generations to undertake a Certificate II in Indigenous Leadership at

the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre," she said.

"This funding will also help promote the development of current and emerging Indigenous leaders by providing workshops, the launch of the Bringing Them Home Oral History Project web page, which will see up to 60 oral histories made available online.

"We have also established the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation to give Indigenous people support and ownership; to help them overcome the cycle of trauma and grief arising from forced removals and other past government policies.

"Its focus is on grassroots healing initiatives and preventative health, education and skills training."

Ms Macklin said more Australians than ever wanted to have a relationship with Indigenous Australians.

"It's up to all of us to lead the way, to build on this goodwill. To use the precious legacy of the Apology to discard old perceptions and embrace a new future," she said.

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Melissa Brickell and Auntie Maria Starcevic.



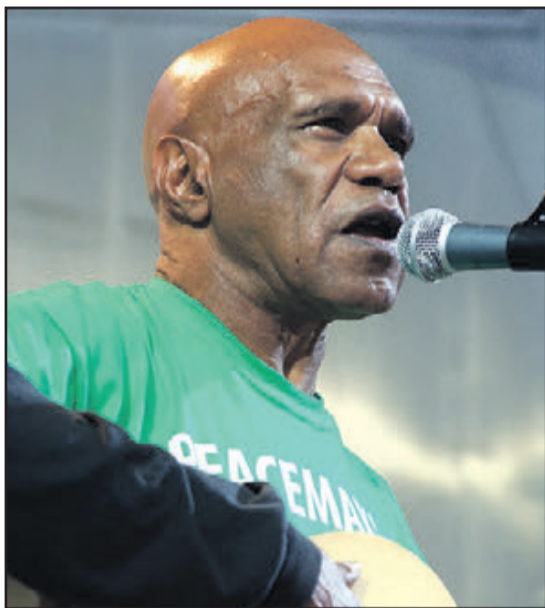
Annita Marks, Leigh Marks, Lyn Austin and Frank John Wandin were at the Melbourne gathering.



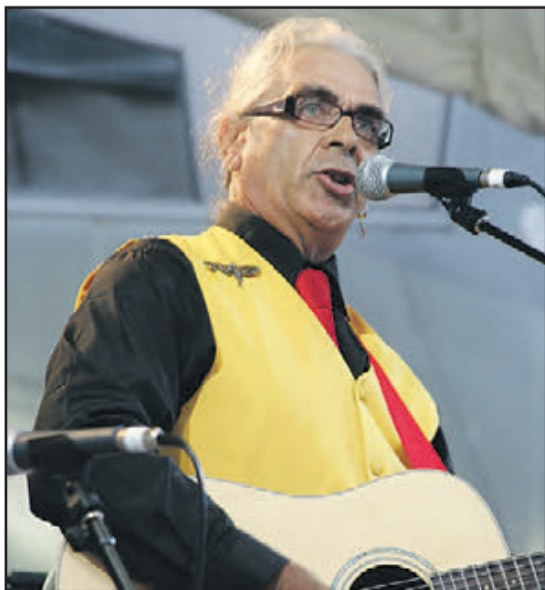
Matty Weegberg played a didgeridoo solo for the crowd at Federation Square.

Support call in Melbourne

By TODD CONDIE



Archie Roach was among the performers.



Brian Morley on stage.



TWO years after the historic national apology by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd to the Stolen Generations, Aboriginal people in Victoria are still seeking additional resources to continue their journey of healing.

While many Aboriginal people celebrated and remember fondly the simple act of the leader of the nation acknowledging and apologising for past government policies designed to remove children from their families and culture, there are concerns that the goodwill generated is beginning to dissipate.

'Reparations, restitution and rehabilitation' was the call at the Woorrbadinda* Concert at Federation Square in Melbourne's city centre, commemorating the second anniversary of the national apology.

Despite the apology, people like 76-year-old Auntie Maria Starcevic, who was taken from her mother at Fitzroy in Melbourne when she was two, still cannot understand why she was taken.

"My mother was Aboriginal, and her 'punishment' for giving birth to me was to be sent to the Good Shepherd Convent for 'wayward' girls," Auntie Maria said.

"I met my mother for the first time when I was in my 30s, and it was sad because too much time had passed, and it was hard to make a connection."

Auntie Maria said many members of the Stolen Generations harboured a lot of internal guilt as they often blamed their mothers and fathers for not loving and caring for them, based on incorrect or sparse information supplied by foster parents and government institutions, and then often found out later that their parents were continually trying to contact and reunite with their children. "Two years on, there are so many promises made by the Federal Government which have not been kept," she said.



A section of the crowd at Federation Square recall the moment of the apology.



Noelene Douglas and Maria Smith travelled from regional Victoria to be with other Stolen Generations members.

Auntie Maria said it was difficult not to be cynical about the slow response, adding that 'maybe the Government is waiting for all us old people to die off before they actually do something'.

"No matter what the Government does, all the members of the Stolen Generation are one big family, and we will continue to

support each other because we know exactly who we are, and what we are," she said.

Brian Morley, who performed with his band at Federation Square, and was removed, along with his brother and sister, from his mother in Horsham in regional Victoria when he was two years old, agreed with Auntie Maria in his incomprehension of the reasoning behind his removal.

"I didn't see my mother again until I was 35," Mr Morley said.

"And it was not like my mother was living in a hovel. She was gainfully employed for 20 years as a maid at the Victoria Hotel in Dimboola."

Mr Morley, who did not know he was adopted until he was 16, found out about his background when he was 28 through Stolen Generations organisation, Link Up, and says that the removal practices represented 'cultural genocide without the bullets'.

* 'Woorrbadinda' is a Woiwurrung expression of 'sincere and painful regret'. It is pronounced 'woora-bud-din-da'.

Elders take part

By CHRISTINE HOWES



'UNFINISHED business'. That's how former Daintree mission dormitory resident Betty Gibson sees Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's handling of the national apology to Indigenous

Australians two years ago.

"I get a bit upset because I believe the dormitories should still be investigated ... the missionaries did a lot of hurting," Ms Gibson told *The Koori Mail*.

"To me, the way we were just taken away and put into that dormitory ... I know the government (of the day) knew something about that but they had a shut-eye towards it. I believe the missionaries and the government worked together and they wanted it all to be hush-hush."

Mrs Gibson was one of a dozen or more Cairns-based Elders who marked the anniversary of the national apology at a morning tea hosted by Wuchopperen Health Service (WHS).

Wuchopperen Chair Julianne Boneham said the apology was significant and inspirational.

"Mr Rudd's apology was a significant event in Australia and has given some recognition to the pain and suffering that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have endured since the colonisation of our country," she said.

"The apology was an inspiration for us, it will help us to go towards much more empowerment and also self-determination so we do have better education, health, quality of life and to also help close the gap."

Federal MP Jim Turnour said the apology was a very special day, 'but it was only a beginning'.

"I would like to see this day grow to become a great celebration because I think it will, as time evolves, be recognised as a very important day in this nation," he said.

Cairns-based participant Arnold Willis said he wanted to thank the Government for the apology.

"For me as an Indigenous man, I've seen the grief of a lot of our Elders. I've seen the marginalisation of a lot of our people and our attempts to progress, and I



One of the tables at the Wuchopperen Health Service morning tea in Cairns, north Queensland, and, right, Betty Gibson.

guess I've seen the impacts of that on my children and grandchildren," he said.

"I wanted to thank the Federal Government for its apology. I think a lot of people waited for that and have been able to move forward redeemed."

Brett Ambrym, from the Mamu Health Service in Innisfail, also congratulated the Government, saying the fact people were there celebrating the day showed they had

the potential to move on.

"My biggest thing to come out of today is that it's two years on ... where are we going from here, what is happening since that apology?" he said.

WHS senior health worker (aged care) Eslyn Wargent said that at the Elders' request they would try to hold regular morning teas at the health service for the elderly.



Stories of the Stolen launched

By BRITTA LYSTER



ON 13 February 2008, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd described the national apology to Indigenous Australians as an

opportunity for 'the nation to turn a new page in Australia's history by righting the wrongs of the past and so moving forward with confidence in the future'.

Mr Rudd apologised for the profound grief, loss and suffering caused by the forced removal of Aboriginal children.

Two years down the track, the people of Lake Macquarie in the NSW Hunter region chose to commemorate the day by showcasing Yapang Marruma, Making our Way (Stories of the Stolen), launched and hosted by Lake Macquarie City Council (LMCC) at its chambers in Speers Point.

The award-winning exhibition, established and hosted in consultation with the council's Aboriginal reference group, featured a display of archival material and localised, highly personal journeys.

The exhibition also coincided with the screening of the short film *Why Me?* which



Pictured at the launch of Yapang Marruma, Making our Way (Stories of the Stolen) are, from left, Donna Fernando, Auntie Laurel Williams, Angela Pearce, Selena Archibald and Alison Edwards.

features five Aboriginal people and explores the impact of child removal policies and practices.

The film attempts to put a human face on a dark chapter in Australia's history and shows the different ways people have come

to terms with their separation from family, land and country and have attempted to move on.

LMCC community development officer Jake Chatfield said such events increased cultural sensitivity and awareness and supported reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians.

"We have attempted to make this exhibition as accessible as possible to everyone and encouraged community members who would not normally attend such an event to be able to not only access it but also take something really positive away from it," he said. "It is events like these that will now hopefully encourage local, State and Federal governments to build on the foundation we and many others have provided and move forward in a positive way for both the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people alike."

Mr Chatfield hopes this year's commemorative events will be the first of many for LMCC, providing a strong foundation for a solid working relationship with the local Aboriginal community, being part of the second largest urban Indigenous population in NSW.

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Funny business!

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



'GET ready to laugh your moom off' as Deadly Funny workshops roll into towns across the country in preparation for the national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander comedy competition.

Yorta Yorta man and Deadly Funny producer Jason Tamiru said that for first-timers and aspiring Indigenous comedians wanting to get into the industry, the Deadly Funny workshops were 'a must' as they offered pathways into the comedy world.

"This is my fourth year with Deadly Funny and it's been unreal. Indigenous comedians have so much to offer. It's a hard industry to crack and for a long time we've been left out but this competition encourages people to use their own unique identity as blackfellas," Mr Tamiru said.

From January until March the Melbourne International Comedy Festival will be sending comedians to Indigenous communities across the country to hold free workshops and community showcase gigs with emerging performers in search of the best up-and-coming stand-up talent. From there the best from each state and territory will go on to compete in the Deadly Funny national grand final in



2009 Deadly Funny grand finalists. The winner last year was Shiralee Hood (pictured middle holding cheque).

Melbourne on 10 April.

"We come from a different world, the way we communicate, our family systems, the competition allows people to be themselves and reflect where they come from,

takes the shame out of it. It's done in a supportive and encouraging environment and most leave with a sense of confidence.

"It makes the steps a lot easier and takes the stress and shame out of it."

Mr Tamiru said mainstream audiences and critics had taken to the Indigenous performers over the years, with some positive outcomes.

"The thing I would say to first-timers thinking about taking the next step is just go out and be yourself. You don't have to change and that's the good thing about Deadly Funny, it really produces and celebrates our unique humour."

'The thing I would say to first-timers thinking about taking the next step is just go out and be yourself' – Jason Tamiru

their stories," Mr Tamiru said.

"If you do the work and are committed to the process, then it can be a very rewarding experience.

"The workshops provide the tools to become a really good stand-up performer but it also



Yorta Yorta man and Deadly Funny Producer Jason Tamiru.

NT council's poll lobbying gets results



LOBBYING for an overhaul of the Northern Territory's Local Government election system has paid off for the Central Desert Shire Council with news that a consultative review of the system will be completed by mid year.

Local Government Minister Malarndirri McCarthy wrote that she expected the terms of reference of the review to be drawn up 'early in the new year'.

Central Desert Shire Council's Nyirripi Advisory Board had asked the council last November to advocate for a system that made it easier for candidates from small communities to be elected to council.

The council wrote to the Minister in December following a presentation from Dr Will Sanders of the Centre of Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR) of the Australian National University (ANU). Dr Saunders' research findings showed that the NT's current 'exhaustive preferential' vote counting system unfairly disadvantaged candidates from smaller communities, such as Nyirripi.

Shire President Norbert Patrick said the council would work with the Government towards a fairer local government election system.

"I want to thank the Minister for listening to the evidence, as well as to our communities, and for taking prompt action," Mr Patrick said.

The next NT Local Government elections will be in 2012.



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Public notice

Proposed Hancock Coal Rail Corridor

The Coordinator-General has received an application from Hancock Coal Pty Ltd (Hancock) under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (the Act) relating to the proposed Alpha Coal Project to have a coal rail corridor approved under section 125(1)(f) as an Infrastructure Facility of Significance.

Hancock is proposing a 495 kilometre rail corridor for a standard gauge, stand alone railway line and ancillary facilities (the Facility) designed to transport significant quantities of bulk coal from Hancock's Alpha Coal Project mine to the western boundary of the Abbot Point State Development Area.

Hancock wishes to acquire land (including any easements) necessary and desirable for the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of the Facility by consultation and agreement with the relevant Landholders and Native Title Parties.

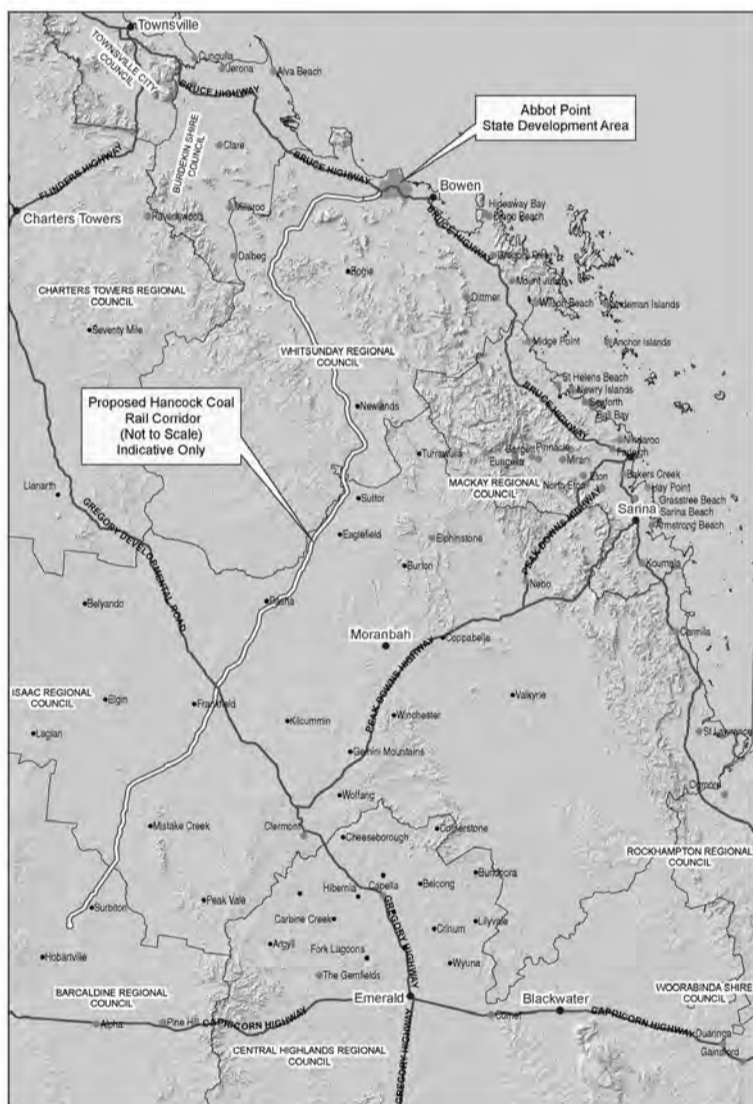
Hancock intends to commence land acquisition discussions following finalisation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the project and after all relevant government approvals have been obtained.

Section 125(1)(f) of the Act provides that the Governor-in-Council may approve by Gazette notice that an infrastructure facility has significance, particularly economically or socially to Australia, Queensland or the region in which the facility is to be constructed. An approval by the Governor-in-Council represents the first step in a process under which the Coordinator-General may, to the extent he is lawfully able to do so, compulsorily acquire land (or easements) and native title for the Facility should voluntary negotiations be unsuccessful.

These negotiations must meet the requirements of the Guidelines made under the Act and, in particular, subsequent steps in the compulsory acquisition process cannot be commenced unless Hancock is able to demonstrate that reasonable attempts have been made to reach voluntary agreements with Landholders and Native Title Parties.

Under section 125(2) and (3) of the Act, when considering whether an infrastructure facility would be of economic or social significance, the potential for the facility to contribute to community wellbeing and economic growth or employment levels must be taken into account. When assessing these potentials, the contribution the infrastructure facility makes to agriculture, industrial, resource or technological development in Australia, Queensland or the region is a relevant consideration.

The map shows the approximate location of the land which may be affected by the Facility (the Affected Land). To construct and operate the Facility, Hancock requires certain interests in the Affected Land, primarily a nominally 500 metre wide and 495 kilometre long corridor of land.



The Affected Land description is based on Hancock's preferred alignment and its best knowledge at the date of the Application. The final route will be determined during further assessments, such as detailed on-site topographic studies. The declaration of an Infrastructure Facility of Significance will not in any way constitute approval or endorsement of the proposed alignment under the EIS.

Hancock's final decision to develop the Alpha Coal Project (including the proposed Facility) is expected this year after completing a Bankable Feasibility Study and subject to obtaining all government approvals. The declaration of an Infrastructure Facility of Significance will not in any way constitute approval or endorsement of the project.

The Coordinator-General is now seeking submissions from person(s) who may be affected by the Facility. Written submissions must be lodged by **5 pm Monday 22 March 2010** and addressed to:

The Coordinator General
c/- Project Manager, Hancock Coal Rail Corridor
Infrastructure and Economic Development
Department of Infrastructure and Planning
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Fax (07) 3229 7315
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The Application can be viewed at www.hancockcoal.com.au and a CD Rom is available on request.

Persons or groups with special communication needs who wish to comment on the proposed Infrastructure Facility of Significance should contact the Project Manager, Hancock Coal Rail Corridor on (07) 3405 5452 to make alternative arrangements.

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Housing reforms

THE New South Wales and West Australian Governments have announced reforms in Aboriginal housing.

NSW Minister for Housing David Borger last week announced the Build and Grow Aboriginal Community Housing Strategy, a framework he said would improve housing outcomes for Aboriginal people in NSW.

"The Build and Grow Strategy provides a new registration system for providers in the Aboriginal community housing sector to ensure the highest standards are in place to service tenants," Mr Borger said in a statement.

"Providers that earn approval through this registration system will be in a strong position to deliver quality, affordable housing through operating subsidies, repairs and maintenance, and business development."

Mr Borger said the 'extensive reform agenda' was possible due to funding for backlog maintenance of \$100 million under the new Remote Indigenous Housing National Partnership Agreement between the NSW and Australian Governments and NSW Government funding of an equivalent amount.

Under the reforms, around 4,300 Aboriginal community housing dwellings will receive backlog maintenance to their houses at an estimated cost of \$130,000.

He said the reforms were also expected to result in increased rental revenue in around five years time for Aboriginal community housing providers by around \$7 million annually.

As well, operating subsidies in the vicinity of \$50 million over ten years would be allocated to eligible Aboriginal community housing providers, and organisations that do not pass the assessment process would be offered the opportunity to head lease their dwellings to the Aboriginal Housing Office which will sublease the properties to an approved provider.



NSW Minister for Housing David Borger

Meanwhile, on the other side of the country, the West Australian Government announced it would boost funding for its low-cost home loans as part of a major overhaul of the system under its Housing 2020 reform agenda.

Housing Minister Troy Buswell announced the \$25 million funding injection, estimating it could double the number of loans available to all shared equity customers in 2009-10.

Under the new system, four existing schemes would be consolidated and renamed the Step Up Home Ownership Scheme, which would be run by the State Government's home lending arm, Keystart.

The move would harmonise eligibility and lending criteria for loans to people with disabilities, sole parents, public housing tenants and Aboriginal borrowers.

Mr Buswell said as part of the changes, a dedicated network of Indigenous regional brokers would also be established to assist Aboriginal borrowers.

"The improved scheme will help reduce the financial barriers often faced by low income households when trying to buy a home," he said.

Interpreters in training



SA FOR the first time in South Australia, Indigenous students are being trained as interpreters through a Diploma of Interpreting, with seven students completing their qualification in December.

The Indigenous languages interpreting course has been running over the last 18 months at TAFE SA (Adelaide South Institute), which is the only institute offering training in interpreting and translating in SA.

TAFE SA has offered flexible delivery and online learning to overcome the challenge of reaching students in remote areas.

TAFE SA Adelaide South Institute Interpreting Program Educational Manager Jenice Wheeler said TAFE SA lecturer Barry McDonald had extensive experience in the area, a deep understanding and knowledge of

Australian Indigenous culture and languages, and was well respected by the Indigenous community.

He has been assisted by one of the course's first graduates, Inawantji Scales, whose Indigenous ties had been crucial to the project's success, she said.

The program was conducted in regional and remote locations with assistance and co-operation of regional TAFE SA campus staff and managers.

Meetings between TAFE SA, the Women and Children's Hospital and the SA Child Protection Service were held throughout 2009, to develop protocols for interpreters in interviews with Aboriginal children who are suspected victims of abuse. Special training in this area will be conducted in 2010 for the Diploma students and also for practising interpreters.

The Diploma of Interpreting is a continuous enrollment program offered through 2010 and beyond.

Funding aims to promote harmony



COMMUNITY groups will share in more than \$1.2 million of Federal funding to help promote multicultural activities around the country.

Parliamentary Secretary for Multicultural Affairs Laurie Ferguson said the Government had received

successful applications from 28 groups for this year's Diverse Australia grants program.

In Western Australia, the Juluwarlu Group Aboriginal Corporation will get \$50,000 to help local Indigenous, non-Indigenous and migrant groups explore issues affecting their communities through film.

Creativity Australia in Victoria has been granted the same amount to run its Singing for Sunshine community choir, which unites migrants from Africa and Asia.

The Auburn Central project in NSW will receive \$49,000 to foster social connections between local residents from Turkish, Lebanese, Chinese,

Afghan, Korean and Iraqi backgrounds.

"The arts, music and sport are all terrific mediums through which people can build networks and strengthen a sense of belonging for all," Mr Ferguson said in a statement.

The grants, announced last Monday, come in the lead up to Harmony Day on March 21. - AAP

Shire leader in call on values



Barkly Shire President Rosalie Kunoth-Monks



FRESHLY sworn in as President of the Barkly Shire, one of the Northern Territory's most senior women, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks, has called on Australians to

'stand together respecting our values and cultural diversity'.

"Whatever your background, I believe that today we must pause and recognise the traditional owners of the land ... who have journeyed many times across this vast land without aid of compass, vehicle or stockhorse, my ancestors who cared for the land many generations before there was an 'Australia' as we know it today," said Ms Kunoth-Monks in Tennant Creek on Australia Day.

"There are many sad times in the history of the past 220 or so years where my people remember tragic events, the hunting and killing of many of our ancestors, the Stolen Generations where young children were taken from their families."

Ms Kunoth-Monks - remembered by many as one of the stars of the historic film *Jedda* - travelled from her homeland near Utopia to tell a large breakfast audience that we must recognise the 'resilience of the Australian spirit' in respecting values and diversity.

The Tennant Creek ceremony celebrated Aboriginal cultures of the Barkly region, in which 12 Aboriginal languages are spoken.

Ms Kunoth-Monks also conducted a moving naturalisation ceremony for Mara Binevska, from Macedonia.



"People like Mara are amazingly brave, leaving their homelands to come to a strange land with a strange language," she said.

"It reminds me as a little girl when I had to leave my Alyawarr-speaking community."

Also honoured as Young Citizen of the Year was 12-year-old Savannah White who saved her two-year-old brother Stephan Dargan from a burning car in October last year.

● Pictured above: Barkly Shire President Rosalie Kunoth-Monks and Mara Binevska.

● Pictures right: Citizen of the Year Savannah White and her little brother Stephan Dargan.



Breannah Jeffries with her Young Citizen of the Year Award.

Photo by Cheryl McAlister

Honour to Cowra's Breannah



INDIGENOUS high school student Breannah Jeffries, 17, was named Cowra's Young Citizen of the Year at the town's 2010 Australia Day activities.

Breannah is currently in Year 12 at Cowra High School (CHS), in central-western NSW, where she is undertaking her HSC studies. Last year she helped tutor Indigenous students in Year Seven to improve their reading and was also a leader at the 'Read With Me' day organised to promote the benefits of reading to Cowra's Koori community.

On top of volunteering for many youth, Indigenous and cultural groups, Breannah is also active in sport and has participated at the regional level in netball, swimming and athletics.

Leadership

Breannah is a school prefect and has also been involved with leadership, support programs and public speaking. Raising more than \$4500 for charity in last year's Deb of the Year competition is another of Breannah's achievements.

"It was so great to be recognised for all the efforts that I've put in over the last year or so," she said.

"I wanted to do it, I wasn't forced to. I wanted to participate in bringing the community together and try to make a difference, like with the tutoring, trying to get the students to be more confident readers and help their self-esteem."

Co-ordinator of Aboriginal Programs at CHS Cheryl McAlister said the community was proud to have such a caring and energetic young citizen.

"I'd like to warmly congratulate Breannah on receiving this prestigious honour of Young Citizen of the Year," she said.

Fierce Ball feature of Mardi Gras



LOOKING to glam it up this weekend? Why not drag yourself to the Fierce Ball in Sydney, an Indigenous Mardi Gras event. Organised by the

House of BlackSTAR, the group that threw last year's Indigenous Mardi Gras party, the evening will be headlined by drag diva Peppermint, from the United States, and New York DJ Corey Craig.

Kicking off at 8pm, the Fierce Ball will also have a host of local performers, as well as fashion parades and other features. The ball will be held at The Loft Bar, University of Technology Sydney, 15 Broadway, Ultimo.

But for those wanting to take part in the Mardi Gras parade itself, ACON's Aboriginal Project team leader Meggan Grose is organising a float, which will feature up to 80 people. There'll also be a parade car

for Elders, with the car supplied by the Redfern Aboriginal Medical Service. Ms Grose said anyone wanting to take part in the Indigenous float should contact James on (02) 9206 2118 as soon as possible.



Sharing her research



UNIVERSITY of Queensland psychology graduate Katherine Williams attended Melbourne University's recent Summer School after being invited to share her research into learning disorders faced by young Indigenous students.

"My passion is to help young Indigenous students overcome learning disorders to improve their chances of getting a better education," she said.

"I've been collecting data from three Indigenous schools in Brisbane and it will be good to see if my research sparks any interest.

"It looks at the influence of environmental factors, trauma and family function on Indigenous students.

"I'm hoping it could lead to a collaboration of research with other experts in their field."

Ms Williams has been employed by Centrelink in Brisbane since 2007 when she entered the organisation as part of its graduate program.

She's currently working within Centrelink's Human Resources section while she completes her doctorate in Clinical and Neuro Psychology.

She attended Melbourne University's Summer School from 8-12 February, presenting her research to some of the nation's top academics, and said it was an 'amazing forum' and she was looking forward to feedback.

"Ultimately I'm hoping my research may also be useful in developing a training program for schools to help young Indigenous students overcome learning disabilities," she said.



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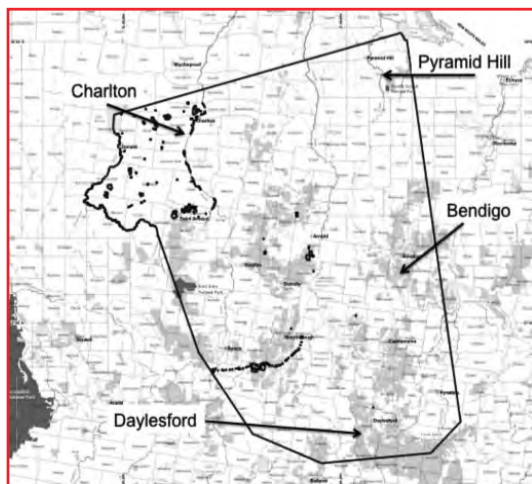
NATIVE TITLE MEETING CENTRAL VICTORIA

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Venue: The Comfort Inn Bendigo Central Deborah 177 High Street, Bendigo, VIC, 3550



The meeting will discuss negotiations that are underway, pursuant to the *Victorian Native Title Settlement Framework*, regarding an agreement to settle this native title claim. If the negotiations are successful the people that hold native title rights in the area shown in the map below may withdraw their native title claim in exchange for an agreement with benefits (such as transfer of land, joint management of parks/reserves, funding for a corporation, cultural measures and more).

Native Title Services Victoria is the organisation that assists native title holders in relation to native title matters across Victoria, including negotiating native title settlements. Native Title Services Victoria is organising this meeting.

If you would like more information about this meeting please call Drew Berick (Community Liaison Officer) at Native Title Services Victoria on **1800 791 779**.

Crisis takes toll in Qld



ONE in ten Queenslanders looking for help from community and welfare organisations is turned away, a national community sector survey has revealed.

The survey of 583 agencies shows that of those turned away, 44 per cent are seeking youth services and 35 per cent are seeking financial support. Indigenous people and single parents were groups identified as being particularly vulnerable.

Queensland Council of Social Service (QCOSS) Director Jill Lang said the effects of the global financial crisis were reflected in the survey results. She said

agencies turned away 263,922 people who were eligible for services, although it was encouraging that turn-away figures had decreased by 16 per cent on the previous year.

"A significant effect of the (economic) downturn means there is a large increase in the unmet needs of young people and those looking for material or financial support," she said.

Services

"More than half of the organisations surveyed said they are unable to meet demand for services. And 61 per cent are targeting their services more tightly to ration tight resources.

"The report also highlights

the needs of Indigenous people who are likely to use services because health and welfare outcomes for Indigenous people continue to be lower than for non-Indigenous Australians. Because there are a greater number of Indigenous people with a disability they're more than twice as likely to need help with core daily activities."

The Australian Council of Social Service (ACoSS) Australian Community Sector Survey provides an overview of the non-profit community services and welfare sector. QCOSS member organisations in Queensland were included in the survey.

The full report is available at www.acoss.org.au



Jacob Boehme performs his dance piece Lu'arn.



Jarrah band members Skye Taikato and Gavin Somers.



Stan Dryden playing didgeridoo at the festival.



Works in the 'Confined' exhibition.

Festival attracts thousands

By KERRI-LEE HEGARTY



THE month-long Yalukit Willam Ngargee: People Place Gathering festival in the Melbourne suburb of St Kilda has drawn to a close.

The main festival day on 6 February featured emerging and established Aboriginal, Torres Strait Island, Polynesian and Indian musicians and dancers, interactive programs, children's activities and a wide selection of affordable arts and other wares.

It was the fifth time the annual bayside festival had been held, as part of St Kilda festival program.

Indigenous musicians, and visual and performing artists took part in the event including the Joe Geia Band, Bart Willoughby, Rachel Wirrpunda, Skye Taikato, Drew Namok, and dancer Nikki Ashby.

The Koori Night Markets stall-holders were also busy selling their wares on the main festival day and displayed their colourful array of artworks of all shapes and sizes in one large space.

A popular part of the festival was the exhibition 'Confined' featuring visually stunning artworks created by Indigenous prisoners.

Festival Director and City of Port Phillip Indigenous arts officer Bo Svoronos told *The Koori Mail* that the main festival day attracted thousands of people.

The passionate arts worker said he was 'so fortunate to be working with all these great people to pull it off seamlessly'.

"And to be able to provide a space for people to perform and to promote our music and sell their wares and come together and have a laugh and a dance," he said.

"There were certain moments where you can see certain connections between people developing... Personally, I enjoyed the Lu'arn dance piece (an adaptation of traditional men's lore story) as told by Boon Wurrung Elder Aunty Carolyn Briggs.

"I think people really enjoyed (Jacob Boehme's) performance and people have been watching the production grow."



Maree Murfet from Corrections Victoria at the opening.



Festival Director and City of Port Phillip Indigenous arts officer Bo Svoronos.



Boon Wurrung Elder Aunty Carolyn Briggs gave a welcome to country at the opening of Confined.

Dukes named first CEO of peak body



CRAIG Dukes has been appointed first CEO of Indigenous Allied Health Australia (IAHA) which was

incorporated in June last year as the peak allied health body for Indigenous people in Australia.

IAHA board chair James Charles said Mr Dukes, the former Director of the Allied Health Workforce Section at the Department of Health and Ageing, would play an important role in developing and driving strategies to achieve equality in health for Indigenous Australians through allied health.

"IAHA's goal is to facilitate a



'I'm immensely excited and honoured to be appointed as the CEO of such a dynamic and visionary organisation'

– Indigenous Allied Health Australia's Craig Dukes

comprehensive range of culturally appropriate, accessible and affordable allied health services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their communities," Mr Charles said.

"Craig's knowledge of, and experience in working in Indigenous health will enable IAHA to achieve this goal."

Mr Dukes said that since being established in June last year, IAHA already had a large Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander membership. The first board comprises Indigenous allied health professionals representing dietetics, exercise sport sciences, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physiotherapy,

podiatry, social work, speech pathology, radiography and psychology.

"I believe that IAHA has major potential, through its membership, to achieve its vision for equality in health for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," Mr Dukes said.

"I'm immensely excited and

honoured to be appointed as the CEO of such a dynamic and visionary organisation."

Indigenous allied health professionals and students are eligible to be full members of IAHA. Non-Indigenous allied health professionals and students and Indigenous health professionals who are not allied health professionals are eligible to be associate members.

Visit the website www.indigenousalliedhealth.com.au for discussion forums and resource materials in the members' section. IAHA receives financial assistance from the Federal Department of Health and Ageing.

Football fans get health checks message



Former league star Steve Renouf joins Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon at the NRL Indigenous All Stars game to promote health checks.



FORMER rugby league star Steve Renouf teamed up with Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon at the

Indigenous All Stars rugby league game on the Gold Coast on 13 February to promote free health checks for those at risk of chronic disease.

The two handed out brochures and spoke with fans before the match as a series of messages were broadcast over the big screen encouraging people to register with their local Aboriginal medical service for regular health checks.

Mr Snowdon said the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) organised the event to promote positive health messages for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

"The Rudd Government has committed \$805.5 million over four

years to help close the gap in Indigenous life expectancy through its 'Tackling Indigenous Chronic Disease' package," he said.

"As part of that package, people who are at risk of getting a chronic disease are entitled to health checks.

Important

They're very important for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people because they help in the early detection and diagnoses of often common yet highly treatable conditions, including heart disease, diabetes and respiratory diseases."

A former rugby player in Alice Springs, Mr Snowdon said sport was a great way to get communities involved in their own health and well-being.

"This links to the Rudd Government's Closing the Gap campaign and I really hope people ... get out there and register with their local AMS, get a health check and take control of their health," he said.



Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon hands health promotion advice to Apunipima Cape York Health Council CEO Cleveland Fagan.

Calma out to beat smokes



TOM CALMA has taken on a new challenge, as the inaugural National Coordinator for Tackling Indigenous Smoking.

Smoking is believed to be responsible for 20 per cent of Indigenous deaths, making it a major contributor to the life expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, and the former Social Justice Commissioner will help to shape, steer and evaluate policy and programs under the Council of Australian Government's \$100 million Tackling Smoking initiative.

Mr Calma said his new role, announced last week by Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon, would build on the work of the Close the Gap Campaign and member organisations.

"This includes working with the Aboriginal community controlled medical services to reach our people wherever they live and creating an environment where all parties working on the challenge of smoking cessation, work collegiately and strategically," he said.

Mr Calma said he felt honoured to be appointed to the national co-ordinator position and looked forward to making a difference.

"There are many challenges, least of which will be working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and individuals to develop the strategies and interventions to tackle smoking addiction," he said.

Mr Snowdon said Mr Calma brought much experience and knowledge to the position.

"Tom Calma will bring a wealth of experience, excellent advocacy skills and a strong personal commitment to the role," he said in a statement.

"He has been involved in Indigenous affairs at a local, community, state, national and international level and worked in the public sector for over 35 years."



Former Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma is now the inaugural National Coordinator for Tackling Indigenous Smoking.

Mr Calma's new role will include co-ordinating the tackling smoking workforce being established under the Federal Government's \$100 million COAG Tackling Smoking initiative to reduce tobacco smoking in Indigenous communities.

Mr Calma will also provide advice for policy and programs into Indigenous tobacco control and play a key role in evaluating the Federal Government's \$14.5 million Indigenous Tobacco Control Initiative to ensure pilot programs are

translated into improved services on the ground.

Mr Snowdon said the role was formed as part of the \$1.6 billion Council of Australian Government's (COAG) agreement to Close The Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes National Partnership Agreement.

"The Commonwealth is investing \$100.6 million in the tackling smoking measure, and the engagement of the national co-ordinator is one of the first milestones of the measure," he said.

Indigenous genomes mapping is a first

AUSTRALIAN scientists have led a world-first project to sequence the genetic code of indigenous Africans, uncovering more than a million variations which stem from the 'root of mankind'.

Dr Vanessa Hayes was co-head of the project which has mapped the genome of Nobel Peace Laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu – an ethnic Bantu – along with four bushmen from remote parts of the Kalahari Desert.

The results of the \$2.2 million philanthropic-funded project will be handed for free to the scientific community, where it should contribute to future breakthroughs in genetic illness and disease prevention not only within Africa.

The work had also yielded insight into human diversity, Dr Hayes said, pointing to the nomadic bushmen who have lived in geographic and genetic isolation throughout the ages.

