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Having a ball



● DUBBO'S Chelsea Wood catches New South Wales Premier Kristina Kenneally off-guard during a demonstration session on the basketball court at the new National Centre for Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern. Prime Minister Kevin Rudd officially opened the 'world class' education, sports, arts and culture facility on 26 February, saying it offered great hope and great opportunities. "This is a really good day for Australia," he said. See pages 12-13 for more from the opening. Photo by WAYNE QUILLIAM

Call for land talks



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Refusals

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would take at least another 25 years to clear.

Mr Scott also disputed the \$2.2 billion value Mr Kelly assigned to the 81,505 hectares transferred to land councils since the Act began, saying it was considerably less.

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My FAMILY

Dennis (Chook) McDowell - Darwin, NT

HERE we all are at the recent Indigenous All Stars game on the Gold Coast. Around 100 of us travelled from Darwin and the week before the game I didn't even have a ticket. At the last minute someone couldn't make it so I got to go.

It was unreal, I got goose bumps on my arms the minute I entered the stadium and had them all the way through.

I'm an ex-rugby player and still heavily involved in sports. I am proud of some of the young ones coming through.

My first cousin Troy (pictured) was probably one of the first ones in the family to leave Darwin to play football.

Young Aaron (also pictured) has a lot of potential to go far in football too.

Like a lot of my family, I've been involved in sports from a young age.

I was 18 when cyclone Tracey hit in 1974. We'd had warnings, but of course you don't think it will hit. There was a party on at a local footy club and after that I was driving to midnight mass along the Stuart Highway when things started to really blow.

We pulled into my girlfriend's parents' house and they said you better not go out, there's a cyclone out there.

The following year - in 1985 - I was working part time as a jack-of-all-trades and playing footy, but was looking for another challenge. It was a spur-of-the-moment thing when I put my name down for the armed forces and signed up with the Army a week before my birthday.

I had hair then too. For me the Army back then was a lot like the Darwin lifestyle and it was a good life.

I spent four years in the Army and because of that experience, am keen to see some form of national service for our young people. It teaches you pride,

discipline and time management.

I returned to Darwin and made a conscious decision to give up the grog in 1981, and I haven't touched a drop since.

These days I'm heavily involved on the NT Indigenous Sports Council and just trying to support some of the young ones coming through.

Living in Darwin is such a great lifestyle. I have a great network of friends that include people from Chinese, Timorese, Greek and Italian backgrounds.

I married my wife ten years ago, she's an Adelaide girl. At the moment I'm the hostel mnager for the Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services. It encourages families to stay together and support each other through that process, which is unique.

My background is in community development work and that is something I really enjoy.



From left, Troy Mitchell, Daphne Allia, Dennis McDowell, Bernadette McDowell, Dylan Mitchell. In front are Layton Ogilvie, 5, and Aaron Pollard.

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OUR CHILDREN



THESE excited youngsters were amongst members of the Echuca community who turned out to make the town's recent inaugural Vibe 3on3 Basketball and Hip-Hop Challenge a raging success. 'Living Legend' Jimmy Little was a celebrity special guest at the event, held at the Echuca Fonterra Sports and Entertainment Centre.

See Page 40 for more. Photograph by ANDREW ROSENFELDT

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Dressed to impress for Mardi Gras



Talia Connors of Guyra, Clifford Connors aka Cee Cee, and Nicole Connors prepare for the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras parade in Sydney last week. Full story and pictures pages 33-35.

Dodson off to Harvard



PROFESSOR Mick Dodson has been appointed the next Chair of Australian Studies at America's oldest university, Harvard University in Cambridge. The former Australian of the Year and human rights campaigner will share the prestigious Ivy League job with Dr Chris McAuliffe, Director of the University of Melbourne's Ian Potter Museum of Art.

The visiting professorships are for the 2011/2012 US academic year, starting in June next year. Prof Dodson will be located within the Indigenous Development program at the Kennedy School of Government.

The Australian nominating committee for the post said Prof Dodson's appointment would enable American policy-makers to hear about

Australian Indigenous issues from 'one of its most powerful voices'.

Prof Dodson will take six months leave of absence from his role as Director of the National Centre for Indigenous Studies (NCIS) at the Australian National University (ANU) in Canberra

The Yawuru man said he was honoured by the appointment, which would be a great opportunity to showcase some of the research being done at NCIS, as well as elsewhere in Australia, especially around governance.

"Indigenous peoples from around the world have much to gain from sharing knowledge about their individual efforts to win full rights and recognition," he said.

The Harvard position was set up in 1976 to promote awareness and understanding of Australia in the US.

In two worlds

Prof Mick Dodson as depicted by Sunshine Coast artist Jandamarra Cadd in his first-ever entry to the Archibald Prize for portraiture. In the painting *Working Progress*, the Yorta Yorta artist depicts Prof Dodson as a man who lives and works in the present developed world, but who hasn't forgotten his heritage, and continues to advocate for the human rights of Indigenous Australians. The Archibald finalists will be announced next Wednesday 17 March.



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NSWALC calls for greater co-operation Upset over claims

By KIRSTIE PARKER



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It said some land councils had been waiting 20 years for the title to land they'd successfully claimed, and even the NSW Ombudsman and Auditor General had balked at the delays.

Minister Kelly said the number of claims lodged had jumped markedly since 2005 but the Government had managed to reduce the number of claims awaiting investigation or transfer of title. It had now dealt with all

claims lodged in the first ten years of the Act, clearing 1300 claims in the past 18 months, he said.

However, NSWALC's chief executive officer Geoff Scott told *The Koori Mail* on Saturday that most of the new determinations Minister Kelly referred to were refusals.

"The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) will be reviewing the decisions closely, and appealing to the Land and Environment Court where appropriate," Mr Scott said. "In the past, we have enjoyed a success rate on appeals of around 80 percent."

Mr Scott said there was also a backlog of 16,000 undetermined land claims awaiting a decision by the Minister, which at the current pace would take at least

another 25 years to clear.

"This is obviously in no-one's interest," he said.

"It's also important to note that once land is successfully claimed under the ALRA, it then relies on

have been granted and not transferred.

"Some of this land has been waiting for title transfer for more than two decades."

Mr Scott also disputed Mr Kelly's assertion that the 81,505 hectares transferred to the State's Aboriginal land councils since 1983 was valued at \$2.2 billion. "In December 2006, the Department of Lands gave the 81,000 hectares granted under the

relations between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in NSW, and had contributed to inaccurate and divisive media coverage.

"That's a hell of a lot of money. Exactly how much is enough before people can be asked to shift for themselves?" one mass-distributed blogger responded to the Minister's comments.

Mr Scott said the 81,000 hectares successfully claimed under the ALRA was a tiny proportion of the State's 81 million hectares.

"So 2.1 per cent of the population have managed to claim back 0.1 percent of the land mass as a form of compensation, despite once owning 100 percent of it," he said.

"Land rights in NSW is about compensating Aboriginal people for their loss, and helping to ensure a better economic future. That is not best served by delays of two decades and more."

The Koori Mail understands NSWALC representatives will meet with the Premier Kristina Keneally this week to discuss ways to ensure the original spirit and intent of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act is realised.



NSWALC CEO
GEOFF SCOTT

'Obviously you can't use land in any meaningful way unless you hold the title to it.'

the Department of Lands to transfer title to Aboriginal land councils.

"Obviously, you can't use land in any meaningful way unless you hold the title to it."

"There is currently a backlog of more than 300 claims which

Aboriginal Land Rights Act a land value of \$800 million," he said.

"Yet in July 2007 that figure inexplicably tripled to more than \$2 billion for the same area of land."

Mr Scott said Minister Kelly's statement did nothing for

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Portrait winner

INDIGENOUS Australians continue to make compelling – and winning – subjects for the nation's artists, with a powerful photo of a teenage Aboriginal swimmer taking out the National Photographic Portrait Prize last week. At least eight of the 43 finalists chosen from a field of almost 1,000 entries were of Aboriginal people.

Clontarf Aboriginal College high school art teacher Scott Bycroft, who is non-Indigenous, won the \$25,000 prize for his photo of one of his students Zareth Long at a Perth swimming carnival.

"Bycroft's work was selected for its immediacy and power, its distinctiveness as a portrait, and for its direct presence," said National Portrait Gallery curator Dr Christopher Chapman. "The subject, Zareth Long, projects an uncompromising gaze, drawing us physically closer, to then explore the razor-sharp photographic depiction. Every detail is so clear and finely realised, creating an unquestionably compelling portrait that is a strong and positive representation of youth."

The 37-year-old entirely self-taught photographer described the photo as spontaneous and organic.

"He's not actually really posing for the camera, he's just standing there watching a sporting event," he told AAP. "He just looked at the camera, I took the photo and he carried



'Zareth' (2009), digital print by SCOTT BYCROFT.

Photo courtesy of the National Portrait Gallery.

on watching the event."

The National Photographic Portrait Prize 2010 exhibition will be on display at Canberra's National Portrait Gallery until 2 May before

heading to Victoria and NSW.

Also featured in finalists' work were actors Brandon Walters and Wayne Blair, novelist Alexis Wright, and artist Rammey Ramsey. – *With AAP*

Yawuru sign deal over Broome land

By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



THE Yawuru people of the West Kimberley region have signed an historic agreement that delivers major economic benefits to the traditional owners and development security for the town's wider community.

The \$196 million deal with the Western Australian Government and the Shire of Broome incorporates two Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) over more than 5298 square kilometres of land, and is expected to provide financial security for the Yawuru people, recognised by the Federal Court in 2006 as the traditional native title holders.

Under the agreement, native title has been extinguished. In return, the Yawuru community will receive land valued at about \$140 million for development, cultural and social welfare purposes, as well as \$56 million for community capacity building, preservation of culture and heritage and management, economic development, social housing and the joint management of a proposed conservation estate.

Yawuru Elder Patrick Dodson said that the traditional owners would gain enormous benefits in the development of residential and commercial land, as well as benefitting trade businesses owned by Yawuru individuals.

Mr Dodson said the Yawuru would also be involved in town planning for new residential developments, including the ambitious Broome North estate, but any plans would be culturally and environmentally secure.

"(The land is) home so that all the things that live on the land before you disturb it are also important. We have a role in terms of town planning design, for cultural corridors so that the animals can move from one side of the peninsular here to the other," Mr Dodson said.

"It's treating the land with respect even



Pat Dodson signing the Broome agreement. Photo courtesy Peter Docker.

though we're going to disturb it for social housing or for industrial usages or even for commercial activities."

Mr Dodson said he was satisfied the agreement would give Yawuru total autonomy over their own affairs.

"We deliberately went down this track to get away from continual government dominance over the way we run our affairs, so it's a commercial deal," Mr Dodson said.

WA Attorney-General Christian Porter said he would use the Yawuru deal as a blueprint for other native title negotiations

in WA, and it would also be a guide for governments and TCs in other states.

"We think that this will set the standard for the way in which native title should be negotiated to a conclusion for the benefits of Indigenous and non Indigenous people in rural and remote regions of Australia," Mr Porter said.

Broome Shire President Graeme Campbell said the release of land by the Yawuru for the Broome North development would also stabilise land prices under pressure from the dramatic population increases expected over

the next decade.

"Forward projections have it that without the imposition of oil and gas on the town that our population will be 25,000 in 2021, so land and affordable land is the key to it.

"Broome North and the Yawuru settlement will enable more than one land supplier, and in fact we'll probably end up with four or five land developers, and with competition land prices should hold."

Mr Dodson said the agreement was an example of inclusive negotiations between governments and Indigenous Australians.

Court dismisses council appeals over liquor licences



TWO Aboriginal councils have lost a bid to have a Queensland government move to strip them of their liquor licences

declared racist.

Changes to Queensland laws in mid-2008 stripped all councils of the right to hold liquor licences.

The government argued the

laws removed the conflict between a council's responsibility to provide sound governance and a council profiting from the sale of alcohol which often caused or fuelled community violence.

The Aurukun and Kowanyama councils from Cape York argued in the Supreme Court last year that the laws were invalid because they breached the Racial Discrimination Act (RDA).

They said the liquor bans actually only affected Aboriginal councils, because they were the only ones to have obtained such licences.

The councils also received support from local police, who argued that not allowing the councils to hold liquor licences would increase sly-grogging and transfer any problems to other communities.

The councils lost that case, but decided to appeal.

The Court of Appeal last Monday dismissed the councils' appeal.

Justice Philip McMurdo said in the judgment that while the law changes did 'compromise the enjoyment of Indigenous people's rights to equal treatment before the law and of access to a service intended for use by the general

public, such as hotels', the laws were 'special measures' under the RDA.

This meant the liquor laws introduced by the government were exempt from the RDA.

Justice Anthe Philippides found that the ability of the councils to hold liquor licences was not a 'human right or fundamental freedom' of the kind with which the RDA was concerned. - AAP



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N-dump anger

By DARREN COYNE



OPPOSITION is mounting against a proposal to site a national radioactive dump at Muckaty Station in the Northern Territory despite the Northern Land Council (NLC) insisting it has the support of traditional owners.

Meetings, protests and angry statements have been the fall-out since a recent announcement by Federal Resources Minister Martin Ferguson that the Rudd Government was introducing legislation to repeal the former Howard Government's Radioactive Waste Management Act.

Mr Ferguson said that, under the new legislation, the Government would press ahead with considering the Muckaty site offered by the Ngapa people.

The NLC welcomed the announcement that the Muckaty site nomination would be preserved. NLC representatives and a number of Ngapa people met with Mr Ferguson in Darwin last Wednesday to again convey their support for the project.

United

Muckaty Station Ngapa traditional owner Amy Lauder said the Ngapa clan was united in its decision to volunteer the land as a potential site.

However, at a meeting later in Tennant Creek that night, none of the 100 people who attended supported the dump proposal at Muckaty.

Greens Senator Scott Ludlam said Aboriginal people should not be forced to trade their country for housing and education.

He was referring to a \$12 million deal signed between Ngapa people and the former Howard Government, although the NLC has indicated it would renegotiate that deal if the proposal proceeds.

"The Government is dangling a very small amount of money in the scheme of things to trade off their country - it's completely inappropriate," Senator



Campaigner Barbara Shaw, in anti-nuclear shirt, and others at a meeting in Tennant Creek last week, where 100 people were against siting a dump at Muckaty Station. The internationally-understood stop symbol of the upraised palm, has been adopted by the Australian anti-nuclear movement.

Photo courtesy Tennant and District Times

Ludlam said.

"It's extremely sad and the Government is exploiting (Aborigines) as they've done in the Territory and around the country for years to split families apart from each other, offering small cash handouts and housing."

Central Land Council (CLC) Director David Ross also said the Muckaty site should not be imposed on the community.

CLC involvement

Mr Ross said Muckaty, north of Tennant Creek, was outside the Central Land Council's region, but some traditional owners of that site lived in the CLC's area.

"We have had representations from people who are opposed to the nomination of Muckaty and I can only urge the Minister and the NLC to now deal with the process under section 19 of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, which will ensure that a proper process is followed," Mr Ross said.

"An outcome forced on a

divided group will entrench divisions and lead to on-going disputation and social problems. This is certainly not best practice for site selection of radioactive facilities."

In a statement from the Alyawarra walk-off camp, spokesman Richard Downs launched a direct attack on NLC Chief Executive Kim Hill and his assertion that consultation had been carried out with traditional owners of Muckaty Station.

"Yet there are other Aboriginal leaders, Elders and family's voices who are against the proposal not being heard," Mr Downs said.

"They have been completely shut out of any consultation."

"The Land Council should be aware all lands are shared and managed in a way with other clan family groups... the land is not only connected and managed by a particular traditional owner, but through country, dreaming, spirituality. It is part of the extended network of family

group lines.

"You and your organisation should be embarrassed hiding behind legislation that suspends the Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1976)."

The NLC has said that while five different clan groups lay claim over various dreaming sites on Muckaty Station, the four-square-kilometre parcel of land that has been volunteered for the dump belongs to the Ngapa people.

More criticism

Meanwhile, the Government's announcement also drew fire from anti-nuclear groups, which have staged a series of protests.

Beyond Nuclear Initiative (BNI) spokeswoman Natalie Wasley said the Government's new legislation failed to restore fundamental rights suspended by the former Howard Government's legislation.

"The new laws can be used to impose a nuclear waste dump in the NT against the wishes of both

Aboriginal landholders and the NT Government," Ms Wasley said.

"Under Minister Ferguson's legislation, site nominations by land councils will remain legitimate, even if their consultation process has not complied with the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976," she said.

"Minister Ferguson has the power to ride roughshod over all State and Territory laws, along with Aboriginal heritage protection and environmental protection legislation when establishing a dump."

'Thuggish'

Meanwhile, the Friends of the Earth national nuclear campaigner Dr Jim Green described Mr Ferguson's legislation as 'thuggish'.

"Mr Ferguson falsely claims his plan to dump at Muckaty Station in the NT has the 'continuing support of the Ngapa clan' although he well knows that 25 Ngapa traditional owners and 32 other Muckaty traditional owners have written to him opposing the dump," Dr Green said.

The Intervention Rollback Action Group in Alice Springs also slammed the announcement, and protested outside Lingiari MP Warren Snowdon's office.

Ignored

Campaigner Barbara Shaw said Labor's pre-election platform was clear in its support for land rights, yet policies associated with the NT Intervention, and now the waste dump, ignored those rights. "No other group of people in Australia would be treated this way," Ms Shaw said.

"The Ministers sitting in Canberra are not the ones who are going to be poisoned by this. Their kids are not the ones who are going to get cancer. They have no idea how we still live off our land."

Ms Shaw said Article 29 of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which the Rudd Government has endorsed, clearly prohibited the imposition of toxic waste onto Indigenous land without consent.

NT lifeguards accept apology from backpacker resort



backpacker resort in 2008.

The group launched the claim

LIFEGUARDS from the remote Central Australian community of Yuendumu say they've settled an anti-discrimination complaint they lodged against an Alice Springs

against The Haven Resort in June 2008, after being asked to leave the hostel because international tourists told staff they felt scared.

The young leaders were staying at the resort while training as lifeguards for the new Yuendumu pool.

Last week, the Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation

(WYDAC) issued a statement declaring the matter resolved.

"We have met with Haven, they said sorry. We have accepted that apology," said Enid Gallagher, one of the complainants.

"They have had Anti-Discrimination training. We are happy with that mob. They did the right thing now. We have

no problem with that mob now."