"A bushman and a Bantu, living side by side, are as divergent or different to each other as that Bantu is from ... a European," said Dr Hayes, who is from the Children's Cancer Institute Australia based at the University of NSW in Sydney.

"And if you took two bushmen from two different linguistic groups, they are as different (genetically) to each other as a European is from an Asian."

"We've always known the continent of Africa is a wealth of diversity ... this is the first time we've had the entire DNA sequence to say 'wow, this is the difference'."

Remote areas

Dr Hayes, who was born in South Africa's Cape Town but now lives in Australia, took two years to complete the work which involved travelling with fellow researchers into remote desert areas.

The project was a collaboration with scientists from Penn State University in the US, and its results will be published in the prestigious journal *Nature*.

It has added more than 1.3 million new genetic variations to the database of Human Genome Variation which, until now, was largely made up of DNA data from Europeans.

Archbishop Tutu contributed his genetic code as a means to continue his 'lifetime's work ... fighting for equal rights for the people of southern Africa, and globally, for indigenous peoples', Dr Hayes said.

The bushmen were also the 'oldest known lineage of modern humans', she said, and their DNA offered new insights into genetic variations that occurred as man spread across the globe and made the switch from hunter-gatherers to farmers and then modern life.

The bushmen do not have the genetic variation, now common across modern society, that allows adults to digest milk. The Bantu are also believed to have a natural resistance to malaria, in another example of new avenues for research.

It should also allow new work on the origin and treatment of cancer, said Dr Hayes.

"Africa holds the key to a huge amount of understanding ... it is the root of mankind," she said. "But we not only need to understand diversity within the core of mankind's existence but also its migration."

"We can predict there will be just as much genetic diversity in Australia's Aboriginal community, and that would tell another important story of our genetic heritage."

The research findings were officially unveiled at an event in Namibia's capital city of Windhoek. – AAP

Health organisations sign agreement over priorities



ABORIGINAL health organisations have signed a partnership agreement with South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health

Service (SESIH) committing to work together as equal partners in decisions on Aboriginal health care priorities.

Ivern Ardler, CEO of Oolong House in Nowra, where the Southern Sector Aboriginal Health Partnership was signed earlier this month, said ongoing collaboration would ensure health policies and programs best met local Aboriginal health needs.

"An understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal culture is essential for our health service providers to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal people," he said.

"Health programs won't be developed in isolation, we will work as partners to jointly

find solutions for current and future health needs for our communities."

SESIH CEO Terry Clout said the goal was to improve life expectancy by reducing and better managing chronic illnesses, improving access to health services, and increasing participation in health programs.

"Each of the organisations signatory to the partnership are well established in the local area and provide a range of health care services," he said.

Effective

"The growing demand for their services shows we are making considerable progress in developing health services that are approachable and effective for Aboriginal people."

Mr Clout said the partnership would seek agreement on health priorities and pursue locally identified, culturally

appropriate health programs. "We know there are serious illnesses in our community which have a dramatic effect on our Aboriginal population. Illnesses such as diabetes, heart diseases, kidney diseases and smoking related illnesses are among the conditions that this partnership will continue to address," he said.

"The partnership will encourage wide communication, improved health education, and participation in Aboriginal health programs."

Signatories to the partnership agreement are the Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service, South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation, Waminda South Coast Women's Health and Welfare Aboriginal Corporation, Oolong Aboriginal Corporation and the Illaroo Cooperative Aboriginal Corporation.



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Education

Scholarships deadline near



APPLICATIONS for educational scholarships funded by the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) close this Friday, 26 February.

In the past two years, the scholarships have helped almost 240 Aboriginal people continue their education – at primary school, secondary, TAFE or at university.

NSWALC offers scholarships under its \$30 million Educational Endowment Fund, and there are also separate Freddy Fricke scholarships available, which were originally established from the sale of property Mr Fricke willed to the Aboriginal Land Council many years ago.

Two examples of Freddy Fricke scholarship winners are Bachelor of Medicine final year student at the University of Newcastle Sean White, and from the same university Jenna Marie Eastwood, who is close to finishing her degree in medical radiation science.

NSWALC Deputy Chairperson Tom Briggs said the scholarship program was one of the best initiatives approved by the organisation's current governing council.

"It helps fill gaps and provide



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scholarships in areas where nobody else will," Cr Briggs said.

"A recent report to the United Nations has reinforced the crucial importance of education and the need for scholarship opportunities such as those offered to Aboriginal people by NSWALC.

"The report on the state of the world's Indigenous peoples devotes an entire chapter to the crucial needs for education for our people."

The report notes that the education attainment gap between Indigenous peoples and the rest of the population remains critical.

"Every effort needs to be made to close that gap," it states.



JENNA EASTWOOD

Cr Briggs said: "The report has also emphasised that education is a fundamental human right, in itself, and a primary vehicle for people to contribute both at an individual and community level."

He said the recent release of the report was a timely reminder 'that we must do all that we can to actively promote participation in ongoing education for our people through programs such as the NSWALC education scholarships'.

Information on the scholarships, including application forms, is available from Margaret Dent at the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) on tel (02) 9929 9633.

Passing of a 'mentor, brother, father, uncle'



INDIGENOUS education lost one of its great champions with the death of Greg Jarvis at the start of this month.

Mr Jarvis was Northern Territory co-ordinator of national Indigenous education project Dare to Lead for many years.

Before that he spent most of his career in remote Top End communities as a teacher and principal. He made friends and made a difference at schools on Elcho Island and Groote Eylandt, in the communities of Milingimbi and Maningrida, and at the Darwin schools Moulden Park and Malak.

As a principal, Mr Jarvis was part of an era where mentoring Indigenous teachers and helping some become principals was a major goal.

His commitment to this cause is one reason he is held in high regard by many Aboriginal people. He knew that, as a non-Indigenous man, he was a visitor in their communities, and had massive respect for the people he lived alongside. Teachers who worked alongside him talk about an inspiring and strong leader who offered genuine friendship, guidance and compassion.

In the last years of his full life, Mr Jarvis entered local politics as a Greens member on Darwin City Council. Throughout his time on council he battled to have an Acknowledgment of Country made standard at all meetings.

After a long battle, this occurred for the first time four days before he died. He was delighted, and called the long-overdue recognition of Larrakia Country his greatest achievement in political life.

His funeral in Darwin brought together hundreds of friends and former colleagues. Despite the flooded roads of the wet season, many people found ways to travel from communities across Arnhem Land in order to attend the service. His coffin was hand-made by mates from Maningrida using wood sourced from the community.

One of the eulogies was given by Roslyn Djuwandaynu Wunummurra who worked with Mr Jarvis at Milingimbi Community Education Centre. These are her words:

"Greg came to Milingimbi in 1985. When Greg took over as principal it was the beginning of the era of Aboriginalisation. He felt strongly that Aboriginal people should control their schools and move towards

self-determination.

"Greg was a funny man. He made us laugh. He would say, 'Constant change is here to stay'. I took that saying because everything was changing.

"He also loved the song *Napurrurru djamarrikuli Yurriwipuy* which means 'We are the children of Milingimbi'. He liked to sing it in Yolngu Matha and he was always humming it after assemblies.

"Greg was the boss but he didn't look down on people – he had an open-door policy. He worked with everyone, not just school people but community people too. He was a facilitator, a strong person. For instance he would visit Charlie in the camp. Charlie was an old man who had played an important role in the school for many years. Greg respected Charlie's place in the community and his history as an educator.

"He was adopted into a family and people took that adoption seriously. He was included in men's business – in any ceremony he had a role like an Elder. That's how the whole community saw him.

"He was my mentor, my brother, my father, my uncle. Ga bilin."

– By MICHAEL WINKLER, of Dare to Lead

Apprentices on the job at university



A SECOND group of apprentices at Charles Darwin University (CDU) will have the chance to work while they are being trained. They are taking part in the university's Indigenous Apprenticeship Program, which stems from CDU's Indigenous Employment and Retention Strategy.

The two-year, part-time program gives apprentices an opportunity to gain practical skills and knowledge while they earn an income.

The 10 apprentices are studying Certificates II or III in a variety of areas including business, horticulture, children's services, financial services, library and information Access. Earlier this month, CDU Pro Vice-Chancellor Indigenous Leadership Professor Steven Larkin welcomed the apprentices and encouraged them to



From left, CDU Indigenous Apprenticeship Coordinator Karen McLean, John-Ross Scharnberg, Robert Kassman, Matthew Grant, Jonas Lewin, Ashleigh Morrison, Chantelle Cook, Janelle Sweeney, Aaron Muller, Jazna Yep, Whitney Seden, and Pro-Vice Chancellor Indigenous Leadership Prof Steven Larkin. Absent Leonie Narul.

embrace the opportunity.

"The program represents an excellent opportunity to obtain a nationally recognised qualification through on-the-job training combined with study," he said.

"It has been designed to lead participants into full-time employment with the possibility of continuing employment with CDU on completion."

CDU Senior Consultant for Indigenous Employment Karen

McLean said the apprentices were keen and excited to be given the opportunity.

"All areas of the university have been extremely supportive of the program and many faculties and divisions have

asked to be included following the success of the inaugural program," she said.

All apprentices took part in a week of inductions to become familiar with the campus and began work on 8 February.

He's moving ahead

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



LIKE anyone struggling with a former addiction, Tim Eckersley is trying to take each day as it comes, but admits the road is long and hard. But he says he's a long way from where he was when

he first landed in jail at 17, where he spent the better part of a decade coming to terms with his identity.

Ironically, the strict confines of his cell also became his saving grace.

"I was 17 when I went to jail and it was a long journey. I spent all of my 20s inside and I wasn't in the right frame of mind to be in society," Mr Eckersley said.

"I was addicted to drugs and so, for me, I think it was the thing that saved my life because inside you have to stop using drugs and you have a lot of time to think."

Adopted out to a loving family when he was one week old, it was the issue of identity that plagued all of his younger years that finally led him to life on the streets at the age of 13, and then in and out of boys' homes until 17.

"My family have always been supportive, they never gave up on me, but it was hard. I found it hard at school because I was alone and I didn't know who I was," Mr Eckersley said.

It was jail that reconnected him with his culture, finding a brotherhood with other Indigenous prisoners.

"In jail I experienced knowing about my culture, I learnt to paint and dance, and a lot about cultural issues. It was there that I really developed who I was, belonging to my culture and identifying who I was and where I fit into it, I felt proud."

Once Mr Eckersley was released, the difficult business of rehabilitation began, and that's where he found his calling to be involved in the welfare sector.

"I've always wanted to be able to give back, to work with other young people who are going through what I went through and give them understanding, it's a struggle that I know about, that is my passion," he said.

To do that, Mr Eckersley has had to return to the classroom as a mature-student,



TAFE student and rehabilitation support worker Tim Eckersley. Photo by Dean Saffron

having just begun an 18-month Diploma of Community Services at the Gold Coast Institute of TAFE, securing an Indigenous scholarship in the process. He also supervises at the Goldbridge Rehabilitation Centre at Southport, fulfilling his wish to help others.

"If I hadn't gone to jail and then rehab, I would have been someone that's lost. The thing about a drug habit is, once you develop it, you shut down your feelings, you become a lost person," he said.

"I still take it a step at a time, I have to

look at it like I haven't fully developed a strong way of living.

"I'm still experiencing how to live in the world, but one thing I know is that I don't have to go back to where I came from. I've got support."

In 2002, the 31-year-old finally got the chance to reunite with his Aboriginal family from Western Australia but, sadly, his mum had already passed away.

Driving around with his maternal aunty, his mother's twin sister, trying to locate cousins and uncles was a surreal

process for Mr Eckersley. "For me, reconnecting with your family is almost like revisiting your pain. It's not just painful for me, but for them also, so it is an ongoing journey that I will eventually get to reconnect with more of my family as I get a bit stronger," he said.

"I can't determine what the future will be, but I'm not clouded any more. I can say that today I feel better than I ever have, and it's because I am living my life and not avoiding it. I just want the chance to live life and move forward."

Centre marks first big year



LIVERPOOL Indigenous-owned early childhood learning centre Playful Beginnings celebrated its first birthday earlier this month with a

smoking ceremony, sausage sizzle, entertainment, games and the cutting of the birthday cake.

The centre caters for children aged two to six-years-old and uses a cultural model that encourages pride in Aboriginal culture and includes visits from Aboriginal Elders. All teachers are Aboriginal and childcare benefits are available.

Aboriginal community organisation KARI supports Playful Beginnings through its Indigenous Business Development Scholarship and sponsored the celebrations.

KARI provides Indigenous Child protection Services and Community Capacity building programs to the Indigenous community of South-West Sydney. KARI develops and implements best practices in all aspects of management and service provision and its vision is that the Indigenous community of south western Sydney will become self-sufficient and achieve social and economic equality.



Staff and kids from Playful Beginnings enjoyed a visit from members of the NSW Fire Brigade during the learning centre's recent first birthday.



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Short film sucks in Kincumber students

By BRITTA LYSTER



WHAT began as a refreshing approach to tackling students' personalised learning plans at a NSW Central Coast school has resulted in a short film celebrating the life, culture and heritage of Indigenous students at the school.

Originally launched in 2008, the film *Sucked In* is an ongoing work-in-progress documenting the ongoing work by Kincumber Public School students, staff and community and gives an insight into how Aboriginal students interact with classmates and cope with the challenges of being an Aboriginal child at the school.

All Indigenous students took a hands-on approach in every aspect of the production of the film including script-writing, video editing, film production and storytelling.

The film is just one of several projects undertaken by the school in its efforts to not only empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students but also engage families and the wider

community. Other projects include the establishment of a bush tucker garden and outdoor learning area in addition to the school hosting a Yarnup program aimed at strengthening the relationship between Kincumber Public School and the local Indigenous community which has been a major priority for the school and its Aboriginal education worker, Kerry Turner.

"With the short film, we noticed that the profile of the Indigenous kids in the school (increased)," Ms Turner said.

"They became much more proud of who they were. Kids who just didn't talk too much about their Aboriginality because of the colour of their skin all of a sudden were really proud to be an Aboriginal person and not to be worried that they weren't as dark as some of the others."

"So it was huge and it helped a lot with their literacy skills and their

creativity and connection with community as the amount of people that came to the opening was astounding.

"The kids were the ones who ran the whole opening night. It was just wonderful and handing over the whole role to the kids inspired them."



Students Kyle, Chris and Jackson as spirits on Kincumba Mountain.

Cows feature in exhibition

By Perth Correspondent
KEN BOASE



NYOONGAR artist Sandra Hill is preparing a series of paintings depicting the struggle of Aboriginal women during colonisation to be shown at an

exhibition in the United States later this year.

Ms Hill's work will also show as part of an exhibition of model cows that will be displayed around the Margaret River region of Western Australia over the next four months in the largest public art project of its type in the world.

The model cow exhibition, famous the world over and held in cities including Paris, London and New York, was launched on 21 February at Margaret River. It features 77 local artists, including Ms Hill's two works.

The fibreglass cows will be on public display around Margaret River until June.

Ms Hill said she decided to enter the model cow exhibition to put a Nyoongar stamp on a symbol of colonisation as a reconciliation gesture to the wider community of the south-west.

"I submitted two designs and Wardandi is my Dad's country so I'm living in my Dad's country and Margaret River is in the heart of that. I love cows but they're a symbol of colonisation so I decided to super-impose our culture on to that animal," she said.

"Although they're there they can't block out our Nyoongar landscape and I thought this would be a perfect way to get people around the world to learn about our culture.

Dreaming

"The crow and the white cockatoo are the two marriage groups of the Nyoongar people and the Wargyl is our sacred serpent and that's still part of our culture, our Dreaming and our everyday life so I thought I'd give us a presence at this exhibition."

The model cows will be displayed for three months around Margaret River and will then be auctioned on-line with the proceeds going to charity.

Ms Hill is also working on a solo exhibition of paintings about Aboriginal women and their struggle through the years of colonisation, depicting how women were treated by the settlers and the officialdom of the time.

"They're all going to be in domestic situations which is absurd because we're all coming from different situations," she said.

"With non-Indigenous people, it's a very material world so I wanted to show an Aboriginal woman in a bukka sitting uncomfortably in this



One of a series of paintings by Sandra Hill about the colonisation of Aboriginal women.



Nyoongar artist Sandra Hill with one of the model cows exhibited at a public art exhibition in the south-west of WA.

world that we were supposed to adapt to overnight almost.

"So the woman sits sadly and uncomfortably in this chair with the teacup. It's about assimilation being forced on us where we were told if we didn't assimilate we would be nowhere.

Scale of colour

"And the white people are depicted in shades of gray because that's how we were judged, in this scale of colour where we were classed as half-caste or octoroon and, in my experience, the thinking of a lot of non-Aboriginal people is very one dimensional and in black and white and shades of gray.

"So I've reversed it basically, so they're in shades of gray but the Nyoongar woman is in her correct

colour, and so are the surroundings.

"It's part of an exhibition I've wanted to do for years and it's all about Aboriginal women and non-Aboriginal domesticity that was forced upon us and we were forced to live in houses and conform to the white stereotype.

"We were taken off the reserves and forced to be domestics and the sexual playthings of white men. Some of the paintings are even inspired by the apology and the lack of action from the Government since then."

The series of paintings will be part of an exhibition at the Longyear Museum in upstate New York later this year. Other artists to feature include Nyoongar Elder Laurel Nannup and Native American people.

\$35,000 on offer in art competition



AUSTRALIA'S richest annual landscape prize, *Countryscapes*, was launched last week, with entries closing on 25 June.

Now in its eighth year, the \$35,000 Country Energy Art Prize for Landscape Painting aims to celebrate and connect the talent of regional communities in New South Wales.

Country Energy Managing Director Craig Murray said that with one-in-three Australians living in regional, rural and remote parts of the country, *Countryscapes* provided an opportunity like no other to showcase the wealth of artistic talent across 95 per cent of the State.

"*Countryscapes* celebrates a vibrant art culture in our coastal and country areas," he said.

Partnerships

"It also allows us to establish productive partnerships with regional galleries to support home-grown arts."

Mr Murray said the *Countryscapes* prize had seen a steady increase in the quality of entries over the past eight years, highlighting the popularity and importance of the competition for artists and communities across regional NSW.

Country Energy regional general manager far north coast Richard Wake encouraged young artists to consider entering.

"We introduced a youth encouragement award in 2007 to support the development of young artists," he said. "The work we've seen from the previous young winners has been inspirational and is a positive sign of how healthy the regional arts scene is."

Entries close on 25 June with finalists exhibited at the Glasshouse Arts, Conference and Entertainment Centre in Port Macquarie from 30 September to 28 November.

Entry forms are available from local art galleries, Country Energy customer service centres, or can be downloaded from www.countryenergy.com.au/artprize

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Bangarra's gift to Haiti

By MARGARET SMITH

THE Bangarra Dance Studios recently hosted an evening of performance dedicated to raising money for some of the people of Haiti, whose homes and families were decimated in the recent earthquake.

Bangarra director Stephen Page and Haitian-born Cynthia Lochard, who has previously danced with the Sydney Dance Company and Bangarra, spoke at the event.

Page told the gathering that it was easy to feel helpless when a catastrophic event such as Haiti happened.

"(But) the people of Haiti have been neglected for years," he said.

"This event has been spearheaded by Cynthia Lochard, who's been determined to make a difference."

Page said the dancers had been rehearsing hard to perform excerpts from *Fire* and *Mathina*.

It was an emotional Cynthia Lochard who then spoke, telling them she had strong family ties in Haiti and

had lost a family member in the earthquake.

"We're all really worried, especially about the children. A lot of them are sick and needing our help," she said.

Ms Lochard said the event organisers had chosen the Yele Haiti Earthquake Fund for the donation because they were involved in setting up localised hospitals to care for the sick.

She thanked Stephen Page and the dancers for their 'incredible' effort in staging the night's performance and then the audience were treated to some of the most intense pieces from *Fire* and *Mathina*.

David Page's music also had a glorious sound to it, played in the space that had given birth to much of the works.

Bangarra's dancers gave their performance free of charge, and the night raised more than \$5100. At the end of the evening, Page said Bangarra would donate the same amount to the Haiti charity.

The company will perform in regional centres in the coming months.



Bangarra dancers during a presentation of *Fire*.
Picture: Geoff Busby

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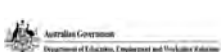
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Jack's life told on TV

ABC TV will screen the international award-winning documentary *Bastardy* next month.

The title of the documentary comes from a play written in 1972 by legendary playwright John Romeril – based on the life story of Jack Charles, and performed by him in Melbourne.

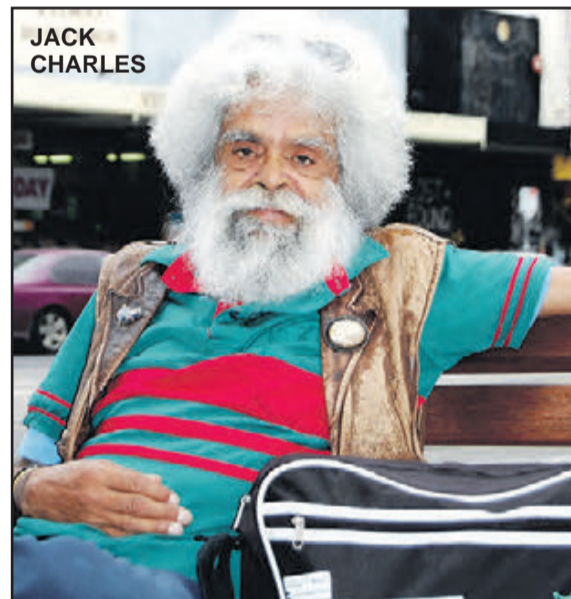
Over seven years, film-maker Amiel Courtin-Wilson followed Jack – gradually blurring the line between director and accomplice as Jack continually traverses the criminal and acting worlds.

More than 120 hours were captured on camera and condensed into a documentary that presents Jack's many incarnations – drug addict, critically-acclaimed actor, cat burglar, prisoner and Aboriginal Elder.

When the law finally catches up with Jack and he faces a jail sentence he might not survive, he is forced to decide if he can go straight for the first time in his life.

For 40 years and with infectious humour and optimism, Jack Charles has juggled a life of crime with another successful career – acting.

Since founding the first Aboriginal company in the 1970s, Jack has acted in hundreds of plays, many feature films and television series



JACK CHARLES

with nearly every major actor and director in Australia.

Bastardy has been described as 'a rich patchwork, delicately stitched together to include dramatic recreations, archival and observational material'.

It will screen on ABC TV, 11 March from 9.30pm on ABC1.

Design your own postcard

AVANT Card is calling all artists. The free postcard advertising company provides national exposure for emerging Australian artists, whose designs are selected for postcards distributed to 1400 places and spaces around the country, including cafes.

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● For more information, go to <http://www.avantcard.com.au/index.php>

Welcome to *The Koori Mail's* National Calendar of Events. We welcome your submissions. Please keep them short and include a daytime telephone contact number for checking purposes. Items can be emailed to calendar@koomail.com, faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666.

Until 4 March: Divas of the Desert Art Exhibition. Emu Apple Gallery presents a signature exhibition of Indigenous female Warlpiri artists of the Tanami Desert. All welcome. Held at Emu Apple Gallery, 48 Rogers Street, Spring Hill, Qld. Details: Helen on (0439) 799 288 or email helen@emuapple.com.au

Until 7 March: Marella the Hidden Mission Art Exhibition. Works by Keith Munro, curator Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Programs, Museum of Contemporary Art. Welcome to Country by Les Coe. Floor talks by Zona Wilkinson. All welcome. Held at Cowra Regional Art Gallery, 77 Darling St, Cowra, NSW. Details: (02) 6340 2190 or visit www.cowraartgallery.com

Until 11 March: Deadly Funny workshops. The workshops provide contestants the opportunity to get their deadly funny joke or yarn workshopped by a professional stand-up comedian, who will also provide deadly tips and advice on your writing and performance. Workshops are being held all over Australia. Free entry and food provided. All welcome. Details on dates/location and time contact: Jason Tamiru on (03) 9245 3700 or visit www.deadlyfunny.com.au

Until 12 March: Reconciliation Awards for Business 2010 – calling for nominations. These awards recognise businesses and community organisations which are taking positive steps in advancing reconciliation in Queensland. \$25,000 in prizemoney. Winners will be announced 27 May 2010 during Reconciliation Week. For more details or to obtain a nomination form call: (07) 3033 0672 or visit www.reconciliation.qld.gov.au

Until 13 March: Platform 3 Hip-Hop Festival – free dance classes. CarriageWorks are presenting these free hip-hop dance classes for the lead-up to the festival. Workshops held on Saturday 27 February, 6 and 13 March. All welcome. Held at CarriageWorks, 245 Wilson St, Eveleigh, NSW. Details: (02) 8571 7940 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

Until 15 March: Deadly Funny 2010 State finals. Winner goes through to National Deadly Funny grand final to compete against other State finalists for a chance to win \$2000. You must attend at least one of the comedy workshops. Dates: 12 February, Qld; 27 February, Alice Springs, NT; 5 March, Roxbury Hotel, Glebe, NSW; 8 March, NOVA Cinema, SA; 11 March, Comedy Lounge, WA and 15 March, Evelyn Hotel, Fitzroy. Details: Jason Tamiru on (03) 9245 3700 or visit www.deadlyfunny.com.au

Until 20 March: 'These Are Our Stories' Art Exhibition. This is the first exhibition of paintings by Papulankutja Artists in Queensland. All welcome. Held at Woolloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba, Qld. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or email email@wag.com.au or visit www.wag.com.au

Until 20 March: Douglas Kwarlple Abbott and Doris Thomas Art Exhibition. This is a new exhibition showcasing these two powerful visions of the central desert. Alongside these paintings will be a selection of mixed media sculptures from the artists of Greenbush Art Group, Alice Springs Correctional Centre. All welcome. Held at Mossenson Galleries, 41 Derby St, Collingwood, Vic. Details: (03) 9417 6694 or email art@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au

Until 21 March: The Spirit of Healing art exhibition. A contemporary Aboriginal art exhibition with works by Aboriginal artists. All welcome. Held at La Perouse Museum, Anzac Parade, La Perouse, NSW. Details: (02) 9661 1103 or (0411) 710 712.

Until 21 March: WATA (wind) – songs that



Black is Back

Rhoda Roberts (pictured) will join Djon Mundine, Peter White and Steve Miller as guest speakers on 26 March at Black is Back – Koori culture stages a comeback. It will be held at the AGL Theatre, Museum of Sydney, Sydney, NSW from 2-5pm. Details: Steve Miller on (02) 9339 9903 or email stevem@mgnsw.org.au or visit www.mgnsw.org.au

map the Roper River region, south-east Arnhem Land. Through photographs, paintings, maps, film and stories, this exhibition charts the ancestral importance of the wind that keeps culture alive at Ngukurr, south-east Arnhem Land. Works by artists and song men from Ngukurr and Simon Normand. Exclusive opening by Djon Mundine on 3 March at 7.30pm. Free and all welcome. Held at the Artspace Gallery, Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide. Details: Sophie Gardner on (08) 8216 8540 or (0431) 210 131 or visit www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

Until 31 March: Registrations for Tidy Towns awards 2010. The Tidy Towns awards encourage, motivate and celebrate the environmental achievements of rural and regional communities across Australia. For more information contact: Gail Dodd on (08) 6467 5131 or email gail.dodd@dec.wa.gov.au or visit www.kabc.wa.gov.au

Until 10 April: 100 Climbs in 100 Days. A number of rock climbers have been challenging 100 Climbs in 100 Days since the 1 January 2010 to support the protection of rock art in Australia. Some have already completed up to 45 routes around Western Australia. To sponsor a climber, contact (0402) 664 503 or email contact@100in100days.com.au or visit www.100in100days.com.au

Until 2 May: Putsch Art Exhibition. Works by Brisbane-based artist collective proppaNOW. All welcome. Held at the National Aboriginal Cultural Institute – Tandanya, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide, SA. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or visit www.tandanya.com.au

Until 31 May: Indigenous music competition. The National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre (NCPIC) Indigenous music competition gives Indigenous people the opportunity to showcase their creative talent and express their ideas about cannabis and its harmful impact on their communities. Open to Indigenous Australians only. Winner announced on 15 June. Prizemoney of \$2000. Details: (02) 9385 0208 or (02) 9385 0213 or email m.millington@unsw.edu.au or visit www.ncpic.org.au

Until 16 June: Workshops to focus on Stolen Generations. This is a capacity-building workshop for organisations whose primary purpose is to work with or advocate on behalf of the Stolen Generations. Focus on seeking and competing for funding opportunities. Dates and places, 12 March in Redfern, 12 April in Adelaide, 14 April in Darwin, 11 May in Melbourne, 28 May in Brisbane, 9 June in Broome and 16 June in Redfern. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or

Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

26-27 February: Desert Fringe Festival. This is a weekend of music, comedy, roving performers and local and visiting acts. There will be a free barbecue, face painting, workshops, concert, entertainment, special guests and more. All welcome. Held at the Port Augusta Cultural Centre, SA. Details: 1300 374 643 or Sasha Zahra on (08) 8100 2013 or (0414) 836 340 or email sasha@adelaidefringe.com.au or visit www.adelaidefringe.com.au

27 February: Fierce Ball 2010. The House of BlackSTAR presents this Indigenous gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) and Sistergirl event. Entertainment by DJ Corey Craig, DJ Gemma and DJ Mista Killa. Featuring Cheyenne, Siki Daha, Sista Native, Candy B, Peppermint, Crystal Love, Constantina Bush and the Bushettess. Cost \$40 or \$50 at the door. All welcome. Held at The LOFT UTS, 15 Broadway, Sydney, NSW from 8am-3pm. Details: Shaun Edwards on (0401) 304 148 or email tickets@houseofblackstar.com or visit www.houseofblackstar.com

26-28 February: Knox Festival 2010. Our Place is the theme for the Knox Festival 2010. The festival will include art making and viewing, cooking demonstration and tasting, entertainment, workshops, activities, rides, stalls, cinema under the stars and more. All welcome. Held at the Ferntree Gully Recreation Reserve, Brenock Park Drive, Ferntree Gully. Details: (03)9298 8000 or email knoxcc@knox.vic.gov.au or visit www.knox.vic.gov.au

27 February-20 March: Bark Paintings from Port Keats (Wadeye) Art Exhibition. All welcome. Held at Hogarth Galleries, 7 Walker Lane, Paddington, NSW. Details: (02) 9360 6839 or email info@hogarthgalleries.com or visit www.aboriginalartcentres.com

27 February: 'Wadda Mooli' family day. Kids' activities, Indigenous performances, face painting, jumping castle, stalls and more. All welcome. Held at Centenary Lakes, Morayfield, Qld, from 9am-4pm. Details: Fred Binge on (0450) 802 419 or Mick Douglas on (0417) 073 131.

27 February-20 March: Little Gems – Affordable works by Collectable Artists Art Exhibition. All welcome. Held at Hogarth Galleries, 7 Walker Lane, Paddington, NSW. Details: (02) 9360 6839 or email info@hogarthgalleries.com or visit www.aboriginalartcentres.com

2 March: The Northern Territory Intervention and its wider implications for all. Hear the facts, end the great Australian silence. Panel speakers include Michelle Lovegrove (Ngarrindjeri Nation), Shane Phillips (Bundjalung Nation) and Jean Parker (Stop the intervention Collective, Sydney). MC by Charlene Davison (Biripi Nation). Free and all welcome. Held at the Community Centre, 164 Longueville Road, Lane Cove from 7pm onwards. Details: (02) 9428 1197 or (02) 9428 1150.

5-8 March: WOMADelaide 2010. There will be kids activities, workshops, stalls, food, performances, entertainment and more. Cost involved. All welcome. Held in the Botanic Park, Adelaide, SA. Details: (08) 8271 1488 or email apadmin@artsprojects.com.au or visit www.womadelaide.com.au

8 March: Bundjalung International Women's Day Event. Guest speakers Anita-Lee Summers, Darlene Rotumah and Allinta Rose. There will be a lucky door prize, morning tea on arrival and a buffet lunch. Cost, \$25 adults and \$10 children. All welcome. RSVP by 1 March. Held at Foxy's, 399 Piggabeen Road, Cobaki Lakes, NSW, from 10.30am-2pm. Details: Maureen on (02) 6674 3327 or Marvette (0439) 951 753 or email evie.magazine@yahoo.com

9-21 March: 'Ripples on the Water, Lines in the Sand' Art Exhibition. New paintings from Australia's most prominent female Aboriginal artists Kathleen Petyarre and Joanne Currie. All welcome. Held at Depot Gallery, 2 Danks Street, Waterloo, NSW. Details: (02) 8021 1215 or email thedepotgallery@2danksstreet.com.au or visit www.2danksstreet.com.au

13 March: Platform 3 Hip-Hop Festival – Graffiti and street art tour with legendary graffiti artist Mistery. The tour is an introduction to different forms of street art – graffiti, stencils, paste-ups and will visit some of Sydney's most iconic street art sites in the inner west. All welcome. Starts at Newtown Station and ends at CarriageWorks from 11am. Details: (02) 8571 7940 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

13 March-9 April: Willy Billabong Masterpieces Art Exhibition. Five years after Willy's death, this exhibition of 13 paintings from 2000-2004 is a fitting tribute to a great artist. All welcome. Held at the Brigitte Braun Gallery, 4 White St, Windsor, Vic. Details: (03) 9521 2324 or (0417) 184 260 or email artplace@iinet.net.au visit www.artplace.com.au

19-20 March: Platform 3 Hip-Hop Festival. This is two days of high-power hip-hop culture – DJing, MCing, beat boxing, break-dancing and graffiti art. Featuring Flexing Skillz, Sista Native, Julez and DJ Sizzle and more. Tickets \$18. Most events are free. All welcome. Held at CarriageWorks, 245 Wilson St, Eveleigh, NSW. Details: (02) 8571 7940 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

19 & 26 March: Goori Triple P – Positive Parenting Program. Parents can receive practical ideas about parenting skills that they can use with their kids and discuss and share ideas with each other about parenting. Morning tea and a light lunch provided. Child care and transport available. Free and all welcome. Held at the Jumbunna Pre-school, 60 High St, Casino, NSW from 9am-3pm. Details: Karen Handcock on (02) 6662 2866.

21 March: Black Harmony Gathering 2010. This is a unique event showcasing a sensational range of Indigenous, African and culturally diverse music and dance with the message saying no to racism! Launch of the first Black Harmonies CD that features Kutcha Edwards, Peter Rotumah, Casey Atkinson, Tjimba Possum-Burns, Selwyn Burns and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the Fairfield Amphitheatre, Fairfield, NSW. Details: Jayne Lovelock on (03) 9417 6777 or visit www.multiculturalarts.com.au

26 March: Black is Back – Koori culture stages a comeback. Speakers include Rhoda Roberts, Djon Mundine, Peter White and Steve Miller. All welcome. Held at the AGL Theatre, Museum of Sydney, Sydney, NSW from 2-5pm. Details: Steve Miller on (02) 9339 9903 or email stevem@mgnsw.org.au or visit www.mgnsw.org.au

30 March: Excellence in Indigenous Health Awards gala dinner. Come together to celebrate and reward innovation, success and resilience in Indigenous service delivery. Winners will receive two tickets to attend a Criterion Conference of their choice, an engraved trophy and finalists will receive a framed certificate. Indigenous performers and entertainment showcasing self-expression, identity and spirit. Guest speakers. Dress smart. Cost involved. All welcome. Held at The Mercure Hotel, Brisbane, Qld. Details: Lisa on (02) 9239 5707 or 1300 316 882 or visit www.indigenoushealthawards.com

10 April: National Deadly Funny grand final. The winner of the grand final wins \$2000 and a Deadly Funny national champion trophy as Deadly Funny national champion. Judged by comedy industry professionals and local community leaders. Cost involved. All welcome. Held at the Town Hall, Melbourne. Details: Tickets 1300 660 013 or call Jason Tamiru on (03) 9245 3700 or email on jason@comedyfestival.com.au

19-21 April: Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Conference 2010. Gain insights from BHP Billiton, Newcrest as well as Downer EDI Mining who will all come together at this event to educate and inform participants on the best practices which they have developed. Guest speakers. Cost involved. Special rates for Indigenous organisations. All welcome. Held at Parks Regis Hotel, 293 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld. Details: (02) 9224 6060 or email conferences@TonkinCorporation.com or visit

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Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



EnergyAustralia pre-apprentices
Ossie Ryan and Kirt Mallie.

Energised for careers

THE first members of EnergyAustralia's Indigenous pre-apprenticeship program are set to graduate and join the frontline workers as qualified tradesmen by the end of the year.

Ossie Ryan, Kirt Mallie and Ben Jensen joined the NSW State-owned corporation's first Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pre-Apprenticeship program in 2005.

The program provides support and training, building participants' skills and confidence before they apply for apprenticeships with EnergyAustralia.

Ben graduated from his cable jointing apprenticeship in November and Ossie and

Kirt will become fully qualified line workers at the end of the year.

Ben had been working a number of different jobs before joining the program, but said none of them had felt quite right.

"The pre-apprenticeship course gave me tools and a foot in the door for a trade I'll have for life," he said.

Invaluable

Kirt said the support he achieved through the program was invaluable.

"I know a lot of Indigenous people feel alone in what is essentially a white community, but once you get to the course you realise you're not the only one out

there," he said.

"We all helped each other through the course and knowing you have that support from your classmates and the teachers makes it easier.

All three men joined the program, having left school years earlier. They said brushing up on their maths skills was a big help for getting the apprenticeship that had led them to a secure career.

"I actually applied for an apprenticeship and sat the test, but didn't do too well," Ossie said.

"After that, one of the trainers told me about the new pre-apprenticeship program and said I should give it a go, so I did."

The pre-apprenticeship program is run in conjunction with Petersham TAFE, Sydney, and this year 189 participants completed the program. Almost 90 per cent passed the apprenticeship selection test.

EnergyAustralia's Learning and Development manager Tom Emeleus said the program was ten weeks long, with time split between TAFE and gaining on-the-job experience at EnergyAustralia's training centres.

Applications for the 2010 program open in March.

● For information visit the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Programs section at www.energyaustralia.com.au/career

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Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

Aboriginal Sexual Assault Counsellor

Violence Prevention and Women's Service, Taree

Temp Part Time, 20 hpw Position No: 65539

This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. Hunter New England Health deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginality status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or after commencement of the position.

Enquiries: Carolyn Monck, (02) 6592 9599.

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

Transit Nurse

Health Transport Unit, Tamworth, Armidale, Narrabri,
Inverell & Tenterfield

Casual Position No: 66382
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time positions.

Enquiries: Peter Jones, (02) 6767 8180.

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

Transit Nurse

Health Transport Unit, Newcastle, Cessnock,
Maitland & Nelson Bay

Casual Position No: 66367
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time positions.

Enquiries: Margo Roland, 0427 864 591.

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage & Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

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Attorney General

CROWN SOLICITOR'S OFFICE ATSI Graduate Solicitor (Multiple Positions)

JAG10/0145
Legal Officer Grade I-III
Sydney CBD, Temporary Full Time
Salary range: \$57,697- \$68,201

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$75,260

Provides legal advice and representation and other legal services to clients of the Crown Solicitor in various practice groups.

Selection Criteria:

- Tertiary qualifications in law;
- Legal skills which enable the provision of legal advice and representation;
- Proven research skills (including electronically assisted research);
- Good written and oral communication skills (including interpersonal skills);
- Ability to provide excellent client service in a commercial environment.

Job notes:

Positions are only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander law graduates. Temporary employment for a period of up to 3 years with the possibility of permanency. Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line. Please quote JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries:

Grant Doyle or www.cso.nsw.gov.au or
csorecruit@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 12 March 2010

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The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (2 Positions)

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO)
Temporary Full-time position - Position Number: 124953 & 124954
South Western Sydney Region

Total remuneration package valued up to \$67,675 p.a. (salary \$56,009 - \$61,328) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the department at school, region and State Office level, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Proven ability to work collaboratively in teams. Knowledge of Aboriginal education programs, Departmental communities and external agencies. Skills to facilitate change. Understanding of Aboriginal Education Consultative Group role. Effective interpersonal, oral and written skills. Driver's licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: These are temporary appointments up to 28 January 2013. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Cheryl Best (02) 9408 8900

Email: Cheryl.Best@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Sue Bodnar (02) 9408 8900

Email: sue.bodnar@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:

Sue Bodnar, Riverwood Education Office, 11 Union Street, Riverwood NSW 2210.

You may also apply for these positions online. To apply online please visit our website:
www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

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Homelessness Service Manager

- Full time, contract (8-12 months)
- Excellent Salary packaging
- Based in Milton

We seek a highly experienced, competent and motivated person to oversee and manage a range of homelessness services across Queensland. You will be working collaboratively within a team, and will be accountable for maintaining high quality services, with the goals of reducing homelessness and improving client outcomes.

Homelessness Senior Program Coordinator

- Full time, contract (7-12 months)
- Excellent Salary packaging
- Based in Milton

We seek a positive person with excellent management skills and a highly developed understanding of service delivery frameworks to join our team. The Senior Program Coordinator is responsible for the coordination and leadership of the Homelessness program activities and will provide direct supervision and leadership to Project staff.

Youth Wellbeing & Engagement Senior Program Coordinator

- Full time, contract (7-12 months)
- Excellent Salary packaging
- Based in Milton

We seek a positive person with excellent management skills and service delivery understanding to join our team. The Senior Program Coordinator is responsible for the coordination and leadership of the Youth Wellbeing & Engagement program activities, and will provide direct supervision and leadership to Project staff.

If you are interested in working with the world's largest humanitarian organisation to help the most vulnerable visit our careers page at

www.redcross.org.au

or contact Sue Hewitt on (07) 3367 7238 for more information on how to apply.

Red Cross is committed to increasing the number of Indigenous people employed across the organisation. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are highly encouraged to apply.

Applications close 5pm Monday 8 March 2010.



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If you think you have the fair but firm attitude required to become a Sheriff's Officer, find out more at www.justice.vic.gov.au/sheriffrecruitment and apply online.

Applications close: Monday 8 March 2010 at 5pm.



Legal Secretary to the Principal Legal Officer (PLO)

Location: Brisbane

A03-A04 (to be negotiated)

The Job

The Legal Secretary to the Principal Legal Officer (PLO) will assist the PLO in a secretarial and administrative capacity. Previous experience in a legal environment is essential and your duties will include typing court documentation, briefs, contracts and agreements, file and diary management and general secretarial duties. It is essential that you can manage deadlines and be extremely organised. You will be directed in your work by the PLO and will be expected to work well within a team environment. You must have a familiarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and cultures.

Human Resources Officer

Location: Brisbane

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The Job

The Human Resources Officer develops, advises on and implements policies relating to the effective use of personnel within Queensland South Native Title Services (QSNTS). This includes areas such as working practices, recruitment, pay, conditions of employment and workplace diversity. The Human Resources Officer role is to ensure that QSNTS employs the right balance of staff in terms of skills and experience, and that training and development opportunities are available to employees to enhance their performance in order to achieve the organisation's objectives. You must have a familiarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and cultures.

Future Act Administrative Assistant

Location: Brisbane

A03-A04 (to be negotiated)

The Job

The role of the Future Act Administrative Officer is to provide administrative support to the legal officers and other employees of the QSNTS Future Act Unit and to ensure that the unit complies with organisational procedures and the statutory requirements of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). You must have a familiarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and cultures.

Documentation & Enquiries

A job description, including selection criteria is available at www.qsnts.com.au or in hardcopy from Ms Jennifer Jones, ph: 07 3224 1200.

QSNTS is a Public Benevolent Institution and offers attractive salary sacrifice arrangements.

Please send a written application addressing the selection criteria and including a current resumé and three referees to:

**Manager, Corporate Services
QSNTS, PO Box 10832 Adelaide St,
Brisbane QLD 4000**

Applications close at 4.30pm Friday, 26 February 2010



NSW HEALTH SYDNEY SOUTH WEST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

ORAL HEALTH

Senior Dental Assistant (Grade 2) –

Aboriginal Oral Health Clinic

Ref: 60000/1. Salary: \$932.80–\$1027.10 pw.

Temp F/T up to Dec 2010 at Sydney Dental Hospital.

Enq: John Kumanidis, (02) 9293 3297.

Apply online at: www.sswahs.nsw.gov.au
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jobs@sswahs.nsw.gov.au or send application to:
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Business Services Manager

Lockhart State School

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Education and Training

Salary: \$48 197 - \$53 747 p.a.

Department: Lockhart State School

REF: FNQ20056/10

Key Duties: Provide general corporate services advice to the school management team.

Skills/Abilities: Prepare budgets and administration of financial matters; supervision of non-teaching staff; recruitment, induction and training; management of office procedures; ability to relate to the school community.

Please Note: Accommodation, assistance with relocation expenses, and remote area allowances are part of this employment package.

Enquiries: (07)4083 3888 Lorraine Boyland

Closing Date: Sunday, 7 March 2010

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



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People Consultant (Indigenous Projects)

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply!

Looking for an opportunity to make a difference and grow your career?

This role will give you the opportunity to make possibilities a reality!

At Landgate, we enable our people to use their ingenuity and passion to imagine what's possible. You will help us achieve our aim of working together as one team that reflects the diversity of the Western Australian community to realise our Vision: A future where the use of land information knows no bounds.

Interested? Then have a read of the following questions which we've written to help you decide if you might be the right person for this important role:

- Do you have the vision and understanding to create and lead cutting edge Indigenous employment strategies and projects that influence and shape how we recruit and keep people?
- Are you someone who takes a fresh angle on human resources management and diversity and can work with the backing of an innovative team to deliver the right results?
- Are you known for your ability to engage others to work with you towards common goals?
- Can you talk and write to just about anyone with ease?

In return:

- Are you ready for the opportunity to stretch and develop your talents?
- Are you seeking access to a wide variety of benefits?

If you've answered yes to these questions then we would like to hear from you!

To find out more about this opportunity visit:

<http://www.jobs.wa.gov.au/> or call (08) 9273 7554 to be mailed an application package.

Our selection panel will consider the work requirements for the position and the business needs of our agency which may include Landgate's workforce diversity objectives.

Closing Date: 5:00pm Friday 5 March 2010.

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Collection, Development & Outreach

SENIOR CURATOR INDIGENOUS COLLECTIONS

Executive Level 2

Salary Range: \$92,576 - \$108,536 pa (plus superannuation)

Reference: 89249

Closing Date: 11 March 2010

The National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA) aims to build a strong Indigenous profile within the National Collection. We are looking for a Senior Curator to lead the development and promotion of the Indigenous collection and the NFSA's services to Indigenous communities.

A comprehensive understanding of the diversity of Indigenous peoples and cultures in Australia is required, as well as an understanding of the historic and contemporary issues affecting Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. You will be responsible for providing high level strategic and operational advice to NFSA management.

You will have professional standing and credibility in Indigenous issues and will be able to link and collaborate with professional colleagues in Australia and overseas for the benefit of NFSA, particularly in the area of Australian and international audiovisual culture and history.

Excellent communication skills are required in order to deal professionally and collegially with other Curators, stakeholders, the public, team members and senior managers. You will also be required to communicate with Indigenous communities at a high level capacity, including recognising protocols and cultural sensitivities.

The NFSA values a skilled and diverse workforce in order to promote knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present. The Senior Curator position is full time and located in Canberra ACT.

This position is an Identified Position and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Ann Landrigan T: 02 6248 2040 E: ann.landrigan@nfsa.gov.au

Selection Documentation: For all necessary selection documentation please visit: www.nfsa.gov.au/about_us/employ-jobs.html

For further information concerning the recruitment process, please contact Gail Lister T: 02 6248 2235 E: gail.lister@nfsa.gov.au

Please note: The successful applicant must undertake an Australian Federal Police criminal record check.

The National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA) collects, preserves, interprets and provides access to Australia's historic and contemporary moving image and sound culture. As the treasure house of Australia's audiovisual history, the NFSA's commitment to building and providing access to the national collection of more than 1.4 million items makes for a dynamic work environment. From its own state-of-the-art cinema to exhibitions, special events, education programs and more, the NFSA has much to offer. The NFSA is an Australian Government Agency.



VICTIMS SERVICES

Clerk, Cadetship (ATSI Identified)

JAG10/0111

Clerk Grade 1-2

Parramatta, Permanent Full Time

Salary range: \$50,100 - \$54,465

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$60,102

Essential requirements:

- Under 25 years
- HSC or Certificate IV qualification
- Permanent resident in Australia.

Starting salary will depend on applicants' age and relevant experience.

The position holder provides a wide range of administrative support and clerical duties, processes documents as well as providing a high level of client service in a high volume work environment. The position is also responsible for maintaining information, records management, courtroom duties and using various databases.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of clients and show empathy on difficult issues;
- Ability to process information in a high-volume work environment;
- Organisational and general administrative skills including the ability to prioritise work and meet deadlines;
- Ability to extract and analyse information from documentation including the ability to interpret and apply guidelines;
- Skills and experience in the use of computerised databases, information management systems and other applications;
- Skills and experience using court monitoring equipment and associated tasks, or ability to acquire skills within a short period;
- Understanding of Victims Services functions and commitment and awareness of the NSW Charter of Victims rights.

Job Notes:

The definition of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) is a person

- of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- who identifies as being Aboriginal;
- and is accepted by the Aboriginal community in which you live or have lived.

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au. Please quote JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries:

Sue Hogan (02) 8688 5511 sue_hogan@agd.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: vct@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 12 March 2010

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Indigenous Enterprise Development Officer (Specified)

Agriculture, Food and Tourism and Regional Services

(Temporary full-time for 18 months with possible extension. Specified positions apply where a significant proportion of the duties involve policy and program development, direct communication and support services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons. It is not mandatory for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person to fill a specified position)

Employment, Economic Development and Innovation

Salary: \$75 779 - \$81 075 p.a.

Location: Mount Isa

REF: QLD/EED1248/09

Key Duties: Provide advice and guidance on indigenous economic development projects by developing a local regional plan, delivering accurate/timely reports.

Skills/Abilities: Effective communication/knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island societies and cultures, business research, marketing and development skills.

Enquiries: (07) 3225 1367 or E-Mail:

jobvac.deedi@ssa.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Wednesday, 10 March 2010

Police Liaison Officer

Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$41 795 - \$44 754 p.a. (\$24 365 - \$36 830 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

Location: Rockhampton

REF: PO45/10

Enquiries: Murray Shields (07) 4932 6201

Closing Date: Monday, 1 March 2010

Police Liaison Officer

Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$41 795 - \$44 754 p.a. (\$24 365 - \$36 830 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

Location: Mackay

REF: PO58/10

Enquiries: David Murray (07) 4968 3460

Closing Date: Monday, 8 March 2010

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Ref: 1330

Curtin is seeking to appoint an outstanding individual to lead the Centre for Aboriginal Studies. This is an exciting opportunity to lead the Centre in promoting Aboriginal and Torres Straits Islander people in tertiary studies and creating new ways of learning and working that are culturally appropriate, for the benefit of all people.

The successful applicant will preferably hold a doctorate in an appropriate field, will have a strong track record in leadership and management, an ability to adapt to change and to liaise successfully with external stakeholders. In leading the Centre it is essential for the successful applicant be able to support the further development of the academic programs and to foster research activities.

This position meets the requirements of Section 50D Equal Opportunity Act 1983 (WA) as Aboriginality is an essential criterion for appointment to this position.

Closing Date: 5pm, Friday 9 April 2010.

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Casino Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated

ABORIGINAL CO-ORDINATOR

Casino Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated is seeking to employ a Aboriginal Co-ordinator for 28 hours per week (over 4 days) with the newly established Aboriginal Social Support Service.

Total package \$38,817 (salary \$35,177) includes superannuation and annual leave loading. Salary Sacrifice is also offered.

Applications close 26 February 2010.

For information about the position
phone Dianne Creighton on 0429 622 805.

For Application Package email nci.noeline@bigpond.com
or phone 66 622898.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is
authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act
NSW 1977

Dubbo Plains
Division of
General Practice



Indigenous Outreach Worker

The Dubbo/Plains Division of General Practice improves health outcomes by supporting and promoting general practitioners in their role as quality service provider in the holistic management of an individual's health.

We are currently seeking a person with knowledge and understanding of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and cultures and high level interpersonal skills to work as a member of the Division team to enhance chronic disease prevention and management for local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

This position will be based in Dubbo but provide support to communities in the region within the Dubbo/Plains area.

This is an Indigenous identified position.

All applicants should obtain information and application
package from the Divisions website
www.dubboplainsdgp.com.au or phone 68840197.

Applications to: PO Box 1834, Dubbo NSW 2830.

Applications close Monday 8th March 2010.

ANYINGINYI HEALTH ABORIGINAL CORPORATION TENNANT CREEK NORTHERN TERRITORY



AHAC is a long-established, Aboriginal Community-Controlled Health organisation that provides comprehensive primary healthcare services to the Aboriginal peoples of the Barkly Region

General Manager 2 year Contract (\$150,000 Negotiable)

This position is responsible to the Board of Directors for the strategic leadership and management of the organisation in accordance with the Vision and Strategic Plan of Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation.

The applicant must have at least five years senior health management experience, and experience working in Indigenous Primary Health Care, with demonstrated success in Senior Management.

Provide high level strategic advice and analysis to the Board for the development and management of key initiatives and programs. Develop links with other relevant government and non-government organisations to foster a clear understanding of client/community needs to ensure collaboration, effective two-way communication and the development of joint alliances and real partnerships.

Manage the operational activities of AHAC in line with the Service Delivery Model adopted by the Board using a whole of family, whole of community approach in a Culturally Responsive manner.

Key responsibilities include

- Ensure that the financial management of AHAC is prudent and effective, operating within budget and in compliance with legislation, audit and other legal requirements;
- Source and secure adequate funding from Territory and Federal Governments and other funding providers to meet AHAC's continuing need for operating and capital funds;
- Develop business plans to take advantage of identified business opportunities that will contribute income streams for the provision of additional AHAC services.

An understanding of the philosophy behind the operations of Aboriginal community-controlled health organisations and knowledge of the provision of Aboriginal primary health care services in rural/remote Australia is imperative.

If you would like further information and
or position description, please contact the
Corporate Services Manager Tim Welch on
(08) 8962 2633 or email tim.welch@anyinginyi.com.au

Closing Date: 5th March 2010
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Manager Home Lending: Darwin

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Are you:

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- + Interested in promoting Indigenous economic empowerment?

Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to lead its Darwin home lending service delivery unit.

The Home Lending Manager will be responsible for the delivery of IBA's housing loan programs in the Northern Territory.

The successful applicant will need to have:

- + experience in successfully leading a diverse team to achieve required outcomes
- + extensive knowledge of home or business lending
- + good oral and written communication skills
- + an ability to communicate effectively and with appropriate sensitivity with Indigenous people

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

For further information including job description, selection documentation and how to apply go to www.iba.gov.au. If, after reading the job documentation, you have any questions, please contact John Gillespie (02) 6121 2611 or email john.gillespie@iba.gov.au.

Applications close on 5 March 2010.

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Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



YOUR COMMUNITY IS COUNTING ON YOU

Collectors - DUBBO

As part of the testing program for the 2011 Census of Population and Housing, the Australian Bureau of Statistics is holding a census test in selected areas of New South Wales from May 2010 to July 2010.

We are looking to appoint a number of Collectors in the Dubbo area to deliver and collect forms to and from every household in their allocated areas.

If you can answer YES to ALL of the following questions, please call 1800 420 182 between the hours of 8:30am and 5:00pm weekdays to apply over the phone or you can apply online at www.abs.gov.au/recruitment.

- 1 Are you an Australian Citizen or do you have permanent residency?
- 2 Are you at least 18 years of age?
- 3 Do you live in Dubbo or the surrounding area?
- 4 Are you available to work from 10 May 2010 – 17 July 2010?
- 5 Do you have a current driver's licence and the use of a secure vehicle?
- 6 Do you have a mobile phone?
- 7 Are you able to communicate and liaise with the public?
- 8 Are you able to read a map and perform clerical functions?
- 9 Are you physically able to walk for extended periods, negotiate stairs and difficult terrain?
- 10 Can you maintain the security and confidentiality of information collected?
- 11 Are you able to work on weekends and evenings?

You will be paid \$17.17 per hour inclusive of casual loading entitlement for a predetermined number of hours. The number of hours varies according to the size of your allocated workload. You will be thoroughly trained.

All applicants must agree to undergo a security check and will be legally bound to protect the privacy of information collected in the census.

Applications open on Saturday 27 February 2010 and close on Friday 12 March 2010.



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Senior Project Officer

Northern Territory Office

APS 5 \$61,326-\$64,728 (Several Positions)

DARWIN/ALICE SPRINGS Ref No: 10-0793

The Northern Territory Office of the department has approximately 80 staff based in offices in Darwin and Alice Springs. We work in partnership with stakeholders to ensure that services provided through departmental programs, including programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, are responsive to local needs and conditions while maintaining high standards of equity, quality and efficiency.

We have several current and expected ongoing and non-ongoing vacancies at the APS5 level, in the Darwin and Alice Springs offices. We are seeking to establish an order of merit that can be used to fill these vacancies for up to 12 months.

Duties of the positions include liaising with stakeholders, monitoring funding agreements, formulating recommendations and providing advice in relation to health and ageing services and regulatory frameworks, preparing documentation, and (in some cases) supervising staff.

Contact officer: Craig Cross on (08) 8950 1632 or craig.cross@health.gov.au

Selection Documentation: An application kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>

Applications close 11 March 2010, 7pm AEDT

Diversity is important to us. Information about working for the department and workplace diversity is available on the Health website.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER NSW

Aboriginal Co-Management Coordinator

Clerk Grade 7/8, Far West, Baradine, Temporary Part-Time

Vacancy Ref: DECCW 42-10

Total remuneration package to \$91,779 p.a. including salary \$75,137 p.a. to \$83,171 p.a. Salary package includes base salary, annual leave loading and employer contributions to superannuation scheme on a pro rata basis. Develops and implements programs and projects to advance co-management within the Area. Works with members of the Aboriginal community to continue the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Gawambaraay Pilliga Co-management Committee (GPCC) and DECCW.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and demonstrated knowledge, understanding and association with the local Aboriginal community.
- Demonstrated interpersonal skills including conflict management skills and high order influencing, persuading and negotiating skills, with the ability to work within and across complex personal relationships.
- Proven ability to communicate across cultures, presentation and facilitation skills and experience in correspondence, letter and report writing; experience in liaising and working with Aboriginal people, government organisations, and communities.
- Demonstrated experience in project development, implementation and management.
- Demonstrated analytical, problem solving and time management skills.
- Knowledge of co-management arrangements and use of public estate in order to ensure that the cultural heritage, public safety, and flora and fauna remain protected; understanding of environmental issues and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage management.
- Supervision, administrative and organisation skills and experience including an understanding of budgetary principles, OH&S and a knowledge of adult learning principles and current issues in staff development.
- Current Driver's Licence and willingness to fly in light aircraft.

Job Notes: This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. This is a temporary part time position 5 days per fortnight for the period up to 30 June 2012. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: John Whittall (02) 6843 4000 or 0428 693 909 or john.whittall@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Kylie Barker(02) 6843 4000

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Recruitment Officer, Department Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220, Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 5 March 2010

GA2-804923

FULLTIME POSITIONS, YALATA SA

Heta, on behalf of a remote Aboriginal Community Organisation (far West Coast), is seeking dynamic people to join their dedicated and team orientated organisation.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER

The successful candidate's role will include:

- ◆ Overseeing development and delivery of CDEP.
- ◆ Ensure projects are consistent with local job opportunities.
- ◆ Liaise with a range of service providers to ensure outcomes and API's are met.

Essential Requirements:

- ◆ Project management experience.
- ◆ Ability to engage and gain participation from stakeholders.

VOCATIONAL COORDINATOR

The successful candidate's role will include:

- ◆ Identify training needs.
- ◆ Organise Accredited Training appropriate to local community needs.
- ◆ Arrange structured work experience placements.

Essential Requirements:

- ◆ Certificate IV Training and Assessment.
- ◆ Knowledge of Industrial Relations and Awards.
- ◆ Knowledge of National Training Packages.

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COORDINATOR

READVERTISED (previous applicants need not apply)

The successful candidate's role will include:

- ◆ Plan, develop, implement and report on all govt funded programs.
- ◆ Liaise with external govt service providers.

Essential Requirements:

- ◆ Knowledge and understanding of current Govt policies relating to Indigenous Australians.

YOUTH PROGRAMS COORDINATOR

READVERTISED (previous applicants need not apply)

The successful candidate's role will include:

- ◆ Coordinating the Illicit Drug Diversion Initiative and other Youth Activity programs.
- ◆ Early assessment of substance use.
- ◆ Establishment of Health Recovery camps.
- ◆ Liaison with Community Elders.

Essential Requirements:

- ◆ Knowledge and understanding of issues affecting Indigenous Youth within remote communities.

The successful applicants for these positions will:

- ◆ Be passionate and committed to the development and sustainability of Community.
- ◆ Provide culturally responsive services that respect the values of Indigenous people.
- ◆ Support the achievement of contract outcomes.
- ◆ Engage with Yalata staff and community members.



A job specification is available by contacting Amanda on (08) 8212 7771 or emailing heta@heta.com.au.

Your application, which is to address the job specification, is to be forwarded to: 24 Gilbert Street, Adelaide SA 5000, fax: 8212 7781 or email: heta@heta.com.au.

Applications close Friday, 09/03/2010.



TAMWORTH ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Position Number: 01/10

Tamworth Aboriginal Medical Service has an exciting opportunity for a CEO with demonstrated experience in management and or experience in the health industry to lead their dedicated health team in Tamworth. A deep understanding of, and sensitivity to, Aboriginal cultural issues is a distinct advantage.

TAMS provides a public primary health care service incorporating a general practice, visiting specialists, mental health services, health screening and health promotion activities. The organisation was founded to address the health needs of the Aboriginal community of Tamworth and surrounding districts.

North West Slopes Division of General Practice is the current auspice organisation for TAMS and consults with the community through the Tamworth Aboriginal Medical Service Incorporated.

Duties include:

- Oversee and maintain the administrative and financial functions
- Establishing and maintaining effective relationships with government and non-government agencies and local Aboriginal Communities
- Manage all tenders, grants and acquittals and ensure that all reporting standards are met
- Supervise support and mentor all staff

This is an executive position for a person with high level communication, supervision and policy skills, proven computer skills and a demonstrated ability to work with other agencies and local Aboriginal communities.

This is an Aboriginal Identified position in accordance with section 14(D) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Proof of Aboriginality must be presented with application.

You will be rewarded for your dedication, passion and commitment with an attractive remuneration package to match your skills, qualifications and experience.

Applications addressing the selection criteria are to be forwarded to:

Position 01/10
Graeme Kershaw - Chief Executive Officer
North West Slopes Division of General Practice
PO Box 1916
Tamworth NSW 2340

For an application package, please contact: Donna Reid, telephone: (02) 6766 5211.

Applications Close: 1 March, 2010 at 5pm.



**WALGETT ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE
CO-OPERATIVE LTD A.B.N. 780 1499 0451.**
37 Pitt St (P.O Box 396), WALGETT NSW 2832
Phone: (02) 6828 1611, 6828 1798
Fax: (02) 68281201
Email: walgettams@bigpond.com

Looking for a tree change?

Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service (WAMS), currently has vacancies in the following areas:

AT WAMS PROGRAM TEAM

• Registered Nurse - Sexual Health

For more information or to obtain a Job Description please contact:

Kylie Gilmore
Practice Manager-Programs
Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service
Ph. 02 6828 1611 Mobile: 0400304816
Email kylie.gilmore@walgettams.com.au

CLINIC TEAM

• General Practitioner

• Dentists

• Aboriginal Health Worker - Collarenebri position based at Walgett AMS

For more information or to obtain a Job Description please contact:

Jessie Richardson
Practice Manager-Clinic
Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service
Ph. 02 6828 1611 Mobile: 0439 995 938Email
jessie.richardson@walgettams.com.au

FAMILY CENTRED PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

• Female Aboriginal Health

Worker - Family Centred Primary Health Care

H4L

• Registered Nurse

For more information or to obtain a Job Description please contact:

Skye Duncan
Coordinator-Healthy for Life/Family Centred Primary Health Care
Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service
Ph. 02 6828 1611 Mobile: 0428 866 761
Email skye.duncan@walgettams.com.au

Closing Date: 5th March 2010

All Job opportunities at WAMS include an intensive two week orientation to the individual services and the communities they service.

Salary is in accordance with Qualifications and experience. Assistance with accommodation can be provided on request.

All applications in writing can be addressed to
Chairperson
Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Ltd.
P.O. Box 396 Walgett NSW 2832

JUSTICE HEALTH STATEWIDE SERVICE NSW HEALTH

Aboriginal Mental Health Workers – Community Integration Team

- Orange, Dubbo (based in Orange)
- Bourke, Brewarrina, Cobar, Nyngan (based in Bourke)
- Broken Hill, Wilcannia, Ivanhoe (based in Broken Hill)

3 x Temporary Full Time until 30 June 2013

JH No: 10/56

Salary: Health Managers, Level 2 (State) Award: \$75,720 to \$89,810 pa.

An exciting opportunity exists for a highly motivated and experienced Aboriginal Mental Health Workers to join the Community Integration Team. This position plays an integral part in the multidisciplinary team that will address the needs of adolescents with significant mental health and/or problematic drug & alcohol issues that are released from custody into their local and surrounding communities.

This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of Anti-Discrimination Act. Justice Health State-wide Service deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginality status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions during the interview process.

Enquiries: Jeanette Toole on 0408 163 583.

Closing Date: 12 March 2010.

Applicants require an information package for selection criteria and application form from: Employee Services, (02) 9700 3038. Applications to: Justice Health, PO Box 150, Matraville NSW 2036.

NSW Health Service – Justice Health Division is committed to OH&S, 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.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Careers with Queensland Health

Advanced Health Worker

Adult Community Health, Division of Community, Subacute and Aged Services, Gold Coast area, Gold Coast Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$67 127 p.a., comprising salary between \$53 358 – \$58 834 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (005) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10GC0230. **Duties/Abilities:** You will advance the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in collaboration with our clinical District colleagues within the Gold Coast Health Service District. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Melissa Browning (07) 5525 5630.

Application Kit: (07) 5537 0394 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 1 March 2010.

TMP 0088106

**You can apply online at
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus**

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



Government of
Western Australia
Western Australian Museum

Assistant Supervisor Visitor Services (Recruitment Pool)

Department of Culture and the Arts

Position No: Pool Ref – 11875 & 11882

Wages: \$820.10 - \$830.10 + penalties p/w, GSGA 2007

Term: Permanent – Full Time x 2

The Western Australian Museum Maritime has **two (2) Permanent Full-time** Visitor Services Assistant Supervisor positions to fill immediately. You will possess well developed interpersonal and communication skills and be committed to leading a team in providing exceptional customer service.

Suitable applicants not initially appointed will be included in a pool for consideration for Visitor Services Assistant Supervisor vacancies that arise. The **pool** will operate for a period of **six (6) months** from finalisation of the recruitment process.

Applications are encouraged from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and Australians from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

A current **National Police Certificate** will be required prior to commencement of employment. Successful applicants will be required to undertake a **pre employment medical** before their appointment.

All applicants are strongly advised to attend an information session at the Museum Site on **Thursday, 25th February 2010 at 5.30pm** prior to submitting an application.

Visit: www.jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No **11875 or 11882** to access detailed information or Ph: (08) 9258 0650 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Job Related Information: Please contact Celina Smith on Ph: (08) 9431 8310.

Closing Date: Friday, 5 March 2010 at 4pm (WST).

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Centre for Health Promotion, CYWHS – Adelaide CBD
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You will play a vital role in identifying and implementing quality health promotion processes that improve the health and wellbeing of children, young people, women and families. You will have strong communication and interpersonal skills to liaise, consult and engage in a culturally sensitive manner with the Aboriginal community, individuals and families. Generous salary sacrifice benefits are available. *Job Ref: 982.*

For more information visit:
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or phone 1300 882 992

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Kowanyama Aboriginal Land and
Natural Resource Management Office (KALNRMO)

Senior Ranger Indigenous Identified Position

- Full time up to 3 years
- \$55,000 - \$65,000 (p.a) + superannuation + benefits
- Lead a team of Rangers

The KALNRMO has been operating as an Aboriginal community controlled land management agency as part of Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council since 1990. The agency's continued success follows a strong culture of community involvement, consistent strategy, operating transparency, Aboriginal self governance, and accountability to its supporters and the Kowanyama community. Kowanyama is widely recognized for its unity of purpose in matters of land management affecting the *People of Kowanyama*. The agency, Kowanyama Aboriginal Council and Traditional Owners work together on a range of issues in relation to the resolution of Native Title, township land tenure, mineral exploration and maintenance of cultural practices. In 2009 Native Title was determined for Aboriginal Lands of the former DOGIT. An agreement was successfully signed with the State that provides Kowanyama with the exciting opportunity of day to day management of the Mitchell and Alice Rivers National Park. Kowanyama Aboriginal Lands encompasses over 4000 square kilometers of country and fifty kilometers of coastline. This is an opportunity for applicants to be involved in breaking new ground in working with a very active Aboriginal agency that has taken joint direction for 20 years from Aboriginal Council and Traditional Owners.

For a copy of the job description contact the Manager, Mr Vivian Sinnamon on (07) 4060 5187 or email: viv@klco.org.au

Applications close: 5.00 pm EST 26th March 2010



BATCHELOR INSTITUTE
OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

Training Coordinator

Position No.: Supn

1 year fixed term appointment commencing March 2010 – Nyirripi, Central Australia, NT

Remuneration Academic Level A/B - \$47,452 - \$79,570

This position will provide the coordination necessary to create a vibrant learning hub at Nyirripi. It will provide community members with a range of learning opportunities and support community members to complete education and training courses so that they can gain employment. 100% rebate of rental contributions, power and water and other remote allowances are provided.

Applications close Friday 5th March 2010

For further information, the Role Profile, Selection Criteria and 'Information for Applicants' 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.

Wadja Aboriginal Family Place Program Co-ordinator

Parkville

Reference number: 4560

This is a key position in the new service developed at RCH to improve the health care services provided to Aboriginal children and their families accessing the hospital.

This position will lead and coordinate the expanding services of the Wadja Aboriginal Family Place and is supported by a well established advisory group.

To be the successful applicant, you will need to be able to develop a sound vision for an evolving service, demonstrate good leadership skills and have excellent advocacy skills to promote the distinct cultural and health needs of Aboriginal children within a mainstream organisation.

Note: This is an Aboriginal-identified position. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification and is authorised by s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

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Indigenous Recruitment Adviser

At Qantas, we are committed to achieving our Reconciliation Action Plan goals in relation to the employment and engagement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

As such, we are looking for a suitably qualified person to fulfil the role of Indigenous Recruitment Adviser, within the Qantas Careers Team.

This role will be responsible for proactively sourcing and supporting high quality Indigenous candidates for Qantas, as well as the delivery of other Diversity programs and initiatives.

We want you to join our dynamic team, in a highly consultative capacity, whilst tapping into your recruitment experience and your understanding of the Indigenous employment market.

To submit your application, view more information about this opportunity or view other positions within Qantas, please visit www.qantas.com/careers searching **Ref 4623**.

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PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF IN NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Aboriginal Education Officer vacancies exist at a number of NSW public schools. We invite applications from Aboriginal people who may be interested in these positions.

The role of the Aboriginal Education Officer is to support Aboriginal students and parents and their teachers in developing student outcomes, and to be a point of contact between the school and the Aboriginal community.

Vacancies currently exist at the following schools. Contact the Principal for further information:

Barwon Learning Centre, Moree
(02) 6751 1573

Orara High School
(02) 6652 1077

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Understanding of the needs of Aboriginal students. Knowledge of Aboriginal communities and cultures. Effective communication skills. Ability to interact with Aboriginal students and parents. Knowledge of the local Aboriginal community.

N.B.: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Remuneration Package valued up to \$50,723pa includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading (annual salary range \$42,281 - \$45,966).

To apply for this position online go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au.
Closing date for applications is 12 March 2010.

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION



Human Services
Community Services

Senior Regional Strategies Officer (Aboriginal) Clerk Grade 9/10

Salary package from \$97,172 to \$104,153 per annum

Nowra, Toronto and Lightning Ridge/Brewarrina

Temporary Full-Time

Responsible to the Manager Regional Strategy for the coordination and management of Integrated Children and Family Centres funded under the National Partnership on Indigenous Early Childhood Development within the Regions.

Requirements:

- Aboriginal &/or Torres Strait Islander with a commitment to improving services for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people.
- Project management skills with experience in children's services and human service delivery components.
- Extensive knowledge of the evidence based for prevention and early intervention strategies for children, youth and families.

Join us now.

For the full selection criteria and to apply online, visit
www.community.nsw.gov.au/careers

For information about the position, please call Janet Schorer on (02) 9716 2836.

Applications Close: Friday 5 March 2010

Vacancy No: 10/CS_0268

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Human Services
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 Agency 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.

Juvenile Justice Officer (Bail Intake)

**Clerk Grade 5/6, Orana Juvenile Justice Centre, Dubbo,
Permanent Full Time. Vacancy Number 10/012.**

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$80,502 pa including
salary (\$66,116 to \$72,952 pa), employer's contribution to
superannuation and leave loading.**

This position is to provide a range of intervention options for clients across the region/district in order to reduce numbers in custody.

Selection Criteria:

- Knowledge and experience of working in a criminal justice environment with practical experience in analysing and reporting on data.
- Knowledge and understanding of legislation relating to juvenile offenders in New South Wales.
- A thorough understanding of the department's policies, practices and procedures.
- Highly developed written and oral communication skills with the ability to prepare reports and submissions, and manage sensitive information.
- Ability to effectively communicate and negotiate with key internal and external stakeholders.
- High level computing skills.
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal culture.

Notes: This is a permanent appointment under Section 19/21/23 of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. 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. An 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: Janet Curran 6881 0777

Information Packages: Karen Jarrett 6881 0888

Applications to: Careers@dji.nsw.gov.au or "Confidential", Employee Services Officer, Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240

Closing Date: Sunday, 7 March 2010

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Part-time Casual Teachers

Salary: \$68.14 per hour. Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons interested in being placed on a suitability list as part-time casual teachers to teach day and evening classes in the following areas within the Western Sydney Institute including OTEN (Open Training Education Network)

- **Auslan** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/030A
- **Communication** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/028A
- **English** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/020A
- **ESOL** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/024A
- **Literacy and Numeracy** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/026A
- **Mathematics** – Job Ref No: WS/2010/022A

Note: "It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for TAFE

positions. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applications."