Ms Gallagher is a committee member of the WYDAC's highly successful Mt Theo Program, which was established in 1993 to address chronic petrol sniffing at Yuendumu and now provides general youth development and leadership throughout the Warlpiri region.

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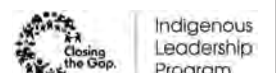
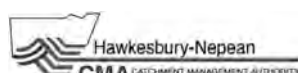
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Curriculum revamp

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP



THE draft Australian Curriculum attempts to move beyond, rather than entrench, a 'black armband' view of history, according to Aboriginal educator Chris Sarra.

He says it has scope to improve Australians' knowledge and understanding of Indigenous histories, cultures and perspectives without feeling threatened, guilty, betrayed or sorry.

Mr Sarra, who runs the Queensland University of Technology's Stronger Smarter Institute, was commenting on the draft curriculum for students from Kindergarten to Year 10 in the subjects of English, maths, science and history.

Unveiled by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and Education Minister Julia Gillard last Monday, the draft will now be subjected to a three-month period of public comment and 'roadtested' by 150 schools across Australia.

Public comment

Developed by the independent Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) for rollout in Australian schools next year, the curriculum aims to teach students from all school systems in all states and territories the same knowledge, skills and understanding.

But the draft met with early criticism from the Federal Opposition, which said it over-emphasised Indigenous culture and had been 'skewed to a black armband view of Australian history'.

"We have a seemingly over-emphasis on Indigenous culture and history and almost an entire blotting out of our British traditions and British heritage," said Opposition education spokesman Christopher Pyne.

"I am deeply concerned that Australian students will be taught a particular black armband view of our history

without any counterbalancing.

"The national curriculum is unbalanced, it won't give young Australians confidence about their future because it doesn't teach them the .. balanced truth about their past."

Mr Pyne said the draft curriculum had 118 references to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture but none to the Westminster parliamentary system or the Magna Carta, on which Australia's laws were based.

"There's absolutely no reason why you can't teach both sides of Australia's history," he said, declaring that a Coalition government would scrap the national curriculum and start again if it deemed it necessary.

Ms Gillard said before the draft curriculum launch that she thought it 'got the balance right'.

'Balance right'

"Teaching the history of Australia requires us to teach the history of the first Australians, our Indigenous peoples," she said on 27 February, as rumblings about the history curriculum began to emerge. "This is not a black armband view of history."

And Professor Stuart MacIntyre, who oversaw the history stream of the draft curriculum in consultation with Indigenous and other experts, directly rejected Mr Pyne's assertions.

"I think anybody who looks at the curriculum online will have great difficulty in finding any armbands," Prof MacIntyre said.

"One of the ways we (avoid this), of course, is to set the peopling of Australia, both by the original inhabitants and then by European settlers, in a comparative perspective."

Chris Sarra said that, if read correctly, the national curriculum seemed determined to move beyond 'romantic white notions of Australian history'.

"Fortunately it also seems determined to move beyond black armband views of history," he said.

"It may surprise some to realise that many Aboriginal people will be pleased about this



Federal Education Minister Julia Gillard.

shift beyond such representations of Aboriginal history.

We have always been a historically proud and robust group of people who have simply asked other Australians to know and understand the truth about us and our history, not to feel sorry for us.

"The new curriculum directions has some scope to enable such knowledge and understanding, without the need for other Australians to feel threatened, guilty, betrayed or sorry."

Significant

ACARA Chairperson Prof Barry McGaw said the release of the draft was a significant event in Australian history, and urged parents, business and industry, academic organisations and the whole community to comment on the draft.

The Australian Education Union (AEU) expressed

disappointment at the level of consultation to date with teachers, and said the new curriculum would require money for teaching materials and the professional development of teachers.

The Australian Special Education Principals Association (ASEPA) said students with special needs, who made up five per cent of the Australian school population, were 'invisible' in the draft curriculum content and urged schools and teachers with special needs students to closely scrutinise the documents and provide feedback.

A draft English, mathematics, science and history curriculum for Years 11-12 will be released for consultation later this year.

The second phase of the curriculum will include languages, geography and the arts. To view the draft Australian Curriculum, visit the consultation website www.australiancurriculum.edu.au

What the curriculum contains

The national curriculum seeks to ensure that 'all young Australians have the opportunity to learn about, acknowledge and respect the history and culture of Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders'.

Most references to Indigenous perspectives are contained in the history and science drafts.

The science draft references Indigenous understandings of the natural environment. Of the 237 draft content descriptions in science, there are 10 that refer to Indigenous perspectives – on average, one per year.

The history draft covers Indigenous history prior to European settlement and proposes that both Indigenous and settler views of the arrival of Europeans be investigated. This involves 39 of the 234 draft content descriptions in history.

Some examples:

Grade Three students will learn 'the ways of life, beliefs and practices of traditional owners of country'; reasons for celebrating or commemorating events of national significance, including Australia Day, Anzac Day, Sorry Day; and the meaning and significance of emblems and symbols of the nation including the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.

Grade Four students will be taught the significance of the Dreaming and the contribution of Indigenous Australian to the nation.

Grade Nine students will explore the consequences of contact, intended and unintended, between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and Europeans in Australia.

Grade 10 students will learn the civil rights struggles of Indigenous Australians with reference to government policies (including protection, assimilation, integration, reconciliation and self-determination), the 1967 Referendum, the Mabo decision and the Apology to the Stolen Generations.

Fears native title changes erode rights

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



NATIONAL Native Title Council Chair Brian Wyatt says the Federal Government should stick with the current Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) system. He said proposed changes to the Native Title Act further eroded the rights of traditional owners by allowing for them to be merely 'consulted'. Meanwhile he said what constituted 'good faith negotiations' was not clearly spelt out.

"We had a situation in Western Australia where a mining company demonstrated they had made contact, and that was adjudicated as being good faith negotiating," he said.

"It raises a whole lot of issues if you don't have certainty about the process, and ILUAs are very clear."

Mr Wyatt's comments come after the

tabling of a Senate committee report late last month into the Native Title Amendment Bill (No 2) 2009. The Bill aims to speed up the delivery of public housing and infrastructure in Indigenous communities, however Mr Wyatt said what it provided for was tantamount to compulsory acquisition, which the NNTC considered to be practically the same as the extinguishment of native title.

Mr Wyatt said the NNTC supported the provision of housing, however he did not agree with the argument put forward by some, that because ILUAs took around 12 months to be negotiated they were therefore too slow.

"You know in advance when you want to deliver houses," he said. "So you've got to take (the 12 month time frame) into account. You need to engage with traditional owners and native title representative bodies early on in the piece...it takes a while to consult people

properly and (for them) to make an informed decision."

He said the NNTC proposed the development of template ILUAs for housing and the provision of other infrastructure and services, which would provide an immediate head start on negotiations.

"Yes you need land for housing," he said. "What we're saying is you don't grab it through compulsory acquisition, you do it through agreement."

Meanwhile Greens Senator Rachel Siewert has tabled a minority report on the Bill which endorses comments made by all non-government witness and accuses the Attorney-General's department of 'failing to make the case for reform'.

"These laws are completely unnecessary and unjustified, and the only honourable course for the Government is to drop this Bill and return to the 'new approach' of working with communities as promised in the Apology," she said.



National Native Title Council Chair Brian Wyatt.

Intervention 'racist'



ASPECTS of the Northern Territory Emergency response – the NT Intervention – are racist and breach Australia's international human rights obligations, according to a United Nations envoy who toured Indigenous communities last year.

In his final report, provided to the Rudd Government last month, UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of Indigenous people James Anaya singled out compulsory income management, compulsory land acquisition, and grog and porn bans, and said the Australian Government must 'fully purge' the NTER of discrimination immediately.

Mr Anaya said that, while the Government was correct to consider the safety of Aboriginal women and children an urgent priority and to try to improve the wellbeing of Aboriginal Territorians, several key aspects of the Intervention limited 'the capacity of Indigenous individuals and communities to control or participate in decisions affecting their own lives, property and cultural development'.

"And it does so in a way that in effect discriminates on the basis of race, thereby raising serious human rights concerns," he said.

Mr Anaya said he was aware of current plans to reform the Intervention



Artist Pilawuk Ngambu
Ngambu reads statements
during the Adelaide rally.

and hoped his observations would help ensure those reforms brought it into line with Australia's international obligations.

Last month, on the second anniversary of the national apology to Indigenous people, a series of rallies were held around the country protesting the Intervention under a common theme of 'Sorry means you won't do it again'.

In Adelaide, about 300 people gathered on the steps of Parliament House.

One of the speakers was artist Pilawuk Ngambu, who spoke of her NT family's situation and shared her sister's words: "It's not working. Our community was a working community and now it's not. Everyone is depressed and we've lost our whole sense of community identity."

Sue Gilbey from the Stop the Intervention Collective SA (STICSA) told the crowd that current Government plans to extend compulsory income management nationally so the measure would comply with the Racial Discrimination Act would create class, as well as racial, discrimination.

Last week, however, the Federal Government said new analysis of Centrelink data demonstrated that income management was delivering real benefits to children and families.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the data showed that around 90 per cent of welfare payments allocated to the BasicsCard system – used by 16,000 people in 73 NT Intervention communities – had been spent in shops that predominantly sold food and clothing.

They said that since September 2008, more than \$141 million has been spent using the BasicsCard, with more than \$102 million spent on food and almost \$25 million on clothing.

"People on income management have also used their BasicsCard to purchase hardware and camping gear, and to pay for education and health expenses," the Ministers said.

"Income management is an important reform to fight passive welfare and ensure more money goes to food, clothes, rent and less money goes to

buying alcohol and gambling."

Under income management, 50 per cent of income support and family payments is set aside so it can be spent only on 'essential items' and not on alcohol, cigarettes or gambling.



Sr Robert Josephite nun with her
banner at the rally.



Ngarrindjeri Elders Victor and Glenys
Wilson and grandchildren Tahlia,
Macey-Lee and Tayla-Jayde at the
Adelaide rally.

NITV calls on Govt to state its intentions

By KIRSTIE PARKER



NATIONAL Indigenous Television (NITV) is 'hanging on by a thread' while the Government

decides if it will fund the service after its initial four-year funding of \$48.5 million runs out on 30 June.

Numerous requests for a meeting with Arts Minister Peter Garrett, whose department funds the organisation, and a few quiet words in the ear of the Prime Minister appear have come to little. Last week, the NITV Board wrote to all federal MPs, asking them to push the Government for a speedy answer either way.

The Government says it will announce its intentions as part of the 2010 Federal Budget in May but NITV Chairperson Terri Janke says that'll be too late.

Already, the service has had to stop commissioning content from Aboriginal program makers and fears its mostly Indigenous staff – already down from 50 to about 40 –

will start jumping ship because of a lack of job security.

"Things are tough," Ms Janke told *The Koori Mail* last week. "We've got an Indigenous production sector that gives us product. They all employ people and they're asking us what's happening but, until we've got certainty, we can't commission new work."

"We've spent a lot of time in the past three years really investing in our staff but people need job security. They have to feed their families and manage their lives, they've got mortgages."

"And then there's our audience. Everyone watches the footy programs and our health programs and kids' programs – 93 per cent of our Indigenous audience says NITV makes them feel really proud – but everywhere I go, there's now real concern."

Ms Janke said she raised the matter with Prime Minister Kevin Rudd during the recent All Stars rugby league match in Queensland.

"He knows about NITV and



NITV chairperson Terry Janke

we've had conversations but we just haven't had an answer – yes or no – if we're going into the future. This is really not acceptable. We're hanging on by a thread."

Ms Janke said NITV was a trusted voice for Indigenous Australia, and had done very well to create 1400 hours of 'first time' content since it began.

"We're also developing an industry but it's not just about pure economics. The value in terms of the potential cultural shift you can help to get in the Australian psyche through NITV is

immeasurable," she said

NITV has asked the Government for around \$30 million a year. Last month, Communications Minister Stephen Conroy announced nearly a quarter of a billion dollars worth of licence fee rebates for commercial networks in 2010 and 2011.

But any hopes that NITV management might have had of wholehearted support from the rest of the Indigenous communications sector appear to be on shaky ground. The organisation's relationships with the Australian Indigenous Communications Association (AICA) and remote broadcasters, in particular, have been strained for some time.

Strong differences of opinion have emerged about the production standards and, therefore, suitability of content from remote broadcasters as well as ownership over final product. A review of NITV undertaken last year recommended improvements to NITV's governance, that the organisation work to improve its stakeholder relations, and that a

quota be introduced to ensure more content from remote broadcasters.

When contacted last week by *The Koori Mail*, AICA, remote broadcasters Indigenous Community TV (ICTV), and Broome-based media association Goolarri all expressed support for a national Indigenous TV service but said NITV had ground to make up.

"Nobody wants to see NITV not be there, but people want to see some real tangible changes to it," said AICA Chairman Jim Remedio.

Head of Production at Goolarri Media Dot West said she was disappointed NITV had not commissioned more material from Goolarri – just two half hour music shows at a cost of about \$20,000 over two years – but was still sympathetic to NITV's predicament.

"I think if the Government is going to make a decision, they should make one," she said.

"They should inform NITV and the Indigenous media sector of that decision as soon as possible so people can forward plan."

Nura's dialysis dilemma



SA NURA Ward is the latest South Australian Aboriginal person facing the tough decision of either moving to Adelaide for renal dialysis treatment, or staying at home to die.

Mrs Ward lives at Ernabella on the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) lands in SA's far north-west, although she was admitted to the hospital at Alice Springs a few weeks ago.

Already living with heart problems and diabetes, Mrs Ward was told she now has serious kidney problems.

But under a policy introduced by the NT Government in January 2009, Mrs Ward was also told she could not receive dialysis treatment in Alice Springs, and should prepare to move to Adelaide, 1400kms away.

She is the latest in a number of Anangu people denied treatment in Alice Springs, despite it being much closer to their homelands.

Last December, the Western Australian Government agreed to negotiate a new arrangement with the NT Government so that WA renal patients living east of Warburton could, once again, access dialysis services in the NT.

So far the SA Government has been unwilling to negotiate a new cross-border arrangement with the NT Government. Mr Ward's niece Melissa Thompson said it was a cruel situation.

"It was bad enough when people had to go on dialysis and live in Alice Springs, but this is much, much worse. We might never see Nura again. She came in to hospital and now they want to shift her to the city, to Adelaide. That's a very cruel thing, especially for an old lady.

"I bet this wouldn't happen to Mike Rann or Paul Henderson or Warren Snowdon's mum, or aunty, or nana.

"What will she do there – with no family, no arts centre with other women around, no close friends?

"Will she sit in a room by



Nura Ward and her niece Melissa Thompson.

herself waiting to get hooked up to the machine every few days? She might finish up even quicker when we can't visit her.

"At least in Alice there are other renal patients and patients' wives – some relatives and childhood friends from her country.

"She'll be lost and lonely like the others who have to live far away for dialysis."

The Australian Greens and the Uniting Church SA, which have both lobbied to improve dialysis services for patients in SA and WA, have criticised the SA government for not moving fast enough on the issue.

Greens Senator Rachel Siewert said the situation was unacceptable.

"Despite the fact that Ms Ward has family support in Alice Springs, she has been told she will have to move to Adelaide, about 1400kms south of her home, for dialysis once her condition is stable," Senator Siewert said.

"This is simply unacceptable. Governments cannot continue to drag their feet on this crucial life and death issue.

A spokesperson for SA Health Minister John Hill told *The Koori Mail* that despite recent reports, the SA Government had not allocated funding to provide services on the APY Lands, but was investigating the possibility.

— BY DARREN COYNE

Abbott's big adventure



NT THE interests of traditional Aboriginal land owners are being served by land councils, say the Federal

Government and one of the Northern Territory's major land councils, rejecting Opposition claims they leave Indigenous groups powerless.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott has indicated that a Coalition Government would transfer power to control land from land councils to the traditional Indigenous groups.

He told Fairfax newspapers he wanted to ensure there was real self-determination by giving traditional land owners more say over how their land is used.

"There is an argument for devolving responsibility from these big councils to smaller groups where the traditional owners ... have much more authority over the land than it seems they currently do," he said.

Random visits

The Opposition leader's comments came during a three-day trip to Central Australia last week, which included random visits to several town camps in Alice Springs, and a chat with an elderly renal patient whose family is lobbying governments for a cross-border dialysis policy.

Mr Abbott then travelled five hours south-west to Kings Creek station, an Aboriginal-owned pastoral property from which he made his pronouncements about native title.

However, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said land councils provided important services to Aboriginal land owners and their interests were being served.

"The traditional owners are represented by the land councils and I think the land council do a very important job making sure

that the traditional owners' interests are protected," she told reporters in Sydney on Wednesday.

She said Mr Abbott had spoken before he had thought about the implications of what he was saying, but added she was willing to work with him on native title when he clarified his position.

Mr Abbott also raised the ire of the Central Land Council (CLC), which said there were no native title claims or issues around Kings Creek Station, no disputes over land use with traditional owners, the CLC hadn't 'locked up' land, and nor did it have the power to do so.

'Political ends'

"Predictably Mr Abbott has used his visit to Kings Canyon for purely political ends," said CLC Director David Ross.

"That is, get rid of the land councils, because they're the last bastion of protection for Aboriginal people in the bush before governments and private businesses ride roughshod over them.

"His comments are completely gratuitous nonsense and he should be ashamed of himself."

Mr Abbott's bush adventure almost came seriously unstuck, or perhaps stuck, when he and the rest of a small party comprising an Aboriginal guide, a fellow politician and three journalists – riding quad bikes – became lost on Kings Creek station for five hours with no food or water.

Fairfax newspapers reported that Mr Abbott texted his press secretary

'WERELOSTNEARFOSSILCRE EK – but the mobile phone message failed to get through.

The group was reportedly saved – but with red faces all round – when the station owner returned to lead them back to the homestead.

— With AAP

AMSANT backs Federal health takeover plans



THE Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) has welcomed Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's national plan to take control of Australia's hospital funding, and the NT and Queensland Governments have given it cautious support.

Mr Rudd told the National Press Club in Canberra last week that the changes – which would also include a full federal takeover of all GP and primary healthcare services – would be part-funded by the Government clawing back \$50 billion of GST revenue from the states and territories.

Local authorities would be paid by the Government to administer funds, overseeing small groups of hospitals in line

with national standards.

"The Australian Government has decided to...have a dominant funding role in the future of our hospitals, the future of our teaching and research facilities and the future of the running costs of them," Mr Rudd reiterated in Sydney on Friday.