Information Package can be obtained from the Recruitment Officer phone 02 9208 9224 or Email: ws.recruitment@tafensw.edu.au

Applications and Resume (quoting Job Reference No) must be returned to: Recruitment Officer, Western Sydney Region, Building K, Level 2, 2-10 O'Connell Street, Kingswood NSW 2747 or Email: ws.recruitment@tafensw.edu.au

Closing Date: Friday 5 March 2010



NORTHERN TERRITORY

Relationships Australia NT is part of one of Australia's largest community based organisations whose vision is to create communities where relationships are respectful, diversity is valued and all people have a true sense of connection and belonging.

Male Indigenous Advisor - Full Time

Alice Springs Office

FAMILY RELATIONSHIP CENTRE

An exciting opportunity exists to join the staff of Relationships Australia NT in the above position at the Family Relationship Centre (FRC), Alice Springs.

The successful applicants will be responsible for:

- Providing effective, innovative and culturally appropriate Family Relationship Centre (FRC) services for Aboriginal people in the NT.
- To assist other FRC staff in providing services to Aboriginal clients in a culturally appropriate manner.
- Community development and networking with relevant Aboriginal communities and government organisations.
- Travelling to Aboriginal Communities throughout Central Australia

To obtain an application pack please email kaliopi@ra-nt.org.au
Electronic applications are preferred. Should other information be required about the position please call Robyn Donnelly on 08 8950 4100.

Applications by COB Friday 5th March 2010



Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council Receptionist

We are seeking highly motivated applicants for our receptionist position. This is an opportunity to work in a large Aboriginal Land Council and be a part of a flexible and active organisation. We will provide the successful applicant with supervision and training to assist them in their duties.

Selection Criteria

1. Aboriginality and ability to work in the Aboriginal community.
2. Excellent oral and written communication skills.
3. Demonstrated computer skills and receptionist experience.
4. Demonstrated ability to work in a team environment and follow direction.
5. Knowledge of occupational health and safety (OH&S) and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) principles

Completed applications can be sent to PO Box 1103 Strawberry Hills NSW 2012.

For further information please contact Rebecca or Paul on (02) 8394 9666 or email metrolalc@metrolalc.org.au for an information package. The salary package for this position is up to \$40K. This position is identified for an Aboriginal person's under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Relevant screening and security checks will be conducted on the recommended applicants.

Closing date: 30th March 2010



Policy and Project Officer

Aboriginal Resources and Pathways Project

National Disability Services (NDS) is the national industry association for disability services, representing over 650 not-for-profit organisations. Collectively, our members operate several thousand services for Australians with all types of disability. NDS's members range in size from small support groups to large multi-service organisations, and are located in every State and Territory across Australia.

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic individual as Policy and Project Officer to work with our expanding team to improve current levels of engagement and interaction between disability services and local Aboriginal communities in urban and rural regions of NSW.

Ideally, the person will have an understanding of the role of an industry association and should also possess an understanding of issues relevant to the delivery of services for Aboriginal people with a disability, their families and carers. A person of an Aboriginal cultural background is desirable, as identified in Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

The position is located in the Sydney CBD but will involve extensive state wide travel and some national travel. A salary package commensurate with experience will be negotiated.

Interested applicants should forward their resume and cover letter to:

Berice King
Project Manager – Industry Development Fund
Level 10, 60 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000
P: (02) 9256 3161 F: (02) 9256 3123
E: berice.king@nds.org.au

For the full position description, please visit our website at www.nds.org.au.

**New South Wales Aboriginal Education
Consultative Group Incorporated (NSW AECG Inc)**

Field Officer (Temporary Full Time)



Salary/Remuneration Details: Total remuneration Grade 5 (salary \$66,116 - \$68,201) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Position Information: Provide high-level support and advice to Local and Regional AECG's to ensure the successful management and operation of the NSW AECG Inc. Enhance and promote the function of the NSW AECG Inc within the Aboriginal community and education providers throughout NSW.

Position Criteria:

- Aboriginality
- Demonstrate high-level knowledge and understanding of NSW AECG Inc. policies and procedures including the 'Rules of the Association'
- Demonstrate knowledge of and experience in working with culturally diverse Aboriginal communities in NSW
- Demonstrate understanding of both NSW and Commonwealth education and training policies and issues relating to Aboriginal people.
- Demonstrate excellent interpersonal, organisational and problem solving/conflict resolution skills.
- Demonstrate experience and skills in working as both part of a team and independently, working in a high volume environment with competing priorities.
- Demonstrate an understanding of OH&S and EEO practices
- Drivers Licence (Class C)

Please note: Applications must be accompanied with details of two referees.

Conditions: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

This position is Temporary Full Time position for 2 years with a possibility of extension.

Closing date: For applications COB Tuesday 16th March 2010

Contact Details

Information Package

Lesley Armstrong
Office Manager
NSW AECG Inc
9550 5666
lesley.armstrong@aecg.nsw.edu.au

Applications to

Executive Officer
NSW AECG Inc
PO Box 375
Enmore NSW 2042



Human Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Care Workers

**Wangary Aboriginal Branch
Permanent Part-Time**

Blacktown, Doonside, Mt Druitt and Penrith

Aboriginal Male Applicants are encouraged to apply for these positions

ARE YOU

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Previous experience is not essential although successful applicants will be subject to criminal records check and a pre-employment functional assessment

For further information and an application package contact Julie Goodwin on (02) 4734 9422 or email Julie.Goodwin@dadhc.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: Julie Goodwin
Home Care Service of NSW
Wangary Branch
PO Box 1893
PENRITH BC 2751

Closing Date: Friday 12 March 2010

Being a male is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under section 31 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

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Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW
Namoi Catchment Management Authority

Natural Resource Officer (Aboriginal Support)

Clerk Grade 4/5

Tamworth

Temporary Full Time

CMA2010/021

**Total remuneration package valued at \$75,260 per annum
(includes salary \$59,498 pa - \$68,201 pa).**

Temporary position under Section 86 or 27 & 28 of the PSE & M Act 2002 for a period up to 30 June 2011.

Support Aboriginal groups and communities in providing access to training and resources, and coordinating activities in line with the objectives and implementation of the Namoi Catchment Action Plan.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of Aboriginal cultural heritage issues and natural resource management issues in the Namoi Catchment.
- Demonstrated ability in working with Aboriginal community groups.
- Good facilitation skills. Good written and oral communication skills, including basic computer skills.
- Ability to plan and organise events and projects including report writing and record keeping.
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team/network.
- Ability to liaise with government agencies, other organisations and individuals.
- Understanding of funding processes and ability to identify funding sources. Current drivers licence.

Job Notes: You will be required to attend community meetings in the evening and on some weekends. This is a temporary position for a period up to the 30 June 2011 with a possibility of extension beyond this period.

Inquiries Name: Simon Taylor

Inquiries Phone: (02) 6764 5929

Information Packages: Please send an e-mail to cma.infopack@dnr.nsw.gov.au with 021 in the subject line. This is an auto response.

Applications: E-mail your application to applications@dnr.nsw.gov.au with the Job Reference Number & your name in the Subject line. Or by post to Recruitment Services, ServiceFirst, PO Box 3720, Parramatta NSW 2124

Closing Date: 7 March 2010

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Human Services
Juvenile Justice

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Juvenile Justice Officer (Aboriginal)

**Clerk Grade 5/6, Sydney Juvenile Justice Community Services,
Permanent Full Time. Vacancy Number 10/010.**

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$80,502 pa including salary
(\$66,116 to \$72,952 pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.**

This position is responsible for the provision of effective, offending focused intervention through assessment, supervision and case management of juvenile offenders. The delivery of community based programs to minimise the re-offending of juvenile offenders.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality with demonstrated experience working within indigenous communities.
- Understanding of the legislation and issues relevant to Juvenile offenders.
- Demonstrated casework experience including demonstrated ability in assessment, report writing and case planning.
- Demonstrated experience in working with adolescents and/or their families.
- Ability to build and maintain relationships with stakeholders to resource services for clients.
- Sound negotiation, oral and written communication skills, including well-developed computer and keyboard skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team and meet tight deadlines.
- Current minimum Class C NSW driver's licence.

Notes: This is a permanent appointment under Section 19/21/23 of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. 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. An 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: Bronwyn Manion 9215 3399

Information Packages: Libby Dixon 9215 3399

Applications marked "Confidential" to:

Employee Services Officer, Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240

Closing Date: Sunday, 28 February 2010

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No smoking in the workplace is Office policy

It is the policy of the Office to encourage applications from persons of Aboriginal descent for all positions.

The Office is committed to equal employment opportunity, occupational health and safety, ethical practices and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. All applicants are expected to demonstrate an understanding and commitment in these areas.

A criminal record check and Working with Children Check is undertaken on applicants prior to an offer of employment being made. This check will also disclose spent convictions under the Criminal Records Act 1991. The submission of an application to the ODPP is an acknowledgement that you consent to the ODPP arranging for such a check to be conducted.

WITNESS ASSISTANCE OFFICER (INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIED)

Prosecution Officer (Administrative) Level 4, Dubbo. Pos No: 2010/06.

Total remuneration package valued at up to \$80502 p.a. including salary (\$66,116 - \$72,952 p.a.), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Provide professional support and assistance to victims of crime, witnesses and their families in matters prosecuted by the Office with a focus on victims and witnesses from an Indigenous background. The Dubbo Office services a large area of central west NSW which extends from Bathurst and Forbes to Moree and Lightning Ridge and west to Broken Hill. Country travel is expected.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander with an understanding of the needs of victims and witnesses in the context of the criminal justice system. Demonstrated high level communication, interpersonal, consultation, negotiation and assessment skills. Capacity to listen/refer to community services, with experience as a helping professional in a health or welfare services environment. Counselling experience in adult and child sexual assault, domestic violence or grief and loss. Knowledge of NSW criminal justice system and the ability to work independently within a mainstream team environment. Current driver's licence and willingness to travel throughout NSW. Relevant tertiary qualifications (e.g. social work, psychology, welfare/health related areas) and familiarity with disability issues.

Note: This is an identified position for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. This is a temporary vacancy for a period up to 4 April 2011.

Inquiries: Roger Montgomery (02) 6881 3323.

Information Packages: Roger Hyman (02) 6881 3321 or Susan Ayre (02) 6881 3300.

Applications together with contact details of two Referees to: Manager Support Services, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, PO Box 811, Dubbo, NSW, 2830. or Email: RecruitDubbo@odpp.nsw.gov.au (Word is the preferred format for applications submitted via email).

Closing Date: 5 March 2010.

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NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1948	Rey Kimberley Pty Ltd	238.12km ²	78km SE'ly of Derby	Lat 17°37' Long 124°17'	Derby - West Kimberley
04/1953	Rey Kimberley Pty Ltd	140.33km ²	70km W'ly of Derby	Lat 17°26' Long 122°59'	Broome
04/1974	Broadway Resources Pty Ltd	645.74km ²	212km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°22' Long 124°01'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1975-6, 04/1985-6 & 04/1988	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	1925.6km ²	104km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°07' Long 125°37'	Derby - West Kimberley
08/2040	Westex Resources Pty Ltd	34.7km ²	133km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°52' Long 116°26'	Ashburton
08/2064	Cauldron Energy Ltd	306.57km ²	122km SE'ly of Exmouth	Lat 22°45' Long 114°55'	Ashburton
09/1608	CJC Holdings Pty Ltd	43.76km ²	135km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°06' Long 116°03'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1609	CJC Holdings Pty Ltd	100.09km ²	148km NE'ly Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°02' Long 116°09'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1670	Atlas Iron Ltd	342.34km ²	165km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°46' Long 117°07'	Meekatharra/Murchison
09/1703	GTI Resources Ltd	65.79km ²	168km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°48' Long 116°10'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1704	GTI Resources Ltd	3.13km ²	161km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°48' Long 116°14'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1710	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	365.96km ²	111km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°06' Long 116°18'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1711	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	155.2km ²	89km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°01' Long 116°05'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1712-3 & 09/1718	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	489.02km ²	120km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°19' Long 116°21'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1719	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	102.42km ²	110km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°01' Long 116°18'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1722	Geological Rtesources Pty Ltd	71.29km ²	82km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°11' Long 116°00'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1724	GHL Resource Investments Pty Ltd	224.92km ²	96km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°15' Long 115°34'	Carnarvon/Upper Gascoyne
15/1092	Avoca Resources Ltd	46.77km ²	20km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°32' Long 121°47'	Coolgardie
15/1139	Independence Group NL	2.93km ²	15km SE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°15' Long 121°48'	Coolgardie
15/1171	Semro Pty Ltd	5.86km ²	14km S'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°19' Long 121°40'	Coolgardie
15/1177	Avoca Resources Ltd	87.56km ²	40km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°40' Long 121°56'	Coolgardie
15/1180	Avoca Resources Ltd	34.99km ²	37km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°48' Long 121°26'	Coolgardie
25/432	Sparkling Tenements Pty Ltd	8.85km ²	49km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°36' Long 121°57'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/1960	Xstrata Nickel Australasia Operations Pty Ltd	17.71km ²	65km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°35' Long 122°07'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/1991	Carrick Gold Ltd	59.11km ²	70km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°28' Long 122°07'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/2016	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd	593.06km ²	97km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°13' Long 124°53'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City/Menzies
28/2017	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd	330.95km ²	123km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°21' Long 123°40'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/2018	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd	584.33km ²	107km NW'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°34' Long 123°25'	Dundas
28/2019-21	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd	1763.68km ²	75km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 31°03' Long 124°26'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
29/758	John Henry Rutter	71.8km ²	54km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°20' Long 120°39'	Menzies
31/715	Rubicon Resources Ltd	104.47km ²	81km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°28' Long 121°50'	Menzies
31/874	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	107.58km ²	67km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°21' Long 121°45'	Menzies
36/716	Michael Joseph Foley	6.09km ²	66km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°22' Long 120°58'	Leonora
36/724	Rosane Pty Ltd	18.24km ²	53km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°32' Long 121°01'	Leonora
36/732	JML Resources Pty Ltd	42.34km ²	28km S'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°10' Long 120°39'	Leonora
36/734	Audax Minerals Pty Ltd	18.26km ²	64km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°24' Long 121°00'	Leonora
37/1023	Jason Laurence Heneker	3.01km ²	54km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°27' Long 121°35'	Laverton/Leonora
37/1037	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	39.25km ²	26km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°40' Long 121°14'	Leonora
37/1039	Jabiru Metals Ltd	3.01km ²	31km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°37' Long 121°12'	Leonora
37/1040	Jabiru Metals Ltd	3km ²	29km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°38' Long 121°13'	Leonora
37/1046	Lithica Proprietary Limited	15.02km ²	40km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°44' Long 121°42'	Leonora
37/1047	Anglo Australian Resources NL	63.13km ²	15km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°45' Long 121°20'	Leonora
37/1048	Mark Campbell Gunther	3.03km ²	94km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°35' Long 121°34'	Leonora
38/2224	Rubicon Resources Ltd	42.3km ²	30km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°53' Long 122°29'	Laverton
38/2376	Peter Romeo Gianni	60.69km ²	71km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°41' Long 122°16'	Laverton
38/2389-91	Eaglex Pty Ltd	600.18km ²	156km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°56' Long 124°04'	Laverton
39/1455	Linger & Die Pty Ltd	210.51km ²	52km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°41' Long 121°49'	Laverton/Leonora
39/1504	Rubicon Resources Ltd	14.95km ²	66km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°12' Long 122°18'	Leonora
39/1515	Rubicon Resources Ltd	11.95km ²	73km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°17' Long 122°23'	Leonora
39/1525	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	65.82km ²	65km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°11' Long 122°36'	Laverton/Menzies
39/1528	United Orogen Limited	74.23km ²	184km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°59' Long 123°28'	Menzies
39/1529	Camuco Pty Ltd	409.55km ²	127km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°17' Long 123°27'	Menzies
39/1530	Camuco Pty Ltd	449.45km ²	123km E'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°01' Long 123°34'	Laverton/Menzies
40/273	Rubicon Resources Ltd	17.97km ²	26km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°06' Long 121°24'	Leonora
45/3381	Milan Mirkovic	143.77km ²	23km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°19' Long 119°54'	East Pilbara
45/3437	Gondwana Resources Ltd	63.73km ²	67km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°36' Long 119°17'	East Pilbara
45/3559	Giralila Resources NL	3.18km ²	33km N'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°35' Long 120°09'	East Pilbara
47/2062	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	192.84km ²	13km N'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°35' Long 117°49'	Ashburton
51/1351	Intermin Resources Ltd	57.97km ²	84km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°10' Long 119°03'	Meekatharra
51/1360	Atlas Iron Ltd	27.94km ²	107km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°44' Long 117°59'	Meekatharra
51/1361	Atlas Iron Ltd	15.42km ²	99km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°47' Long 118°02'	Meekatharra
51/1362	Atlas Iron Ltd	9.25km ²	98km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°49' Long 118°00'	Meekatharra
51/1401	Kingsreef Pty Ltd	15.25km ²	56km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°06' Long 118°30'	Cue
52/2112	Hampton Hill Mining NL	411.64km ²	52km S'ly of Newman	Lat 23°37' Long 120°24'	Meekatharra
& 52/2119					
52/2443	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	168.32km ²	140km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 24°27' Long 117°30'	Upper Gascoyne
52/2498	Golden Century Mining Limited	74.59km ²	184km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°02' Long 119°35'	Meekatharra
52/2506	Swancove Enterprises Pty Ltd	154.7km ²	111km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°38' Long 119°53'	Meekatharra
52/2507	Iron Mountain Mining Ltd	34.07km ²	120km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°31' Long 120°03'	Meekatharra
52/2508	Swancove Enterprises Pty Ltd	96.51km ²	150km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°32' Long 117°33'	Meekatharra
53/1509	Iron Mountain Mining Ltd	216.17km ²	76km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°59' Long 120°35'	Wiluna
53/1510	Iron Mountain Mining Ltd	215.69km ²	57km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°05' Long 120°21'	Wiluna
53/1512	Robert Keith Leslie	30.72km ²	39km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°29' Long 119°51'	Wiluna
53/1516	Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	39.81km ²	31km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°48' Long 120°26'	Wiluna
53/1517	Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	82.52km ²	61km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°59' Long 120°39'	Wiluna
53/1533	Clinton Dean Hood	6.1km ²	65km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°06' Long 120°33'	Wiluna
53/1534	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	184.73km ²	41km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°14' Long 120°08'	Wiluna
58/384	Laconia Resources Limited	33.27km ²	12km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°01' Long 117°58'	Mount Magnet
59/1622	Bruce Robert Legendre Legend Resources Pty Ltd	41.91km ²	28km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°07' Long 117°27'	Yalgoo
63/1368	Greatland Pty Ltd	139.03km ²	26km SW'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°24' Long 121°39'	Dundas
69/2576	Murchison Metals Ltd	216.4km ²	214km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°31' Long 122°00'	Wiluna
69/2606	Murchison Metals Ltd	111.36km ²	181km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°29' Long 121°33'	Wiluna
69/2625 & 69/2669	Emergent Resources Limited	246.18km ²	158km S'ly of Newman	Lat 24°45' Long 120°02'	Meekatharra/Wiluna
69/2672	Ausquest Ltd	243.37km ²	172km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°03' Long 120°26'	Wiluna
69/2679	Iron Mountain Mining Ltd	215.5km ²	43km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°13' Long 120°20'	Wiluna
69/2678 & 69/2680-3	Iron Mountain Mining Ltd	216.08km ²	76km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°55' Long 120°20'	Wiluna
69/2685	Raven Resources Pty Ltd	745.79km ²	177km S'ly of Newman	Lat 24°55' Long 120°07'	Meekatharra/Wiluna
69/2971	Iluka Resources Ltd	301.01km ²	284km S'ly of Warburton Mission	Lat 28°41' Long 126°41'	Laverton
80/4281	Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	116.19km ²	179km NW'ly of Wyndham	Lat 14°01' Long 127°25'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4291	Thermal Energy Australia Pty Ltd	462.03km ²	68km N'ly of Kununurra	Lat 15°11' Long 128°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: 24 February 2010

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 **24 May 2010**. 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. 24 June 2010**), 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 Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Aboriginal Cadetship

Clerk General Scale
Support Officer Front Line Services
Front Line Services
Government Chief Information Office

REFERENCE NO: 000001TW
SALARY PACKAGE: \$52,400 pa. Package includes salary, (\$29,262 to \$47,485 pa) employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

LOCATION: Sydney
JOB STATUS: Temporary (a permanent full-time appointment will be offered to the student upon successful completion of the Indigenous Cadetship Program and will be paid at the salary range of a Clerk Grade 3/4)

JOB NOTES: Cadets will be undertaking their 2nd or later year of University studies in ICT or similar.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Develop knowledge and skills across a range of business and IT functions through the provision of support to the Senior Project Manager Front Line services, and the Front Line Services Stream. Participate as an active member of the Business Unit to provide the most effective delivery of products and services.

SELECTION CRITERIA:
• Aboriginality (Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).
• Understanding of object-oriented programming e.g. C and/or Python, Web 2 technologies and a general knowledge of software applications.
• Sound oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
• Efficient keyboard skills and practical skills using Microsoft applications such as Word, Excel, Access and Powerpoint.

ENQUIRIES: Ken Bullock (02) 9372 8210 or Trissie Bell, Indigenous Programs (02) 9372 7181

CLOSING DATE: 12 March 2010

INFORMATION PACKAGES: For Information Packages go [Information on how to apply](#)
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DELIVERY AND NETWORK GROUP, CAIRNS

Team Leader

EL 1 | \$83,762–\$93,500 | Ref no: 10/0239

The Queensland State Office is seeking an energetic and highly motivated team leader to manage contracted providers of a range of DEEWR programs in our regional office located in Cairns.

Contact Officer: Bev Lauder (07) 3223 1874

DELIVERY AND NETWORK GROUP, PORT AUGUSTA

Program Co-ordinator

APS Level 6 | \$68,798–\$75,655 | Ref no: 10/0263

As a Program Co-ordinator, you will manage staff and the delivery of DEEWR programs in the region, working collaboratively with Government and non-Government sectors, with an emphasis on 'Closing the Gap' in Indigenous outcomes.

Contact Officer: Nikki Makin (08) 8306 8679

How to Apply

Applications close: 4 March 2010.

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Department of
Human Services

Seeking Aboriginal community visitors

Yannabil Aboriginal Community Visitors program

'Yannabil' is the Woiwurrung language word for visitor. Yannabil is a visitors program for young Aboriginal people in Victoria's Youth Justice custodial centres, located in Parkville, Melbourne and Malmsbury (Loddon Mallee Region). The Yannabil program links the Aboriginal community to Youth Justice to ensure the wellbeing of young Aboriginal people in custody.

Visitors attend the centres in pairs to listen to and support young people and to provide valuable feedback to Youth Justice about the young person's experience in custody. Visitors are appointed on their knowledge and linkages with the Victorian Aboriginal community and their understanding of the issues facing young Aboriginal people in custody.

Visitors are reimbursed for their time and provided with training and ongoing support.

Applications forms to express interest in becoming a Yannabil visitor can be obtained by contacting the Koori Statewide Coordinator, Youth Justice, on (03) 9096 1007 or 0421 059 404 or by emailing yannabil@dhs.vic.gov.au.

For further information about the Yannabil program, go www.cyf.vic.gov.au/youth-justice/services/yannabil-youth-justice-koori-visitors-program.

mitch30632 Ref No: 0130210



Human Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Local Support Coordinator - ATSI

**Clerk Grade 7/8
Planning & Access
Northern Region
Grafton, Casino or Lismore
Permanent Full-Time
Salary package valued up to \$91,779 pa
(Salary: \$75,137 pa - \$83,171 pa)**

Work at the individual, family and community level to support ATSI people with a disability to determine their own needs and participate in their community and assist families in their capacity to continue to provide care and support.

Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Formal qualifications in Social Sciences, Education or Human Services and/or equivalent experience, together with a high level of written and oral communication skills, competence in the use of keyboard and standard PC software programs.
- An ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with people with a disability from ATSI (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) & CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) communities and an understanding of issues affecting them.
- Current Driver's Licence and ability to travel throughout the community independently within the context of the Local Support Coordinator position.

These selection criteria are abbreviated and you must address the full selection criteria included in the job information package.

For full information and to apply visit: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers (refer to Job No. 10/ADHC-0209) or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6623 1900 or post application to: NSW Businesslink, Northern Regional Service Centre, PO Box 1140, Lismore NSW 2480.

Inquiries: Robin Matthes (02) 6641 6985 or Mobile: 0448 831 300

Application close: Friday 5 March 2010

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Aboriginal Cadetship

**Support Officer Administration & Finance
Clerk General Scale
Infrastructure
Government Chief Information Office**

REFERENCE NO: 00000247

SALARY PACKAGE: \$52,400 pa. Package includes salary, (\$29,262 - \$47,485 pa) employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

LOCATION: Sydney

JOB STATUS: Temporary (a permanent full-time appointment will be offered to the student upon successful completion of the Indigenous Cadetship Program and will be paid at the salary range of a Clerk Grade 3/4)

JOB NOTES: Cadets will be undertaking their 2nd or later year of University studies in business administration, finance, commerce, government or similar.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Develop knowledge and skills across a range of business and financial functions through the provision of support to the Senior Project Manager Radio Operations, and the Telecoms – Radio Comms Stream. Participate as an active member of the Business Unit to provide the most effective delivery of products and services.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality (Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).
- Efficient keyboard skills and practical skills using Microsoft applications such as Word, Excel, Access and PowerPoint.
- Sound oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Understanding of accounting principles and accounting standards.

ENQUIRIES: Paul Barnes (02) 9372 8287 or Trissie Bell, Indigenous Programs (02) 9372 7181

CLOSING DATE: 12 March 2010

INFORMATION PACKAGES: For Information Packages go [Information on how to apply](#)
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NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 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
15/5464	Timothy Vincent Tatterson	10.56ha	5km SE'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°59' Long 121°11'	Coolgardie
15/5492	Avoca Mining Pty Ltd	169.54ha	25km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°42' Long 121°41'	Coolgardie
20/2032	Ellenbrook Contracting Pty Ltd	7.28ha	4km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°23' Long 117°54'	Cue
20/2033	Ellenbrook Contracting Pty Ltd	2.43ha	5km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°23' Long 117°54'	Cue
24/4483	Abadan Rijji Pty Ltd	4.86ha	26km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°30' Long 121°23'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
24/4484	Frederick Charles Saunders	2.03ha	42km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°26' Long 121°11'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
24/4485	Chrysalis Resources Ltd	129.87ha	65km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°16' Long 120°54'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
27/2015-6	Manfred Kielhauser Robert Mark Henning	286.08ha	57km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°18' Long 121°46'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
31/1985	Hawthorn Resources Limited	23.48ha	138km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°51' Long 122°35'	Menzies
36/1741	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	86.74ha	62km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°28' Long 121°05'	Leonora
37/7833	Debin Nominees Pty Ltd	155.03ha	24km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°46' Long 121°32'	Leonora
37/7853	Blackaxe Investments Pty Ltd	58.64ha	42km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°40' Long 121°40'	Leonora
37/7867	Eagle Eye Metals Ltd	695.88ha	20km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°49' Long 121°31'	Leonora
37/7874	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	53.3ha	62km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°30' Long 121°06'	Leonora
37/7870-2					
37/7875	Manfred Kielhauser Robert Mark Henning	6.83ha	49km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°13' Long 121°02'	Leonora
37/7876	Nick Kirou	7.29ha	6km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°51' Long 121°22'	Leonora
38/3882	Terri Davina Hill Patrick John Hill	9.83ha	44km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°58' Long 122°36'	Laverton
39/5062	Mavia Pty Ltd Brutus Constructions Pty Ltd	29.12ha	79km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°20' Long 122°26'	Leonora
40/1264	Peter Andrew Wiltshire	119.89ha	45km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°15' Long 121°29'	Menzies
45/2758	Australian Tantalum Pty Ltd	78.29ha	89km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°03' Long 118°53'	East Pilbara
45/2759	Kevin Graham Danks	200ha	6km N'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°07' Long 119°45'	East Pilbara
46/1647	John Gelmi	103.74ha	34km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°43' Long 120°23'	East Pilbara
46/1648	John Gelmi	94.46ha	37km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°42' Long 120°24'	East Pilbara
46/1662-3	Piccadilly Prospecting Pty Ltd	288.71ha	0km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°53' Long 120°06'	East Pilbara
51/2646-7	Kingsreef Pty Ltd	45.32ha	63km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°09' Long 118°30'	Cue
51/2648	Kingsreef Pty Ltd	45.21ha	60km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°07' Long 118°33'	Cue
52/1350	Drew Griffin Money	125.36ha	147km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°25' Long 119°30'	Meekatharra
53/1527	Allarrow Pty Ltd	181.56ha	33km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°51' Long 120°22'	Wiluna
53/1529-31	Shaun Christopher Busby	561.04ha	123km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°55' Long 121°24'	Wiluna
53/1532	Shaun Christopher Busby	188.33ha	127km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°57' Long 121°26'	Wiluna
57/1252	Troy Resources Ltd	10.96ha	11km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°03' Long 119°13'	Sandstone
57/1253	Troy Resources Ltd	21.59ha	7km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°01' Long 119°14'	Sandstone
58/1489-91	Colin James Evans	452.82ha	10km NW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°00' Long 117°45'	Mount Magnet
58/1502	Mt Magnet Gold NL	46.99ha	31km S'ly of Cue	Lat 27°42' Long 117°52'	Cue
63/1804	Scaddan Energy Pty Ltd	7.66ha	42km N'ly of Esperance	Lat 33°18' Long 121°54'	Esperance
77/3993	Polaris Metals NL	149.29ha	108km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°52' Long 119°14'	Menzies/Yilgarn

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: 24 February 2010

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 **24 May 2010**. 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. 24 June 2010**), 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 Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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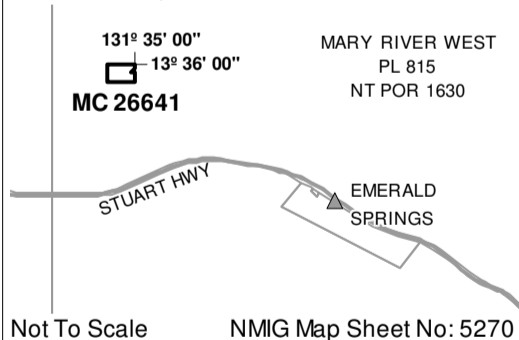
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL CLAIMS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

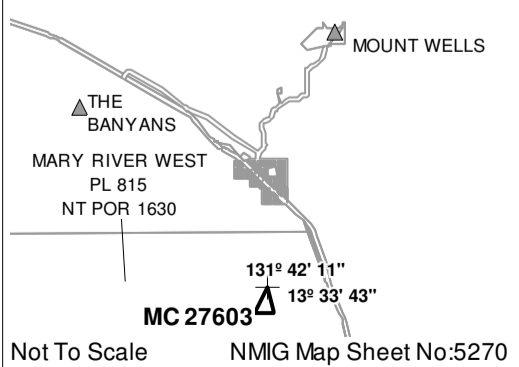
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do acts namely to grant the following mineral claim applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Mineral Claim 26641 sought by ROBERT LORENZ FISHER and ROBERT JOSEPH STROUD over an area of 33 ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



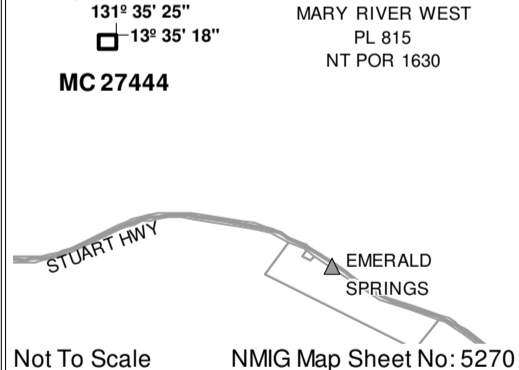
Mineral Claim 27603 sought by MCKINLAY RIVER MINING PTY. LTD, ACN 059 869 224 over an area of 15 ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5 NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973 Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

Notification Day: 24 February 2010

Mineral Claim 27444 sought by DAVID JOHN LANGLEY over an area of 12 ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral claim under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals and carry out such works as are reasonably necessary for these purposes including (but not limited to) the removal of mining materials from the claim area and the treatment of tailings for a term not exceeding 10 years and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral claims referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 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
36/464	Plutonic Operations Ltd	23.64ha	49km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°12' Long 121°04'	Leonora
36/680	Benjamin Scott Douglas Taylor Peter Jeffrey Craig Garry Robert Kemp James Lawrence Taylor	1.68ha	21km W'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°59' Long 120°29'	Leonora
47/1436	MCC Australia Sanjin Mining Pty Ltd	20787.25ha	8km W'ly of Wickham	Lat 20°41' Long 117°04'	Roebourne
77/1250	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	272.01ha	67km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°46' Long 119°36'	Yilgarn

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: 24 February 2010

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 any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on **24 May 2010**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 24 June 2010**), 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 Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Information Session for Proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*

QGC Pty Limited (**QGC**) – A BG Group business ABN 11 089 642 553 proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (**ILUA**) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (**Native Title Act**).

QGC proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (**LNG**) industry, including an integrated LNG project which will involve the development of gas fields, the construction and operation of infrastructure (including pipelines), and includes the capacity for QGC and third parties to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone (**QCLNG Project**).

QGC intends to enter into an ILUA in relation to the area detailed in the map to the right (**ILUA Area**). A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that the Wakka Wakka People #2's former native title claim (QUD6032/99) covers the whole of the ILUA Area. The proposed ILUA will deal with the transmission of coal seam gas to Curtis Island via a pipeline through the proposed ILUA Area. The proposed ILUA will authorise the grant of a variety of consents for the proposed pipeline for the QCLNG Project in the ILUA Area.

An information session regarding the QCLNG Project and the proposed ILUA will be held at:

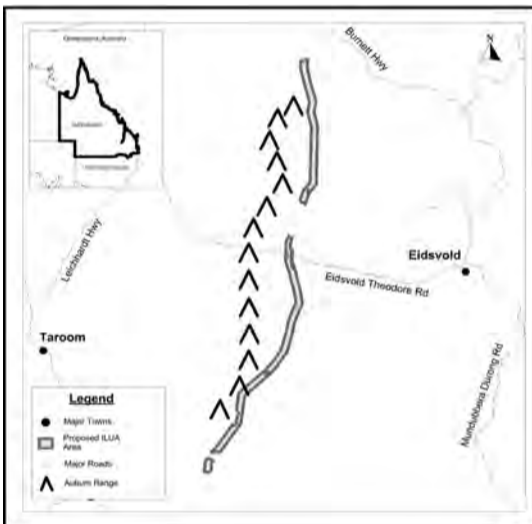
Eidsvold - 10:00am, Sunday, 14 March 2010
Eidsvold Shire Hall
54 Moreton Street
Eidsvold, 4627

The purpose of the information session is to provide information on the proposed ILUA to all people who hold or may hold native title in relation to the proposed ILUA Area.

Anyone who considers that they fall within the

description of the Wakka Wakka People #2 in the former native title claim QUD6032/99 or who otherwise hold or may hold native title in relation to the land or waters of the ILUA Area is invited to attend the information session.

Morning tea will be provided to attendees.



Please Note: The information session will be conducted under the terms of a strict budget. No sitting fees will be paid for the information session.

If you would like to make an enquiry regarding the information session, please contact Sherri Siem on (07) 3229 2500.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

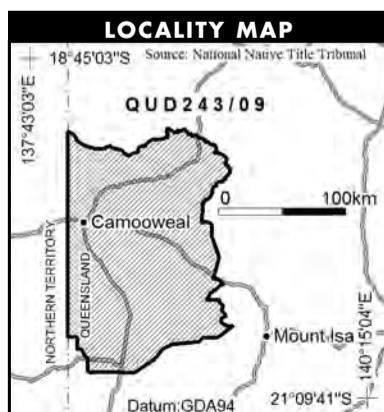
Notification day: 10 March 2010



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the **District Registrar, Federal Court of Australia, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, Brisbane, QLD, 4003, on or before 9 June 2010**. After 9 June 2010, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth)* there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Indjalandji-Dhidhanu

Federal Court File No: QUD243/09

Date filed: 8 October 2009

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description of the application area: The area subject to this application covers about 19,730km², located approximately 25km west of Mount Isa in the vicinity of Camooweal as shown on the locality map.

The application area falls within the Local Government Authority of Mount Isa City Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary complied by the National Native Title Tribunal and/or sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Environment and Resource Management (QLD).

For assistance and further information contact Mick Rodd on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Human Services
Housing NSW

Community Regeneration Manager

(Targeted Position)

Clerk Grade 11/12

Building Stronger Communities (BSC)

Southern & Western NSW Housing Services Division

Dubbo, Western Area

Temporary Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW-0211

Total remuneration package valued up to \$126,424 per annum (salary \$99,063pa - \$114,566pa). Includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: This position will work with communities, government & non-government agencies and others to implement regeneration plans that aim to achieve sustainable improvements within social housing neighbourhoods across NSW.

Selection Criteria:

- Excellent communication, negotiation and facilitation skills, including a demonstrated ability to work with and secure the support of a wide range of stakeholders.
- Relevant experience in achieving outcomes as part of long-term change processes.
- Experience in managing cross agency/cross-sectoral programs or projects.
- Sound knowledge of the principles underpinning community regeneration policy and practice.
- Sound knowledge of government policy and programs addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities.
- Demonstrated management experience, including leadership of multi-disciplinary teams.

Job Notes: There is one (1) Temporary Full-Time position available. The position is based in Dubbo. Temporary appointment, for a period up to December 2010 with possibility of extension, will be in terms of Sections 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002. Further information about the position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria. Housing NSW is seeking an Aboriginal person for this role or a non-Aboriginal person with a broad understanding of Aboriginal communities. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

Information Packages and to apply visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink Ph (02) 6363 6150 or post application to: The Manager, NSW Businesslink Pty Ltd, Western Regional Service Centre, PO Box 2552, Orange NSW 2800.

Inquiries: Mark Byrne, Area Director on (02) 6363 6037

Closing Date: Friday 5 March 2010

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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

GRADUATE TRAINEE PROGRAM AND CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRAINEE PROGRAM CANBERRA

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) offers a world of rewarding career opportunities. DFAT is looking for high quality graduates from diverse backgrounds who are talented, flexible and resourceful.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is committed to increasing employment opportunities in the APS for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

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The Department strongly encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduates and cadets in their final undergraduate year and people with a disability to apply for our graduate programs.

The Graduate Trainee Program will prepare you for a career as a foreign and trade policy officer. Graduate Trainees work to advance Australia's interests across a broad range of areas - from public affairs to security, human rights, trade and international law. We welcome applications from all disciplines.

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- Work overseas: in one of the diplomatic posts in our overseas network when you complete your training.
- Unique experiences: representing your country, whether at public events or in multilateral negotiations.

How to apply?

Apply online at <http://www.dfat.gov.au/jobs/graduates>. **Applications close 22 March 2010**. If you cannot access the internet, call Candle Recruitment on (02) 6260 7533 between 9am and 5pm EST on business days.

For further information visit our website: <http://www.dfat.gov.au/jobs/graduates> or contact us at: gradrec@dfat.gov.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applicants

Under Section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*, the Department's graduate recruitment program aims to fill several positions with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders applicants.

People with Disabilities

Under Section 45 of the *Disability Discrimination Act (1992)*, the Department aims to ensure its graduate recruitment program is inclusive of people with disabilities.

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are seeking Indigenous candidates
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Must have Drivers licence/OHS card
Email resume to apprenticeship@mbansw.asn.au

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*Delivering local health solutions
through General Practice*



Indigenous Outreach Worker

Full-time
Based in Parkes (with travel across the Central West)

NSW Central West Division of General Practice works with general practice to support improved health outcomes in our communities.

We are looking for an Indigenous Outreach Worker who is passionate about contributing to closing the gap in life expectancy for Indigenous Australians, by improving access to culturally sensitive primary care services for Indigenous Australians.

Attractive working conditions and salary package in the range of \$50,000 to \$60,000 including superannuation and other benefits. For an information package that details the essential and desirable criteria please go to www.cwdgp.org.au or alternatively call Sylvia Gore on 6332 6646.

Interested and suitably experienced people of Indigenous background are encouraged to apply.

Applications close 5.00 pm Friday 5th March 2010.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER NSW

Field Officer (Aboriginal)

Field Officer Grade 1/4, Far West, Wilcannia
Temporary Full-Time

Vacancy Ref :DECCW 39-10

Total remuneration package to \$65,619 p.a. including salary \$38,567 p.a. to \$51,454 p.a. Salary package includes base salary (inclusive of annual leave loading), an additional 17% loading for working weekends and public holidays, and employer contributions to superannuation. Progression criteria apply to movement within the salary scale.

Undertake maintenance and improvements to park infrastructure (facilities and grounds) including buildings, roads, fire trails and fencing. Operate and maintain plant and equipment. Facilitate visitor relations and law enforcement activities.

Selection Criteria:

- This position is an identified Aboriginal position and therefore Aboriginality is a requirement of the job as well as cultural association with one or more of the local Aboriginal communities.
- Ability to work with the Department's statutory obligations as they apply to conservation of natural, Aboriginal and cultural heritage and resources and a willingness to exercise delegated authority for law enforcement.
- Ability to maintain grounds, facilities and workplaces such as buildings, essential services, roads, walking tracks, fences and recreational and accommodation facilities including a willingness to safely undertake hygiene maintenance duties
- Demonstrated ability and experience to carry out all duties safely and obtain relevant WorkCover Authority certification to appropriately operate and maintain small plant and equipment and ability and willingness to obtain a First Aid certificate
- Certification and demonstrated experience, or ability to obtain, in operating a chainsaw to crosscut or simple tree felling standard. Ability to operate two-way radios.
- Effective communication and community relation skills are required. Ability to work independently and as part of a team. Administrative skills.
- Ability and willingness to carry out fire fighting duties and support roles including a willingness to fly in light aircraft.
- Current Drivers licence and ability to drive 4wd vehicles.

Job Notes: Temporary position for up to two years. This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. The position of Field Officer, including fire fighting related activities, is very physically demanding, requiring heavy muscular activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Field Officer applicants must meet the requirements of a specific medical which is inclusive of a clearance to undertake the fire fitness roles. The applicant must pass the task based fitness assessment to a moderate level within the probationary period (12 months). The Position Holder must to obtain certification at the appropriate level prior to undertaking fire fighting/incident control duties. Applicants must obtain 4wd certification within the probationary period (12 months).

Inquiries: Kerry Holmes (08) 8080 3213 (M)042 894 6577

Inquiries Email: kerry.holmes@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: Beris Deans (08)8080 3203 or jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Recruitment Officer, Department Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220, Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 5 March 2010

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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 Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1811 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 122 km SSW from Noccundra Centred at approximate Lat.28°42'S Long.141°48'E Local Government Area: Bulloo Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 143 km SSW from Noccundra Centred at approximate Lat.28°47'S Long.141°35'E Local Government Area: Bulloo Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 225 km ² Block Identification Maps: Broken Hill Number of Sub-blocks: 75 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 621 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 622 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 623 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 Area of Part 2: 150 km ² Block Identification Maps: Broken Hill Number of Sub-blocks: 50 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 691 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 692 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	Winzil Energy Pty Ltd 131 402 072
EPC1812	Approx. 48 km W from Eromanga Centred at approximate Lat.26°45'S Long.142°48'E Local Government Area: Quilpie Shire Council	Area: 639 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cooper Creek Number of Sub-blocks: 209 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2219 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 2291 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 2363 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 2433 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2434 b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2435 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 2505 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 2506 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 2507 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	Winzil Energy Pty Ltd 131 402 072
EPC1813	Approx. 141 km WSW from Noccundra Centred at approximate Lat.27°57'S Long.141°08'E Local Government Area: Bulloo Shire Council	Area: 227 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cooper Creek Number of Sub-blocks: 75 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3421 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 3422 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 3423 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	Winzil Energy Pty Ltd 131 402 072
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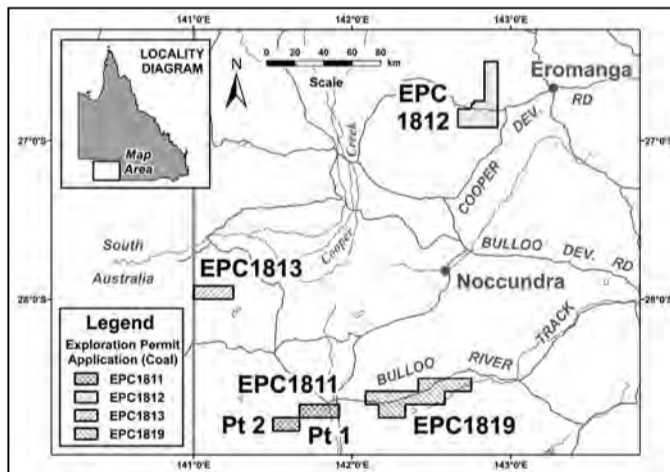
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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES

MINING Act 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD (ACN 099 732 297) (formerly CEMEX Australia Pty Limited) of Tower B, Level 8, 799 Pacific Highway, Chatswood NSW 2067, as mining operator, proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land (Land):

DESCRIPTION OF AREA

Area A consists of mineral claim MC3824. The Land is located in the State of South Australia, approximately 50 km west-north-west of Port Augusta in the area of Cariewerloo Pastoral Lease on Block 987 in the hundred of Port Augusta. The following coordinates are in GPD 94, reading clockwise from the north-west corner of the claim: MC3824:

1. 710458.23mE, 6415086.73mN;
2. 710559.70mE, 6415010.31mN;
3. 710711.09mE, 6414776.11mN;
4. 710532.98mE, 6414732.94mN.

The area of the Land is approximately 0.039 kilometres square.

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The following coordinates are in GPD 94, reading clockwise from the north-west corner of the claim: MC3825:

1. 711424.32mE, 6434939.04mN;
2. 711896.06mE, 6434788.90mN;
3. 711799.76mE, 6434651.92mN;
4. 711386.44mE, 6434680.92mN.

The area of the Land is approximately 0.094 kilometres square.

1. The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows: Extraction of natural sand is to be carried out as an open cut operation utilising front end loaders and dump truck haulage to a mobile dry screen plant on location. No sumps, silt traps or water storage dams are proposed. Sand will be stockpiled on site. No topsoil or overburden material is to be stripped from advancing work areas. Any by-product will be used for rehabilitation of intermediate and final batter faces. Batter faces are to be maintained at natural angles or repose and progressive rehabilitation of terminal batters will be completed. The proposed extraction is to be confined to natural drainage channel and runoff areas.

2. The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the following production tenements under the Mining Act 1971: Extractive Minerals Lease for mineral claims MC3824 and MC3825, for which HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD (formerly CEMEX Australia Pty Limited) is the applicant.

3. HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

TAKE NOTICE that if, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State of the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purposes of carrying out mining operations on the Land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

TAKE NOTICE that if within six (6) months from the initiation of negotiations, HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to Section 63S of the Mining Act 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the Land. 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 HOLCIM (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD for the purpose of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land:

Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
c/o Piper Alderman
167 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000:
Telephone number: (08) 8205 3333
Facsimile number: (08) 8205 3300
Contact: Ms Christie Groves

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																										
EPM18073 This Application consists of nine separate parts	<p>Part 1: Approx. 55 km SE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°30'S Long.140°34'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 2: Approx. 84 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°47'S Long.140°34'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 3: Approx. 42 km SE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°22'S Long.140°33'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 4: Approx. 87 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°50'S Long.140°33'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 5: Approx. 68 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°38'S Long.140°33'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 6: Approx. 74 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°42'S Long.140°33'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 7: Approx. 74 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°41'S Long.140°36'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 8: Approx. 88 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°49'S Long.140°36'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 9: Approx. 66 km SSE from Malbon Centred at approximate Lat.21°49'S Long.140°36'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p>	<p>Area of Part 1: 73 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 23 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1255</td><td>f, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x</td></tr><tr><td>1327</td><td>b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, u</td></tr><tr><td>1328</td><td>q, r, w</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 2: 38 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1543</td><td>c, h, j, k, n, o, p, u, z</td></tr><tr><td>1544</td><td>a, f, l</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 3: 22 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1183</td><td>c, d, h, m, n, s, x</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 4: 22 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1543</td><td>r, w</td></tr><tr><td>1615</td><td>b, c, d, g, h</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 5: 19 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1399</td><td>o, s, t, w, x, y</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 6: 16 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1471</td><td>h, j, k, n, s</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 7: 10 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1472</td><td>a, b, g</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 8: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1544</td><td>r, w</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>Area of Part 9: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>1399</td><td>k</td></tr></tbody></table>	1255	f, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	1327	b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, u	1328	q, r, w	1543	c, h, j, k, n, o, p, u, z	1544	a, f, l	1183	c, d, h, m, n, s, x	1543	r, w	1615	b, c, d, g, h	1399	o, s, t, w, x, y	1471	h, j, k, n, s	1472	a, b, g	1544	r, w	1399	k	Activex Limited 113 452 896
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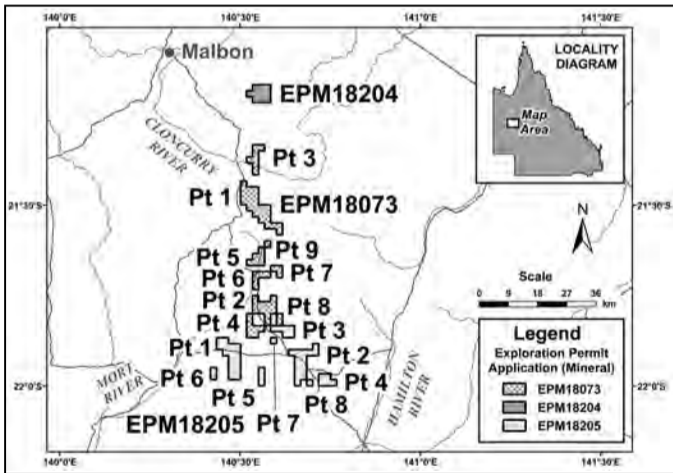
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Notification Day: 17 March 2010



Queensland Government



New Position

Indigenous Health Outreach Worker

Full time position or 2 part time positions

Under the Australian Government's new Closing the Gap initiative we would like to recruit to this new position to assist in delivering improvements in access and outcomes in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health. The position will work closely with the newly appointed Indigenous Health Team to improve health outcomes on the Mornington Peninsula.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Position descriptions are available on our website at: www.pgpn.org.au/page.php?base=99 A Full Victorian Drivers License is essential.

Please send your resume to: Executive Director, Peninsula GP Network, PO Box 496, Frankston, Vic 3199 or email: exec.director@pgpn.org.au or fax: 9708 8157

Closing date: Friday 5th March 2010

Townsville Aboriginal & Islander Media Association

STATION MANAGER

Duties include:

- Act as Executive Officer to the Townsville Aboriginal & Islander Media Association Ltd (TAIMA) Board of Directors.
- Manage all aspects of day to day operation of 4K1G-FM including staff and volunteer supervision, and satellite distributed programming.
- Develop and maintain liaison between TAIMA/4K1G and Community and Client groups with particular emphasis on ensuring the development of 4K1G as a vehicle for news, issues and entertainment of relevance to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- Represent TAIMA/4K1G to government, community broadcasting organizations and other appropriate bodies. Co-ordinate marketing and promotion of 4K1G.
- Be responsible to the Board of Directors of TAIMA for all aspects of financial management, including budget development and control for 4K1G and associated projects.
- Manage TAIMA corporate governance matters at the direction of the Board of Directors. Other duties as directed by the Board of Directors.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applicants wishing to apply should email admin@4k1g.org or contact Anita Wano on (07) 47725466 during office hours for Selection Criteria

All Applications should be forwarded by **COB 5/3/10** to
4K1G Board of Directors
PO Box 5483 Townsville Qld 4810

SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION - NOWRA, NSW

Do you want to join our Social & Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) Team. Positions Include:



Kids SEWB Counsellor

(Full Time /Temp 6 Months)

The Kids Social and Emotional Wellbeing Counsellor will provide promotion, prevention, early intervention, counselling and case management support to improve mental health and wellbeing of Aboriginal children aged between 5 and 12 years. The Counsellor will work closely with other SCMSAC staff, and link with staff of Aboriginal and other agencies, to provide a comprehensive approach to the needs of the child within school, family, Community and culture. This is an Aboriginal Identified position.

Koori Kids SEWB Counsellor

(Full Time / Temp 18 Mths)

The Koori Kids Wellbeing Project which aims to trial and evaluate an early intervention approach to improving the mental health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged between 3 and 12 years. This position will deliver counselling and group work services for Aboriginal children in school, their families and carers. This will include providing quality case management, assessment, counselling and treatment services, designing behavioural programs, and liaising across schools, health and welfare services and other agencies. As well as deliver training, support and advice to other staff of Aboriginal and mainstream organisations regarding culturally appropriate mental health, behavioural and emotional support to Aboriginal children and PPP parenting programs.

Mental Health Carer Respite

Coordinator (Full / Temp up to 2 years).

The Mental Health Carer Respite Coordinator, will manage and coordinate the Healing House Project, including the development and coordination of sub-contracting services to other partners, rental of appropriate properties, management of finances and administration, reporting to the funder, and support for the Project Steering Group. This is an Aboriginal Identified position.

SEWB Worker (Full Time / Permanent)

The Social and Emotional Wellbeing Worker will work as part of the Social and Emotional Wellbeing team to provide quality assessment, referral, case management, counselling and treatment services to individuals and groups, deliver community education on mental health issues, respond to mental health crisis in the community, and run healing programs to improve the emotional health of the Aboriginal people in the Shoalhaven. This is an Aboriginal Identified position.

Contact Person: Mark King on 02 4428 6666

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for the Aboriginal identified positions under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act. Where proof of Aboriginality must be provided.

Applications Must Address the Selection Criteria: The Selection Criteria is available in the Information pack which can be obtained from Administration Section on 4428 6666 or by email recruitment@southcoastams.org.au.

Applications close: COB Monday 15th March 2010

FAMILY DIVISION PROJECT OFFICER

Koori Programs and Initiatives
Courts and Tribunals Unit

Grade 4: \$64,150 - \$72,785 plus superannuation

Fixed Term until 30 November 2010

Position No DJ8009

The Courts and Tribunals Unit (CTU) in the Department of Justice provides leadership in the development of a more efficient, responsive and integrated Courts and Tribunals system in Victoria. The Koori Programs and Initiatives (KPI) Team within the CTU manages projects and programs emerging from the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreements.

The Project Officer will be responsible for leading the development of a new project that aims to improve Koori access and outcomes in the Children's Court Family Division. The role involves working collaboratively with key stakeholders in the Koori community, Child Protection service delivery agencies, Children's Court judicial officers and administrators and other government departments.

This is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 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 14 March 2010

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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Fast Act 104951-v7



Financial Analyst, NITV

Contract until 30 June, 2010, potential to renew

National Indigenous Television seeks a highly organised, self motivated accountant to join its Finance team.

Reporting to the Head of Finance and Audit, you will be responsible for the timely preparation of accurate monthly and annual consolidated management reports, interdepartmental reconciliations, analysis and interpretation of financial data, preparation of actual versus budget variance analysis and trend reports including comparison of costs to variances, assistance with the preparation of quarterly forecasts and annual budgets, reconciliation and review of ledger accounts and fulfillment of statutory reporting requirements.

The successful candidate will be Accounting/Business degree qualified with excellent communication skills. Proficiency in MYOB and Excel is essential. Relevant experience in the media industry will be highly regarded. Experience or demonstrated knowledge of Indigenous people, organisations and cultural awareness is desirable. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

Remuneration will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The position description is available by contacting Jenny Grindell, Human Resources Manager on email: jenny.grindell@nitv.org.au or contact ph:02 8423 5109.

Expressions of interest outlining your experience and qualifications should be submitted by **Friday 5 March 2010**.



INDIGENOUS LIAISON OFFICER

- Position No: DJ4486 - Ongoing, full time
- Grade 3: \$51,818 - \$62,917 plus superannuation

Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) provides advice and assistance on a range of issues including consumer and tenancy matters. The Indigenous Consumers Unit has been established to provide advice and assistance to Indigenous people, community groups and organisations.

You have demonstrated knowledge, experience and understanding of Indigenous culture and societies and will assist in the implementation of the Indigenous Consumer Protection Strategy, and other projects.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Applications close 8 March 2010

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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Fast Act 102883-v13



Project Officer (Aboriginal Identified)

Clerk Grade 5/6, Aboriginal Services Unit,
Executive Branch, Central Sydney Office
(Haymarket) (Job Reference No.: EX10/009)
Permanent Full-Time

Help administer, develop, implement, monitor, review and evaluate work conducted by the Aboriginal Services Unit. This includes services provided to Aboriginal clients; employment and career development strategies; and programs to increase the number of Aboriginal staff members within Legal Aid NSW.

Applicants **must** obtain an information package for full position details and selection criteria.

Inquiries: Janelle Clarke on (02) 9219 5146 or Scott Hawkins on (02) 9219 5109.

Information packages:

www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au or contact Janelle Clarke/Scott Hawkins.

Closing Date: Friday, 5 March 2010.

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM18164	Approx. 64 km SE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°23'S Long.140°32'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 45 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 14 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 319 f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, w, x	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18178	Approx. 84 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°18'S Long.140°16'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 23 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2835 k, p, u, z 2836 f, l, m	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18179	Approx. 82 km N from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°17'S Long.140°07'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 19 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2834 f, g, h, j, n, s	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684

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Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

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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 Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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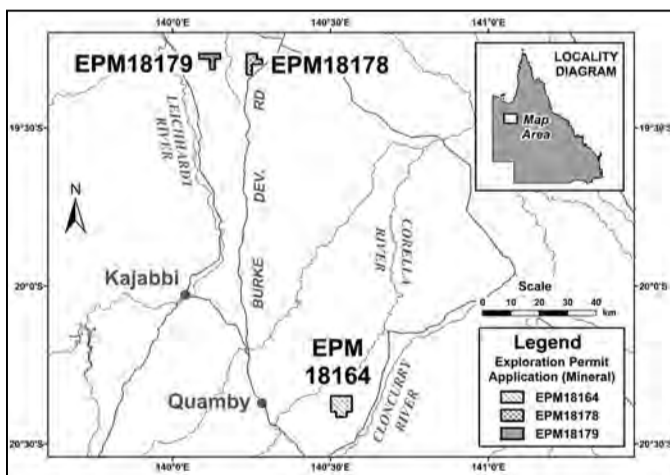
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Notification Day: 17 March 2010



TMP 008604



Queensland Government



REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES

Client Service Officer Cadetship (ATSI Identified)

JAG10/0114

Clerk Grade 1-2

Chippendale, Permanent Full Time

Salary range: \$50,100 - \$54,465

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$60,102

Essential requirements:

- Under 25 years
- HSC or Certificate IV qualification
- Permanent resident in Australia.

Client Services Officers are the first point of contact for clients to the Registry, either by telephone (Call Centre), by mail, on-line (website) or counter contact.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Ability to interpret Acts, legislation, policies and procedures;
- Good oral and written communication skills with an understanding of cross cultural communication requirements;
- Excellent keyboard skills;;
- Demonstrated capacity to operate in a teamwork situation within an environment of competing priorities and frequent change;
- Mathematical skills necessary for assessment of Registry fees, cashing and balancing monies received;
- Organisational skills required meeting deadlines;
- Demonstrated experience in a call centre/client service environment.

Job Notes:

The definition of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) is a person

- of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- who identifies as being Aboriginal;
- and is accepted by the Aboriginal community in which you live or have lived.

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au . Please quote JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries:

Lee Weatherill (02) 9035 6442

lee_weatherill@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 5 March 2010

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Jamba Dhandan Duringala Nature Refuge and Indigenous Protected Area

RANGERS

The Jamba Dhandan Duringala Nature Refuge and IPA is a 38,000 hectare section of pastoral leases held by the Kooma Traditional Owners Association Inc. in southwest Queensland.

We are seeking enthusiastic and highly motivated persons for the positions of Rangers. The primary purpose of the position is to implement the IPA Management Plan to protect the area's cultural heritage sites and conservation values.

The successful applicants will require:

- Certificate II in Land and Conservation Management or equivalent qualifications and experience
- Current drivers license
- Relevant experience in weed, pest and fire control

These are full time positions, 40 hours/week, with a salary package including share accommodation provided for the rangers within the IPA. Commence March 2010; initial appointment to 30th June 2010(subject to performance) with extension for a further 12 months subject to funding approvals.

For position information, role description and selection criteria contact Cheryl Buchanan on 0417726882.

Kooma people are encouraged to apply.

To apply for the position, please send a resume and application addressing selection criteria to:

"Advertised Position – Ranger"

MR DAVID CARLINE, Secretary

Kooma Traditional Owners Association Inc.

36 stockyard Street, Cunnamulla Qld 4490

or Email: unclebinky@bigpond.com

Closing Date: 4:00pm Monday 2nd March 2010.

Chief Executive Officer

Aboriginal Corporation

- * East Arnhem Land based!
- * Fantastic \$180k package!
- * Incredible benefits!



Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre

Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre has a unique opportunity for a full time **Chief Executive Officer** to lead its team on Elcho Island, East Arnhem Land, NT on a 2 year contract. You will be responsible for managing both the not-for-profit and business sides of the organisation. For a Senior Manager looking for a **change of lifestyle**, this role offers an incredible cultural experience and a fantastic **\$180k package** PLUS **6 wks annual leave, 2 wks bonus leave, relocation allowance, fully-furnished accommodation and a vehicle!**



EMPLOYMENT OFFICE ApplyNow.com.au/Job16333
Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573

PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Indigenous Foster & Kinship Care

Make a difference in the Sunshine Coast Indigenous community!



Integrated Family and Youth Service

Integrated Family and Youth Services (IFYS) has an exciting opportunity for a **Program Coordinator** to join and lead their **D'jinang-Djaa Indigenous Foster & Kinship Care** team on the Sunshine Coast, QLD. As Program Coordinator, you will ensure a **range of quality child protection services** are provided to children, young people and families. You will be rewarded with **attractive remuneration \$51,965 - \$54,295** + the option to **salary sacrifice up to 30%** of your pay + benefits such as a **\$1,200 training allowance!**



EMPLOYMENT OFFICE ApplyNow.com.au/Job15445
Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573



Join the team in Inverell and be part of this new program

We have been caring for Australians and their communities for nearly 200 years. We are a non-religious, not-for-profit organisation, working to bring about positive social change in response to community needs.

Mental Health Support Workers

Indigenous Mental Health Support Worker

Peer Mental Health Support Worker

We seek four full time Support Workers for our new Personal Helpers and Mentors Program. This program takes a strengths-based, recovery approach to supporting people with a severe functional limitation resulting from a severe mental illness. A recovery approach recognises that a person can recover from a mental illness to live a fulfilled life. We currently deliver this service in other areas across NSW and this is part of our expanding services in the New England.

Benefit from ongoing support and training and a \$16,050 tax-free salary component working for this leading not-for-profit organisation. With a career at The Benevolent Society you will have the resources and the time to make a difference.

For more information, including the position description and selection criteria, please visit our website. For specific enquiries, contact Wendy Cabot at wendyc@bensoc.org.au or 0429078976. All applications including a statement addressing the selection criteria found in the position description should be received by **Friday 5th March 2010**.

www.bensoc.org.au

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EPM18118	Part 1: Approx. 54 km SW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.17°28'S Long.144°08'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 50 km SSW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.17°30'S Long.144°14'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 222 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 68 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1153 x, y, z 1154 n, o, p, s, t, w, x, y 1155 l, v, w 1225 c, d, e, h, j, k, z 1226 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1227 b, c, d, h, n, q, r, s 1297 d, e 1298 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u Area of Part 2: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1227 y, z 1299 e	Consolidated Tin Mines Limited 126 634 606

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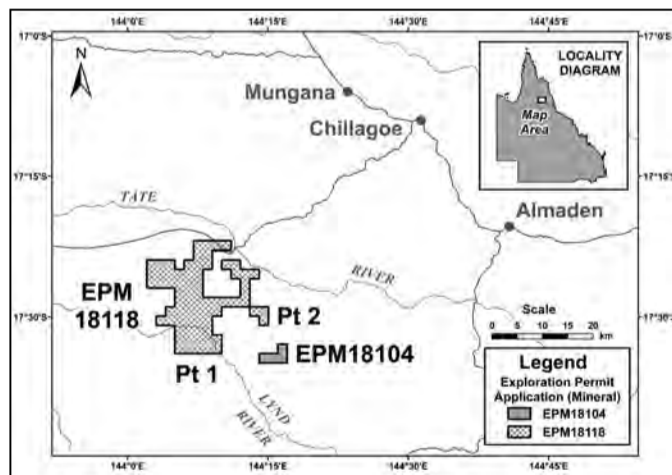
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Notification Day: 17 March 2010



MOOMBAHLENE LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Remuneration Package Negotiable to \$56,000)

The Moombahele Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) based in Tenterfield NSW is seeking applications for a Chief Executive Officer due to the resignation of the current occupant. Section 78A of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ALRA) requires an Aboriginal Land Council to employ a member of staff to exercise the functions of the chief executive officer of the council as specified in the Act.

The CEO provides an extensive range of assistance and support to the Council such as:

- The day-to-day management of the Council's affairs, including financial management using QuickBooks Accounting Package
- Functions as delegated by the Board
- Appointment and management of staff
- Maintaining the records of the Council including the membership roll
- Providing advice to the Council and preparing strategic plans and reporting on such plans
- Preparing reports including the annual report and other financial and administrative reports
- Managing the MLALC's Social Housing Scheme
- Facilitating meetings of the Council and the Board and implementing their resolutions

An ability to understand and implement the provisions of the following Acts is essential:

- Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ALRA)
- Residential Tenancies Act 1989
- Aboriginal Housing Act 1998
- National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974
- Public Finance and Audit Act 1983

A recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria is available from the Contact Officer Charles Lynch, by email: charles.lynch@alc.org.au or on (02) 67727639. Applicants who do not address the selection criteria will not be considered for interview

Applications should be marked "Confidential" and addressed to: The Chairperson

Moombahele Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 70, TENTERFIELD NSW 2372

Applications close 5pm Monday 15th March 2010

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Expressions of Interest - Casual Work

Social Planning & Community Development Team
Leichhardt Council

Ref No: C-SPCD-10

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to register interest in casual work with our Social Planning and Community Development Team as:

Casual Community Development Worker

\$31.78 per hour

Casual Community Development Officer

\$38.04 per hour

Vibrant and energetic, the Inner West is a great place to work and play. Leichhardt Council is committed to building on the strengths and capabilities of its community while addressing key priorities for social inclusion, access and equity. Council's Social Planning & Community Development (SP&CD) Team addresses this through community and cultural development programs, partnerships, initiatives, policies and facilities. On occasion, the SP&CD Team require assistance to deliver key initiatives, programs and services and may call on casual staff to assist.

The roles and functions of the SP&CD Team are listed under twelve (12) key service areas. They are:

- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Communities
- Community Bus
- Community Capacity Building
- Community Centres & Facilities
- Community Grants
- Community Safety

- Cultural Development
- Disability Services
- Seniors Services
- Social & Cultural Planning
- Social Justice
- Youth Services

If you wish to be considered for casual work with Council's SP&CD Team you may express your interest by providing Council with the following:

- An introductory letter of no more than 2 pages outlining your experience and skills that relates to one or more of the key service areas of the SP&CD Team, and your interest in casual work with Council's SP&CD Team
- Resume
- Details of at least two work related referees from roles that you have recently held
- Acknowledgement that Council may undertake a Working with Children Check

Please note the following reference number in your expression of interest - **CSPCD-10**.

Council would prefer you to email your expression of interest. If you do not have access to email, please send by fax or post.

E: jobs@lmc.nsw.gov.au F: 9367 9111
P: Records Section - Leichhardt Council - PO Box 45 Leichhardt NSW 2040.

Enquiries: Erla Ronan on 93679220

Applications close: Friday 5th March 2010.

Your expression of interest will be kept on file for consideration should the casual work become available with the SP&CD Team, until 30 December 2010.

For more information please visit www.lmc.nsw.gov.au/Positions-Vacant.html and follow the links or call the contact person for the position.

SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE

ELSA DIXON

GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

1. Production Assistant

2. ASM Production Assistant

3. Programming Operations Assistant

Performing Arts

Sydney Opera House is renowned as one of the most famous buildings of the 20th century and one of the World's busiest Arts and Cultural centres, attracting over 7.4 million visitors to the site annually.

The positions listed in the application are paid, full-time, 12 week graduate placements from **April 5th 2010 to June 25th 2010**. When applying, please state the position title and reference number in your correspondence.

The successful applicants will primarily be working on two projects; Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival – the only festival solely dedicated to films made by and about Indigenous people, and Vivid Live – an international music and light festival.

JOB DESCRIPTION:

1. **SOH152 - Production Assistant**

To provide production assistance to the Production Managers and operational team as required and directed by the Head of Production & Stage Management. Liaise with internal and external service providers and attend production/project meetings as required.

2. **SOH153 - ASM Production Assistant**

Provide production assistance to the Stage Management department. This will involve a range of duties including the set-up of rehearsal rooms, assistance with rehearsal process, creation of the ASM running plot for a range of performances.

3. **SOH154 - Programming Operations Assistant**

Provide event and production assistance to the Programming Operations team as required and directed by the Head of Business Affairs. Work closely with the producing team to identify opportunities and take action to alleviate highly pressured situations.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality (documentation required)
- Tertiary student completing final year of study, or tertiary graduate completed study within the last 12 months
- Demonstrated interest to work as part of a team
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- High level of competency with computers using Outlook, Word and Excel
- A self-starter with initiative and willingness to work the hours required

EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS:

Job Status: Temporary, full-time, 40 hours per week
Remuneration Package: \$10,511
Salary Notes: This position is covered by the Sydney Opera House Enterprise Agreement 2006

TO APPLY: Please send a copy of your CV with a covering letter addressing the above selection criteria to recruitment@sydneyoperahouse.com

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Contact: Susan Kibukamusoke Phone: 02-9250 7903
Email: skibukamusoke@sydneyoperahouse.com

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ELSA DIXON GRADUATE PLACEMENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Marketing Assistant SOH155

Marketing & Development

Sydney Opera House is renowned as one of the most famous buildings of the 20th century and one of the World's busiest Arts and Cultural centres, attracting over 7.4 million visitors to the site annually.

This position listed in the application is paid, full-time, 12 week graduate placement from **April 16th 2010 to July 16th 2010**. When applying, please state the position title and reference number in your correspondence.

JOB DESCRIPTION: The role requires you to provide administrative assistance and support to the performing arts marketing team in the delivery of marketing campaigns for Sydney Opera House (SOH) performing arts productions and events. It also requires you to support the objectives of the Performing Arts Strategy through building sustainable audiences via relationship marketing and networks. Support the performing arts marketing team with the maintenance of team schedules and documents.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality (documentation required)
- Marketing tertiary student completing final year of study
- Marketing tertiary graduate completed study within the last 12 months
- Strong project management skills, including participating in simultaneous projects
- Demonstrated ability to research and present marketing and sales data to the internal performing arts marketing team to assist in their marketing strategies
- Excellent communication, relationship management and negotiation skills.

EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS:

Job Status: Temporary – full time – 40 hours per week
Position No: SOH155
Remuneration Package: \$10,511
Salary Notes: This position is covered by the Sydney Opera House Enterprise Agreement 2006

TO APPLY: Please send a copy of your CV with a covering letter addressing the above selection criteria to recruitment@sydneyoperahouse.com

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Contact: Susan Kibukamusoke
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APPLICATIONS CLOSE COB 12th MARCH 2010

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 Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM18122 This Application consists of seven separate parts.	<p>Part 1: Approx. 27 km ENE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°56'S Long.140°17'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 2: Approx. 25 km ENE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°58'S Long.140°17'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 3: Approx. 25 km ENE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°58'S Long.140°17'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 4: Approx. 29 km E from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°01'S Long.140°20'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 5: Approx. 27 km E from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°03'S Long.140°18'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 6: Approx. 27 km NE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°53'S Long.140°16'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 7: Approx. 29 km ENE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°58'S Long.140°19'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p>	<p>Area of Part 1: 16 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3412 a, b, c, f, h</p> <p>Area of Part 2: 10 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 28 w 100 b, g</p> <p>Area of Part 3: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3412 m, r</p> <p>Area of Part 4: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 28 e, k</p> <p>Area of Part 5: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 28 s, t</p> <p>Area of Part 6: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3340 q</p> <p>Area of Part 7: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3412 t</p>	Exco Resources Limited 080 339 671
EPM18126 This Application consists of three separate parts.	<p>Part 1: Approx. 86 km ESE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°19'S Long.140°49'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 2: Approx. 81 km ESE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°13'S Long.140°48'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 3: Approx. 86 km SE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°23'S Long.140°47'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p>	<p>Area of Part 1: 42 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 13 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 178 y 250 d, j, n, o, s, t, u, z 322 e, k, u, p</p> <p>Area of Part 2: 10 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 178 n, o, s</p> <p>Area of Part 3: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 322 m, r</p>	Exco Resources Limited 080 339 671

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant						
EPM18128 This Application consists of thirteen separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 77 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°22'S Long.140°16'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 23 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>2907</td><td>e, k</td></tr><tr><td>2908</td><td>a, f, l, m, r</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	2907	e, k	2908	a, f, l, m, r	Exco Resources Limited o8o 339 671
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	Part 2: Approx. 60 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°32'S Long.140°17'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 2: 23 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3052</td><td>b, g, l, m, q, r, s</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3052	b, g, l, m, q, r, s			
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	Part 3: Approx. 71 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°27'S Long.140°18'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 3: 13 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>2980</td><td>c, h, j, o</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	2980	c, h, j, o			
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Part 5: Approx. 72 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°24'S Long.140°14'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 5: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>2907</td><td>y</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	2907	y				
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Part 6: Approx. 73 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°24'S Long.140°16'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 6: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>2908</td><td>v</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	2908	v				
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Part 8: Approx. 66 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°29'S Long.140°18'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 8: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>2980</td><td>x</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	2980	x				
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Part 9: Approx. 57 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°32'S Long.140°12'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 9: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3051</td><td>m</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3051	m				
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Part 10: Approx. 53 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°35'S Long.140°15'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 10: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3123</td><td>e</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3123	e				
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Part 11: Approx. 49 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°37'S Long.140°14'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 11: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3123</td><td>o</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3123	o				
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Part 12: Approx. 45 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°38'S Long.140°11'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 12: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3123</td><td>q</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3123	q				
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Part 13: Approx. 56 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°36'S Long.140°20'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 13: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>3124</td><td>k</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	3124	k				
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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 Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), 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.