States and territories are now considering the proposals ahead of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) meeting in April.

Proposal considered

However, NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson told reporters he'd support the plan, following an assurance from the PM that the plan would recognise Aboriginal disadvantage and geographic remoteness.

"This has got to be about increasing funding for our hospital system," Mr

Henderson said, adding that NT hospitals were the busiest in the country, on an admissions per capita basis.

"Running a hospital in Darwin or Alice Springs is not the same as running a hospital in the ACT," he said. "What we don't want is a 'one size fits all' approach.

"If this reform means additional funding then I'll welcome it, but we're still waiting to see the detail."

Queensland Premier Anna Bligh took a similar position, warning that any new scheme needed to recognise that health service delivery cost more in remote Queensland than it does in Sydney.

AMSANT's Chairperson Stephanie Bell was enthusiastic about the plan, saying it would end 'the blame game' in Aboriginal primary health care, a major obstacle to Closing the Gap.

"It's designed through prevention and community based care to keep people out of hospitals – and that's exactly what we are in the health business for," Ms Bell said.

She said the Aboriginal-controlled primary health care sector had long been pushing for the Commonwealth to take responsibility for funding 100 per cent of comprehensive primary health care, and she expected the sector to be consulted in the negotiation process.

Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott said the Commonwealth should take a greater role in primary care but the plan was 'very light on detail', added an extra layer of bureaucracy, and should start before the proposed 2012 if the Government was serious about it.

— By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP

'Sick' of crime

By Townsville Correspondent
ALF WILSON



COMMUNITY concern over an apparent jump in the number of burglaries dominated an at times heated and emotional youth forum on the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island last week.

About 70 people attended the forum at Palm Island PCYC last Thursday to discuss possible solutions.

They included residents and representatives of the Palm Island Aboriginal Council, government departments and businesses and groups that have been the target of break and enters during the past month, including the Palm Island Retail Store, the local service station, schools, CDEP headquarters, Q-Bild property, shops and homes. Angry attendees said they were 'sick and tired' of the crimes, the majority of which they said were committed by young people, and demanded immediate action.

"They are wrecking our community and all this damage impacts on us all," said one frustrated community member.

Chaired by Regional Advisor for the Department of Justice's Indigenous Justice Program Ann Kearney, the meeting was supposed to last for one hour but ended up going for nearly twice as long. Flanking Ms Kearney was Justice Group co-ordinator Selena Shepherd.

Local boxing trainer Ray Dennis said that at 1am on the



Ann Kearney from the Department of Justice, left, and Palm Island Justice Group co-ordinator Selena Shepherd.

day of the meeting, he was awoken at home by a burglar alarm at the nearby CDEP depot.

Mr Dennis discovered the next day that fuel cards and electricity cards were stolen from the depot.

Some of those at the meeting criticised the Child Support Agency for failing to send a representative to the meeting, despite an invitation.

Others blamed parents for failing to keep control of their children, and some even suggested that people convicted of offences should be removed from the island.

Other suggestions included a night curfew for youths and children, a community court, night patrols, and more activities to alleviate boredom amongst the island's young people.

There were also some hard discussions about the

possibilities of some parents gambling and having no money for food for their children at home, forcing them to resort to crime.

Palm Island Deputy Mayor Raymond Sibley suggested that the way to solve the problem was to make parents pay for damage their children caused.

"Why waste money on a community Patrol," Mr Sibley said.

Victor Daisy disagreed with a suggestion that problem youth be sent away from Palm.

"There is nothing for the kids to do, we have a big PCYC here and nothing on and what do many of them have at home?" he said.

"We can't blame the police, the Council or others as they have jobs to do. We are Bwgcolman people and have to sort it out ourselves."

Police Sgt Tony Hosie told the meeting that youths would be cautioned first, followed by justice conferencing when they would often have to meet the victim and have the impact explained.

"(But) from the justice conferencing, it can still end up in court and restitution is

unlikely," Sgt Hosie said.

He said police wanted to hear from the community about the possibility of setting up a Community Court.

Mayor Alf Lacey said that Council would consider fixing up two old boats which could be used to take youths to nearby islands for camping trips.

"We need community support and people often buck when hard decisions are made," Cr Lacey said.

Councillor Ruth Gorringer said that events needed to be organised for bored youths including sport.

One of the most passionate speakers at the meeting was Peena Geia who told the audience it was 'time to stand up and be counted'.

"If we have a Murri Court we can't have people who are involved in sly grogging, drugs or gambling sitting on it. Everybody needs to be checked out. We need God-fearing people," she said.

Young people are being encouraged to attend a further meeting to be held on the issue within two weeks.



Mayor Alf Lacey at the forum, front right.



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Archive service to remain in Darwin



THE National Archives of Australia (NAA) has announced that it will maintain its services in Darwin, much to the relief of local Aboriginal groups.

However, the Federal Government is pushing for increased digital archiving.

The announcement reverses a decision made in November in response to a Federal Government call on the NAA and other government agencies to make significant budget cuts.

Northern Territory Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation (NTSGAC) Chief Executive Officer Rosie Baird said the news had been welcomed by many local families, especially members of the Stolen Generations.

"People around here are really relieved," Ms Baird said last week. "When it looked like they might close the office here, people felt like it was just another slap in the face. People were so upset, especially our Elders who may not understand digital archiving."

Last year's announcement prompted months of lobbying and community consultations.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the reprieve was a good outcome for the NT.

"This will enable the National Archives to continue to provide high quality services in Darwin for all Territorians, in particular members of the Stolen Generation," he said.

"On a personal note, I have had a long association with the National Archives office in Darwin and even had some of my own materials kept there.

Important role

"In particular, the Darwin office has an important role to play in assisting Australians in their search for information about themselves, their families and their country."

However, the NAA said that to remain viable, its Darwin office would need to co-locate with another similarly-minded institution.

Cabinet Secretary Joe Ludwig said that with a changing society, more people were using the Internet to search for records.

"Last financial year there were only 337 visits to the Darwin reading room compared to 22, 290 visits nationally, while more than 1.9 million records were accessed online," Mr Ludwig said.

Similar arrangements will be put in place in Adelaide and Hobart, and the Government will encourage other NAA offices to consider options for co-location.

Training, work-readiness funds aim to build skills



THE Federal Government has announced \$172.4 million over three years for Indigenous training and work-readiness activities across 500 remote Indigenous communities.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the funds would enable 63 CDEP providers Australia-wide to employ community development officers, mentors and coaches, and pay for the fit-out of training facilities, accommodation for

visiting trainers, and some new training centres.

Projects expected to be supported include developing community farms and market gardens, restoring historic and culturally significant sites, and refurbishing women's centres.

Ms Macklin said the initiative was aimed at ensuring Indigenous Australians had the skills needed to get and keep a job, and built on major reforms to the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program and the Indigenous employment

services introduced in July 2009.

Under the changes to CDEP in remote communities, organisations are focused on improving work-readiness services and delivering community development projects.

Indigenous job-seekers are supported by an expanded Indigenous Employment Program and the reformed Job Services Australia.

"Employment contributes strongly to personal, social and economic development," the Ms Macklin said.

"These reforms are key to making

progress on the Government's target of halving the employment gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a decade."

Communities would be helped to plan local projects that fostered the personal responsibility essential to building strong, healthy and safe communities, Ms Macklin said.

A full list of successful organisations is available at: http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/sa/indigenous/progserv/families/cdep/Pages/CDEP_dev_support_funds.aspx

Research institute is opened

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



WHEN Yankunytjatjara Elder and Aboriginal leader Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue first learned a research institute was to be named in her honour, it took her instantly back to her childhood.

It was there at the children's home where she spent most of her young life that she was told she would never amount to anything.

Standing before a crowd of around 100 last week at the launch of the Lowitja Institute at Parliament House, Canberra, Dr O'Donoghue said she was honoured to have the research institute named after her.

"In the 1990s, research was a dirty word, it was still something that was carried out to us, on us, not by us," Dr O'Donoghue said.

But she was also somewhat reluctant to become the patron.

"It occurred to me that having an institute named after me would have half the country thinking I was dead."

Dr O'Donoghue, who was inaugural Chair of the former Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC), said the institute aimed to have Indigenous participation at all levels and would always question the point of research.

'Mother Lowitja'

Launching the institute, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon noted Dr O'Donoghue's lifetime of service to Indigenous affairs and recalled a more personal side to working alongside her.

"We felt safe in Mother Lowitja's hands, but felt at any stage we might also feel her iron grip," Mr Snowdon recalled.

"Lowitja's story will become a central part of the Australian story."

The new institute will host the Co-operative Research Centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (CRCATSIH) and provide a more permanent home for the centre's work, with its core business of improving Indigenous health through research and the development of a stronger Indigenous health workforce.

Indigenous health pioneer Pat Anderson is acting Chair of the institute's interim board and said it would be Indigenous-led and, like its CRC predecessors, would encourage a collaborative research environment.

"The need for Indigenous control of the health research agenda is well recognised, but it is also essential that the new institute continues to build strong relationships with governments, academic and other research institutions and the non-government health sector, including medical associations and nurses unions," Ms Anderson said.

"As the Prime Minister has consistently emphasised, there's a critical need for policy to be evidence-based and the Lowitja Institute will continue to provide rigorous research evidence of what works and where health dollars should be prioritised."

The Lowitja Institute and the CRCATSIH will be starting with three program areas: Healthy Start, Healthy Life; Healthy Communities and Settings; and Enabling Policy and Systems.

Ms Anderson said the new research agenda reflected the need for research to be focused beyond simply medicines and technology and to address the systemic causes of Indigenous ill health and include innovations at the broader community and social level.

She said the institute would look at Indigenous people's relationship to land, connectedness to community and family, the impact of racism, and identity and levels of self-determination and community control.

"We're seeking support from the Federal, as well as State and Territory governments and the corporate and philanthropic sector to establish an endowment fund to ensure the critical evidence gathering work undertaken by the CRC continues," she said.

"We're confident that this initiative will have the support of all Australians."



Lowitja O'Donoghue with Professor Ian Anderson.



Raelene Baker from Arts Qld, Jackie Huggins from the National Indigenous Knowledge Centre, and Pattie Lees with Terry Lees of the Centre for Rural and Remote Health (Qld).



From left, Julie Tongs, Judy Harris, Mary Buckskin, Glenda Humes, Kim Morey and April Lawrie-Smith.

● LEFT: Lowitja Institute Interim Chairperson Pat Anderson and Stephanie Bell from the Central Australian Aboriginal Congress.

● RIGHT: NAACHO Chairman Justin Mohamed and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon.





NCIE Board members Sol Belleair and NSW Governor, Her Excellency Marie Bashir.



The entry gates at the NCIE.



NCIE CEO Jason Glanville (second from left) with, left to right, Jason Mifsud, Julie Warren and Michael O'Loughlin.



ILC Chairperson Shirley McPherson, Federal Member for Sydney and Housing Minister Tanya Plibersek, and NITV Chairperson Pat Turner



Josh Toomey of Dubbo introduces himself to the Prime Minister, watched by Gabbi Pengilly of Narromine and Chloe Wighton, also of Dubbo.



Students from NASCA academy sites with dignitaries before the launch.



These two were wearing messages on their shirts and had big hopes for the NCIE.



Laurence 'Sprocket' Coghlan silently protested the NT intervention outside the opening but kept things low key 'out of respect' for the NCIE and the people of Redfern.



Shirley Lomas, from Sydney, took the opportunity to ask Mr Rudd to explain what his government was doing to assist young people with disabilities such as her 28-year-old son. Mr Rudd promised to help Ms Lomas, describing her as 'a passionate mum who was right to raise her concerns'.



NCIE staff Alisha Parker-Elrez, Sara Hamilton and William Gordon during the opening.



University of NSW (UNSW) staff at the opening, from left, Darryl Cronin, Sarah Maddison, Shelley Williams, Katerina Tsiolkas and Rochelle Coggan.



Prime Minister Kevin Rudd learned about the NCIE's literacy program from young Fiona.



Uncle Cecil Bowden, Stolen Generations campaigner, Sydney: "When I was at school, they were hoping we'd leave. Now we're encouraging blackfellas to stay in school, which is great."



Luke Penrith, AFL NSW/ACT: "It's deadly...a great opportunity for kids across the country."



Carmel Jones, ILC, Perth: "This is really historic, a long time coming."



Craig Somerville, CEO of the Aboriginal Health Council (WA): "It makes me feel proud. The kids will be coming to something that recognises their true potential."



Jeannie Bartley, Sydney: "This place is fabulous and will give our kids some positive direction. I'm signing on to the gym!"

New centre to promote excellence

By KIRSTIE PARKER



MARKING the renaissance of the inner Sydney suburb of Redfern...symbolic of a new era in Indigenous education, engagement and leadership... a great thing for Australia...

To say there are high hopes riding on the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) would be a huge understatement.

But it's all part and parcel of the new education, sports, arts and culture facility's aim of fostering and developing talent in young Indigenous Australians across the nation and its underpinning philosophy that 'to be Indigenous is to be excellent and successful'.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd officially opened the NCIE on 26 February, in front of about 300 guests including NSW Governor, Her Excellency Marie Bashir, NSW Premier Christina Keneally, other local and federal politicians, members of the NCIE and Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC) Boards, members of the Redfern and broader Sydney Indigenous communities, current and former sports stars, and students.

"This is a really good day for Australia. This is a really good day for Indigenous Australia. This is good stuff," said Mr Rudd of the Centre, which was built on time, on budget with \$50 million from the ILC, exceeding Indigenous construction jobs targets.

"What has been built here is a world class facility. It offers great hope, great opportunities."

Up to 5000 young Indigenous people from around Australia are expected to pass through the Centre's programs each year, utilising its fully equipped gymnasium and sports hall, outdoor 25-metre swimming pool, intensive literacy tutorial centre, arts/craft activity rooms, sporting field and campus accommodation.

Profound outcomes

The PM said he hoped the Centre would achieve profound outcomes including improved literacy amongst primary school children through a six-month accelerated literacy program – to be run in partnership with Macquarie University and the Exodus Foundation – that had seen literacy levels rise by up to two years.

And, quoting the Centre's CEO Jason Glanville: "We need to get away from the deficit language of disadvantage and have a real and meaningful conversation about excellence."

Mr Rudd said that as well as helping to close Indigenous education, health and employment gaps, the Centre's programs would allow Indigenous kids to develop a sense of self-worth, self-respect, and self-reliance – 'the essential qualities of a productive, contributing member of the community'.

Most of the NCIE's staff are Indigenous,

and many attended the launch wearing huge grins and shirts emblazoned with words like 'Integrity' and 'Growth'.

A visibly proud NCIE Co-Chair Sam Jefferies said the Centre represented the biggest national investment in a single Indigenous project and would 'give our kids permission to think beyond their day-to-day lives and dream of a bigger future'.

ILC Chairperson Shirley McPherson told the crowd that the Centre's opening was a major milestone for Indigenous Australia, and observed that some people, including older Aboriginal people, were already experiencing wonderful results in the NCIE gym.

This theme was later picked up by the Prime Minister who said Indigenous and non-Indigenous NCIE gym members 'sweating together' was an example of reconciliation and declared he planned to join himself.

Tennis legend and NCIE and ILC board member Evonne Goolagong-Cawley said the Centre would create jobs and new opportunities.

"It has turned into a magical place for everybody in Redfern," she said.

The Centre has the YMCA as a facilities partner, and accommodates a range of matched programs, including the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA), the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team and the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME).

Qld preamble adopted



A NEW preamble will be inserted into the Queensland Constitution recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the first Queenslanders.

Queensland Premier Anna Bligh said the preamble, which was opposed by the State Opposition and some Indigenous leaders, recognises the 'significant contribution made by Indigenous peoples to the Queensland that we all share today'.

"Australia is home to the oldest living culture on earth," Ms Bligh said. "This is not only something that we should recognise; it is something that we should celebrate."

Opposition Leader John-Paul Langbroek told Parliament during debate on the bill on 23 February that recognising one ethnic group above another would divide the population.



Desley Boyle, Uncle Steve Mam, Annastacia Palaszczuk and Aunty Margaret Iselin.

"Instead of changing the preamble of the Queensland Constitution to recognise Indigenous Australians, which will provide no practical improvement to the lives of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents, the Bligh Government should be focused on improving the literacy and numeracy levels of all Queensland children," Mr Langbroek said.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle said she was disappointed the Opposition would not support the bill.

"The refusal of the Opposition leader and his Liberal National Party team to support the preamble with its recognition of the first Australians is indeed a shame, but a shame on him and his members and not on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people themselves," she said

First state

Ms Boyle said Qld was the first state in Australia to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in its constitution preamble. Victoria acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the body of their Constitution but not the preamble.

"The words of the preamble recognise the unique relationship our Indigenous people have with the land, the seas and the waterways of Queensland. It is a positive step for the Queensland community and it is leading the way in reconciliation throughout Australia."

Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA) spokesman Les Malezer said the preamble was offensive.



Qld Aboriginal and Torres Strait Advisory Council member Uncle Norm Clarke, Qld Premier Anna Bligh, Jesse Martin, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle, Timothy White and Jaleel Butterworth.

"It's meant to be a symbolic gesture," he told ABC radio. "... finally acknowledging that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were here first."

"But it goes much further than that – it doesn't stop at that – it goes on to say 'and we have no rights as a result of that' and that's what's offensive about it."

"It's in the actual text of the preamble and it is also in the explanatory note, and

they've had legal people look at it and committees look at it for that very purpose.

"It's not about acknowledging our rights, it's actually about denying our rights and affirming that we have no rights and that's completely wrong."