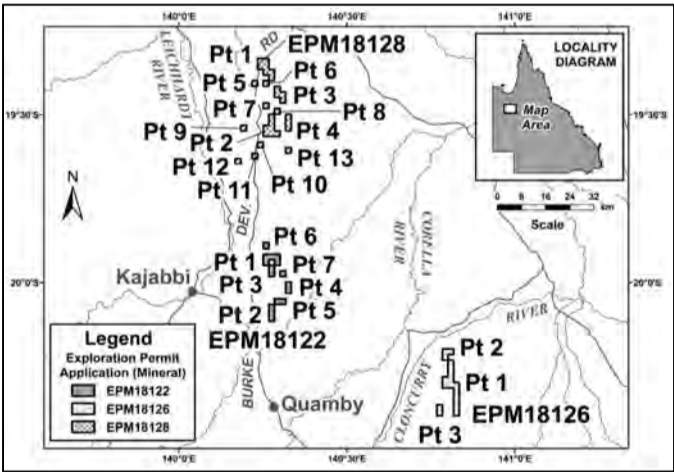
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Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

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: 17 March 2010

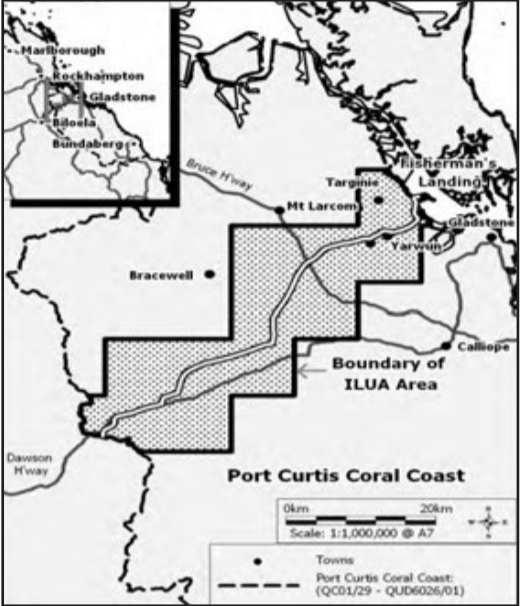


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PUBLIC NOTICE
Authorisation of ILUA
ALL PERSONS ASSERTING
NATIVE TITLE IN THE PORT
CURTIS CORAL COAST
NATIVE TITLE CLAIM AREA
(QUD6026/01)

SURAT GLADSTONE PIPELINE PTY LTD ACN 133 104 855 ("SGP") proposes to enter into an indigenous land use agreement (area agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) ("Proposed ILUA") containing native title consent to acts relating to the construction and operation of part of a gas pipeline and associated infrastructure in the route shown in the map below ("Proposed Pipeline Route"). That area is entirely within the boundaries of the Port Curtis Coral Coast native title claim (QUD6026/01).



To avoid doubt, while the entire gas pipeline and associated infrastructure will extend 468 kilometres through three registered native title claim areas and other currently unclaimed areas, the Proposed Pipeline Route to be covered by the Proposed ILUA only includes that part of the route shown in the above map.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), the Proposed ILUA must be authorised by the whole native title claim group (Port Curtis Coral Coast claim (QUD6026/01)) and any other persons asserting native title for the Proposed ILUA area so that it can be entered in the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements. This Public Notice invites all persons who comprise the Port Curtis Coral Coast claim group (being those persons described in the schedule below) to attend an authorisation meeting at the time and location below.

Date of Meeting: Sunday 21 March 2010
Venue of Meeting: PCYC, 37D Maryborough Street, Bundaberg, Qld 4670
Time of Meeting: 8:00am

The purpose of the meeting is to authorise the Proposed ILUA and you are invited to attend the meeting if you regard yourself as being a person who is included in the Port Curtis Coral Coast claim group.

All persons travelling to the meeting to participate in decision making will, where receipts for travel and accommodation expenses are provided after the meeting, be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses and motel accommodation for the night of Saturday 20 March 2010.

If you do not regard yourself as being a person who is included in the Port Curtis Coral Coast claim group but nonetheless consider that you have a native title interest in the ILUA area, please contact Magda Potasniczak on (07) 3221 5165 to inform her of your position.

All persons interested in attending are invited to contact Debra Lucas on (07) 3231 1694 to register their intention to attend or to obtain further information by no later than 12 March 2010.

**Schedule of Persons Comprising the
Port Curtis Coral Coast Claim Group
(QUD6026/01)**

All the descendants of Dina, Jessie, Johnson Matemate and George Swain, Sandy and Fanny, Dulhu/Doolan, Buller Tolsen (Norman Buller), Alice Murray, Jane, Betsy, Rosie, Elsie Myers, Maggie Little, Rosie Blackman, Emma Jones and Mary Anne as referred to in the claimant application for the Port Curtis Coral Coast Claim (QUD6026/01).

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EPM18123 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 88 km SW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°52'S Long.140°44'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 87 km SSW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°55'S Long.140°48'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 41 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 13 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1545 x, y, z 1546 v 1617 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y Area of Part 2: 29 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1618 s, w, x, y 1690 b, c, d, g, h	Exco Resources Limited 080 339 671
EPM18125 This Application consists of four separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 45 km WSW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°23'S Long.140°52'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 57 km SW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°37'S Long.140°28'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 64 km SSW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°43'S Long.140°54'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council Part 4: Approx. 38 km W from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°14'S Long.140°56'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 166 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 52 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1114 j, o, p, u, y, z 1115 j, k, o, p, q, t, v, y 1186 e, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 1187 a, d, e, f, k, l, m, n, o, p, r 1188 f, l, q, v 1258 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 1259 f, g, m, r, v Area of Part 2: 99 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 31 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1331 g, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x 1403 a, b, c, f, g, h, m, n, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1475 b, c, d, g, h Area of Part 3: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1475 o, t, u, z 1476 v Area of Part 4: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1044 q, v	Exco Resources Limited 080 339 671

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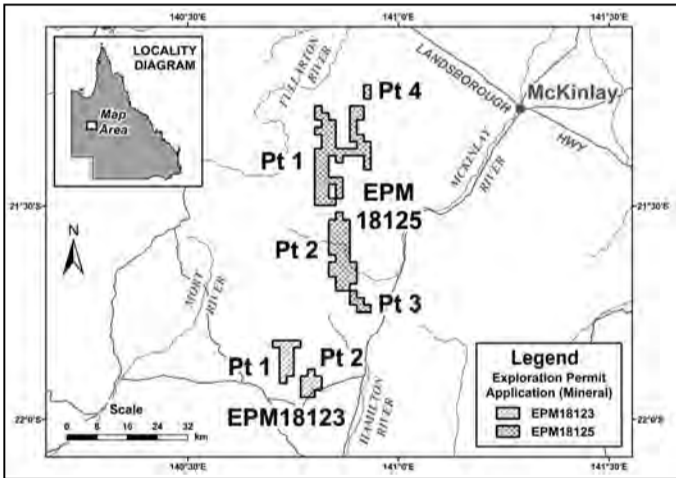
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Notification Day: 17 March 2010



Queensland Government



Governments combine to help small business



THE NSW and Federal governments have backed a new initiative to create small business opportunities for Aboriginal people in Western Sydney.

Sydney.

Last Wednesday, State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch and Federal Member for Parramatta Julie Owens launched the Aboriginal Economic Development Officer Program at the Western Sydney Business Centre in Parramatta.

On the same day, State Small Business Minister Peter Primrose launched the scheme in Lismore.

The Federal and NSW governments have provided almost \$1.5 million to create 10 new positions under the program.

Mr Lynch said one officer would be based in Parramatta to help create job opportunities in western Sydney where most Aboriginal people in NSW live.

"Jobs play a critical role in efforts to close the gap in health and educational outcomes," Mr Lynch said.

"Having a job and steady income is a key to improving health, education and the well-being of Aboriginal children and families.

Ms Owens said Parramatta was the 'economic engine room' of western Sydney and the joint scheme would provide strong and sustained support to Aboriginal people establishing and running their own businesses in Parramatta.

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22 May: The Long Walk 2010. The annual celebration of Michael Long's The Long Walk starts at Federation Square and walks to the MCG from 3-7pm. All welcome. Details: Kim Kruger on (03) 9230 0362 or (0425) 734 797 or email admin@thelongwalk.com.au or visit www.thelongwalk.com.au

9-12 July: East Coast Christian Indigenous Youth Network – bush camp. This is a four-day youth camping weekend. Pastor Darren Wighton, from Albury Church of Christ, will speak about what the Bible has to say about the subjects that no one wants to talk about eg, sex, peer pressure, money substance misuse and more. Cost \$130 per person. All welcome. Held at Penrose Park, Silvertown. For details on what to bring contact Neville Naden on (0425) 387 402 or email nedann@optusnet.com.au

24-31 July: Burrup (Murujuga) Heritage Tour. Come and experience the majestic wonders of the Burrup – over 500,000 rock art engravings dating back 30,000 years. Gain an understanding of the importance of preserving this world-renowned archaeological site and experience a rare opportunity to meet with expert archaeologists and Aboriginal custodians of the Burrup rock art. Cost: \$1550 which covers bus transport to and from Karratha, camping equipment and all meals. Details: Judith Hugo on (0439) 090 321 or email tour@fara.com.au



The Burrup (Murujuga) Heritage Tour will be held from 24-31 July. Participants can experience the majestic wonders of the Burrup, where there are more than 500,000 rock art engravings dating back 30,000 years. The cost of \$1550 covers bus transport to and from Karratha, plus camping equipment and all meals. See details above.

Micky O guest at Wagga carnival

FORMER Sydney Swans star Michael O'Loughlin will join players from 15 young Indigenous Australian football teams from across NSW to take part in the inaugural Jack Atkinson carnival at Wagga Wagga on Saturday 27 February.

The final to be played under lights. Each team will play three games with each round game consisting of two 20-minute halves. The final to be played by the top two sides after the round games and consisting of four 15-minute quarters. The carnival was named in honour of Jack Atkinson, a highly regarded person in the communities of Deniliquin, Swan Hill and Barmah. Atkinson was also a renowned footballer who excelled as a player, playing coach and coach.

“Introducing new carnivals such as the Jack Atkinson is a fantastic initiative, helping to create more opportunities for young up and coming Indigenous players from across the State to get together and test their skills,” AFL (NSW/ACT) general manager Dale Holmes said.

“Football carnivals are also avenues to promote health and well-being for each individual and enables young men to develop on and off the field, which the AFL believes is crucial in development of future players.”

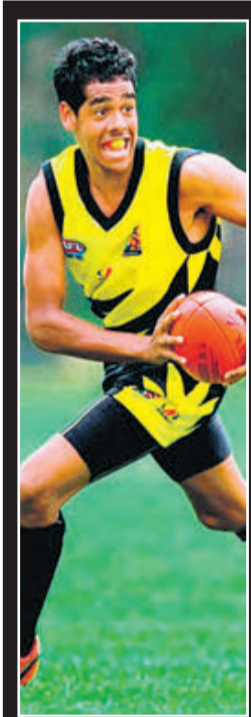
A number of key AFL talent staff will attend the event, along with former Sydney Swans player and *Koori Mail* columnist Michael O'Loughlin, who recently joined the AFL to lead the AFL Indigenous Program and Jason Mifsud, Chief Executive of AFL Foundation.

“There are more Aboriginal football players in Australian rules competitions than ever before and the AFL firmly believes these numbers will continue to increase, especially with two new teams in NSW and Queensland,” Holmes said.

As well as the community engagement that these carnivals generate, a feature will be the under 16 talent game, showcasing the skills of future stars.

The NSW/ACT Indigenous Australian Football Association (NAIAFA) has been set up as a means of resource for Indigenous footballers and its goal is to help support the growing interest in the game amongst Indigenous communities.

The 15-a-side carnival will be held at Maher Oval, Wagga.



Ashley Nicholls, of Penrith, who is in the AFL NSW Under 17 talent squad.

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1740	Approx. 25 km W from Pentland Centred at approximate Lat.20°09'S Long.145°10'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 74 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 23 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 374 j, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 375 l, q, r, v, w 446 c, d, e, j, k 447 a, b, f, g	Qld Coal Aust No. 1 Pty Ltd 135 731 154
EPC1752	Approx. 48 km NE from Hughenden Centred at approximate Lat.20°31'S Long.144°29'E Local Government Area: Flinders Shire Council	Area: 962 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 367 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 368 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 369 a, b, f, g, l, m, n, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 370 q, r, s, v, w, x 436 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 437 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 438 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 439 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 440 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 441 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 442 a, f, l, q, v 507 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 508 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 509 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 510 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 511 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 512 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 513 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 514 a, f	Eastern Australia Energy Pty Ltd 134 371 029
EPC1762	Approx. 46 km SSW from Pentland Centred at approximate Lat.20°52'S Long.145°09'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council and Flinders Shire Council	Area: 767 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 240 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 662 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 663 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 734 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 735 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 804 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 805 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 806 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 807 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 808 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 809 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	Matilda Coal Pty Limited 131 923 692

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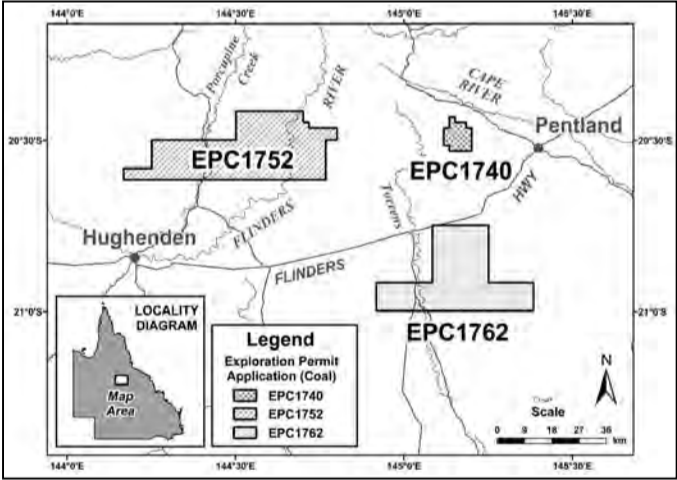
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Queensland Government

League Test tickets go on sale

TICKETS to the rugby league Test between Australia and New Zealand that will be the first event at Melbourne's new rectangular stadium have gone on sale. The Test match will be played on Friday 7 May.

As well as the league international, the venue will host Melbourne Storm rugby league home games, as well as the Melbourne Victory and from next year the Melbourne Heart soccer team and the Melbourne Rebels Super 15 rugby side.

Victorian Sports Minister James Merlino said a clash between traditional rivals and the two best rugby league nations in the world was a great way to open the new stadium. Merlino said Test match tickets, available through

Ticketek, would be affordable for families, starting at \$30 for adults and from \$20 for children, pensioners and concession holders. Merlino said the \$267.5 million stadium would have a capacity of more than 30,000.

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EPM18o94	Approx. 96 km ESE from Dajarra Centred at approximate Lat.22°04'S Long.140°22'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 79 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 25 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1756 j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, y 1757 l, q, r, v, w, x 1829 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k 1830 f	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18o95	Approx. 109 km ESE from Dajarra Centred at approximate Lat.22°03'S Long.140°30'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 38 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1758 k, o, p 1759 f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 1831 a	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM181o3	Approx. 117 km ESE from Dajarra Centred at approximate Lat.22°0'S Long.140°37'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 25 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1688 l, m, r, w, x 1760 c, h, n	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684

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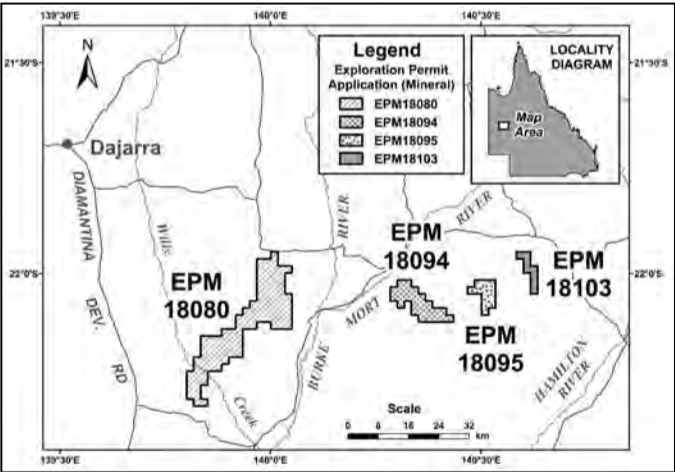
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Queensland Government

INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT AUTHORISATION MEETING QCLNG PROJECT PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH)

QGC Pty Limited (QGC) – A BG Group business ABN 11089642553 proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (ILUA) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (Native Title Act) with the group known for the purposes of the negotiations of this ILUA as BCJWY and anyone who holds or may hold native title in the area of land the subject of the proposed ILUA, detailed in the map below (ILUA Area).



BCJWY is a collective of people who claim to have native title rights and interests in the ILUA Area and who have identified with the following groups: the former Barunggam native title claim group (QUD6005/99), Cobble Cobble, the former Jarowair native title claim group (QUD6005/00), the former Western Wakka Wakka native title claim group (QUD6004/99) and Yiman. BCJWY is described as including the following family groups: Williams, Warner, Daylight, Waddy, Queary (Cressbrook), Jerome, Davis, Bundi and Henry (King Tommy Tommy) families and the descendants of Darlo(w) and Watcho/Barney.

QGC proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (LNG) industry, including an integrated LNG project which will involve the development of gas fields, the construction and operation of infrastructure (including pipelines), and includes the capacity for QGC and third parties to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone. This project is known as the Queensland Curtis LNG project (QCLNG Project). The proposed ILUA will deal with the grant of consent by BCJWY and any other people who hold or may hold native title to the development and production of gas and the construction and operation of associated infrastructure for the QCLNG Project, in the area of land the subject of the proposed ILUA.

The ILUA Area covers an area that is not presently the subject of any native title determination application. Its boundaries to the south, west and north are contiguous with the external boundaries of the following claims: Mandandanji People, Bigambul People, Iman People #2 and the former Wakka Wakka People #2. Authorisation of the ILUA by BCJWY and any other people who hold or may hold native title in the ILUA Area is sought in accordance with the Native Title Act.

Details of ILUA Authorisation Meeting

The purpose of this meeting is to authorise the proposed ILUA. You are invited to attend the meeting if you regard yourself as being a person who falls within the description of BCJWY or if you consider that you hold or may hold native title in the land comprising of the ILUA Area.

The meeting will be held for this purpose in Toowoomba:

Date: Saturday 13 March 2010

Time: 8:30am

Venue: Toowoomba Showgrounds, Glenvale Road, Toowoomba, QLD 4350

Travel assistance will be made available upon satisfying eligibility criteria. For the purpose of catering you must also register your attendance, even if you are not entitled to travel assistance.

To register for the authorisation meeting, please contact:

Debra Lucas, Gadens Lawyers

Phone: 07 3231 1694

NO LATER THAN 4.00pm, Wednesday, 3 March 2010

If you do not consider yourself as being a person who falls within the description of BCJWY, but nonetheless consider that you hold or may hold native title in the land comprising of the ILUA Area, you are welcome to attend the meeting. However it would assist if you could please contact Brett Hartley at Queensland South Native Title Services on (07) 3224 1200, by 8 March 2010 to inform him of your interest in the ILUA Area.

Sheedy eyes ACT as nursery for new club

GREATER Western Sydney (GWS) coach Kevin Sheedy wants the Australian Football League (AFL) expansion team to play in Canberra and build a strong presence in the national capital.

Sheedy is keen to play three or four GWS home games per season in the ACT.

The coaching legend and the AFL's NSW/ACT manager Dale Holmes met last week with ACT Minister for Sport and Recreation Andrew Barr.

The new team and the ACT Government will spend the next five months trying to drum up support in the ACT before a presentation to the GWS board in July.

Sheedy said the relationship could be stronger than Hawthorn's successful partnership with the Tasmanian Government, which centres on 'home' games at Launceston.

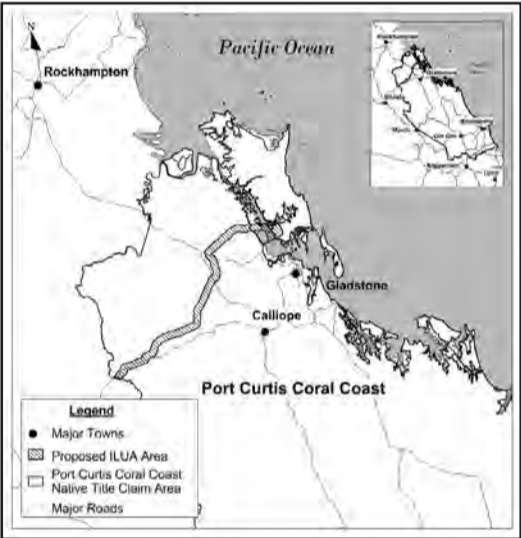
Several AFL teams have hosted games at Canberra's Manuka Oval in the past few years, with mixed results. – AAP

INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT AUTHORISATION MEETING

QCLNG PROJECT

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QGC Pty Limited (QGC) – A BG Group business ABN 11089642553 proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (ILUA) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (Native Title Act) with the Port Curtis Coral Coast (PCCC) people and anyone who holds or may hold native title in the area of land the subject of the proposed ILUA, detailed in the map below (ILUA Area).



QGC proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (LNG) industry, including an integrated LNG project which will involve the development of gas fields, the construction and operation of infrastructure (including pipelines), and includes the capacity for QGC and third parties to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone. This project is known as the Queensland Curtis LNG project (QCLNG Project). The proposed ILUA will deal with the grant of consent by PCCC and any other people who hold or may hold native title to the construction and operation of associated infrastructure for the QCLNG Project, in the area of land the subject of the proposed ILUA.

A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that part of the ILUA Area is the subject of a native title determination application which has been lodged by PCCC (QUD6026/01). The part of the ILUA Area not covered by the PCCC native title claim is not presently subject to any native title determination applications. Authorisation of the ILUA by PCCC and any other people who hold or may hold native title is sought in accordance with the Native Title Act.

PCCC is described as the descendants of Dina, Jessie, Johnson Matemate and George Swain, Sandy and Fanny, Dulhu/Doolan, Buller Tolsen (Norman Buller), Alice Murray, Jane, Betsy, Rosie, Elsie Myers, Maggie Little, Rosie Blackman, Emma Jones and Mary Anne.

Details of ILUA Authorisation Meeting

The purpose of this meeting is to authorise the proposed ILUA. You are invited to attend the meeting if you regard yourself as being a person who falls within the description of PCCC or if you consider that you hold or may hold native title in the land comprising of the ILUA Area.

The meeting will be held for this purpose in Bundaberg:

Date: Saturday 20 March 2010
Time: 8:00am registration and a meeting start time at 10:00am
Venue: PCYC Bundaberg, 37D Maryborough Street, BUNDABERG QLD 4670

Travel assistance will be made available upon satisfying eligibility criteria. For the purpose of catering you must also register your attendance, even if you are not entitled to travel assistance.

To register for the authorisation meeting, please contact:

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Phone: 07 3231 1694

NO LATER THAN 4.00pm, Wednesday, 10 March 2010

If you do not consider yourself as being a person who falls within the description of PCCC, but nonetheless consider that you hold or may hold native title in the land comprising of the ILUA Area, you are welcome to attend the meeting. However it would assist if you could please contact Brett Hartley at Queensland South Native Title Services on (07) 3224 1200, by 15 March 2010 to inform him of your interest in the ILUA Area.

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 Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1732 This Application consists of five separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 82 km NE from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°17'S Long.148°11'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 80 km NE from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°24'S Long.148°17'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council Part 3: Approx. 82 km NE from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°15'S Long.148°10'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council Part 4: Approx. 81 km NE from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°19'S Long.148°13'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council Part 5: Approx. 81 km NE from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°22'S Long.148°16'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 9 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1995 f, g, m Area of Part 2: 9 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2068 r, w 2140 b Area of Part 3: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1994 e Area of Part 4: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1995 x Area of Part 5: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2068 l	Qld Coal Aust No. 1 Pty Ltd 135 731 154
EPC1738	Approx. 27 km WNW from Clermont Centred at approximate Lat.22°40'S Long.147°25'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area: 136 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 43 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2273 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 2274 b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2345 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 2346 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2417 d, e 2418 a, b	Boab Energy Pty Ltd 131 402 054

* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) 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 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

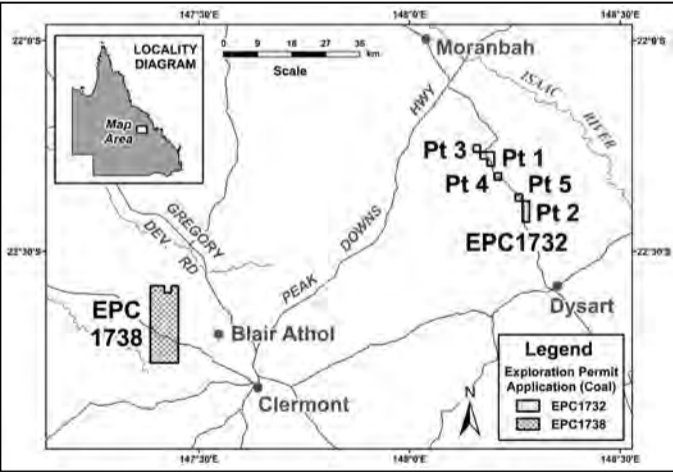
Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

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: 17 March 2010



Queensland Government

Bennett's guarded backing for change



ST George Illawarra coach Wayne Bennett has given tentative backing to the proposed independent commission to run the National Rugby League (NRL). But the six-time premiership coach, one of only a few NRL coaches who didn't attend a meeting on the commission proposal in January in Sydney, believed the current administration had the game in good shape.

"Well, we've got a game that was extremely successful last year on the field, so they must be doing something right in that regard," Bennett said.

"The quality of football is outstanding, the commitment of the players, it was as good a season as I've seen for a long time.

"If you're a football club you're always looking for ways to improve yourself, so I'd like to think that those that govern the game are thinking there are better ways to do it.

"If there are, then that's what they

should be looking for."

But Bennett refused to elaborate on what shape he thinks the commission should take, saying it mattered little what NRL coaches opinions are on the make-up.

"It won't need the coaches' goodwill because they make plenty of decisions without our goodwill," Bennett said.

"That's a waste of time and space worrying about what the coaches think is going to happen in the future to the commission or anything else."

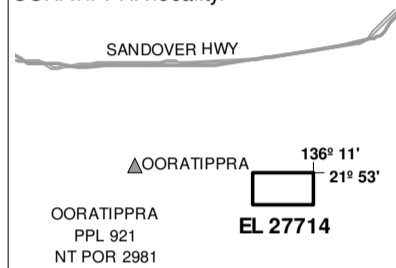
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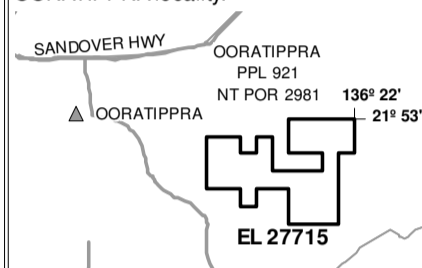
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 27714 sought by ACACIA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 419 729 over an area of 2 Blocks (6 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORATIPPRA locality.



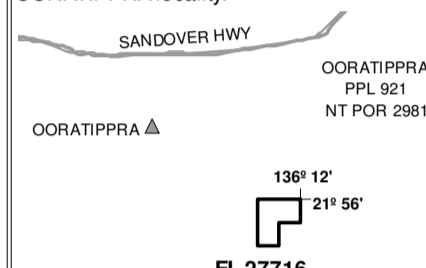
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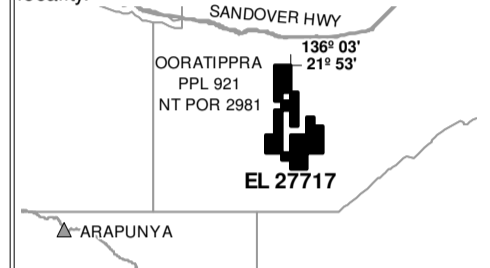
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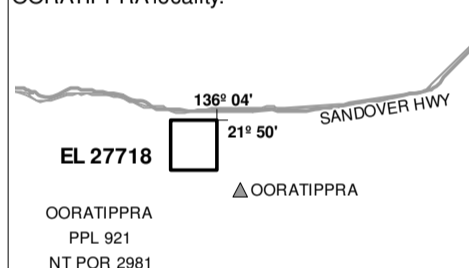
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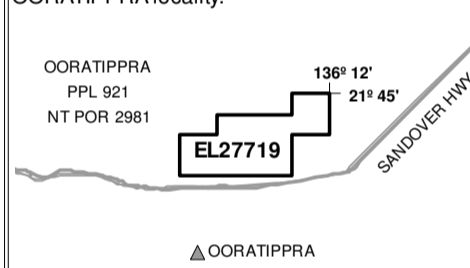
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Exploration Licence 27718 sought by ACACIA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 419 729 over an area of 4 Blocks (13 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORATIPPRA locality.



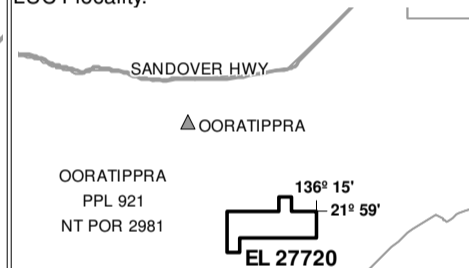
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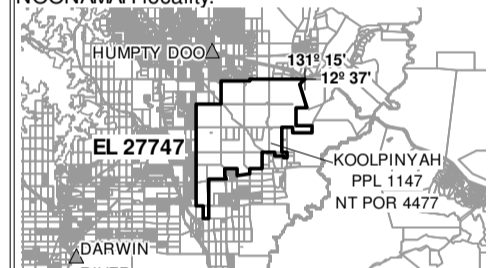
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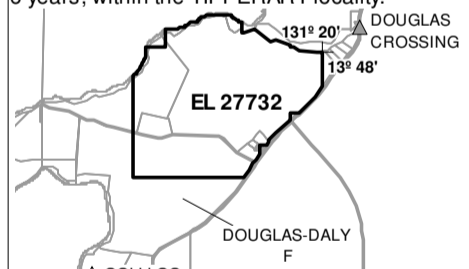
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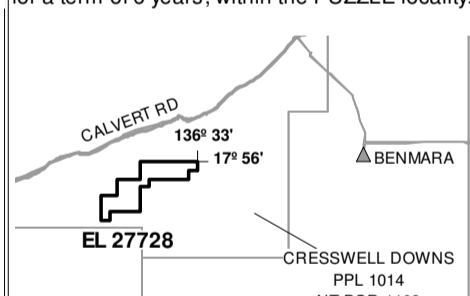
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Exploration Licence 27732 sought by GEOTECH INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD, ACN 057 668 434 and JAMES IAN STEWART over an area of 25 Blocks (75 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



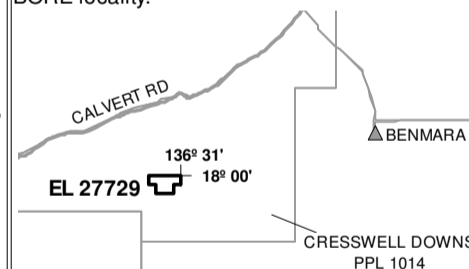
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Exploration Licence 27728 sought by MURPHY URANIUM PTY LTD, ACN 126 180 818 over an area of 31 Blocks (101 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PUZZLE locality.



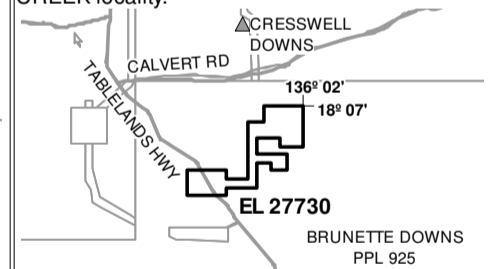
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Exploration Licence 27729 sought by MURPHY URANIUM PTY LTD, ACN 126 180 818 over an area of 6 Blocks (20 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PARADISE BORE locality.



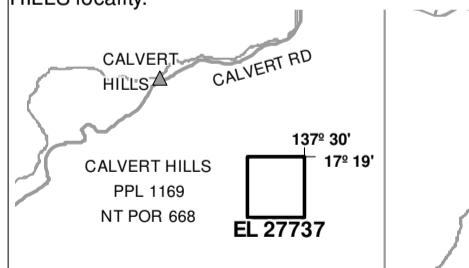
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Exploration Licence 27730 sought by MURPHY URANIUM PTY LTD, ACN 126 180 818 over an area of 57 Blocks (186 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CORELLA CREEK locality.



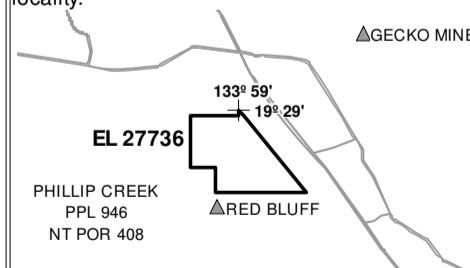
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Exploration Licence 27737 sought by REDBANK OPERATIONS PTY LTD, ACN 109 362 165 over an area of 16 Blocks (52 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CALVERT HILLS locality.



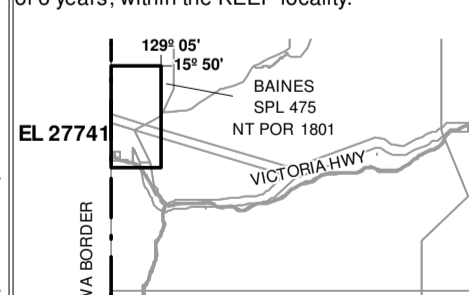
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Exploration Licence 27736 sought by RUM JUNGLE URANIUM LTD, ACN 122 131 622 over an area of 13 Blocks (31 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the KELLY locality.



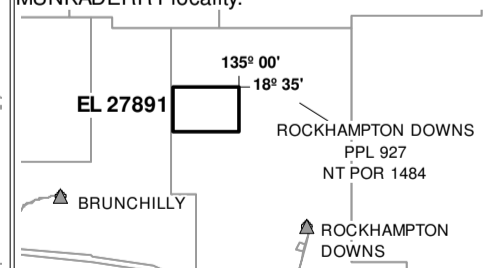
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Exploration Licence 27741 sought by SETH PTY LTD, ACN 062 084 119 over an area of 50 Blocks (165 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the KEEP locality.



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Exploration Licence 27891 sought by VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD, ACN 081 724 101 over an area of 77 Blocks (251 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MUNKADERRY locality.



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Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the exploration licence/s referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

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Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 24 February 2010

AFL to focus on dangerous tackles, staging

THE Australian Football League (AFL) has focussed on dangerous tackles, staging and bumping the man on the mark after a review of the tribunal system.

The rough conduct guidelines will now include specific references to sling and spear tackles.

The League said there was a growing trend last season where an

opponent would bump the man on the mark with excessive force, and this would be dealt with under rough conduct guidelines.

Players can now also be fined if

they stage for free kicks.

The league says only 68 games were lost through suspension last year, the lowest total since 1985.

— AAP

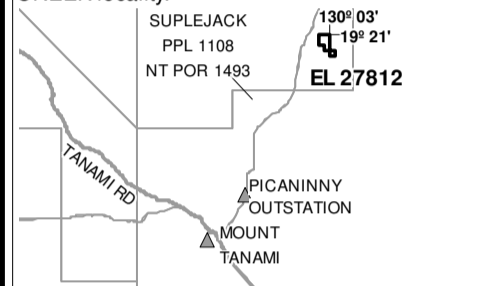
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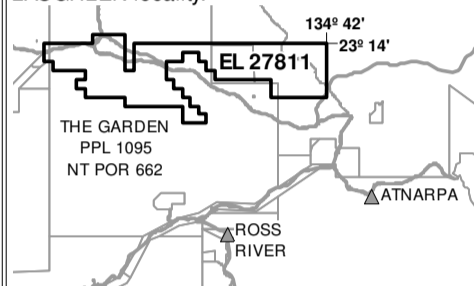
Applications to which this notice applies:

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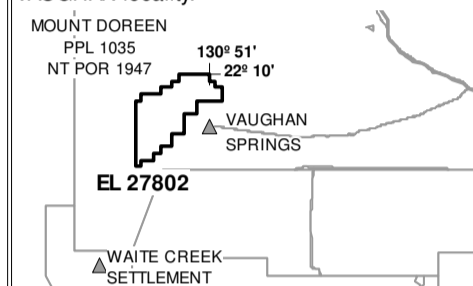
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Exploration Licence 27811 sought by AMI RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 140 405 992 over an area of 173 Blocks (545 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



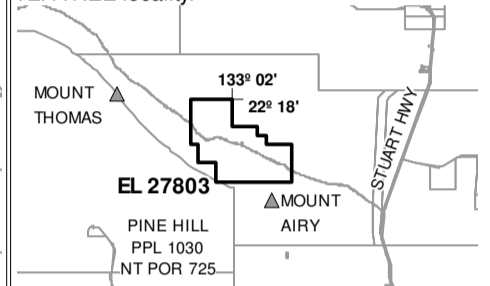
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Exploration Licence 27802 sought by ARUNTA URANIUM PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 112 323 over an area of 99 Blocks (315 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



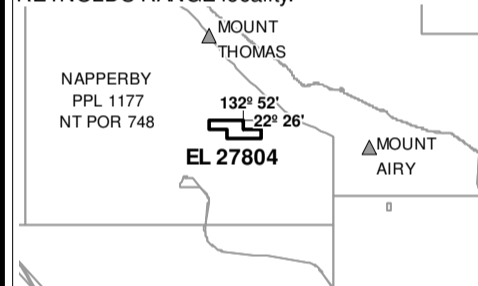
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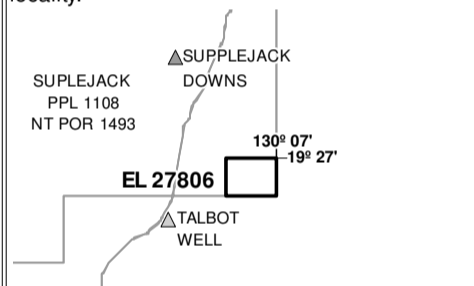
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Exploration Licence 27804 sought by ARUNTA URANIUM PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 112 323 over an area of 8 Blocks (25 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLDS RANGE locality.