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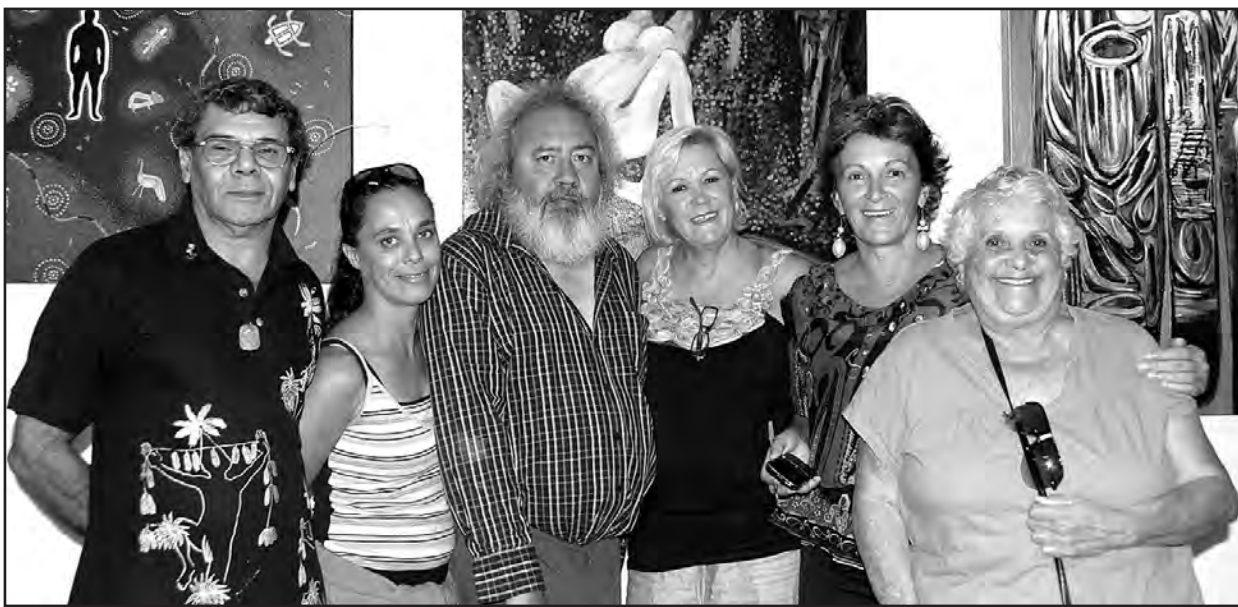
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Closure threat easing



Boomalli artists and some of the original founding members are from left: Jeffrey Samuels, Melissa Abraham, Joe Hurst, Sheryl Conners Young, Bronwyn Bancroft and Euphemia Bostock.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THE threat of closure that has plagued one of Australia's longest surviving arts institutions for the past six months appears to be easing.

According to Aboriginal artist and one of the founding members of Boomalli Aboriginal Artists' Cooperative Bronwyn Bancroft, an incredible amount of work has gone into ensuring the long-term sustainability of the organisation.

"The concept of the place is just remarkable," she said.

"We are confident that we'll get back on track, but we need to clean up our debts first.

"It's not about blame or

recrimination, but we do need it to be a transparent process."

This came after a special meeting was called last week to garner support for the embattled organisation. Attendees included representatives from the Department of Fair Trading, founding members and non-Indigenous supporters.

Ms Bancroft said Boomalli's situation was looking more positive than six months ago – the organisation was last year stripped of funding from the Department of Education, Training and Workplace Relations – and there was now a renewed sense of hope.

"It's been badly handled, but we've managed to reduce our tax debt from \$180,000 to \$35,000,"

Ms Bancroft said.

"In the past week alone, Boomalli has managed to raise \$8,500 which will assist us in covering public liability insurance and meeting outstanding bills."

Boomalli takes its name from a word derived from the Gamilaroi, Bundjalung and Wiradjuri language groups meaning 'to make a mark or to strike', and Ms Bancroft said that was the enduring philosophy of the institution that had seen some great artists through its doors over the years.

"At the end of the day, there's nothing in it for us but to create a future for New South Wales artists. As I have said before we were the first colonised and the last recognised," she said.

Original board member and artist Jeffrey Samuels was on hand to support the institution.

"I'm really glad so many people turned up today, and that we can see that there is a lot of support. We need Aboriginal people to determine what is Aboriginal art."

Long-time supporter Graham Mooney also attended the meeting.

"We're the only state in Australia that doesn't have a regional private body that looks after Indigenous art. If we don't save Boomalli the government will just take over," he said.

Ms Bancroft said the next step would be for the organisation to reduce outstanding debts, with a large percentage expected to come from the profits of artwork

sales.

"Our next exhibition opening will be held on 20 March called *Boomalli Strikes Back* and art works will be available for sale," she said.

"We are all determined to turn this around but, to do that, we need to bring in people with expertise, who understand the tax system, have experience in human resources, but who also share in our vision for the future of Boomalli."

Boomalli Strikes Back: An Exhibition to re-launch the Pre-eminent Space for NSW Aboriginal Artists opens at Boomalli Aboriginal Artists' Cooperative, 55 - 59 Flood St, Leichhardt on 20 March from 12-5pm, with afternoon tea served.



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Waiting for answers

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



THE death of another young man in a NSW detention centre raises questions over the lack of government action on mental health care in the over-burdened NSW prison system.

Speaking out for the first time since the death of his son, Terry Griffiths last week told *The Koori Mail* he was yet to hear from (the Department of Corrective Services NSW (DCS NSW), who left it up to local police to notify his family, and have failed to offer any condolences.

Although Mr Griffiths' 21-year-old son, also named Terry, was found deceased in a 'one-out' cell at the John Moroney Correctional Centre in early December, the department still has shed no light on the circumstances surrounding his death.

Staff from the office of NSW Minister for Corrections Phil Costa said they had no knowledge of the death and a spokesperson declined to comment, passing *The Koori Mail's* inquiry onto departmental executives.

However, DCSNSW has a strict policy of not releasing any information to the public when someone dies in detention.

Mr Griffiths said that in the 12 months

that his son was in jail, he had been moved several times, shuffled between prisons and hospital, and the frequent transfers had undermined the stability of his surroundings and the continuity of care for his mental condition.

Loss of support

He said that, after each transfer, his son suffered from a loss of support from his large, close-knit family through delays with phone account authorisations, and the difficulty posed for family visiting across large distances.

And he said that because his son had schizophrenia, support should have been

a higher priority for DCSNSW, but even practices normally adhered to by prison staff – such as not permitting him to move to a single-person cell – had not been observed.

"He was in the hospital a couple of times, but because they kept transporting him back and forth from Armidale and Inverell Court, he was just shifted about to different jails so he couldn't get the help he needed because they wouldn't keep him in one place," Mr Griffiths told *The Koori Mail*.

The young man's condition worsened while in jail, his father said, and although his son was quiet and withdrawn the last time he had seen him, he had no history of self-harm and the news had come as a shock.

Mr Griffiths said his son's death and the way it had been handled had left him feeling let down by the system.

Bullying culture

NSW Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) co-ordinator Ray Jackson said he questioned the decision to keep a vulnerable young man in a prison system known for a culture of bullying and violence, in which some inmates were only interested in 'making a name for themselves'.

He said, 'the place for a schizophrenic patient was in a mental hospital, not the prison system'.

Recent widespread concerns throughout Australia over the care of young people within the prison system, and the over-representation of Indigenous youth, have been gaining momentum.

The Federal Government is conducting an inquiry into the matter.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda last month welcomed the inquiry and called for the community and Government to consider jail as a 'last resort for Indigenous young people who, if locked up, often escalated to a life of adult crime'.

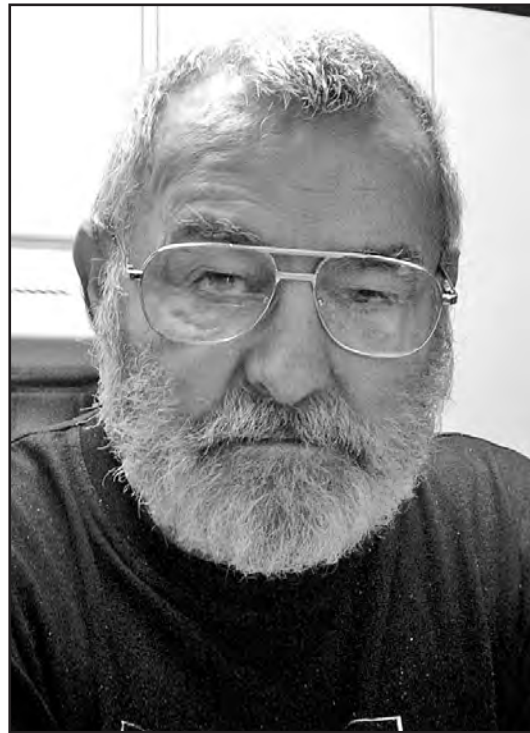
"For too long now we have accepted the over-representation of Indigenous juveniles and young adults in our prison and court systems as normal," Mr Gooda said.

"This inquiry could really help to turn the tide by looking into the life-saving and cost-saving potential of approaches such as justice reinvestment which diverts a portion of funds earmarked for imprisonment expenditure to local communities with a high concentration of offenders.

"Clearly, when we have 25 per cent of the total prisoner population comprising Indigenous peoples and a staggering 82 per cent of the NT prison population comprising Indigenous people, we need to do things differently."

The 2009 report from NSW social justice advocacy group, Justice Action, said more funding was available for cells than to support families, and recidivism rates among young people in NSW were high.

Brett Collins, who heads the group, said disadvantage for young people in the prison system could be better countered via greater mentoring and vocational training options, which offered pride and independence.



NSW ISJA co-ordinator Ray Jackson.

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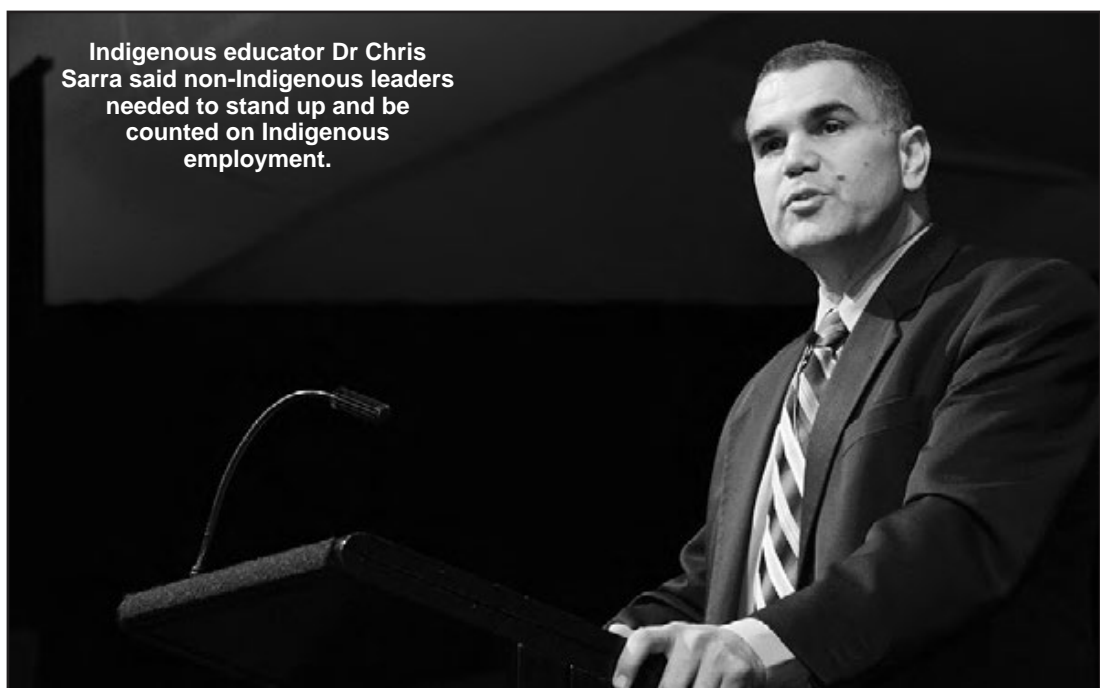
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Indigenous educator Dr Chris Sarra said non-Indigenous leaders needed to stand up and be counted on Indigenous employment.



Forum for the future

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



LEADING Indigenous educator Dr Chris Sarra was amongst Indigenous and non-Indigenous business leaders who attended a recent Canberra forum aimed at closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage and enhancing economic participation.

Hosted by Employment Participation Minister Mark Arbib at Parliament House last week, the 'Indigenous Employment: Everyone's Business' forum focused on key school to work transitions, recruitment and retention strategies, training, mentoring and building Indigenous enterprise.

Dr Sarra said he was heartened to see a majority of non-Indigenous participants as it signalled a commitment to Indigenous issues and a real shift in attitudes.

"This was really the strength of the forum, if things are going to shift dramatically then our non-Indigenous leaders need to stand up and say enough is enough," Dr Sarra said.

"We need to embrace a new understanding that takes us beyond the master/slave relationship, that people were there and ready to hear the conversation about this is positive."

Dr Sarra said culture was fundamental to Indigenous economic participation.

"The most fundamental thing is our engagement with modern society and the economy shouldn't mean relinquishing our cultural identity, there's also the realisation that we need to engage with young, Indigenous kids earlier," he said.

Minister Arbib said the forum brought government together with Indigenous business, major banks, top law firms, major retailers, large mining and resource companies, transport organisations and media and communications companies.

"This event provided an excellent forum for business leaders to come together to network, share ideas and knowledge, and show their commitment to increasing employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians," Mr Arbib said.

He said the forum had also played an important role in encouraging Australian business to play a part in Indigenous economic development.

Mr Arbib also recently announced enhanced

opportunities for Indigenous communities to engage in government projects delivered in their area, in a move he said would encourage corporate social responsibility for Indigenous employment and training.

The Minister said that from 1 July, government tenders for projects worth more than \$5 million, and \$6 million for construction projects in regions with significant Indigenous populations must include plans for employing and training local Indigenous people and use of Indigenous suppliers.

He said the enhanced Indigenous Opportunities Policy formed part of the Government's commitment to halving Indigenous unemployment within a decade.

In Western Australia, Shadow Indigenous Affairs Minister Roger Cook called on the State Government to sign up to a national plan to secure 50,000 jobs for Indigenous Australians.

Mr Cook said Queensland was the first State to sign up to Australia's National Employment Covenant.

The covenant is an industry-based initiative between employers, the Federal Government and Indigenous people, established by Fortescue Metals CEO Andrew Forrest to assist companies employ Indigenous people in mainstream and non-specified positions.

"The Queensland Government's decision to get on board the covenant will boost employment of Indigenous people in Queensland's public sector by more than 2,800 over three years," Mr Cook said.

"If this target was applied in Western Australia it would more than double the number of Indigenous people employed."

Mr Cook said WA's public service needed to set an example to the rest of the community. However, the number of Indigenous people employed in the sector had declined from 3.3 per cent (2507) in 2008 to 2.3 per cent (1776) in 2009.

"If the Premier and Indigenous Affairs Minister Kim Hames were serious about addressing Indigenous disadvantage they need to accept the challenge and sign up to the covenant," he said.

"Indigenous people who want to work need to be given real opportunities and by increasing the number of Indigenous families in employment will help to break intergenerational cycles of unemployment and poverty," Mr Cook said.

"It is also vital for Indigenous Western Australians to develop skills that are transferable and recognised by industry."



Employment Participation Minister Mark Arbib



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The IPSS model provides services by skilled family support workers and early childhood workers. The parent-child services target families with children aged up to twelve years old with a particular focus on children under the age of two. Service providers are required to help Indigenous parents overcome barriers to good family relationships, provide support to families and their children through transitions to child care, pre-school and primary school and pro-actively address social, cultural, personal, historical, financial and health factors that can present barriers to effective parenting.

Funding is available to 30 June 2011 with a budget of up to \$109,777.50 for 2009/10 and up to \$156,825 per annum (excl GST) for 2010/11. Funding is per community.

Conditions of participation: This selection process is open to all not-for-profit legal entities. Local government may also apply.

Implementation of the above services is expected to commence as soon as possible.

Application packs can be obtained by visiting www.fahcsia.gov.au/grantsfunding.

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Questions about the IPSS model or selection process may be asked of the Department via email to childrenandparentingservices@fahcsia.gov.au.

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The purpose of this funding is for services to actively participate in decisions made by the department regarding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people throughout each phase of the statutory child protection system.

Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander managed organisations are eligible to apply for both categories of funding. The department encourages proposals where partnering approaches enhance service delivery.

Applicants are asked to discuss their proposal with the department's regional office community support team manager responsible for the locality in which the applicants wish to submit for funding:

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New Doomadgee inquest to start



SISTERS Elizabeth and Victoria Doomadgee were last week preparing themselves for

the beginning of a new inquest into the death in custody of their brother Cameron 'Mulrunji' Doomadgee this week.

Mulrunji died in police custody at the Palm Island watchhouse in 2004, sparking a wave of community concern.

The first inquest into his death, conducted in 2006 by Coroner Christine Clements, found that Snr Sgt Chris Hurley had caused Mulrunji's death by punching him as he lay on the watchhouse floor. Mr Doomadgee suffered massive internal injuries and his spleen was almost severed.

Snr Sgt Hurley was later charged with manslaughter, but was acquitted by a Townsville jury in June 2007.

The new inquest, which



Sisters Elizabeth (left) and Victoria Doomadgee.

was due to start on Palm Island on Monday, was ordered last year after Townsville District Court Judge Bob Pack set aside Ms Clements' findings after the police officer appealed.

It was due to move to Townsville for the remainder of the week before a sitting in Brisbane.

Mulrunji's sisters were reluctant to talk about the

inquest when *The Koori Mail* caught up with them at Palm Island last Thursday.

They said they would make a comment to the media after the coroner had handed down a decision in the matter.

However, they agreed to have their photo taken and said they would be attending the sittings both on Palm and in Townsville.

Koompahtoo faces closure

By BRITTA LYSTER



THE New South Wales Government is considering public submissions about the proposed shutdown of the troubled Koompahtoo Local Aboriginal Land Council (KLALC) at Fennell Bay, near Lake Macquarie.

On 9 February, State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch proposed the dissolution of the land council and gave parties 21 days to make submissions. Mr Lynch's announcement followed advice from the Crown Solicitor and the Registrar of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act.

Koompahtoo has been under administration continuously for seven years, the longest continuous period of administration of a local Aboriginal land council in the history of the NSW land rights legislation.

It was placed in the hands of Newcastle insolvency practitioners Lawler Partners in February 2003 after the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) investigated the conduct of some land council representatives in relation to several property dealings between 1997 and 2002.

The Lake Macquarie Aboriginal community is now grappling with the land council's likely demise.

A meeting of about 30 people at Bolton Point Town Hall late last month expressed concerns that the Minister's decision would be guided only by the actions of a minority but the broader community would suffer in the long run.

Local Elder and 40-year Westlakes resident Uncle Bob Sampson said community members were so concerned that they planned to establish a tent embassy on the Toronto Foreshore.

"Hopefully will be able to get around to our young people and other members of the board to forward their submissions," he said before the end of the submission period last week.