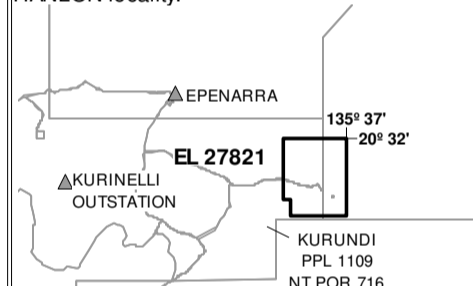
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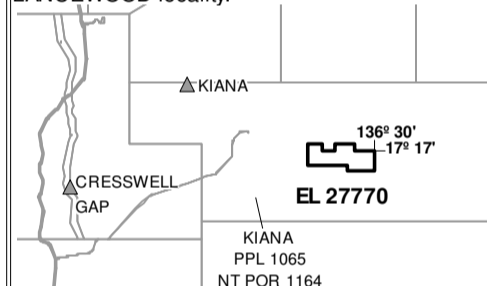
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Exploration Licence 27821 sought by IMPERIAL GRANITE & MINERALS PTY. LTD., ACN 080 314 012 over an area of 70 Blocks (225 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HANLON locality.



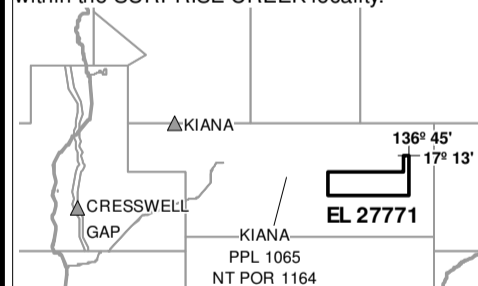
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Exploration Licence 27770 sought by LEGEND INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, INC., ACN 120 855 352 over an area of 29 Blocks (95 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



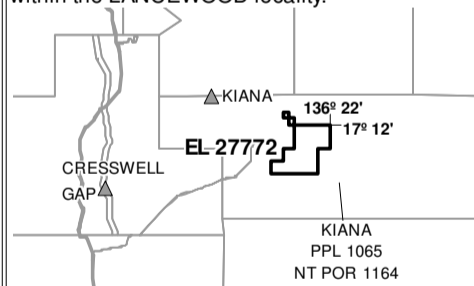
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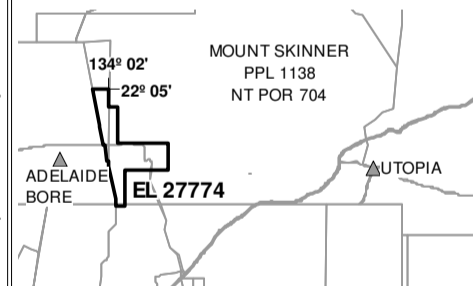
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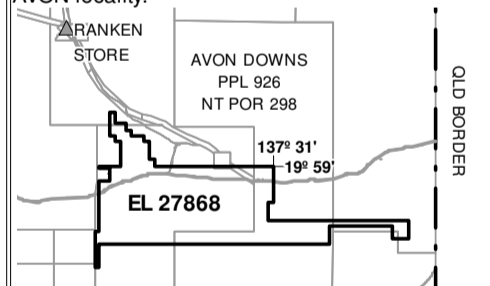
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Exploration Licence 27774 sought by ALISTAIR WANSBONE MACKIE over an area of 45 Blocks (124 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WOODGREEN locality.



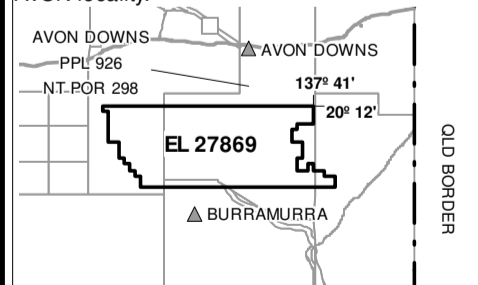
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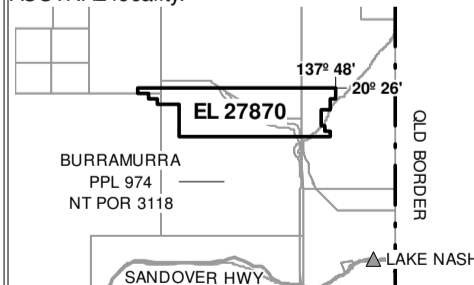
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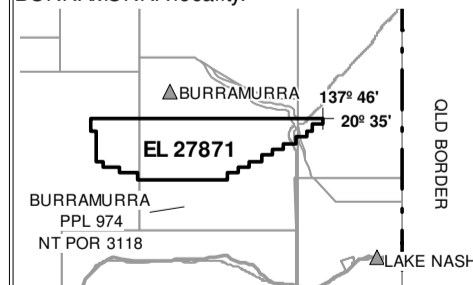
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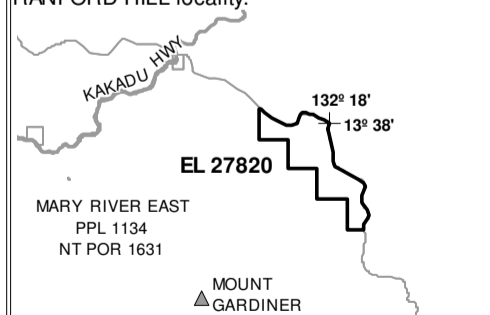
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Exploration Licence 27871 sought by MANTLE MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 107 180 441 over an area of 308 Blocks (988 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURRAMURRA locality.



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Exploration Licence 27820 sought by ANTHONY WRIGHT over an area of 8 Blocks (18 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RANFORD HILL locality.



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Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 24 February 2010

Footy academy kicks NT goals

FOUR new Clontarf Football Academies – this time for girls – will be set up in the Northern Territory. They will be in west Arnhem Land, Palmerston, Katherine and Alice Springs. In announcing the academies, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd said another 13 Clontarf Academies

would be set up outside the NT. The Foundation will also set up separate football academies in Jabiru and Gunbalanya. The girls’ academies will be based on the successful Clontarf Football Academies for boys and aim to increase school attendance rates for Indigenous girls. The academies will be known as

the Sporting Chance academies and will be set up at Palmerston High School, Katherine High School, West Arnhem College in Jabiru, and Gunbalanya, and a combined academy at the Centralian Middle School and Senior College. The Federal and NT governments will each contribute \$2 million to the program with

private sponsors to contribute another \$2 million. Northern Territory Education Minister Chris Burns said the academies ‘will use sport as a vehicle to engage Indigenous girls in secondary education’. “Girls will be counselled, trained and mentored in behaviour, health, life skills and self-esteem,” he said.

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits
Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Table with 4 columns: Exploration Permit Number, Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram), Description of Area of Application*, and Current Applicant. It details two exploration permits: EPM17995 and EPM18162, including their locations, areas, block identification maps, and sub-blocks.

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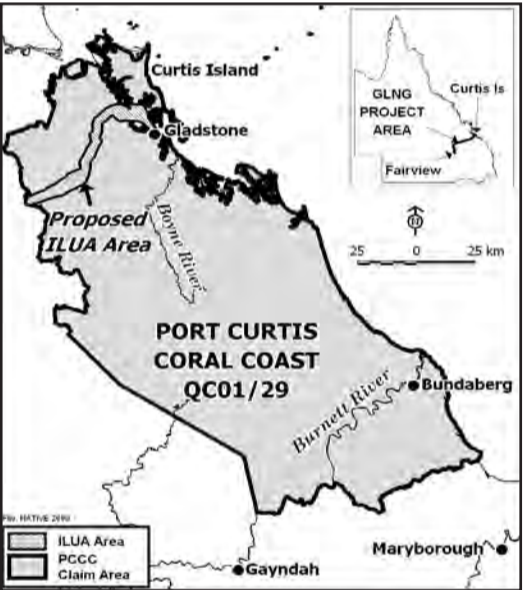
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Notification Day: 17 March 2010



PUBLIC NOTICE – PORT CURTIS CORAL COAST CLAIM GROUP’S AUTHORISATION MEETING
AUTHORISATION MEETING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PORT CURTIS CORAL COAST CLAIM GROUP AND SANTOS FOR PART OF THE SANTOS/PETRONAS GLADSTONE LNG PROJECT

Santos GLNG Pty Ltd and Petronas Australia Pty Ltd (Santos) propose to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) with the Port Curtis Coral Coast Claim Group. The purpose of the agreement is to authorise the construction and operation of a gas transmission pipeline, a natural gas liquefaction and export facility on Curtis Island, and all other necessary infrastructure associated with the pipeline and the facility for part of the Santos/Petronas Gladstone LNG Project (the Proposed ILUA).



The Port Curtis Coral Coast native title claim (QUD6026/01; QC01/29) covers the majority of the ILUA Area. The claim group is described in the Port Curtis Coral Coast Claim as the biological descendants of: Dina; Jessie; Johnson Matemate and George Swain; Sandy and Fanny; Dulhu/Doolan; Buller Tolsen (Norman Buller); Alice Murray; Jane; Betsy; Rosie; Elsie Myers; Maggie Little; Rosie Blackman; Emma Jones; and Mary Anne (PCCC Claim Group). A small part of the ILUA Area located between the Queensland mainland and Curtis Island, is not currently covered by a native title claim. The PCCC Claim Group assert native title rights and interests in relation to this area.

Authorisation meetings for this ILUA that had been advertised in August and September 2009 were cancelled and did not take place.

An authorisation meeting will be held in Bundaberg as follows:

Date and Time: Friday, 19 March 2010 with registrations to commence at 8.30 am.
Place: PCYC Bundaberg, 37D Maryborough Street BUNDABERG QLD 4670.

Purpose of the Meeting: to authorise the Proposed ILUA between Santos and the PCCC Claim Group.

You are invited to attend the authorisation meeting if you consider that you fall within the description of the PCCC Claim Group. If you intend to come to the authorisation meeting or have any questions in relation to it, please contact Debra Lucas at Gadens Lawyers on (07) 3231 1694 by Friday, 12 March 2010 if possible, so that arrangements can be made for catering, travel, accommodation etc.

If you consider that you hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area but do not consider that you fall within the description of the PCCC Claim Group then please contact Tahlita Ahwang, Indigenous Affairs Unit, Santos on (07) 3838 3913.

‘Go now,’ says Roos



SYDNEY coach Paul Roos has challenged the AFL to reveal the identity of any players who have already signed with the fledgling Gold Coast club.

Roos, who is in the final year of his tenure with the Swans, has already gone on record as saying he would tell any of his players who has signed with the Gold Coast to ‘go now’. The 17th AFL club appears to have capitalised on a loophole which allows them to sign players a full year before their competition debut.

Roos argues that the loophole is unnecessary and that the current system works, as evidenced by former Swans Darren Jolly and Amon Buchanan signing with other clubs during the last trade week.

The Sydney coach stressed the AFL didn’t want to go down the same road as the NRL and A-League, who have also had well publicised problems with player movements.

He could also have thrown in the fourth major football code, rugby union, which is currently embroiled in a dispute over a newly instituted signings window for Australian Super 14 players.

“If the AFL and the AFL Players Association are saying it’s in the rules and there’s nothing wrong with it, just come out and tell us who the players are,” Roos told reporters, referring to the alleged Gold Coast player signings.

“If they are ashamed of it and if you want to hide behind it’ then obviously they think there’s something wrong with it as well.

“You only have to look at the A-League and how their own people have ridiculed

the reputation of that competition over the past two or three weeks.

“We have been fortunate that we haven’t had to deal with that situation, but it’s clearly become a bit unfortunate for rugby league people and obviously in recent times for the A-League.”

Roos admitted to being surprised by the signing loophole and noted a lot of other clubs were caught similarly off guard.

“I think the argument from the Players’ Association is reasonably flimsy,” Roos said.

“The fact that you are not in the competition and not playing against them... the reality is they (Gold Coast) are

a team. They might not be playing this year, but they are playing next year.

“From speaking to some rugby league people as I do, their system as it is, I know a lot of rugby league people don’t like their system and see it as a real problem.

“Thankfully for us’ we haven’t had that system in place.”

With the neighbouring Greater Western Sydney franchise starting up, Roos conceded the loophole could cause ongoing problems if it wasn’t closed.

“Maybe it’s a case of talking to your players and saying ‘if you want to sign for GWS, we will let you out of your contract 12 months early and you can go train with them’,” Roos said. – AAP

‘There must be room for negotiation’

THE AFL Players’ Association argues there has to be some ‘pragmatism’ about how the league’s expansion clubs try to sign top players.

It is understood that the Gold Coast club has acted within the AFL rules by gaining secret commitments from several established players to join them at the end of this season.

Those players would come out of contract for 2011, when Gold Coast join the league.

Gold Coast cannot reach agreement with current AFL players during this season, but under league rules, they had a brief period before the December pre-season draft when they could seek commitments.

There is speculation that up to ten players who come out of contract at the end of this season have committed to Gold Coast.

It is well-known that Geelong’s Brownlow Medallist Gary Ablett is Gold Coast’s No 1 recruiting target, while there is speculation that they are also chasing rising Essendon star Michael Hurley and Hawthorn utility Campbell Brown.

Players’ Association chief executive Matt Finnis says this situation is different to rugby league, where players can sign with a new club mid-season.

“There’s a difference between a player sitting in front of a rival club’s sponsorship banner and talking up his pride in joining that new club, when that club is competing against them,” Finnis said.

“This situation, we’re talking about new teams which aren’t playing in the current competition in that period.

“Probably there would be a degree of pragmatism that would recognise this is not about introducing a rugby-league style system of players changing clubs in the middle of the season.”

But the sensitivity of the issue was clear when Finnis was asked if he was aware of any players secretly committing to Gold Coast.

“Sometimes it’s better not to ask,” Finnis said.

Meanwhile, Finnis also said it remained unclear if or when the AFL would agree to some form of player free agency.

“All I can say is we haven’t got an agreement ... while we’ve been encouraged by some genuinely-collaborative dialogue since Christmas,” Finnis said. – AAP

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EPM18176	Approx. 16 km WSW from Doomadgee Centred at approximate Lat.17°59'S Long.138°41'E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council	Area: 241 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 74 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1663 p, u, z 1664 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 1665 a, f, g, h, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1666 l, m, q, r, v, w 1735 e, k, p 1736 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o 1737 a, b, c, f	Teck Australia Pty Ltd 091 271 911
EPM18182	Approx. 44 km WNW from Doomadgee Centred at approximate Lat.17°46'S Long.138°27'E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council	Area: 234 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 72 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1444 u, z 1445 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x 1446 q, r, s, t, u, x, y, z 1447 q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1517 h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1518 c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1519 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j	Red Metal Limited 091 367 684

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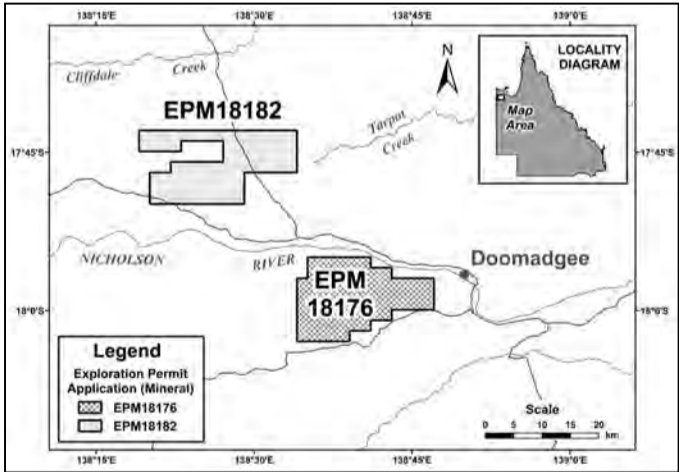
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Indigenous All Star Scott Prince celebrates with happy fans after the win over the NRL All Stars at Skilled Park on the Gold Coast. Photo: Wayne Quilliam

Racial pride is fine; but what about equality?

By DOUG CONWAY of AAP

SELECTING an Aboriginal-only rugby league team might do a lot for racial pride, but it doesn't do much for racial equality. It might seem like a good idea on the surface, but like race itself, that's only skin deep. There was no doubting the motivation behind the 13 February inaugural All Stars match on the Gold Coast. It was a celebration of Indigenous talent, a showcase for the extraordinary skills and athleticism indigenous players bring to the game. But picking a team on the basis of race, for whatever reason, is fraught with pitfalls. This match wasn't quite black versus white. It was Australian black versus everyone else. It pitted the best Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players against the best of the rest. The rest included white as well as dark-skinned players, some of New Zealand Maori and Pacific Islander descent. Lord knows, the first Australians have had so much pain, suffering and injustice to contend with these past 222 years. They have faced it all, by and large, with a dignity that surpasses understanding, and have every right to feel proud of their achievements, sporting and otherwise.

The All Stars concept kicked off in a deservedly feel-good atmosphere. But what of the longer term? It has a guaranteed run for three years, but what if it went long beyond that and developed the sort of tradition and passions that engulf State of Origin football? In some sections of the Cockroach v Cane Toad world, hating the opposition is encouraged, if not mandatory. If ridding league of racist sledging, on and off the field, is proving difficult enough now, how much harder might it be if one team in a showcase match is always picked on racial lines?

One-off affair?

Perhaps the All Stars concept should be a one-off affair, or be rolled out, say, every four or five years to honour Indigenous achievement. Making it a regular fixture might serve to defeat its purpose. Isn't the ultimate goal to look beyond the colour of everyone's skin? Aren't we supposed to look at a player and see simply a footballer, not a black footballer or a white footballer? Bulldogs centre Jamal Idris, who was to play in the All Stars match, has spoken of the racism that still pervades society in general. In the course of a newspaper interview, he also told how he would support teams with the most Indigenous players while growing up on missions around Forster, on the NSW mid-north coast. That's perfectly understandable for a young kid looking to follow his role models. But again, isn't that what we are ultimately all supposed to get over? Let's hope the regular selection of an Indigenous-only side will generate the level of respect, say, that an All Black haka enjoys. The danger is it will reinforce the racial divide we are all trying hard to get rid of.

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EPM18160	Approx. 145 km SW from Croydon Centred at approximate Lat.19°15'S Long.141°25'E Local Government Area: Carpentaria Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council	Area: 324 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2777 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2778 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2849 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 2850 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	China West International Holdings Limited 009 230 111

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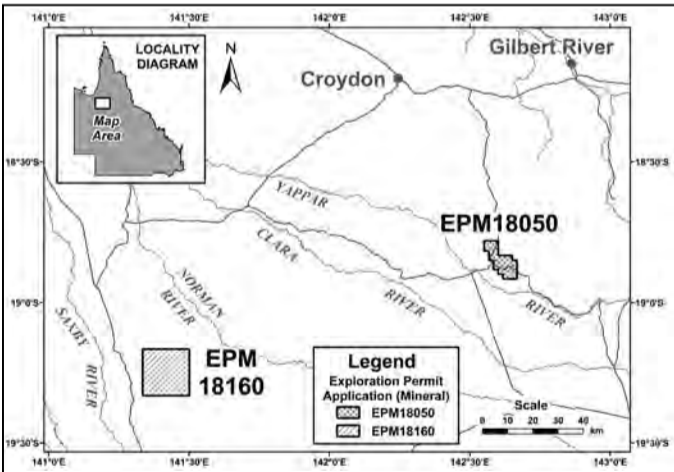
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Keeping kids in classroom



A FOOTBALL-THEMED scheme aimed at increasing school attendance has been launched on Groote Eylandt, off the east coast of the Northern Territory.

Before a crowd of more than 600 locals, AFL Northern Territory (AFLNT) launched the program, developed in conjunction with BHP Billiton – GEMCO, Anindilyakwa Land Council (ALC), Angurugu School, NT Department of Education and Training, and the Geelong Football Club.

“The School Cats Footy Program is designed to increase school attendance using football as a tool to encourage boys and girls to attend school regularly,” said AFLNT regional development manager Rob Clements.

“School attendance is a significant issue on Groote Eylandt and AFLNT is pleased to have the support of GEMCO, NT DET and the ALC and the Geelong Football Club to enable us to address this issue head on.

This project is the first of its kind in the Territory and we aim to deliver it in more communities this year using the Groote Eylandt model.”

Future leaders

ALC community liaison officer Thomas Amagula sees the program as an investment in the leaders of future.

“We want children to become our next set of leaders in the community and we see education as vital to ensuring that we produce great leaders here on Groote Eylandt,” he said.

The School Cats Community Footy Program is a long-term project designed to ensure sustainable and measurable positive outcomes with the express aim of ‘closing the gap’ between Indigenous children and their non-Indigenous counterparts. AFLNT has plans to expand this program inline with other remote projects in communities throughout the Daly River Region,



Ramo Wurramara celebrates with another Tigers player.



Randy Ngalmi with son Renaldo after the Tigers won the premiership.

Elcho Island and Katherine.

The School Cats Community Footy Program was launched after the inaugural Groote Eylandt Football League Wet Season grand final between the Angurugu Crocs and Angurugu Tigers.

In front of a boisterous crowd at the Angurugu town oval, the Tigers and Crocs put on a show of quality football.

The Tigers won 12.9 (81) to 10.6 (66) after the scores were even at three-quarter time.

Both teams are from the Angurugu community.

“We were extremely pleased with the turnout of the crowd today, we had a number of visitors from Alyangula who were impressed with the quality of football,” said Rob Clements.

“I am expecting NTFL clubs to stand up and take notice of the exceptional talent we have here on Groote Eylandt.”



Groote Eylandt children at the launch of the School Cats Footy Program.



The Angurugu Tigers after their wet season grand final win over the Angurugu Crocs.

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EPM18199 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 56 km NNW from Mount Isa Centred at approximate Lat.20°17'S Long.139°13'E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council Part 2: Approx. 62 km NNW from Mount Isa Centred at approximate Lat.20°13'S Long.139°13'E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council	Area of Part 1: 55 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 17 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 159 y 231 d, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, u, v 232 f, l, q Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 159 s	Mount Isa Mines Limited 009 661 447

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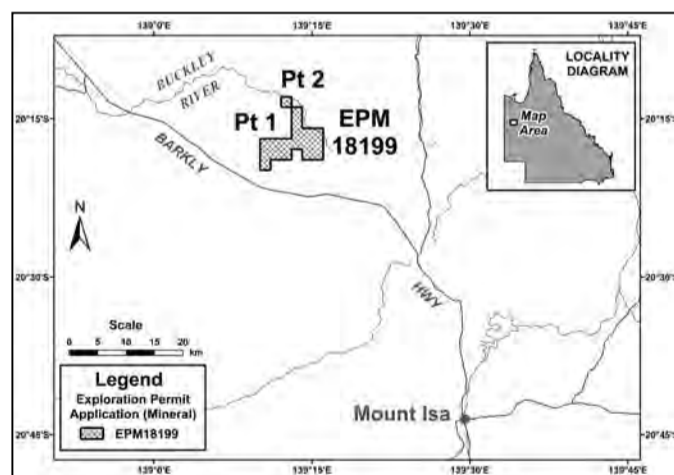
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Queensland Government



Harry Mooka at Rockhampton.

This gentle giant packs a punch

By ALF WILSON



MAN Mountain Thursday Island born rugby league forward Harry Mooka has enjoyed the kind of success in the past eight months which any footballer would like on his cv. The 190cm tall and 115kg Mooka is one of the most sought-after forwards when teams are put together for carnivals around the north.

It started last June when Mooka played a huge part in the 42-22 win by Mulga United over Western Bears in the 2009 grand final of the 24th Island of Origin series at Ken Brown Memorial Oval on TI.

Blockbusting Mooka was named best

forward of the carnival – no easy feat considering the quality of players on offer.

At the Townsville Bindal All Blacks carnival last October, Mooka played for Cairns United which took out the plate grand final.

A week later, Mooka shone for TSI side Argan Warriors which defeated Cherbourg 42-38 in the final of the Cairns All Blacks carnival, which was the biggest in Queensland, boasting 30 A-grade men's teams.

Then in early November at Bamaga, Mooka was in the Injinoo Crocs team which narrowly lost the grand final of the Dan Ropeyarn carnival to Argan Warriors, 28-30 in extra time.

Again, Mooka was named best forward of the carnival.

What was a wonderful 2009 looks set

to continue this year as Mooka was in the thick of things at the Rockhampton All Blacks Reconciliation carnival in late January.

Human battering ram Mooka scored a try in the plate final win by TSI side Wagadagam Storm.

Normally a man of few words, Mooka agreed to talk to The Koori Mail during the carnival.

Mooka said he had family and descendants on Mabuiag and Badu islands and was asked to compare all his recent carnivals.

"Honestly, I thought I was pretty ordinary here at Rockhampton, but I have really enjoyed them all. I am a very proud Torres Strait Islander and have family on the NPA and Cape York," he said.

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM13847	Approx. 69 km WSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°37'S Long.147°11'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council and Whitsunday Regional Council	Area: 22 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 542 p, u 543 b, c, f, g, l	Tangawa Gold Pty Ltd 011 006 376

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Nature of the Acts: Each Exploration Permit was originally granted as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld)

It is proposed to renew each individual Exploration Permit not as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit but as an Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed. The new conditions to be imposed are General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

The renewal of each Exploration Permit with the new conditions on it will authorise the Grantee Party to explore for minerals specified in the Exploration Permit for a period not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and Address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be renewed under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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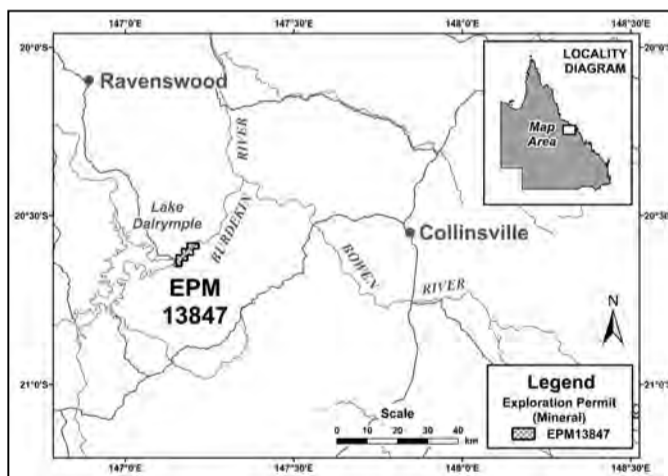
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Reasons for sacking flimsy, says counsel



ANDREW Lovett's legal team are prepared to take St Kilda to court over his AFL sacking, calling the reasons for his dismissal 'particularly flimsy'.

While their first preference is for the grievance process with St Kilda to continue, Lovett's lawyers have made it clear they will consider all their options.

Lovett was originally preparing to take the Saints before the AFL grievance tribunal to argue against his indefinite club suspension, which started on Christmas Eve.

But a day after he was charged with rape, the Saints announced last Tuesday they had sacked the former Essendon midfielder.

When they announced Lovett's dismissal, the Saints also said they now considered the grievance process was a moot point.

Legal advice

The AFL is seeking legal advice on whether Lovett's grievance process should still proceed.

Former AFL umpire Derek Humphery-Smith is acting as Lovett's lawyer in his dealings with the club.

"We think that (the grievance process) is the appropriate forum at this stage to pursue remedies for Andrew, but there are obviously a range of legal avenues available to him," Humphery-Smith said.

"I thought it (St Kilda's dismissal letter) was particularly flimsy and we've expressed that view, that we think many of the matters St Kilda have relied on in coming to their decision, there's nothing new in that.

"The timing is obviously questionable and that's a matter that I think needs to go before the grievance tribunal.

"Certainly we consider that St Kilda's actions are unlawful."

The Saints originally suspended Lovett when they learnt he was under police investigation – an investigation that led to the rape charge.

Lovett faced court last Friday in relation to the charge and the matter was adjourned. – AAP

League back at Bowen

By ALF WILSON



RUGBY league looks set to return to Bowen, with the town set to have its first domestic rugby league competition for many years.

The majority of players will be Indigenous.

A representative side from Bowen also has been invited to meet one from Palm Island as a curtain-raiser to the Foley Shield grand final at Townsville in May.

In other good news for Indigenous football, a new club – Hornets – will contest the 2010 domestic competition on Palm Island.

Hornets will join premiers Butler Bay Bulls, Skipjacks, Jets, Raiders and Brothers battling it out for the premiership in a strong six-team competition.

The Bowen Stingers, consisting of mostly Indigenous footballers, has competed strongly at north Queensland All Blacks carnivals for the past few years.

Reached plate final

Last October Bowen Indigenous Stingers reached the plate final at the Bindal Sharks United carnival in Townsville, losing to the powerful Cairns United.

Two of the main organisers of the Bowen competition are Aaron Motto and former champion Townsville halfback Rod Wells, who has coached the Stingers.

"The lads wanted to play locally and not enter a team in the Townsville or Mackay competitions and we are aiming at two clubs or maybe four and would play games on a Saturday afternoon after our junior teams' home matches," he said.

Already, two local pubs have indicated they may sponsor clubs.

Collinsville invitation

A side from Collinsville, a mining town 90km from Bowen, has been welcomed to enter, and another from Glenden has shown interest.

Construction workers at nearby Abbot Point have expressed a desire to play in teams or perhaps even forming their own club.

Players who will compete will start training at Bowen's Denison Park in late February.

QRL northern division chairman Greg Sutherland said would be great to see a Bowen competition going again after a long break.

"Football in north Queensland is going ahead in leaps and bounds with a new comp in Bowen and an extra club on Palm Island," he said.

A Bowen club side last played in the mid-1990s in Mackay and it was back in the 1980s when the last domestic competition was held at Bowen, which is 200km south of Townsville and 190km north of Mackay.



The Bowen Indigenous Stingers at a recent All Blacks carnival.

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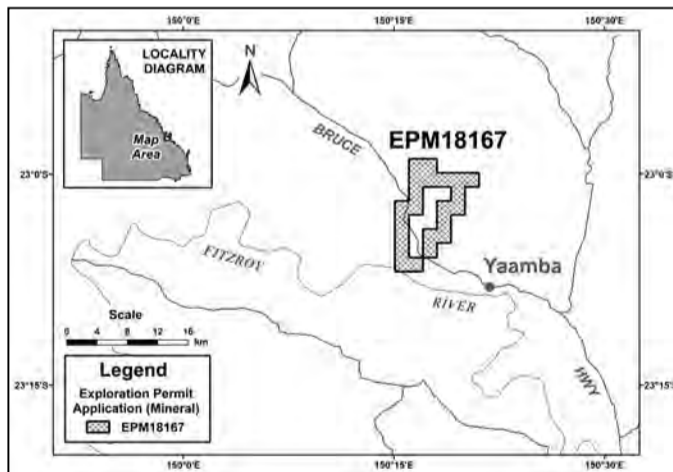
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Tiwi Bombers first, daylight second



FIVE teams remained in the hunt for the TIO Northern Territory Football League premiership after 18 rounds.

Before last weekend's matches, Tiwi Bombers led the pack with an unbeaten 16-win streak to polish off their regular season.

"Apart from a stellar year by the Bombers, the remainder of the competition has been relatively even and we are shaping up for a very exciting final series," AFLNT Football Operations Manager Marc Turri said before last weekend's fixtures.

The final four spots were filled by Southern Districts, St Marys, Waratah and Palmerston and were separated by just four points and percentage on the ladder.

The final series kicked off last Saturday with the Waratah Warriors facing the Palmerston Magpies in the elimination final at TIO Stadium.

Then the Saints were to do battle with the Crocs in the qualifying final.

Memorable week

RUGBY LEAGUE



With Guest Columnist
PRESTON CAMPBELL

THE All Stars week was everything it promised to be – and more! It is going to be difficult for me to express my emotions around the whole week, but three people symbolised what the week was about.

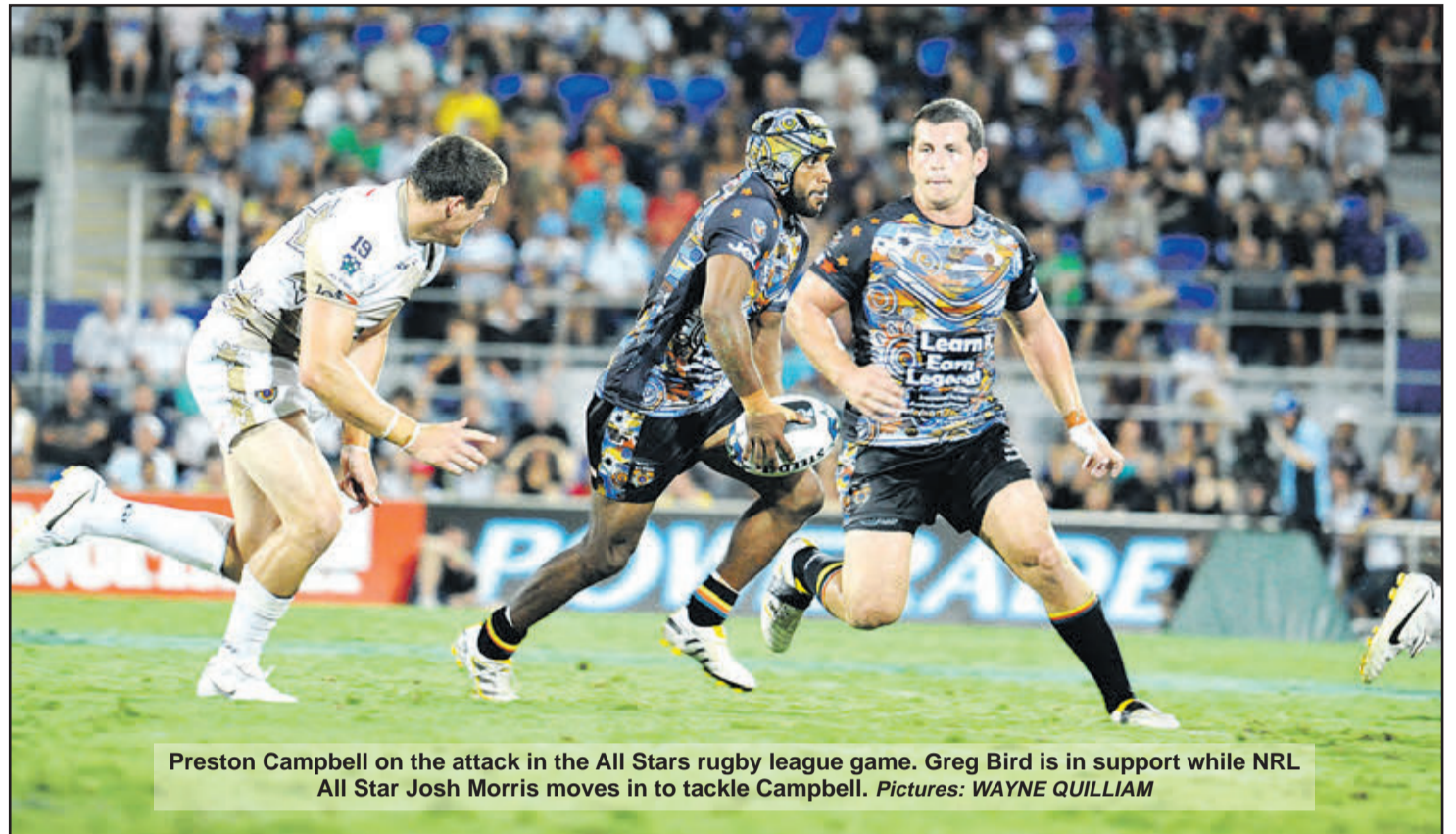
The first person was a young bloke by the name of Jon Johnson, from Yarrabah.

Jon visited us in camp during the week, courtesy of the Starlight Foundation, and although he has been doing it tough, he inspired the boys with his cheeky grin and his positive outlook on life.

Jon dreams of being a doctor one day and has not let his illness destroy his dream.

The boys invited him to be our mascot and we were proud to have him by our side before kick-off on Saturday.

Jon represented our youth and our future and he was our secret weapon on the night.



Preston Campbell on the attack in the All Stars rugby league game. Greg Bird is in support while NRL All Star Josh Morris moves in to tackle Campbell. Pictures: WAYNE QUILLIAM

The second person was my grandmother, Elizabeth Munro, who made a special effort to come and watch me play.

She was the first person I looked for in the crowd after the game.

She was foremost in my mind when the whole crowd paid respect to the Stolen Generations just before the kick-off.

The fact that the game meant so much to so many from her generation underlined the depth of meaning that made this more than a footy game.

And finally, there was Darren Lockyer, who, in his position as Australian captain, supported the game from the start.

When I presented him the didgeridoo that had been painted by all members of the team, I felt that we were celebrating all that is good about the game of rugby league.

Rugby league has a proud tradition of giving people from all backgrounds a fair go.

That is what allowed this game to be a celebration of cultures rather than a means of dividing people.

From Locky to Sam Burgess, from Adam Blair and Manu Vatuvei to Benji Marshall, the NRL All Stars themselves were a celebration of the cultural tribes that make up the NRL family.