"We've only been given 21 days to do it and that's a pretty short amount of time. Already, we're planning to ask for a three month extension to get our submissions in off all the other local members."

At the time *The Koori Mail* went to print, it was not known if such a request had been made, or was being considered.

The New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council's representative for the Sydney/Newcastle region Roy Ah See said last week Aboriginal communities needed to reject corruption, bad behaviour and maladministration and KLALC needed to face the consequences of some of its past decisions.

'Not a white concept'

"That's not a white concept of governance, it's an ethic that has been part of the fabric of Aboriginal society since time began," Mr Ah See said.

But he warned the Government against 'throwing the baby out with the bath water' if it went ahead with the proposed dissolution of 'a ship that was holed by the activities of a few'.

"If the Minister does move against Koompahtoo, I will not support its permanent demise," Mr Ah See said. "...You don't tackle corruption by dispensing with democracy. You tackle corruption by meeting the wrong doers head-on, and then starting again."

"In the case of Koompahtoo, if it is dissolved I would support moves to reconstitute the council. We can rebuild Koompahtoo, we can shut out the wrong doers and we stamp out the corruption. This is a message we all should support."

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

Some of those matters remain before the courts.

Slam dunk!

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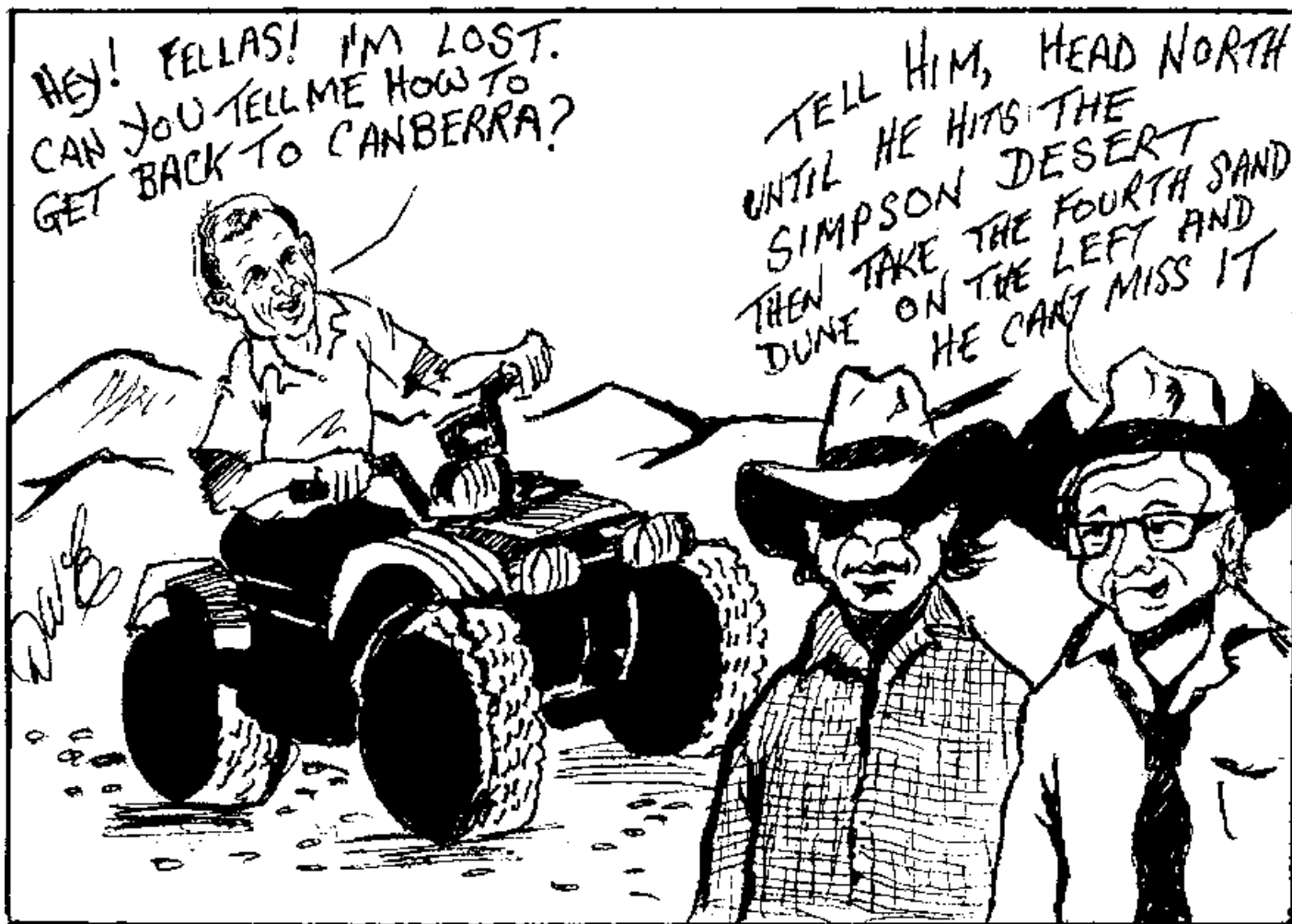
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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



MICHAEL APPO
Lismore, NSW
Artist

Favourite bush tucker?
Barramundi.

Favourite other food?
Prawns, anything seafood.

Favourite drink?
Mango Smoothie.

Favourite music?
I enjoy all music, but Australian music is my favourite, Paul Kelly is good.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Swimming, walking, anything that gives me a break from my art.

What is your favourite holiday destination?
Jerusalem Creek is a good spot, all of Bundjalung National Park really.

What are you reading?
Newspapers mainly, I'm not much of a reader.

What are you watching?
Seinfeld and *Get Smart*.

What has been the greatest highlight of your life so far?
When my son Rory was born, he's 12 now.

What do you like in life?
Peace and quiet and peace of mind

What do you dislike?
Violent people.

Who would you most like to meet and why?
Bob Marley, just to find out about his philosophy on life.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
It would have to be one of my favourite artists Albert Namatjira. I would like to know what inspired him with his painting.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
I'd like to see more Aboriginal people stand up and take more ownership over their own lives rather than relying on the Government.

Quote



'Some of this land has been waiting for title transfer for more than two decades.'

– NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott on land transfer delays in NSW

See Page 4

Unquote

Promises, promises

It has been a fortnight for making or at least trading on them, but not necessarily delivering.

Last week, the NSW Government was talking up the claims process under the State's Aboriginal Land Rights Act.

Lands Minister Tony Kelly was pretty chuffed with the fact that the Government had recently cleared all claims lodged in the first decade of the Act's operation, to 1993.

Not so thrilled, however, was the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC), which revealed that most of the 1300 claims dealt with in the past 18 months had been knock backs. Good for some, then, but clearly not blackfellas.

NSWALC will probably appeal quite a few of those knock backs and has warned that it has a pretty good record – a success rate of four in five – in such matters.

And it says, despite the Government patting itself on the back, there's still another 16,000 land claims waiting in the wings and at the current pace it'll take another 25 years to deal with them. Read 'deal with', not just refuse them.

NSWALC reps were expecting to word up the Premier on the subject this week so watch this space.

Another area that strikes us as prone to a bit too much spin at the moment is



Aboriginal employment, especially when it comes to pledges or commitments of jobs rather than the real thing.

We'll explore this issue further in future editions but make the point that while pledges sound nice and might make hearts swell, you can't bank them and they won't put food on the table or petrol in the tank.

On our side of the ledger, Indigenous Australia also has a lot to live up to with last fortnight's opening of the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern in Sydney.

Redfern has had more than its fair share of bad press over the years so we were especially thrilled to give it some great press this edition.

May the Centre, its staff and all community members, students and others who pass through its gates find more and more truth to its underpinning philosophy that to be Indigenous is to be excellent and successful.

Promises, promises.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

By DARREN COYNE

Shaun Edwards is a man of many hats ... and at times, wigs. As a young Cape York leader he has fought against legislation locking up his country from economic development; been educated both traditionally and academically; worked as a successful artist; been involved in public health campaigns; and he has also been instrumental in the formation of groups aimed at empowering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

It could be said that Edwards bears a weight of responsibility that many his age might find difficult to bear – but he has no qualms urging other young Aboriginal people to step up and tackle the challenges they face.

Born in Mareeba in 1975, Edwards grew up in Cairns, where he completed schooling and tertiary art studies.

During those years as a young artist his style brought him to the attention of galleries throughout Australia, and he has held exhibitions around the world.

He was making good money but in an effort to understand his true identity and cultural responsibility he returned to his homeland, as a young teenager.

It was the early 90s and he had a burning desire to undertake spiritual and customary training from senior Kokoberrin Elders, who are the traditional owners for the Staaten River area traditionally known as Pinnarinch.

Although he knew his grandmother well, it was at a family funeral in the Gulf of Carpentaria that he met his great grandfather, Kenny Jimmy.

Kenny Jimmy gave him the bush name, Kalk, which means freshwater fishing spear, and set about teaching Edwards the skills he would need to look after country, and to speak for his people.

"My great grandparents taught me everything. I learnt language, bush medicine, using the right wood, plants and animals ... all of which gave me strength," he said.

"Without a strong cultural background we do suffer, and I was keen to know as much about my culture as possible."

Throughout the 90's he worked on a range of projects including a language dictionary, recording land and bush medicines. He also recorded the traditional songs of the Kokoberrin.

That traditional education was coupled with a strong academic background. He is currently preparing for his PhD, having just completed a Masters of Philosophy in Public Health at the University of Sydney.

Preserving culture

His passion revolves around 'the preservation of culture, and using culture to better strategically place us'.

"I've always been a change agent and I'm not satisfied with the way I see things panning out for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," he said.

As part of his journey so far, Edwards coordinated major health campaigns, lectured at university and helped form groups such as the Indigenous Environment Foundation and the House of Blackstar in Sydney, which supports Indigenous performers.

It was at a Mardi Gras event in Sydney that *The Koori Mail* caught up with Edwards, who was decked out in a costume with possibly the largest afro wig available.

He had founded the House of Blackstar with a couple of mates two years ago as a group to empower and support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who are often alienated from the mainstream.

Its specific aim is to support and empower Indigenous gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) and Sistergirl communities by elevating their overall sense of health and wellbeing.

"It came about out of a need to promote black performance in Sydney," he said.

"Blackstar is about developing careers in a black space, and that's where we are focusing our energy ... in industry development.

"If your only skill is to be a performing artist, then let's support that, take it further



Shaun Edwards cooking bream in bark, at Topsy Creek, Kowanyama.

An agent of change

and package them to get into the Sydney Dance Company or university.

"An important message is that you don't need drugs or alcohol to make you happy. You can be strong and deadly, and knowing who you are is a way to grow and look after yourself."

"Sexuality is not our focus. It's about enhancing our skills and people. Making sure there's support for our people."

The problem as always, is gaining ongoing funding for many of these projects, and Edwards said he would encourage corporate support wherever possible.

"Large corporations have a social responsibility, and this is an area where they could really help out."

And while 'the House', and his other responsibilities have kept him extremely busy in recent years, he is not about to rest on his laurels.

That's because he remains impatient to see real change for his community and others.

"I don't want to be an old man being brought down to Canberra as an Elder, fighting the same battles," Edwards said.

The battles he refers to include the ongoing fight against the Queensland Government's Wild Rivers legislation, which came about as a result of backroom deals between conservation groups and the Queensland Labor Party, desperate for green votes.

Many of those skirmishes have been fought alongside his cousin Tania Major, and he has worked closely with, and believes in the 'Noel Pearson' approach towards empowering Indigenous people.

Although living in Sydney, Edwards makes regular trips back to his country to fulfil cultural responsibilities and to help with the Wild Rivers campaign.

But there are other issues just as pressing which play on his mind such as the effects of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders within communities and the impacts of rising sea levels brought about by climate change.

"I don't want to be sitting on the doorstep with the water coming up to my property and not being able to do anything," he said. "Now is the time to make changes."

"I'd like to see some younger people

pushing governments, to get the voices out there.

"The older community has dropped off the scene and there's an opening for young people to step up and use their education and start voicing their opinions. It would be a new level of leadership for Indigenous Australia.

"I see one or two or three of us doing it, but not from all over."

Edwards maintains the issues, especially climate change, require an urgent response.

"We already have water rising in Kowanyama ... and likewise for those in the Torres Strait. At high tide water runs right through some islands.

"These issues are on the doorstep ... Torres Strait Islanders will end up coming to the mainland and with Wild Rivers taking over Aboriginal-designated land there will be less for environmental refugees.

"There's no doubt Wild Rivers has put us on a back foot but we are seeing hope.

"We're hoping that it's not long before we can revoke Wild Rivers and unearth the issues that we've found out along the way.

"Issues around the governments playing with people's lives. Doing deals and not taking Aboriginal people seriously.

"We are Australians and it's Australia's responsibility to ensure that Indigenous people are brought up to the standards of the mainstream community."

Artistic responsibilities

Edwards still finds time to produce art, which he describes as both a hobby and a responsibility.

"Most men and women are artists, it's just part of being a Kokoberrin person. Everyone in the family is an artist whether they are making spears, dilly bags ... I do painting."

"I've got an exhibition in Cairns at the new Canopy Art Space in March and recently had a successful show at the Hogarth Gallery in Sydney with my sister Lisa Michl.

"I found a new medium for that ... more pastels and ochre on paper ... no-one else was doing that in my community and that's important to me, doing something different."

Slipping on his public health hat, he outlines a vision.

"I'd like to see no more Elders dying of diseases they should not be. No more babies dying of Rotor Virus, Scabies or Chicken Pox. No older people dying from Salmonella poisoning.

"I want to see a public health service identifying and addressing the needs of Indigenous people living on country, a service which incorporates traditional knowledge and methods, and values our own systems."

All that might seem a lot to expect, but Edwards is confident that the young leaders set to emerge from Cape York will succeed.

"There is a lot who haven't stepped up to the mark yet," he said.

"We have trained hundreds of young people through the Cape York Institute's leadership program, many of whom were involved with the Indigenous Environment Foundation.

"The Foundation is now a social leadership organization because the young people didn't want to be constantly just fighting the Wilderness Society.

"There is a bigger agenda for us, which is not just about conservation, it's about inclusion.

"The leadership program has been running a number of years, and now it is up to those young leaders to start talking out and not hiding in the background."

Asked if he would consider a career in politics, Edwards admits that he has toyed with the idea.

"I'm interested but it would have to be an Aboriginal political campaign. I don't want to be lost in the game play (of mainstream parties)," he said.

"I would prefer a movement with a strong sense of unity and support. Something bringing about real change."

There's that word change again! But then, with Shaun Edwards, an agent of change, you get the impression anything is possible.

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CALL FOR REGISTRATION OF INTEREST KATOOMBA

Root Projects Australia, on behalf of the Coles Group will be constructing the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre and Multi Use Development at Katoomba.

RPA seeks the registration of Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people who wish to be consulted on Aboriginal cultural heritage matters relating to the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre project.

The cultural heritage assessment will result in an application being made for a section 87 permit and any subsequent section 90 consent under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974.

The development site is bounded by Parke Street, College Lane and Pryor Place, Katoomba and is the subject of the consultation process for the s87 and s90 permit applications.

Registrations from Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people wishing to be consulted must be received by phone or in writing by 24 March 2010

To register your interest, please contact:

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Newtown NSW 2042

Phone 02 9558 0220 Email: info@banksiaheritage.com



Indigenous Community Interest Sought for Safer Roads Project

Expressions of interest are being sought from Indigenous communities across Australia interested in looking at ways to improve road safety in their community.

Funding has been made available through Austroads for The George Institute for International Health to conduct a Safe Systems audit for an Indigenous community, leading to a local area strategy to improve road safety. Support will be sought from the relevant State or Territory government to provide support towards implementation of the recommendations in future phases of the project.

The audit will assess the safety of local roads, vehicles, speeds, road user behaviour and the way road safety is managed in your area. Eligible communities will need to have clear geographical boundaries for the audit, and have a working party, community council or equivalent group of community representatives who would welcome this initiative and be available to engage in the project.

For further details or to register your interest, please email safesystems@george.org.au or call 02 9657 0361.

Expressions of interest close March 22, 2010



Aboriginal Heritage Additional crossing of the Clarence River, Grafton

The Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW (RTA) has recommended studies either side of the existing bridge to identify a preferred option for an additional crossing of the Clarence River at Grafton.

The RTA seeks the registration of Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people who wish to be consulted on Aboriginal cultural heritage matters relating to an additional crossing of the Clarence River at Grafton.

The cultural heritage assessment may result in the RTA applying for a section 87 permit and/or a section 90 consent under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, and may also be used in the assessment of the impact of the project under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.

Registrations from Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people wishing to be consulted must be received by phone or in writing by **Monday 23 March 2010.**

To register your interest, please contact: Stephen Williamson, on (02) 6640 1018; email Stephen_williamson@rta.nsw.gov.au or post to PO Box 576 Grafton NSW 2460.

What did you say??

I'VE come back out of summer hibernation to an overflowing inbox, a zillion Facebook friend requests and a mile-long list of things to do on my website. I deleted half my inbox, rejected all my 'Friend Suggestions' on Facebook, but I'm leaving the website until another day – can't move too quickly or I might get a headspin!

Now I'm back in the swing of things and in need of a little reward for being so good, I'm spending more time chatting online to people on my Facebook page.

I love online chattin' around as it brings me closer to you – people who are also lookin' for love and talkin' about love.

But not everyone wants to chat about love online.

They wanna be talking



Ms KOORI LOVE

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about dirty things and I'm not talking about smelly old footy socks. They wanna be swearing around, talking like a 'gangsta' and others things I'm sure you can imagine.

After a few of these dirty trash talk conversations, I had a yarn about it with one of my Elders. They said

'people talk nasty 'cos they're too dumb to think of something intelligent to say'.

Now that is something profound and intelligent, eh?

When in doubt, ask a trusted Elder what they think.

I agree with my Elder.

Trash talk is easy. You don't need to think too deeply about what you wanna say. You just spit out the same old tired yarns, the same old cheap one-liners that have been going around the traps for years.

To think and actually say something intelligent means you have to scrub two brain cells together – and that takes work!

Language can open doors to homes and hearts. If you gonna be trying to talk up to someone to get to know them, have a yarn about where you from and where you going; what you did

yesterday and what you doing tomorrow. Talk about things that matter to you.

Of course, there's still a place for gammin' around and having a joke with someone you trying to chat up.

I'm no innocent flower, I can still tell a good yarn and joke around.

But there's no place for trash talk when you trying to get to know some stranger online.

I'll be waiting on Facebook to have a good ole yarn and laugh with you, so swing by soon eh!

You can tell a lot about a person by the things they yarn up about.

What do you yarn up about to people you trying to hook up with?

Give Ms Koori Love some pointers at www.mskoorilove.com.au

Footy greats push for jobs

THE successful Former Origin Greats (FOGs) Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo will return to Queensland this year as part of an ongoing campaign to close education and employment gaps between the state's Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

A series of seven expos will be staged, with the event to be held on the Gold Coast for the first time before returning to Cairns, Rockhampton, Mount Isa, Mackay, Brisbane and Townsville.

Each event will feature appearances by a host of high-profile former State of Origin players.

As well as rubbing shoulders with rugby league royalty, the expos will provide Indigenous job-seekers and school leavers with an opportunity to connect with some of Australia's largest

employers and training providers.

The 2009 FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo series attracted 10,500 Indigenous job-seekers and resulted in 2500 interviews with Indigenous candidates and 200 candidates placed in employment or training positions.

The series featured appearances by Origin legends, including Wally Lewis, Mal Meninga, Allan Langer, Darren Lockyer, Johnathan Thurston, Wendell Sailor, Arthur Beetson and Gene Miles.

Try-a-Trade

Funded by the Australian Government and supported by Construction Skills Queensland, the 2010 FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo will provide visitors with the opportunity to receive advice from Origin legends throughout the day and also experience

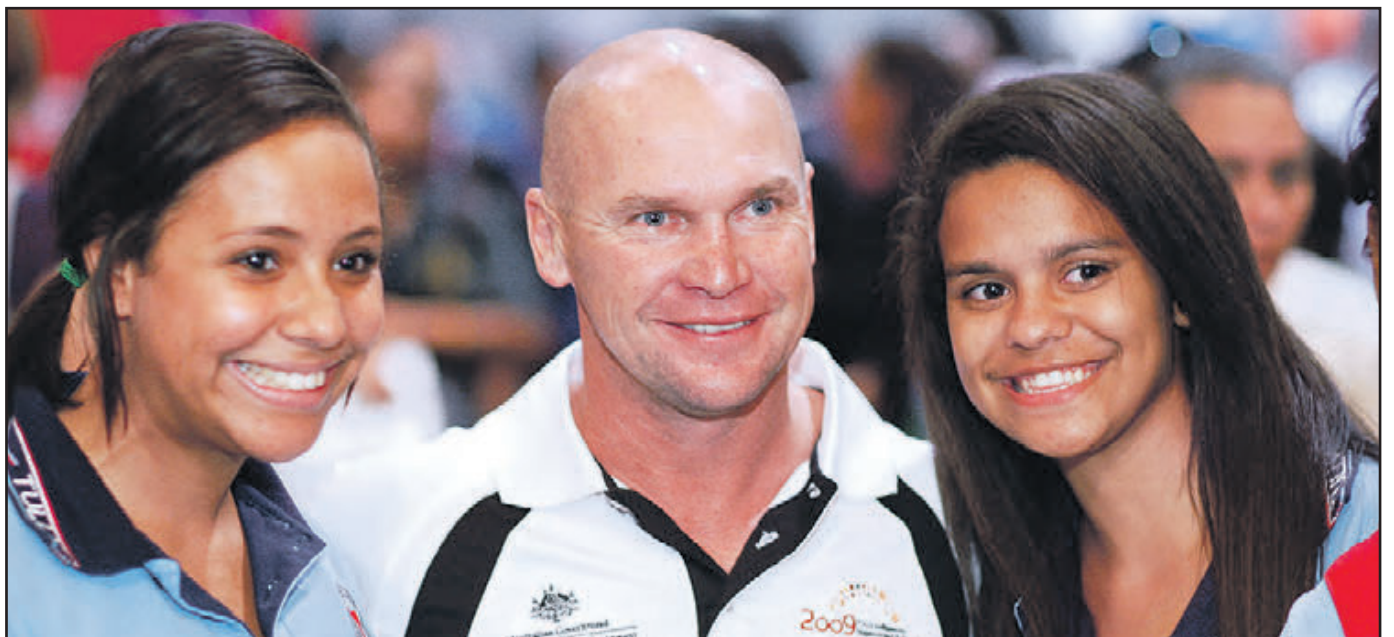
a new Try-a-Trade display that will enable visitors to try the skills required in the construction, automotive, hospitality and health and beauty industries.

FOGs Executive Chairman Gene Miles said the return of the event was part of FOGs' ongoing commitment to promoting Indigenous employment.

"FOGs and the Australian Government understand that closing the education and employment gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Queenslanders requires a continued commitment," Mr Miles said.

"Last year's event resulted in 200 candidates securing employment and training positions and we look forward to more positive outcomes in 2010."

For more information about the 2010 FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo, including dates, visit the FOGs' website: www.fogs.com.au



Former Origin Great Allan Langer with two Indigenous school leavers at the 2009 FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo.



Brian Bates, of Broken Hill, writes in support of Michael Anderson (pictured), who spoke out in our 10 February edition on 'elitist Aboriginals'. His letter is on Page 25

Community in control the key

RUBY HUNTER



Farewell to a great woman

I WOULD like to express my condolences to Ruby Hunter's family and her soul mate Archie Roach.

Ruby was a lovely lady who was friendly to all people. She was a beautiful singer and songwriter.

The songs that she and Archie wrote and sang was meaningful to all Aboriginal people.

I saw the Black Arm Band group in Cairns at Tanks. I enjoyed meeting them and also to see Ruby and Archie after last seeing them in Kuranda.

Rest in peace, beautiful lady.

CLAIRRENE GROGAN
Cairns, Qld

I WAS rather saddened to read the letters of Sidney Watts and Yamin Kogoya showing their support for the NT intervention.

I wonder if they would be as supportive if they were the ones falling victim to the Government's racist policies, which include welfare quarantining and having their lands taken from underneath them for the simple fact that they are Aboriginal.

As a mother, youth worker and respite carer, I totally understand the importance of protecting and nurturing our children. I also understand the importance of Aboriginal self-determination and the effect that racial discrimination can have on our people and communities.

I've listened to the stories of my Elders explaining the pain and suffering they continue to deal with after being taken from their families for the simple fact that they were Aboriginal and I've heard how humiliating it was to have your life controlled by the white man while having to line up to be given rations.

Open your eyes and look at the effect that invasion, cultural destruction, assimilation and disempowerment have had on our people. These cause the problems in our communities, not solve them.

Caring for our children and communities is something that we as a people have done since time began.

Community control is the key to tackling any issue within Aboriginal communities. Funding to build suitable housing and re-introducing bi-lingual education are ways of ensuring instant solutions.

Training up Aboriginal health workers to support

their communities and returning the land that was stolen from them are ways that the Government can assist these communities to regain self-empowerment and control.

NALA MANSELL-McKENNA
luturwita (Tasmania)



Offended by comments

I WOULD like to respond to N Williams' comment in 'Black Canberra needs to wake up and stand up' (Your Say, Page 23, KM, 10 February 2010).

Neville, I found your letter quite offensive to the 100 or so people, as you put it, who attended the Aboriginal Tent

Embassy in Canberra on Invasion Day.

My grandson and I were two of the faces in the crowd. He is very light skinned (so) would you suggest next time he wear a placard around his neck, saying 'I am Aboriginal'?

Whatever the reason black

Canberrans stayed away was their business. I feel sure the 100 or so who attended were there to support our cause be they black, white or brindle.

BEVERLEY ELPHICK
Page, ACT

Keeping Your Say short and sweet

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

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

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– EDITOR



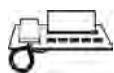
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Unhappy with Govt agency's service

I RECENTLY read with interest the reports released by the Federal Attorney-General into the Family Law reforms. I was particularly interested in the report by the Australian Institute of Family Studies into the government-funded Family Relationship centres.

These centres are supposed to help people who are trying to sort out custody and access issues with their children following a break-up and to help people avoid going to court.

The findings of the report into these centres showed that in a number of areas, they were not delivering and that in a significant number of cases they were making things worse by dragging processes out and/or not providing adequate services to people.

This was certainly my experience when using my local Family Relationship Centre. The staff at the centre were bored and disinterested and the counsellor dealing with us had no idea about the cultural issues confronting Aboriginal families.

Also, some of the advice they provided turned out to be wrong as I found out later when I got some proper legal advice.

You get three hours of free 'help' when you use one of these centres and after that they can charge you and this seemed to be the goal of this centre – constantly dragging things out and referring us to other services that were never available!

I tried to talk to the manager of the centre about this, but she was quite condescending, dismissive and judgmental of our concerns and certainly did nothing to address any of the issues we had.

Overall, going to this 'support service' made an already distressing situation even worse, especially for the children, creating uncertainty and increasing everyone's stress levels.

Having since talked to others who have used this centre, it appears ours wasn't an isolated experience.

We can only hope that the Rudd Government, when they analyse the reports that have been written, will stop wasting money on funding these sorts of non-services.

P LYNCH
Via www.koorimail.com

Canberra 'progressive'

Poetry

Shared sunset

Driving home
along the old wool road
Not long now
to our humble abode

The groceries from Bilo
on the back seat
Beside the restless hungry
dogs
who are wet from the
beach

A synchronised sigh
as we peer up ahead
Clouds apricot gold
sharply outlined in red

Bold columns of light
explode through the clouds
that float amidst a lilac
and smooth silver shroud

I reach for your hand
our palms gently kiss
I truly do treasure
moments like this.

JONATHAN HILL
Old Erowal Bay, NSW

I AM writing in response to N Williams in 'Black Canberra needs to wake up and stand up' (Your Say, Page 23, KM, 10 February 2010).

I'm originally from Canberra (Ngambri/Ngunnawal) and have spent time there in recent years. Maybe the reason why Kooris are so casual about attending the Invasion Day march is that Canberra is the least

ignorant place in the country.

Canberra – Indigenous or non-Indigenous – is the most progressive place in the country. I have seen Indigenous Australians get a far better go in Canberra than anywhere else in the country.

Aboriginal representation just isn't needed there as much as in the other capital cities

because most whitefellas in Canberra appreciate Aboriginal sovereignty.

Come to Sydney's north shore and see if you can find any Aboriginal representation at all. The place is entirely European.

J L TREDINNICK
St Ives, NSW

In soccer wilderness

I AM writing in response to D Dixon (Your Say, Page 23, KM, 10 February 2010).

I agree that our Indigenous soccer players need more exposure.

As a Noongar mother who has supported my son tirelessly over the past 12 years in the local soccer teams here in Western Australia, I would like to say a few words.

My 22-year-old son, who started playing in 1998 at the age of ten, has made history as being the first Aborigine to represent this State with the under 15 NTIC in Sydney 2002, schoolboys' teams in South Australia in 2004, the ACT in 2005, and the UK in 2006 and chosen to compete in the under 20 prestigious Torneo Viareggio Tournament in Italy in 2007.

There, he was the first Indigenous Australian player to compete and he even

got a mention in their paper.

Also, my son was in the Future Glory Development Team. He tried several times to play for the local A-League team in WA. He sent in sports resumes, trained with them and was still overlooked.

This saddens me because I know that he plays twice as hard and is better than most boys here in WA, some whom have even been selected for the A-League side here.

It has always been his dream to play for the Socceroos and Barcelona. Maybe he should try and play in Chile where his great grandfather was from, because locals have said that he is so good, he should play overseas.

I have to say, he is so good to watch on the field, and being Aboriginal, you can see those amazing skills and that raw

talent as well as his strength and speed which make fans come back time and again.

Over the years he has maintained his strength and his enthusiasm and determination for soccer despite disappointments. Once he trained with an Aussie rules club, but soon returned to soccer, his first love.

I know that there are some young Indigenous players coming up through the ranks here in the west and my son has had the pleasure of training with them and he knows soon he will have completion.

We, his family, are very proud of him. So, come on Australia, give our boys a fair go. Let them play soccer too.

LORATEEN KELLY
Via www.koorimail.com



LISTENING WITH RESPECT

Indigenous Elders play an important role at the University of Newcastle, guiding and nurturing Indigenous staff and students.

Respected Awabakal Elder Aunty Sandra Griffin is one of the University's Elders in Residence. She spends her time mentoring the young, yarning with staff and students, and sharing her experiences and wisdom.

She is modest about her activities, humble about her needs, full of energy and exceptionally bubbly at 64 years of age.

The fact that her own early schooling stopped at the age of 15 makes her sharply aware of the important opportunities the University provides to Indigenous people. Having seen larger numbers of Indigenous students than ever before going through university makes her happy. "The University has accelerated learning for our people and I thank it for that," Aunty Sandra said.

Aunty Sandra loves being a part of the Aboriginal community at the University. "To hear someone call me Aunty Sandra makes me very happy and the people here make me feel so proud."

The Elder in Residence program is a formal recognition of the value placed on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge at the University of Newcastle. The program, implemented at both our Newcastle and Central Coast campuses, gives Respected Elders the chance to share their stories and wisdom and generally provide inspiration, support and guidance to young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people.

To enquire about our Elder in Residence program please contact our Indigenous Community Engagement Officer, Jenelle Hammond on (02) 4349 4507 or email Jenelle.Hammond@newcastle.edu.au



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'Two Ways Apart'

SINCE the Prime Minister's national apology to Australia's Indigenous community, the divide between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians in NSW continues to grow with no signs of abating any time soon.

The recent article 'Don't be fooled, warns NSWALC' (KM, 10 February 2010) reported on the NSWALC's distrust of the Rudd Government because of its failure to implement evidence based policies.*1

In the article, NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton said 'there needs to be genuine partnership forged between the Federal Government and Aboriginal leaders, elected and appointed by the community. So far we have not seen much evidence of this in NSW'.

I agree with Ms Manton's comments as the lack of follow-through since the apology by State and Federal Labor governments has further marginalised the NSW Indigenous community.

Labor's fractured approach to Indigenous issues is a major factor that hampers any improvements, as does its top-down approach that too often lacks community engagement.

More so, there is growing concern and

Yet another toothless organisation

HERE we go again... a new body to advise on Aboriginal issues by select Aborigines who will be overseen by an Ethics Council, who, it appears, appointed themselves.

After watching *Message Stick* on the weekend, I am now totally convinced this new body will be as toothless as previous ones.

Good on you Michael Anderson for speaking the truth about 'elitist Aborigines', and, yes brother, they never know what the grassroots people want or need as most of them have never lived a grassroots lifestyle.

Most people get onto these committees because of who they know, not because they know anything of their real communities.

Another thing Mr Calma, why do you go on about respecting the Aboriginal way of life, yet you do not come from my tribe, and you do not talk for me?

I did not elect you or anyone else to talk on behalf of my immediate people.

At times, the most disrespectful people to Aborigines are Aborigines themselves.

It will be interesting to see who gets the call-up to the national congress.

It was also very interesting reading Michael Anderson's comment 'Looking for Answers' (KM, 24 February 2010) about how the power of money and its distribution in Aboriginal communities has brought our people down.

I would go one step further Michael, and say the disguised manipulation of our people, by our own people, is also a major factor in our cycle of woe.

In every community, there have been Aboriginal people who have committed an act of treachery to stop their own people succeeding in employment or business or whatever.

This has been done through the simple process of jealousy or to kowtow to non-Aboriginal people.

I know personally of some of our current so-called 'leaders' who have in the past denied the progress of individuals through economic or social progression while they worked for mainstream government departments, but today they are bleating about the inequities of our people.

These people should be saying sorry to their own people.

BRIAN BATES
Broken Hill, NSW

frustration amongst the NSW Indigenous community over the role of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and its Two Ways Together program.

It's not Two Ways Together in NSW, it's Two Ways Apart, as fundamental reform to improve housing administration and management, child protection, educational engagement, health outcomes and mainstream engagement has been too slow, and often misguided.

The State Plan annual report released last year revealed a negative shift in key target areas, including domestic violence, avoidable hospital treatments, reports referred to DoCS and admission rates for gastroenteritis.*2

A NSW Department of Education and

Training report revealed NSW had the worst apparent retention rates of Indigenous high school students amongst all other states and territories.*3

A recent ABS report revealed the adult Indigenous imprisonment rate is almost 17 times higher than that of the adult non-Indigenous imprisonment rate in NSW.*4

If the State Labor Government were serious about talking Indigenous issues, holistic and systemic changes would have been implemented during its 15 years in office.

The symbolic gesture of saying 'sorry' is one thing, but this Government can't keep resting on its laurels while continuously failing our Indigenous community.

Fundamentally, nothing in NSW will change until there is a change of Government.

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

*1 Don't be fooled, warns NSWALC, Koori Mail, 10/02/2010

*2 State Plan Annual Report 2008

*3 NSW Department of Education and Training 2008 Annual Report

*4 ABS: 4517.0 – Prisoners in Australia, 2009



"Working at Jabal and seeing young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students move from enrolment through to graduation is very rewarding."

LARRY BRANDY - RECRUITMENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER



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Where are TS leaders?

AFTER viewing the TV documentary *Momentum* on NITV on Tuesday (2 March 2010), about the West Australian justice system... it stinks.

When the Prime Minister made his 'Sorry' speech, some of the islands in my country, the Torres Strait, lowered the 'First Boat People's' – Australian flag – and raised the 'First Australian people's' flag – the Aboriginal flag.

When this happened, most of us had a lump in our throat and a tear in our eye for

different reasons.

Some of us felt for your mob who have been going through such an atrocious time since the whitefella came with the splitting of families and the massacres that must now be acknowledged as this country's history forever and never forgotten.

Others felt emotional because we realised how lucky we were in Torres Strait, not having had to go through such atrocious acts.

It's a pity our leaders up here in Torres Strait are so weak, otherwise we may have been as resilient as you mob.

I'm pretty sure that when Mandela took over South Africa, the WA Government offered all the redneck, apartheid-driven law-enforcement officers a job there.

At least, so it seems from the documentary I saw last night. How obvious they hide behind their foreign tongue.

Ten points for NITV for exposing those rednecks in our justice system. NITV should come to Torres Strait and question our governance on why we are so behind in academic and leadership qualities.

PAST – cannot be avoided, it could only influence our PRESENT situation, which in turn can be avoided in the FUTURE.

PATRICK MILLS
Warraber Island, Torres Strait

Australia – the lucky, or the racist country?