ARL Indigenous Chairman Smiley Johnstone captured the overall spirit of the week when he spoke of the match providing a model of 'practical reconciliation'.

However, it was Sam Backo who put it into language that we can all relate to.

"It's a great day, a great thing for rugby league," big Sam said.

"It's a big melting pot; we're all different

blackfellas from different tribes and generations.

"We've crossed different cultures as well."

"The fact is there's only one race, the human race."

"That's who we are... we're all one mob."

And that was the feeling throughout the week and during the match.

Although I have never seen so many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the same place, I was overjoyed by the support of the crowd for both teams.

The reverence of the crowd for the moment's silence for the Stolen Generations reminded me of the respect we all show towards Anzac Day.

It was that special.

And then the whole crowd went mad when the Nunukul boys led us in the war dance.

The game itself met all expectations and most certainly was not an exhibition match – Sam Burgess let me know that personally!

It was great to score first and 'Big Dell' certainly ignited the crowd with his impromptu didge performance!

But what won us the game was our desperate defence.

During the week Gordon Tallis had spoken to us about how Indigenous players had traditionally been stereotyped as being 'soft' in defence and this fired us up.

We also spoke about the legendary efforts of Matt Sing in State of Origin games and the boys certainly lived up to that with the efforts of Johnathan Thurston and Jharal Yow Yeh particularly outstanding.

And speaking of Jharal, how good were our young guns?

Jharal, Blake Ferguson, Joel Thompson, Ben Jones and Travis Waddell all stood up and were counted against a team that was full of internationals.

They should be inspirational to the next generation of players coming through.

And it is our next generation that the game was all about.

And I am not just talking about rugby league players.

At our cultural session earlier in the week, our trainer, Billy Johnstone, was asked what the game meant.

In his typical blunt style, he said:

"The difference will be whether Indigenous kids across the nation wake up with a smile on their face or not."

Talk about pressure!



Proud of their culture and playing for their people... some of the Indigenous All Stars.

Real heroes

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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MY recent trip to South Africa has provided me with many memories, some new friendships and a better understanding of South African cultures.

But there was one experience that rates above all others and will remain in my heart forever.

Meeting Archbishop Desmond Tutu was not only a highlight of the trip to South Africa – it was a highlight of my life.

Too often sports stars are referred to as heroes. In the eyes of many kids, we probably are, but I think the term is overused.

The term hero should be reserved for those people who truly make a difference to the lives of people around them.

They should be people who stand as icons for their people, their culture and their values.

Desmond Tutu is such a man and I was humbled to have the opportunity to meet him.

We attended Desmond's service in Cape Town, and a select few of us got to meet him.

Just listening to him talk and knowing he's an inspiration to so many people.

Knowing the things he stood for and the example he set for his people. I'll never forget it.

The boys, being so young, knew bits and pieces about Desmond.

I think they got a real sense afterwards, through the footage they saw at museums that helped them gain an understanding of the struggles of the South African people.

I hope that it inspired some of them to better understand the history of racial oppression and value some of the opportunities that they have today.

I hope it also inspired them to

better understand our own peoples' struggles and to be proud of our achievements as a race.

In the football side of things, the boys have really come together as a team.

The first game was in Potchefstroom, against the South African inland squad.

They've played together for a few years and at an average of around 21 years of age, were a lot older than our boys, who are 16.

The South African guys were a lot bigger and stronger, but the skill of our guys enabled them to hang on for a ten-point win.

It was a great game.

In Cape Town we met the South African Coastal Squad, which showed a lot of potential with their height, speed and endurance.

We ended up winning by a big margin, but I was really impressed with their ball-winning ability.

They ran all day.

If they spent some time with AFL people working on the finer points of the game, no doubt some could go on to play AFL.

Other highlights included visiting Johannesburg's Apartheid Museum, a Soweto tour including Nelson Mandela's house, the Hector Pieterse Memorial, the Regina Mundi Church, Pilanesberg National Park, Cape Town's Table Mountain and Robben Island.

Monkey business

Elijah Edwards, from the NSW south coast, had a cultural experience of a slightly different kind.

It was the famous African wildlife which provided Edwards with what will be one of the most enduringly memorable moments.

"We were staying at a hotel when we were on safari in Sun City, and while we were out, monkeys opened the window, got into our room and trashed it," he said.

"They defecated on my bed and stole my friend's ipod."

The ipod, belonging to team-mate Jake Harris, was later found under a tree, with music playing on it. The monkeys had switched it on, as it had been switched off beforehand.

"All the guys were paying me out," Edwards said.

That humorous incident aside, I think the township visits had the biggest impact on the boys.

The people there haven't got too much, but they are extremely happy, strong and friendly.

To walk through and talk to them, you get a sense of their



Michael O'Loughlin meets Archbishop Desmond Tutu. He rates it the highlight of his life.

struggle with apartheid and the conditions they've faced.

A lot of our boys come from communities themselves.

But they've had a real eye-opening experience by seeing such a strong,

happy group of people.

Some were really affected by it.

It was like they realised, 'Hey, I can do anything'.

I am not saying that they will all become Desmond Tutus, but

hopefully they all will be better people for the experience.

One day they might even become a hero for their own people.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!

Inglis' huge year

Eddie Gilbert Medal award caps stellar 12 months



SIDELINED rugby league star Greg Inglis was the winner of the 2009 Queensland Indigenous Sports Awards Eddie Gilbert Medal.

The medal is awarded each year by Indigenous Sport Queensland (ISQ) to the person judged to have been the most outstanding Queensland sportsman or woman in the 12 months leading up to the awards.

The 2009 ISQ awards were held over

until February 12 2010 and were presented at Skilled Park, on the Queensland Gold Coast, the night before the big All Stars rugby league game.

The Eddie Gilbert Medal is named in honour of the late Eddie Gilbert – best remembered as the first Aboriginal cricketer to play first-class cricket in Australia.

The Cherbourg-born Gilbert died in 1978 at the age of 69, but he remains a legend.

He made headlines in 1931 when, in a Sheffield Shield match against NSW in Brisbane, he dismissed of Wendell Bill and Bradman without scoring in his first over.

He continued to face racism during his cricketing career.

Brilliant year

Inglis, who missed the big All Stars rugby league game because of injury, had an outstanding 2009.

The Queensland State of Origin and Australian international representative outside back has played his whole National Rugby League (NRL) career with Melbourne, where he won premierships in 2007 and 2009.

Inglis is a versatile back, having played

in several positions. He originally played in the centres or at fullback.

In 2007 he began playing at five-eighth for the Storm, but his representative matches for Queensland and Australia have been as a winger or centre.

In November 2009, Inglis won the highly coveted Golden Boot Award as the world's greatest player – presented to him by Rugby League World magazine.

He is arguably the world's finest rugby league player.

The ISQ Leigh Anne Goodwin Youth Award went to promising golfer India Matthews.

The young India last year won the Australian Indigenous golf championships by a massive 28 strokes.

The championships were held at the Hunter Valley Golf Club.

She now had the opportunity to play in the 2010 Ladies Australian Amateur Championships as well as that a chance to qualify for the 2010 Ladies Australian Open.

India is a member of the Southport Golf Club, on the Gold Coast.

The Robbie Williams Encouragement

award went to promising athlete Terri-Anne Cain.

Terri-Anne, competing at a 12-year-old, was selected to represent Queensland in track and field at the Pacific Schools Games. She returned from the meet with two gold medals and in the process broke two long-standing records.

Long-standing record

She ran the 100m in 12.20 seconds, breaking the 12 years girls' Australian and Pacific School record that had been in place since 1984.

In the 200m she broke the record from 1982 running a time of 25.15 seconds.

She has a bright future and is being watched by Athletics Australia.

A feature of the 2010 ISQ awards was the naming of the first inductees into the Queensland Indigenous Sports Hall of Fame.

The first inductees were: Eddie Gilbert (cricket), Arthur Beetson (rugby league), Darby McCarthy (jockey), Edna Crouch and Mabel Campbell (cricket), Ron Richards (boxing) and Lloyd McDermott (rugby union).



● LEFT: Recipients and their representatives at the Indigenous Sport Queensland (ISQ) sports awards on the Queensland Gold Coast, back row from left to right: Eddie Gilbert medallist Greg Inglis, who also represented Hall of fame inductee Artie Beetson, John Ford (representing Hall of Fame inductee Ron Richards), Judy Watego (representing Hall of Fame inductee Edna Crouch), Eddie Barney (representing Eddie Gilbert), Becky Thompson (representing Edna Crouch), and Hall of Fame inductee Lloyd McDermott; front row, Robbie Williams Encouragement Award recipient Terri-Ann Cain, Leigh Anne Goodwin Youth Award recipient India Matthews, and Hall of Fame inductee Darby McCarthy. Cousins Edna Crouch (1934-38) and Mabel Campbell (1934-36) played together for Qld cricket and club side Wynnum at the age of 19.

Picture: Solua Middleton – Be Counted

Searle dismisses 'Black Kangaroo' concept



HE may be one of the brainchilds of the hugely successful Indigenous All Stars concept,

but Gold Coast Titans boss Michael Searle says he never wants to see an Indigenous rugby league team play a Test or the World Cup.

Searle said State of Origin had nothing on the passion shown by the Indigenous All Stars players in their inaugural clash on 13 February at Skilled Park against an NRL line-up.

Searle – who came up with the All Stars concept with Titans playmaker Preston Campbell – did not want to see an Indigenous representative side put together.

"Having spoken to a lot of the (Indigenous All Stars) players, they really appreciate the chance to play for their people," Searle said.

"But at the end of the day... the most important thing you can do is represent your country.

"I would hate to see it diminish the importance of the Australian jersey.

"I think the players see this (All Stars game) as an incredible opportunity that no other code provides in our country.

"But I think the boys see it as an annual event and in a few months' time, they get a chance to represent their country.

However, Indigenous All Stars halfback Scott Prince adopted the 'never say never' approach when asked about a representative team.

"It's up for a bit of debate, a lot of people have differing opinions," he said.

"But they never thought that

this (All Stars event) would happen, so anything is possible."

While there was debate over the intensity levels of the inaugural match, Searle made it clear what the NRL All Stars could expect in a sobering warning.

In the lead-up to the big game at Skilled Park, Searle said: "You see the passion of Origin, but can you imagine what it would be like to represent your people?" Searle said.

"That would be incredibly powerful.

"If that enthusiasm is not matched by the NRL All Stars they will get steamrolled."

It is history now that the game was played with passion by both teams.

Searle said the All Stars game was a celebration of all people – it was one of those rare events where people would want to cheer for both teams.

"This isn't State against State. It's Indigenous people representing their people, it's players from Australia, New Zealand, England – this is very special," he said. – AAP

Boomerangs tested



The Flying Boomerangs during a training run in South Africa.

By PETER ARGENT



AMONG a host of great experiences that will give players from the third Australian Football League

(AFL) Indigenous youth tour of South Africa memories for the remainder of their lives, the Boomerangs played two games of Australia's national code of football in vastly different conditions.

Along with the cultural experience of the Johannesburg's Apartheid Museum, a Soweto tour (including Nelson Mandela's house, the Hector Pieterse Memorial and the Regina Mundi Church), a trip to the Pilanesberg National Park, Cape Town's Table Mountain and Robben Island and meeting Archbishop Desmond Tutu, this group also displayed amazing football skills.

The Boomerangs were coached by *Koori Mail* columnist and former Sydney Swans star Michael O'Loughlin and triple Lions premiership player Chris Johnson.

The first contest was played at South Africa's version of the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) – the Mohadin Cricket Ground in Potchefstroom – in the historic Dutch centre in the middle of South Africa, south of Johannesburg.

Tested

The Flying Boomerangs were tested in the first game, but came out victors by ten points.

In the second half the lead changed several times in an exciting contest.

"Playing against the older and bigger South Africans, our boys were challenged through the entire game," Johnson said.

"With the torrential rain the night before, the wet and slippery conditions suited the home side.

"Saying that, our boys stood up to the crash and bash style of the South Africans.

"They (South Africa) kept their score ticking over by running the ball over our defence, while we relied on two dominant hit-up forwards – Garry Warren and Nathan Kickett.

"On-baller Jack Martin was



The Flying Boomerangs in action in South Africa – clockwise, from above:

- Isaiah Johnson gets away a handball.
- Brandon Rigney looks for support.
- Chris Warrell with room to move.

The young all-Indigenous squad members played two games in South Africa and came home with two wins against older and bigger opponents. Their first game was in Potchefstroom, south of Johannesburg, and the second match was in Cape Town, near the southern tip of the African continent.



clearly best on ground, followed by the diminutive Elijah Edwards and utility Chris Warrell.

"Jack had a standout game and we used him through the middle. A feature of his game was his pin-point kicking in tough conditions.

"Elijah was the smallest guy on the team, but he kept his eye on, and body in line with, the ball.

Important

"This, coupled with his blistering speed, was an important aspect of our win.

"Chris went to the half back line in the second half of the game and was instrumental in the win with his defensive work.

"He was a steadying influence in defence."

With Cape Town's Table Mountain in view, the second

game at Nyanga Rugby Stadium was in conditions which suited the visitors.

They had already gained a 59-point lead by the main break and went on to record a comprehensive 76-point victory.

"The conditions at our two games couldn't have been more opposite," Johnson said.

"The oval was constructed from two rugby grounds and it was rock hard in the middle, where there was a cricket pitch.

"In the lead-up to this game, remembering we are playing against lads that are two, three and four years older, we did extensive work on our tackling.

"The boys' technique improved to such an extent that they went from 50/50, to nailing 80 per cent of the tackles in the second game."

Warrell followed on from his strong performance in game one, while Warren kicked five goals.

Roger Morris – another key forward – was a good marking target and George Freeman (the nephew of Olympic Gold medallist Cathy) showed plenty of leadership.

Warrell played in defence in the first half and then moved into the middle, Johnson said.

Impressive

"He's a natural and was very impressive," he said.

"Garry could have kicked nine or ten, having plenty of opportunities and presenting himself well as a target.

"Roger was invaluable at centre half forward, being strong at the contest ball.

"While George didn't feature

highly of the 'stats' sheet, he set the trend with his chase down and tackling, in the Alwyn Davey and Cyril Rioli style, which had a massive impact in the game."

Johnson said the trip to South Africa was an enlightening experience for all the playing group, coaching and support staff involved.

Game 1, Mohadin Cricket Ground, Potchefstroom: Flying Boomerangs 9.13 (67) d South African Lions Inland Squad 8.9 (57). Best Players: Jack Martin, Elijah Edwards, Chris Warrell, Terrence Curley, Lonnie Hampton.

Game 2, Nyanga Rugby Stadium, Nyanga: Flying Boomerangs 17.10 (112) d South African Lions Coastal Squad 5.6 (36). Best Players: Chris Warrell, Gary Warren, Roger Morris, Terence Curly, George Freeman.

Does he fit the jigsaw?



RISING all-rounder Dan Christian will attempt to show he is the last piece of the jigsaw in Australia's bid to lift the World

Twenty/20 trophy for the first time.

Christian's explosive displays for South Australia at T20, limited overs and first-class levels this summer have earned him a chance to press his case for the Caribbean tournament in the two T20 matches to be played at home against West Indies.

Australia also play two T20 fixtures at the outset of their forthcoming tour of New Zealand, and chairman of selectors Andrew Hilditch said Christian had the chance to be the extra all-rounder the panel thought necessary to succeed.

"The core of the squad has already in our own mind been picked for the World Cup, but we're taking the opportunity to look at other alternatives," Hilditch said last week.

"Dan gives us all-round batting and bowling potential and he's a very good fieldsman, so he fits the category of someone who can do all three aspects of the game very well. It's just up to him now to seize his opportunity, which I'm sure he will.

"I think within the squad of 15 we've always been planning to add an all-rounder and Dan's getting the opportunity to make it his own."

Since moving from NSW to SA in November 2007, Christian has grown in stature as a cricketer and a leader, and a most recent double of 71 and 5-24 to help the Redbacks win a tight Sheffield Shield encounter

against WA in Perth underlined his value.

In a sign of the way the game is moving, Christian had little hesitation naming T20 as his favourite brand of cricket, ahead of the other more established but less frenetic formats.

"I don't know if (T20) is suited more to me but I certainly enjoy it - it's probably my favourite form of the game," Christian said.

"There's always a good crowd and there's a big adrenaline rush, you're charging around the field and there's always something going on."

The first match was to be played at Hobart last Sunday before the second in Sydney yesterday (Tuesday). - AAP



Dan Christian lets one rip for South Australia.

Christian named in Twenty/20 side

● From back page

"It's hard going from just being a cricketer, then all of a sudden you're a big ambassador for a whole race of people," he said in 2003.

"It takes a bit of adjusting. I never made a secret of my Aboriginal heritage. It was just that no one had ever asked me to that point.

"I was never really brought up as an Indigenous person. I knew of my heritage, and I was very proud of it. As a kid, as with anything you hear something like that and say, 'cool'.

"Now I've really started reading about it and where that side of my family comes from. But as a major ambassador, I don't know how comfortable I'd be, to be honest."

Christian has had a career-best season in 2009-10 - the South

Australian Redback all-rounder recently being named as the Johnnie Walker ACA Player of the Month for January.

His good form in January included two stunning Ford Ranger Cup performances where he scored 90 not out off 73 balls against New South Wales, and combined 4-32 with 48 not out off 21 balls to defeat Western Australia.

His form has extended into four-day cricket, taking nine wickets and scoring 71 in South Australia's Weet-Bix Sheffield Shield victory over Western Australia.

These exploits added to consistent KFC Twenty20 Big Bash form over the last three seasons (a strike rate of 143.96 with the bat and 19.15 with the ball) have earned him national honours. - Daniel Brettig of AAP and other sources

Green still keen to fight 'Choc'



BOXER Danny Green hopes defeating one of the men that beat 'The Man' will smoke his arch-rival Anthony Mundine 'out of his rabbit hole' and into a rematch.

International Boxing Organisation (IBO) cruiserweight boxing world champion Green announced a 14 April title defence against Puerto Rican Manny Siaca at the Sydney Entertainment Centre.

It is the same venue at which Siaca took away Mundine's WBA super middleweight world title in May 2004.

With top-draw American fighters Bernard Hopkins and Antonio Tarver knocking back 'exceptional massive offers' to fight Green, he made no apologies for stoking the flames of his old rivalry with Mundine.

Green said he had agreed to all of Hopkins' and Tarver's demands and was prepared to fight in the United States for free, provided he got the Australian television rights.

"If we can't get the massive overseas names, we will take care of the biggest domestic issue we have," Green said, referring to Mundine.

Rejected

He confirmed Mundine had knocked back last week's offer of a rematch which would have resulted in ten per cent of the multi-million-dollar purse going to a charity fund assisting young Indigenous Australians.

At previous press conferences to announce future fights, the normally affable Green has frequently bristled at the mere mention of Mundine's name.

However, last week it took Green just 62 seconds of his introductory address to get around to voluntarily mentioning Mundine after some brief comments about Siaca, Hopkins and Tarver.

"Manny Siaca dropped Anthony Mundine and took his title away and pretty much embarrassed the bloke," Green told reporters.

"Our approach to Anthony Mundine is to try and smoke that rabbit out of his hole."

While spruiking a rematch with Mundine, Green stressed it was his old foe who had started the calling out process following Green's win over Roy Jones Jr last December.

Siaca, 34, lost the WBA world title in his



ANTHONY MUNDINE

first defence to Denmark's Mikkel Kessler, who subsequently retained his title with a unanimous points win over Mundine in Sydney.

Five of Siaca's six losses were in world title fights, but he turned the tables when he beat Mundine in their showdown in Sydney.

The world-travelled Siaca, who has fought in eight countries, also challenged unsuccessfully for a light heavyweight world title and is well regarded by Green despite having fought just twice in three-and-a-half years.

"He's got a massive reach advantage and he's probably the most physically imposing bloke (I will have come up against)," Green said.

With Green boasting a record of 28-3, 25 KOs and Siaca a log of 22-6, 19 KOs, the fight looks unlikely to go the distance.

Green, 36, compared the attraction of his power-punching to that of famous former heavyweight world champion Mike Tyson.

"If I catch Siaca in round one, he will go. That's the excitement factor like when Tyson used to fight, people used to want to go and see," Green said. - AAP

Let 'JT' choose, says Hunt



CODE-LEAPER Karmichael Hunt says Johnathan Thurston should not feel led by any sense of

loyalty in sticking with rugby league.

In throwing his support behind former Queensland and Test team-mate Thurston's possible switch to rugby union, Aussie rules recruit Hunt said the star halfback should not feel

duty-bound to league.

Hunt is playing rugby union in France for Biarritz, but is scheduled to make his senior Australian rules debut in the Victorian Football League (VFL) for Gold Coast in June.

The 23-year-old former Broncos fullback told the Brisbane Times online newspaper that Thurston had given his code great service and deserved to explore new challenges in union despite the

backlash it would bring.

"I don't think anyone has a duty to stick to one code," he told brisbanetimes.com.au

"The basis of loyalty for me is serving your club to the best of your ability, for the duration of your contract."

The Cowboys are desperate to re-sign Thurston for beyond the 2010 NRL season, but are unable to compete with the riches on offer in rugby union overseas, or in Australia. - AAP

Sport – 2010 Imparja Cup



Wayne Davis, playing for ITEC Health (Alice Springs) in the community division, hit 28 runs off just five balls in the Super 8 format, where a six is worth eight runs.



Queenslander Michael Strange was dropped at backward point off this shot in the game against South Australia at Traeger Park.



West Australian wicketkeeper Lewis Upton plays a stylish on-side shot in the final against NSW.



The Indigenous Development squad (above) was named at the Imparja Cup dinner and will tour Papua New Guinea later this year.



The Bush Potatoes team from Alice Springs, before their final against NSW in the women's division at Traeger Park on the last day of the Imparja Cup.



The first and only Indigenous woman to represent Australia in women's cricket, Faith Coulthard-Thomas, at Traeger Park with NSW player Samantha Hinton after NSW won the women's final.



Andrew Blucher (NT) plays a full-blooded drive against Western Australia at Albrecht Oval.



West Australian Keren Ugle bowls with pace against NSW in the final at Traeger Park.



The Alkaupitija (Alice Springs) team that won the major centres division.



Lindsay Newby (NT) hits out against Western Australia at Albrecht Oval.

Evergreen to tour PNG

TASMANIAN evergreen Bernie Lamont was chosen as the elder statesman in the Australian Indigenous Development cricket team to tour Papua New Guinea later this year.

They will take on a national PNG team.

Lamont has been a regular fixture at the Imparja Cup and has scored more Imparja Cup runs than any other player.

He also ranks second among the all-time Imparja Cup wicket-takers.

Lamont, along with Lewis Upton (WA), Chris Swain (Qld), Dane Ugle (WA), Domenic Croft (SA), Julian Feehan (WA), also was chosen in the 2010 Blacks Caps (Imparja Cup honour squad).

The other 'senior' player in the Indigenous Development squad is Australia's newest capped Twenty/20 player, South Australian Dan Christian. He and Lamont were chosen as 'leadership' players.

The under-23 squad will take on

the Papua New Guinea national team in a series later in 2010.

Two players who were not at the 2010 Imparja Cup – (Preston White (Qld) and Josh Lalor (NSW) – also are in the touring Development squad. They are progressing through the State pathways.

The 2010 Under 23 Indigenous Development Squad:

Dane Ugle (WA)
Kris Halloran (NSW)
Michael Bailey (Qld)
Darcy Short (NT)
Cameron Trask (Qld)
Lewis Upton (WA)
Chris Swain (Qld)
Trent Clemments (Qld)
Michael Coulter (NSW)
Julien Feehan (WA)
Domenic Croft (SA)
Josh Lalor (NSW)
Preston White (Qld)
Dan Christian (SA) senior player over 23
Bernie Lamont (Tas) senior player over 23.



Watching the action at Traeger Park are, front, Sanaya McAdam-Bray, 4, and Renisha Watts, 7; rear, Tarlya Fishook, 8, Yasmin Watts, Greg McAdam and Ethan McMasters, 9. They are from Alice Springs.

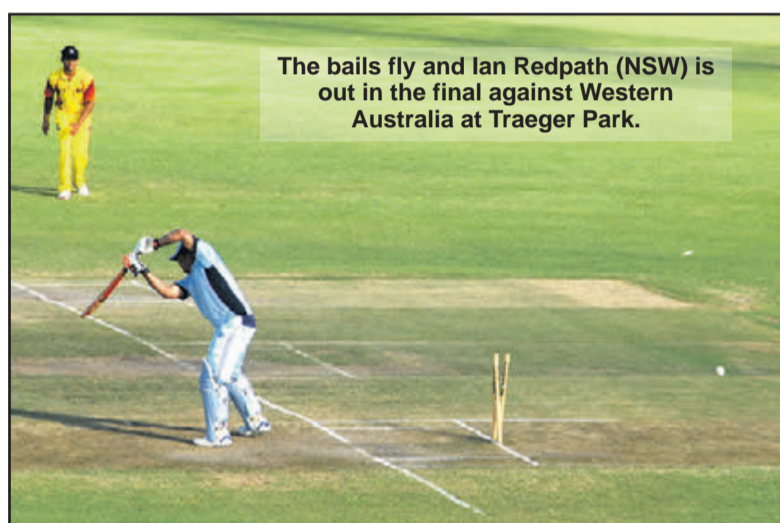


The Black Caps honour squad. Selection was based on performances in Imparja Cup qualifying matches.



Adrian McAdam (NT) swings to leg in a match against the ACT at Larrapinta Oval.

Veteran again gets cap



The bails fly and Ian Redpath (NSW) is out in the final against Western Australia at Traeger Park.



National Indigenous Cricket Advisory Council co-chairman Vince Copley (left) and Northern Territory Cricket director and chairman of the Imparja Cup Disciplinary Committee Trevor Woodhead at the Imparja Cup.

FOR THE fifth consecutive year and the sixth time in the past seven years, Tasmanian Bernie Lamont was named in the Black Caps Indigenous Honour squad.

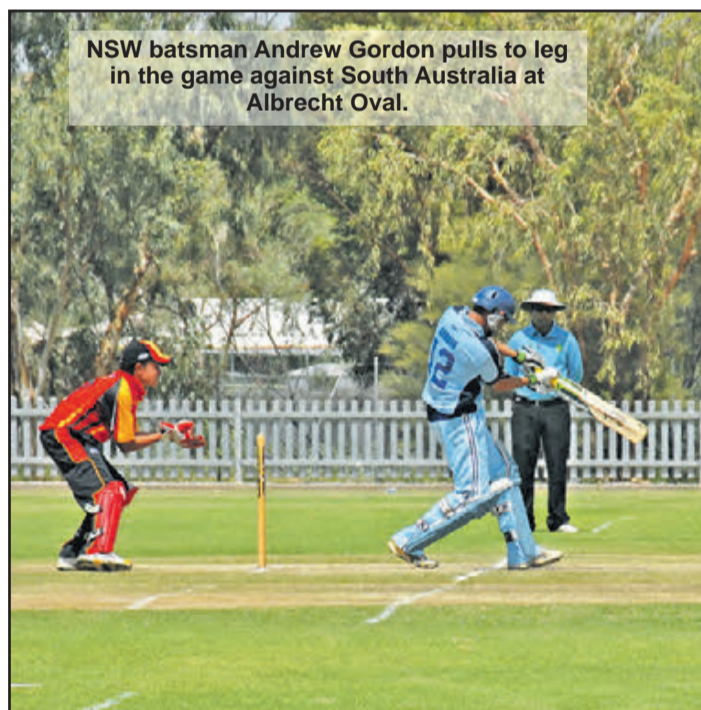
The 2010 squad was named at the Alice Springs Convention Centre Imparja Cup dinner on the eve of the Imparja Cup final.

The Black Caps never get to play a game, but are chosen on performances in matches leading up to the final.

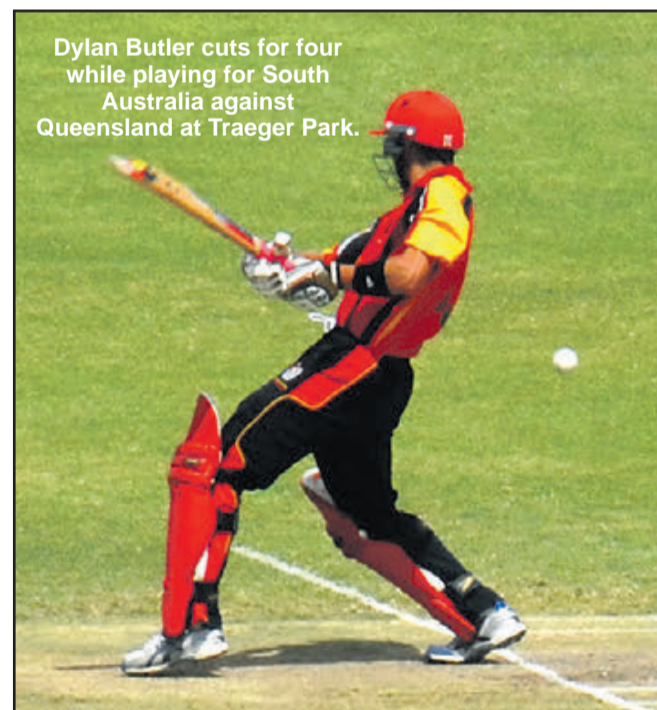
National youth selector and former Test cricketer Ray Bright was chairman of

selectors for the Indigenous Black Caps and the Development squads. He said the Imparja Cup was becoming an integral part of the overall talent pathways in Australian cricket.

The 2010 Black Caps (Imparja Cup Honour squad): John Halloran (NSW) Dane Ugle (WA) Bernie Lamont (Tas) Liam Ugle (WA) Joel Liddle (ACT) Andrew Gordon (NSW) Lewis Upton (WA) Chris Swain (Qld) Michael Coulter (NSW) Julien Feehan (WA) Peter Thomas (SA) Domenic Croft (SA)



NSW batsman Andrew Gordon pulls to leg in the game against South Australia at Albrecht Oval.



Dylan Butler cuts for four while playing for South Australia against Queensland at Traeger Park.



The Tanami Flying Miners, made up of mainly Alice Springs players, during their game against the Stuart Highway Mob in the community division.



● LEFT: The Maranoa Murries chartered a mini-bus and drove for 27 hours and 2400km from Mitchell, in south-western Queensland, to debut in the Imparja Cup major centres division. The team reached the final. They promised to return next year, but according to their captain, 'we'll fly next time'.

Imparja Cup heads west

The MacDonnell Ranges made an impressive backdrop during an Imparja Cup 40-over game at Albrecht Oval, Alice Springs, between NSW and South Australia.

By GRAHAM HUNT



IT has been building for the past couple of years and finally it has happened ... the Imparja Cup has gone west.

The West Australians were methodical during the week-long Imparja Cup cricket tournament in Alice Springs.

They emerged as the only undefeated side during the qualifying matches and in the final against NSW, turned the screws to have their opponents on the back foot from the beginning.

Defending champions Queensland, chasing a hat-trick of Imparja Cup championships, soon found themselves in trouble, losing a Twenty/20 match to Western Australia by six wickets on the opening day.

It was a sign of things to come as the

West Australians, coached by former Test star Bruce 'Roo' Yardley, marched towards their first title.

The Sandgropers were rarely troubled throughout the tournament. They breezed through the Twenty/20 matches, beating Tasmania by six wickets and then Queensland by six wickets on the opening day.

On day two they beat South Australia by 32 runs and NSW by 51 runs.

The tournament then switched to 40-over games and Western Australia continued on its winning way, crushing Victoria by eight wickets on the third day, the Northern Territory by eight wickets on the fourth day, and in their final hit-out before the final, beat the ACT by six wickets.

With the two best-performed teams to meet in the final, WA finished the qualifying rounds with 28 points, followed by NSW

(24), South Australia (18), Queensland (16), Tasmania (12), Victoria (8), Northern Territory (4) and ACT (2).

The NSW Blues, batting first in the final, were on the back foot early, losing Damian Duroux with the score at 16, their second wicket (Kris Halloran) at 26, and third (Jonathan Halloran) at 28.

Against the tide

The rot continued, with Andrew Gordon out with the total at 41, followed four runs later by Ian Redpath.

The Blues limped to a total of 110.

Four bowlers shared the spoils, with William Nona collecting 3-21, Keren Ugle 2-23, Dane Ugle 2-13 and Julien Feehan 1-31.

The West Australians set about the run chase and lost their first wicket (Rob MacAulay) with the total at 40.

Liam Ugle was out two runs later and

the third wicket (Dane Ugle) fell with the total at 62.

But the Sandgropers always had the NSW target in their measure and Michael Bailey and Alistair Bivens steered them to within the scent of victory.

Bailey was out when WA was just two runs short of the NSW target, and Bivens was out without addition to the total.

But the result was never in doubt and Western Australia won by five wickets.

Observers at the tournament commented that the 2010 Imparja Cup could mark a changing of the guard.

Queensland and Tasmania, who had contested the two previous finals, were struggling early in the tournament, eventually finishing fourth and fifth in the qualifying rounds.

South Australia entered the Imparja Cup hoping for a top-three finish and achieved that goal.

West Australian Michael Bailey hits out against NSW in the cup final. Bailey steered WA to within victory and top-scored with 33.



Dane Ugle wins player of tournament trophy

ALL-ROUNDER Dane Ugle capped a remarkable Imparja Cup week with three half-centuries and consistent wickets, making him the player of the tournament.

The NSW women continued their unbeaten run at the Imparja Cup by chasing the Bush Potatoes' 3-42 for the loss of just one wicket in the women's division final.

However, some consolation was received by the locals when Bush Potatoes player Tessa Garoni received the inaugural Faith Coulthard-Thomas Award for best player of the women's division.

In the major centre division final, Alkupitija overhauled the Maranoa Murris' total of 63 for the loss of just one wicket.

Alkupitija is made up of Alice Springs players who play Australian rules during the winter months and rugby

union during the summer months.

The Maranoa Murris, from Mitchell in south-western Queensland, were making their first appearance at the big Alice Springs carnival. The team had been fund-raising for months leading up to the Imparja Cup and hired a bus for the 27-hour, 2400km journey.

Slept under stars

The players slept under the stars during the journey.

The Maranoa Murris did well to reach the final in their first attempt and promised to return next year.

In the community division, the Tanami Flying Miners' 4-92 was just enough to hold off the Stuart Highway Mob, who posted 6-83.

The Flying Miners are mainly made up of Alice Springs players.



Dane Ugle with his player of the tournament trophy.



They came from the west and they conquered



The victorious West Australian Imparja Cup team after their victory over NSW in Alice Springs.



OBSERVERS
at this year's
Imparja Cup
Indigenous
cricket
tournament in

Alice Springs saw a couple of years ago that a storm from the west was approaching.

It was only a matter of time, some said.

And they were right... the storm arrived with force when the West Australians arrived in town mid-February.

They had one goal – to win the Imparja Cup.

And they achieved it in a measured way.

The westerners had copied Queensland's professional approach to the big tournament in the heart of Australia.

The Sandgropers won all their qualifying Twenty/20 and 40-over matches.

When it came to the final against NSW at Traeger Park, they applied the screws from the outset and the Blues were in trouble early.

NSW never recovered and were bundled out for 110 runs.

Western Australia reached that total with little trouble in just 21.5 overs.

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Christian's call-up

Indigenous all-rounder in Australian Twenty/20 side



WHEN talking about his heritage, Dan Christian starts off by stating 'I'm an Aboriginal man'.

Selection in the Australian Twenty/20 squad to face the West Indies has made 26-year-old Christian the second player of acknowledged Indigenous heritage to represent the national side in modern times.

But the tag sits far more comfortably on Christian's shoulders than it did on those of his forebear Jason Gillespie, who admitted to not being entirely comfortable with the role of Indigenous ambassador.

Unlike Gillespie, Christian grew up well

aware of his family links to the Wiradjuri tribe in south-central New South Wales.

"I'm an Aboriginal man from the Wiradjuri tribe in NSW, that's all through my dad's side of the family, and they're all born and bred from down there," he said last Wednesday.

"I've grown up in that environment, and I'm an Aboriginal man ... it is what it is."

Christian's representative career has been dotted with Indigenous recognition of various kinds.

In 2003, he represented the ATSIC XI versus the Prime Minister's XI in a day/night match at Adelaide Oval, batting at No 4 and opening the bowling, and last year he was appointed captain to lead a four-week Indigenous development tour of England.

"For sure, I was pretty glad to get the opportunity to take the development squad to England during the off-season," Christian said.

"It was a good opportunity for me to spend time with some younger guys and have that leadership role – it's something I've really enjoyed, done a little bit of it in club cricket as well.

"But it was a great opportunity and there were some fantastic guys in there, some

really talented kids and I'm sure they'll go a long way if they stick to their games."

Christian's willingness to embrace an Indigenous leader's role is a great and timely filip to Cricket Australia's efforts to help diversify the game in this country.

Co-Chairman of the National Indigenous Cricket Advisory Committee Vince Copley congratulated Christian on his selection.

"I spent a lot of time with Dan on the tour to England last year and am thrilled to hear of his well-earned selection for Australia," Copley said. "On behalf of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cricket players and fans, I wish him all the best."

Jason Gillespie, a former team-mate of Christian's at South Australia, took 259 wickets in 71 Tests as the first acknowledged Aboriginal Test cricketer, while the Aboriginal team that toured England in 1868, pre-dating Test cricket, have also been recognised with Australian player numbers.

Gillespie was always a little reticent to wave the Indigenous flag, having never really been in touch with his background in early life

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Dan Christian batting for South Australia.

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