SOME people think that celebrating the invasion and takeover of Australia on 26 January, while ignoring the effect this has on the victims, highlights just how racist Australia really is.

When governments bulldoze ancient Aboriginal heritage to build a road, but protect any European heritage that's older than 70 years, people see it as racist.

The Indians recently created a cartoon of Australian police wearing KKK outfits in response to the constant beatings and racial taunts being committed against Indians living in Australia.

Harry Connick Jnr labelled Australia as being racist after witnessing a Jackson five skit on *Hey hey, it's Saturday*. Blogs and news sites in the UK and US agreed, calling the skit patronising and racist and expressing disbelief that it would go to air and be found funny.

Professor James Anaya, the UN Human Rights Rapporteur, stated that the Northern Territory intervention is racist and that 'consultations in their current form are manipulative and are aimed at maintaining racist legislation'.

And despite the Government having to amend the Racial Discrimination Act to be able to put the intervention into place, they still refuse to admit it is racist.

When Pauline Hanson stood up and spoke of 'one nation', many Australians realised her policies were based on pure racism. But those same people are probably amongst the many who refuse to acknowledge Aboriginal people as a separate people and that to live in Australia you must fit into 'One nation'.

To me, the answer is quite obvious. Yes, Australia is a racist country and we can't try to solve the problem while we refuse to acknowledge that the problem even exists.

NALA MANSELL-McKENNA
State Secretary, Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre

Poetry

But Wait, There's More

What you see at the entrance is just a taste of the wonders of this Alliance. There is so much more to see, but you can't afford haste. yes, it encourages dalliance.

There are famous Aboriginal artists and many that are not so well known. Musicians, painters, stitchers and ceramicists all sharing the history that they own.

Many more are celebrating the future with knowledge being passed on to Youth. Joining many Aboriginals with sutures concealing and revealing the truth.

May the Saltwater, Freshwater Alliance become more than an inaugural event. May it continue to promote compliance with old customs over and again.

I hope too it helps Aboriginal Youth embrace both their future and their past. So their bountiful story is not lost through a deafening, indifference blast.

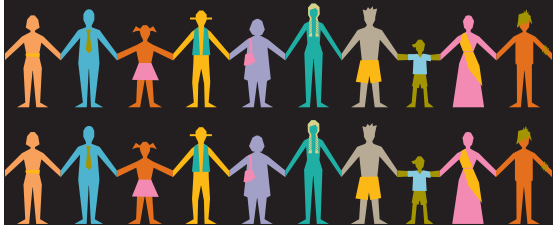
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● This poem celebrates the inaugural Saltwater, Freshwater Festival, which was held in Coffs Harbour on 26 January, Australia/Survival Day 2010.

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Booderee our best



BOODEREE National Park in NSW has taken out the top prize for Indigenous tourism at the

National 2009 Qantas Australian Tourism Awards in Hobart.

The awards ceremony on 26 February recognised the park's commitment to offering visitors the best of Jervis Bay – stunning white sands, a rich wildlife, crystal clear waters and a chance to engage with the cultural history of the region.

The judges also highly commended the park in the best tourism attraction category.

The park is jointly managed by the area's traditional owners, the Wreck Bay Aboriginal community and the Australian Government.

Indigenous people make up more than half of its staff, managing what are Australia's only Aboriginal-owned botanic gardens and working in every area of the park, from park rangers to visitor guides.

So exciting

Traditional owner and botanic gardens curator Bernie McLeod accepted the prestigious award on behalf of the Wreck Bay community and the park.

"This is just so exciting – I think the community is really going to



Neville Hampton, Darren Sturgeon, Rachel McLeod, Anthony Roberts Junior, Donna McLeod and Bernie McLeod accepting Booderee National Park's 2009 Australian Tourism Award. Photo: National Tourism Alliance

benefit from this," Mr McLeod said.

"Winning awards like this is a great achievement. Everyone has been involved – the Wreck Bay community, our families and park staff – everyone worked towards this. These awards help us show Australia what we have here at Booderee, what a special place this

is and how important it is to us. A lot of people still don't know how special this place is.

"It tells the story of everyone who has looked after this country like our Elders past and present – and it tells our future generations how important they are to become involved in looking after our country."

Tourism offerings range from self-guided walking tours and special sessions on the park's Indigenous history, bush tucker and medicine.

More than 400,000 people visited the park in 2009, taking advantage of its family friendly atmosphere, camping, bushwalking, bird and whale watching.

Seminars to explore wellbeing

A SERIES of seminars exploring 'Indigenous Wellbeing' will take place on most Mondays until 28 June at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies in Canberra.

The seminars will be held from 12.30 to 2pm in the Mabo Room in the AIATIS building, opposite the National Museum of Australia (NMA), on Acton Peninsula in Canberra.

The series of seminars will consider such questions as: What is Wellbeing in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander context? Who defines it? Are international frameworks applicable in the Australian context? How are conceptual frameworks about Wellbeing influencing policy and guiding data collection? And, what are the key indicators?

For a program go to <http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/research/seminarseries/series1.html>

Mugarinya Community Council Inc

Engagement of Consultant Community Services and Town Planning

Quotations are invited and will be received until **4:30pm on Monday 15 March 2010** from interested parties for the provision of consultancy expertise to advise on the re-positioning the Community of Yandeyarra in the Pilbara as a fully integrated suburban area of the Town of Port Hedland.

Specifications are available from:

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Sai Lim
Chief Executive Officer
Mugarinya Community Association Inc



Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program

Call for Applications for 2010/11

The Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program is an initiative of the NSW Government to encourage job opportunities and career advancement for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The aim of the program is to promote diversity, innovation and service responsiveness in the NSW workforce by reducing barriers to employment and promotion of Aboriginal People. The program is administered by the NSW Department of Education and Training.

The Department is seeking applications from eligible organisations in the NSW public, local government, private or community sectors for funding proposals under the following program elements:

The **Permanent Employment** element aims to get Aboriginal people into permanent careers in the NSW public service and local government.

The **Temporary Placement** element aims to improve career development for Aboriginal employees in the NSW public service and local government.

The **Career Development** element offers funds to make it easier for NSW public service departments and local councils to give Aboriginal employees training or other career development experiences.

The **Partnership Project** element funds special projects to create jobs for Aboriginal people within any sector.

The **Graduate Work Experience** element encourages employers to give new Aboriginal graduates a start in the workforce by subsidising a work experience placement (maximum 12 weeks) in the person's field of training. Any employer is eligible to apply, subject to the conditions in the Guidelines.

The 2010/11 application forms and program guidelines are available on the Department's website at www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/acomm or by contacting State Training Services – Aboriginal Services on (02) 9204 7400.

Applications **close Friday 26 March, 2010** and should be submitted to:

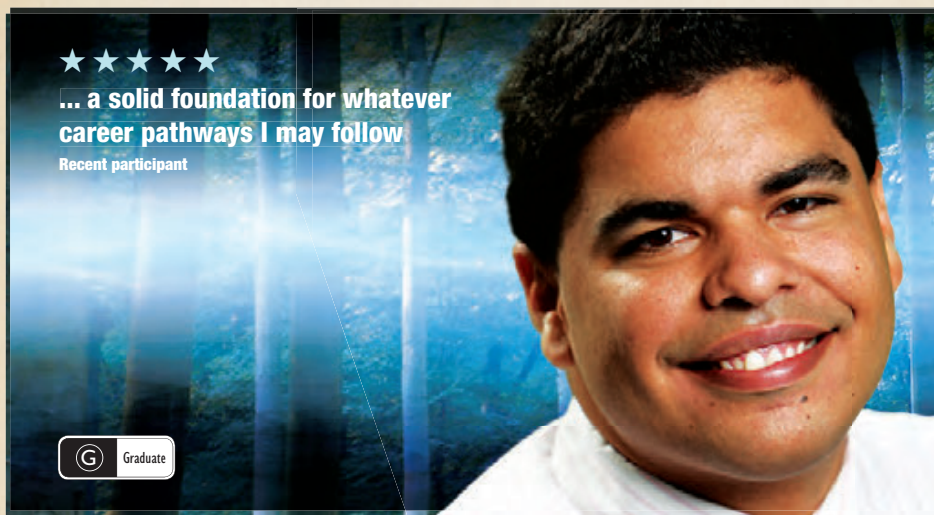
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Didjeridu is celebrated

By TODD CONDIE



THE Swiss alpine horn may be longer in length and larger in size, but the unique Australian wind instrument, the didjeridu, has been played by countless generations of Aborigines.

According to an acclaimed didjeridu player, it is the oldest drone instrument of the world.

Gnarnayarrahe Waitairie, who has played the didjeridu in cultural settings all over Australia, and has performed internationally in countries such as Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, France, Ireland and England, says the wind instrument is uniquely Australian, and when played, is instantly recognisable as a musical icon of Aboriginal peoples.

"Whenever I played the

yidaki (didjeridu), I would tell the people that this instrument helped keep our culture strong and together through our songs and dances and our Dreaming," Gnarnayarrahe said.

Gnarnayarrahe spoke with *The Koori Mail* during a break from performing at the first Melbourne Didjeridu Festival, held at the picturesque Mia Mia Gallery in Templestowe, an outer suburb of Melbourne.

One of the organisers, Peter Matic, said the idea for the festival came out of regular 'didge circles' – monthly gatherings of Indigenous and non-Indigenous didjeridu players from Melbourne, with guest appearances of advanced didjeridu players from interstate such as Mark Atkins and David Dhurruyuy.

"The origin of the idea for a festival dedicated to the didjeridu came out of a didge circle five and a half years

ago, and matches my own yearning for a direct link to Aboriginal culture," Mr Matic said.

The festival, hosted by the Mia Mia Gallery, The Didge Circle, The Pines Learning and Manningham City Council, featured workshops, stalls, and a concert showcasing the talents of Gnarnayarrahe, Kinja (featuring Ron Murray and Sarah James), and Ganga Giri.

The festival, which organisers hope will be an annual event, also focused on recognising and acknowledging that the didjeridu is traditionally an instrument that originated from Aboriginal communities in northern Australia.

Anyone wishing to participate in the next 'Didge Circle' in Melbourne can contact Peter Matic on 0408 343 433 or email pmatic@bigpond.net.au



Gnarnayarrahe Waitairie takes a breather from performing.



Stacie Piper and Auntie Doreen Carvey-Wandin, who gave the welcome to country.



Festival organisers Colin McKinnon, Peter Matic and MC Dean Frenkel.



Ricky Drill at the festival with sons Matthew and Cooper.



Ron Murray with his son, Brady.

James Christian in top Aboriginal Affairs role



THE New South Wales Department of Aboriginal Affairs (DAA) has a new person at the helm after its long-standing chief executive officer Jody Broun returned to Western Australia for family reasons.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch said Ms Broun's replacement, James Christian, was a proud member of the NSW

Aboriginal community who had an extensive background in large human services agencies and had spent a period as a Deputy Director-General in Ageing, Disability and Home Care.

Mr Christian was also previously CEO of the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office and CEO of Victorian Aboriginal Legal Services (VALS).

He holds a Masters in Public Administration and Graduate

qualifications in Management and Policy.

"James will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Aboriginal Affairs portfolio," Mr Lynch said.

The Minister also paid tribute to Ms Broun.

"During her seven years as head of Aboriginal Affairs, Ms Broun has overseen the development and implementation of the Two Ways Together

Aboriginal Affairs Plan, worked closely with the NSW Aboriginal Lands Council on reform of the ALRA and implemented the \$240 million dollar Aboriginal Community Development Program," he said.

In stepping down, Ms Broun said she wanted to recognise the dedication and support of staff who had worked tirelessly to make a difference to the lives of Aboriginal people in NSW.



JAMES CHRISTIAN

Qld agreement recognises Jangga people



THE Jangga people and three north Queensland regional councils have signed an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA).

The agreement relates to infrastructure development, terms of access and consultation protocols over 20,700 sq kms under a native title claim.

The National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT) registered the legally binding agreement on 11 February between the Jangga people, Charters Towers Regional Council, Isaac Regional Council and Whitsunday Regional Council. It covers the Jangga People's traditional country centred on the township of Mt Coolon, 120kms west of Mackay and 150kms south of Townsville.

Tribunal member Graham Fletcher, who mediated between the groups, said the ILUA recognised the Jangga people as the traditional owners of the area and established how they would work with the three local governments in the future.

"The agreement gives the groups certainty about the protection of their rights and clarity about how they will carry out their business on a day-to-day basis," he said.

"The Jangga people are assured their cultural heritage will be protected as the councils have agreed to include the Jangga people in their decision-making processes about matters that could impact on their rights.

"Clear terms about access have been developed for the councils to follow when developing infrastructure, such as roads and buildings, and providing services to the communities.

"The parties are to be congratulated for reaching agreement over such a large area. The solid working relationship they built during the negotiation process stands them in good stead for the successful implementation of the ILUA." Across Australia 402 ILUAs have been registered with the Tribunal, with 214 of these agreements made in Queensland.

A wicked act

By DARREN COYNE

JAMES Smith is having a 'wicked' time in Sydney.

Originally from Albury in NSW, James is playing the role of Boq in the Sydney season of *Wicked the Musical*, which tells the story of the Witches of Oz.

He was an understudy for the Melbourne season, but has now stepped up into the role, which requires eight performances a week.

"The character Boq is a munchkin who falls in love with Glinda the good witch, but she doesn't give him any attention," Mr Smith said.

"In the second act he gets angry and bitter and eventually becomes a character that people may recognise from the Wizard of Oz."

The 26-year-old is no stranger to the stage.

"I've been acting all my life and all I've ever wanted to do is sing," he said.

Mr Smith graduated from the Ballarat Arts Academy with a Bachelor of Arts in Music Theatre Performance.

As a singer/songwriter, he has recorded a number of albums.

His latest, *Hurrying Home*, is an original album that he plans to promote throughout the year. He has toured regional Victoria and Melbourne showcasing his music and is currently working on a covers album.

"I only get Mondays off so I try to work on the album then," he told *The Koori Mail*.

He has studied many vocal styles including pop, rock, jazz, opera, country and musical theatre.

Shows include *Rent*, *Songs for a New World*, *Merrily We Roll Along*, *The Wild Blue*, *42nd Street*, *Kiss me Kate*, and Shoosh's production of *Pageant* –

The Musical.

Mr Smith said his Aboriginality came from his father's side.

"My Nan is an Aboriginal woman, from Wiradjuri country, near Condobolin," he said.

"I've been out and met the family, which is huge. It's hard to keep up with that side. I've also got a brother and two sisters, all younger."

Mr Smith said his parents had given him the inspiration to chase his dreams as a performer.

Growing up

"It was Dad who got me into music. He taught me guitar and it was all about music growing up. He also taught me the didgeridoo but I need more practice," he said.

"Now he's a bit jealous because he wanted to do what I do. But back then it wasn't really an option.

"My mother Debbie has also been a huge part of my performing life. She enrolled me in drama and has never missed a show.

"My brother and sisters are also very supportive. Everyone's proud of me, which is great. That's what makes me feel successful."

In 2007 Mr Smith sailed the Bahamas as lead singer with Royal Caribbean Productions.

"I was sailing around the Bahamas for seven months and it got a bit like the *Big Brother* house, but it was great to be travelling. It was hurricane season, so it was rough but you get used to it," he said.

It was while sailing that he saw the musical *Wicked* and knew he wanted to be part of it.

"I loved it and got my agent to get me an audition," he said. "I did three and got in."



JAMES SMITH



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Nyikina tongue is alive in Kimberley



BROOME resident Patricia Warbie says she always wanted to play an active role in keeping the Nyikina language from the Derby area alive.

So it's no wonder she's excited to have embarked upon a three-year degree course in Language and Linguistics through the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education, south of Darwin.

Last month, Patricia and fellow Broome resident Shanlee Edgar left home to travel to Bachelor for their first three-week workshop in Language and Linguistics.

Patricia is currently a trainee at the Nyikina Language and Culture Hub in Broome, and will be applying her new skills to developing more language instruction materials in Nyikina.

Shanlee, meanwhile, will be increasing her knowledge of the Yawuru language, which is taught in schools around Broome.

"It's very exciting," Patricia said. "I learned to speak Nyikina from my grandmother and have always wanted to play an active part in keeping the language alive. I want to teach my grandchildren a living language that makes them proud of their identity."

Shanlee agreed, adding that studying the course would not only enable her to learn her traditional language through investigation, but would also give her the understanding to be able to teach others.

The Batchelor degree course will teach the pair to look at their respective languages objectively in relation to Australia's variety of Indigenous languages.

They will have intensive two and three-week workshops with other students from all over Australia and then return to the Kimberley to complete assignments in Nyikina and Yawuru.

The Nyikina Language and Culture Hub was established last October by Indigenous organisation Madjulla Inc. Its original purpose was to complete the Nyikina Dictionary, which has been developed over the past seven years using the work of Dr Bronwyn Stokes and interviews with current speakers.

The hub supports two trainees who are learning the skills necessary to keep the hub operating once the contracts of the current consultant staff come to an end in June this year.

Maureen Pigram, also a trainee, is undertaking studies in office skills and art at Broome TAFE and will gain on-the-job training in specialist programs that assist in the transcription of recorded stories, making videos and managing photographic images.

Details of products, which include two books of Nyikina stories and a CD of information about bush plants of Nyikina country along the lower Fitzroy River can be found at www.majalla.com.au or by phoning (08) 9193 5722.



Shanlee Edgar, left, and Patricia Warbie.

Funds to take on smoking



FOURTEEN sites across the country will be supported under the second funding round of a Federal program aimed at reducing smoking rates among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

On Friday, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon announced \$10.7 million in funding for anti-tobacco campaigns and prevention projects under the Australian Government's Indigenous Tobacco Control Initiative.

"Half of Indigenous adults are smokers, and the rate of smoking in the Indigenous population is about twice the rate of the non-Indigenous population," Mr Snowdon said at the Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation in Katherine, south of Darwin.

"That needs to change.

"The initiatives range from starting up a Quit Café, establishing support groups for new parents, promoting role models, to offering counselling to get their message across.

"These projects are based on innovative and culturally-appropriate, community-based approaches. They are also in areas which have higher than average smoking rates.

"They tackle a variety of Indigenous groups. Teenagers, pregnant women, families and homeless people are among the target audiences."

The funding round will grant:

- \$805,688 to the Gippsland and East Gippsland Aboriginal Co-operative (Vic)
- \$290,458 to the Latrobe Community Health Service (Latrobe Valley, Vic)
- \$934,757 to the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (Vic)
- \$331,298 to Mission Australia – Sydney CBD/Parramatta LGA (NSW)
- \$635,726 to Maari Ma Aboriginal Health Corporation (Western NSW)
- \$3,000,000 to Bila Muuji Regional Aboriginal Health Service (Central and Western NSW)



Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon

- \$709,516 to Mid North Coast (NSW) Division of General Practice (NSW)
- \$480,000 to the Cancer Council Queensland (Qld)
- \$525,875 to Darling Downs Shared Care Inc (Toowoomba, Qld)
- \$477,469 to the Asthma Foundation of WA (WA)
- \$1,000,000 to the Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation (Katherine, NT)
- \$761,300 to Menzies School of Health Research (Darwin, NT)
- \$742,061 to the South Metropolitan Public Health Unit, South Metropolitan Area Health Service, WA Department of Health (Perth, WA)
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SWALSC Chairperson Graeme Minter (left), WA Government representative Michael Mischin and SWALSC CEO Glen Kelly at the signing of the framework agreement at Parliament House in Perth in December.

Consultations on Nyoongar settlement

By KEN BOASE in Perth



THE Southwest Aboriginal Land and Sea Council (SWALSC) has begun a round of community consultations in

preparation for final negotiations with the West Australian Government over native title issues.

The Federal Court recognised Nyoongar Native Title in 2006 but the decision was overturned on a technicality, although the question of recognition of native title was left open, prompting the Barnett Coalition Government to offer the chance for a final settlement.

WA Attorney-General Christian Porter said he would like to see the recent Yawuru native title agreement over Broome and parts of the West Kimberley used as a guide to other land negotiations, including the Nyoongar claim over Perth and the Southwest.

SWALSC and the WA Government signed a framework agreement last December on the protocols for negotiations, which are expected to wind up by the end of next year.

SWALSC Chief Executive



Nyoongars and supporters at a recent briefing in Perth.

Officer Glen Kelly said the framework agreement was a welcome change to the litigation approach taken by the former Labor Government.

"The signing of the agreement was an historic milestone in the long march towards reconciliation for Nyoongars, and it is to the credit of the WA government that they have brought to a halt the incredible waste of resources and public money that occurs when these claims are fought out in the courts rather than negotiated in good faith directly between the parties," Mr Kelly said.

Workshops hosted by SWALSC have been held in Perth in the lead up to the community negotiations which began in the central Wheatbelt town of Katanning

on 4 March, and the strengths already gained by Nyoongar organisations are expected to be highlighted.

With the government seemingly in the mood to negotiate after the recent Yawuru deal, the state's 30,000 Nyoongar people are expecting discussions to canvas self-determination and self-governance on all social and political issues.

SWALSC will be holding community meetings every Tuesday until mid June at its headquarters in Cannington, as well as community consultations around the Perth Metropolitan area and country areas.

The upcoming meetings include Armadale on 16 March, Guildford on 17 March, Mirrabooka and Busselton on 30 March, and Fremantle and Manjimup on 31 March.

Planned meetings in April include Northam, York Moora, Rockingham, Pinjarra/Mandurah, Mount Barker and Albany, with further meetings in May throughout the Wheatbelt and Great Southern regions.

Confirmation of meeting times and venues are available at the SWALSC website at noongar.org.au, or by calling Audrey at SWALSC on 9358 7400.

Inala man dies in prison

A 18-year-old remand prisoner from the Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre in Brisbane died at the Princess Alexandra Hospital on 20 February. The Aboriginal man, from Inala, had been on remand since mid-January for unlawful use of a motor vehicle and property offences.

Queensland Department of Corrective Services said he had been transferred to the Princess Alexandra Hospital on 16 February for treatment. "There are no suspicious causes," a departmental statement said. "All deaths in custody are referred to the Coroner and to the Chief Inspector of Prisons for investigation."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Woodlark Street, Lismore Public Artwork by Oral Roberts

As part of the new Woodlark Streetscape Enhancement Project, the existing public artwork by Oral Roberts, located on the electrical substation at the mid-block central crossing point, is to be repaired and relocated to a yet to be determined site in the Lismore CBD.

A new public artwork is to be commissioned to replace the existing work and structure. The call for Expressions of Interest for the new public artwork will be available shortly.

To discuss this matter further, please contact

Brett Adlington, Director, Lismore Regional Gallery
on phone: 6622 2209, or email: brett.adlington@lismore.nsw.gov.au



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

RFT - 024/0910

Participate on the Remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Service Development and Assistance Panel (SDAP)

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).

Services are to be provided from 1 July 2010 for two years, with an option to extend for a third year.

The successful tenderers may be required to provide services in remote and very remote communities. However the tenderer's permanent location is not a condition of the contract.

Parties interested tendering must address the evaluation criteria in the format outlined in the Request for Tender (RFT) 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

Phone: 02 6289 4698,

Fax: 02 6289 7805

Email: abel.miles@health.gov.au

Applications will close at 2pm on Thursday 18 March 2010 in Canberra.

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CONTINENCE AIDS PAYMENT SCHEME

Information Session

The Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing is hosting a series of information sessions around Australia on the introduction of the Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS).

This Scheme will replace the Continence Aids Assistance Scheme (CAAS) from 1 July 2010.

Information sessions are open to consumers and their carers, medical and allied health professionals, service providers and product suppliers.

To find out where information sessions are being held, and to register your interest in attending a session located near you, please visit the Department's website www.bladderbowel.gov.au/furtherinfo/caps.htm or call the toll free phone number 1800 118 455 during business hours (Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm).

Registrations close 5pm on Friday, 19th March 2010.

A confirmation letter will be provided to registered participants.

Further information about the Continence Aids Payment Scheme, including Frequently Asked Questions, can be found on the Department's website.

www.bladderbowel.gov.au



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Continence Aids Payment Scheme

Plan to protect Sydney's Bidjigal Reserve



THE Northern Sydney Aboriginal community is being invited to help in the preparation of a plan of management for the popular Bidjigal Reserve.

The Bidjigal Reserve, which was part of Excelsior Park and Darling Mills State Forest, is the bushland that surrounds Darling Mills creek and tributaries between Castle Hill, Carlingford and North Rocks, in northern Sydney.

It is located in the traditional country of the Darug people, and falls across the areas of the Metropolitan and Deerubbin Land councils.

The reserve contains many sites of Aboriginal significance, and came about as a result of an earlier native title claim on the area.

Since 2005, the Bidjigal Reserve Trust Board that manages the reserve has worked to get the plan of management process under way.

The plan will be prepared by

environmental consultants Eco Logical Australia and heritage consultants Gondwana Consulting, working with the local Indigenous and wider community.

Board spokesman David Wilmshurst said the development of a plan of management would involve widescale community consultation and once completed, would form the basis for all decisions relating to the management of the reserve.

The plan will identify natural,

recreational and cultural assets in the reserve and how these should be preserved, as well as current issues for reserve users and local residents, and opportunities for improvements.

It will produce a set of recommended actions, which aim to balance the preservation of Aboriginal cultural heritage, native flora and fauna and public recreation opportunities

Further information can be obtained from the board's website www.bidjigal.org.au

Factory rebirth a boost to Inverell



THE re-opening of a former pet food factory at Inverell in north-western NSW is expected to generate

new jobs and benefit the local Indigenous and broader community.

Under a joint venture between Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) and Ridley Corporation, the former Nestle Supercoat Factory has re-opened as the Inverell Manufacturing Facility.

Operated by a new company Consolidated Manufacturing Enterprises (CME), the facility will produce Ridley Aqua-Feed (commercial fish food) under a Toll Manufacturing Agreement.

Ridley Corporation facilitated a factory upgrade and invested \$2 million to provide working capital and has a 25 per cent shareholding in the company. IBA, which reached agreement to purchase the factory from Nestle in March 2009, holds the remaining 75 per cent.

IBA will progressively reduce its shareholding over time as it transfers its investment to local Indigenous groups.

Sustainable

IBA General Manager Ron Morony said the investment in the joint venture was an important element in generating sustainable economic development in regional NSW by providing employment opportunities as well as an opportunity for the local Indigenous community to become shareholders in the venture.

"I'm looking forward to the joint venture delivering positive economic and social benefits to the local community of Inverell," Mr Morony said.

Under the joint venture, the Inverell plant will double Ridley's Aqua-Feed production capacity, enabling the manufacture of an additional 40,000 tonnes. Ridley Corporation currently owns and operates a plant at Narangba, in Queensland, which has been operating at full capacity for some time, and at least 10,000 tonnes of the additional capacity is expected to be utilised in the first 12 months of operation to meet the increased supply requirements of Ridley's customers.



CME employees, from left, Brendon Anderson, Jason Kyle, Perry O'Dell and General Manager Wes Sims.

The balance of capacity is planned to be progressively utilised over the next few years as new sales volumes are secured.

"The reopening and redevelopment of the Inverell Manufacturing Facility puts CME in a good position to take advantage of the growth in the market for Aqua-Feed in Australia," said CME Chairman Peter Robson.

The official re-opening of the factory was held on 22 February with Inverell Mayor Barry Johnston and representatives from CME, Ridley Corporation and IBA in attendance.

Ridley Aqua-Feed is a division of Ridley AgriProducts Pty Ltd, itself a wholly-owned subsidiary of ASX-listed Ridley Corporation Limited, Australia's largest stockfeed manufacturer.

IBA and Ridley acknowledged Nestle's support for the new joint venture.



At the Inverell Manufacturing Facility opening were, from left, Russell Lyon (Ridley Corporation), CME General Manager Wes Sims, CME Chairman Peter Robson and Chris Smith (IBA).

Gay time

By **DARREN COYNE**



TALIA applied the lipstick as Nicole giggled her approval. The Connors girls were at the Sydney Gay and Lesbian

Mardi Gras to support their favourite uncle, Clifford Connors, and had gathered at the ACON building in the hours prior to the parade.

Clifford looked smashing in his bright red sequinned dress and matching heels – the ruby-coloured necklace and earrings complimented the outfit nicely, but still, something was missing.

Then, with the girls still fussing about him, Clifford raised a magnificent feathered head-dress and carefully placed it on his head.

The transformation into 'Cee Cee' was complete, and the gals were ready to party.

Big welcome

As the parade kicked off, the Indigenous contingent and the Elders in a bright red convertible received a massive roar of approval from the crowd.

They waved Aboriginal, Torres Strait, and rainbow-coloured flags, and blew kisses to the crowds.

Cee Cee appeared in her element, dancing on top of a large, black four-wheel-drive, closely followed by an entourage of Indigenous supporters, marching

and dancing behind the First Australian banner.

More than 100,000 people lined the route to cheer on the 10,000 people taking part in the parade, the theme of which was *History of the World*.

And they were not disappointed, as the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community put on a flamboyant performance to remember.

Following the parade, a number of the Indigenous mob made their way over to the Loft Bar, where The House of Blackstar had organised the Fierce Ball.

The ball featured an array of performers and an Indigenous-inspired fashion parade – but the headline act was Peppermint, from the United States.

And by golly, could that queen move!

Looking every inch the diva, the six-foot tall dancing dynamo had the crowd grooving to some very funky tunes from New York-based DJ Corey Craig until the early hours.

Other acts included Constantina Bush and the Bushettes, Candy B, whose hip-hop show was followed by an energetic performance by Destiny Haz Arrived, an up-coming drag queen, and others.

House of Blackstar founder Shaun Edwards said the House was a place for emerging artists to strut their stuff in a supportive environment.



Talia Connors, of Guyra, Clifford Connors, aka Cee Cee, and Nicole Connors ready for the parade.



● ABOVE: Yvonne Williams, Ken Lock and Cassandra Anderson.

● LEFT: Anna Grose and Nicole Jackson in the mood for a party.



● BELOW: Kaylene Atkinson in an outfit designed by Debra Beale, right.



Front, Jinny Smith, Kerry Welsh, Rowena Welsh; back, Lillian Crombie, Debra Beale and Tracey Kirby.



● More pictures – next two pages

Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras



Sonny Dallas Law, of Queensland, and Bana Hankin, of the Torres Strait.



A model parades Indigenous-inspired fashion at the Fierce Ball.



Elders Kerry Welsh, Esther Knox, Lillian Crombie and Uncle Max Eulo.



Chris Bonney, of Sydney, and Karlia Rocco, of Newcastle.



● ABOVE: James Saunders in front of ACON's First Australians banner.



Shirley Lomas, of Moree, and Brian Doyle.



● LEFT: Sani Townson and Ghenoa Gela, of the Torres Strait.



Some colourful characters in the crowd.

● BELOW: Alan Clarke, of Bourke, and Adam Hill, of Sydney.



Gay & Lesbian Mardi Gras



A model parades fashion at the Fierce Ball.



House of Blackstar founder Shaun Edwards at the Fierce Ball at the Loft Bar.



Nita Lyons, Bonny Briggs, Lily Shearer, Jade Cooper and Susanne Williams with a police officer.



● ABOVE: Craig Greene and Sani Townson.



● LEFT: Flying the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags with pride.



Constantina Bush and the Bushettes, Cecilia Geissler and Juanita Duncan.



DJs Mister Killa and Corey Craig.



● BELOW: Fierce Ball headline act Peppermint performs at the Loft Bar.

Proposed Mixed Use Redevelopment, 218-220 Memorial Avenue & 47-50 The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach, NSW

Public Notice and Registration of Interest

NSW National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974
Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979
Development Application (09_0121)

A development proposal has been lodged with the NSW Department of Planning for the future redevelopment of a parcel of land at 218-220 Memorial Avenue & 47-50 The Esplanade, Ettalong Beach, under Part 3A of the Environment Planning & Assessment Act 1979.

In accordance with the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) Interim Community Consultation Requirements for Applicants (2005), individuals or groups are invited to register their interest in writing to participate in the Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment and consultation process for the proposal.

Contact details are as follows:

Mr Dominic Steele
c/- Tesrol Ettalong Pty Limited
33 England Avenue, Marrickville, NSW, 2204

Phone Contact: (M) 0411 88 4232 (Office) 02 9569 5801

The registration period closes on: 24th March 2010.

The consultation period closes on: 26th May 2010.



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH)

Expansion of Drug and Alcohol Services for Aboriginal People Living on the Far South Coast of NSW

The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking applications from health related services/organisations/consortia to implement expanded drug and alcohol treatment services for Aboriginal people living in the eastern part of the OATSIH NSW Greater Southern Planning Region.

Funding of up to \$262,580 is available for the 2009-10 year with the possibility of up to \$1.4M over the three years to 2011-12, and ongoing funding beyond this period, subject to funds availability and satisfactory performance.

Organisations interested in applying for funding must address the assessment criteria in the format outlined in the Application for Funding Form.

Information about the project and how to apply is available on the Department's internet site at www.health.gov.au or by contacting the Project Officer Kerry Cole, on (02) 9263 3800 Email kerry.cole@health.gov.au

Applications for funding must be received in the Sydney Office of the Department of Health and Ageing by 2pm EDST on **19 March 2010**.

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Youth Housing and Reintegration Service funding available – Mount Isa and Hervey Bay/Maryborough

Non-government organisations are encouraged to apply for funding of \$1.062 million in Mount Isa and \$1.137 million in Hervey Bay/Maryborough over three years to establish and manage a support service for young people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

These new services will work with young people aged 12-20 years by providing support and access to a range of accommodation options. The services will target young people exiting youth detention or child protection orders, "sleeping rough" or living in unstable housing arrangements.

Information sessions will be held for organisations interested in applying for these funds.

The Mt Isa session is on Tuesday 23 March 2010 and further details about this session can be obtained by phoning the Manager, Mt Isa Community Capacity and Service Quality on (07) 4747 3499.

The Hervey Bay/Maryborough session is on Friday 26 March 2010 and further details about this session can be obtained by phoning the Hervey Bay Community Capacity and Service Quality on (07) 4125 9398.

Information packages are available at www.communityservices.qld.gov.au

In response to stakeholder feedback, additional information about the initiative may be provided. Please check the website for this information before lodging your submission.

Funding submissions must be lodged with the department by 4.00pm on Monday 19 April 2010.

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Applications close Friday 19th 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

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Recruitment

Practice Nurse (12 Month Contract)

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- Providing integrated expert clinical nursing care to Aboriginal people,
- Creating and enhancing functional partnerships between all stakeholders,
- Building relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

The successful applicant will have a current practicing certification of registration with the Nurses Board of NSW, prior relevant experience as a Practice Nurse, and appropriate skills and experience in communicating effectively with the local Aboriginal community. A strong interest in chronic disease management, particularly in diabetes and an understanding of health issues affecting Aboriginal people is also required.

The position offers an attractive salary in line with Qualifications and Experience.

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The successful applicant will need to have clear and concise communication skills (including written and verbal), well developed contract and project management skills and experience in the provision of effective financial/budgetary services. Experience within an agriculture/pastoral setting coupled with knowledge of GST would be highly advantageous.

The successful candidate will also be required to provide support to the Corporate Finance Section to process commercial operation accounts and end of financial year reporting.

You must be an Australian resident and your application must demonstrate that you have knowledge of the role and functions of the Indigenous Land Corporation. Completion or near completion in accounting/administration studies to TAFE Certificate, tertiary qualifications or equivalent experience would be desirable.

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For further information, please contact **Garry Cook, Director Business Operations** on (02) 6269 2500 or **Freecall 1800 818 490**. (Position documentation and more information on the ILC are available on our website at www.ilc.gov.au)

Applications are to include the ILC Cover Note (available on the ILC website), covering letter and detailed current CV only. Further information may be requested if you are required for an interview.

Applications close at 5:00pm on **Monday 22 March 2010**. Applications should be emailed to vacancies@ilc.gov.au or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to Mr Adam Jenkins, Indigenous Land Corporation, GPO Box 652 ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

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Dreams rise from Ashes



WHAT can two driven young Aboriginal cricketers learn today from the

experiences more than a century ago of their heroes – members of the first-ever Australian international touring team?

The answer to that question will continue to unfold for Worrin Williams and Cameron Trask, but the rest of Australia can walk alongside them as they retrace the footsteps of the 1868 Aboriginal cricket team in a documentary to screen on ABC TV this weekend.

From The Ashes focuses on Williams and Trask and their journey to England in June 2009 as part of the Cricket Australia

Indigenous XI team.

Part of a new generation of Aboriginal men who passionately want to succeed in sport and life, the pair begin their journey in Harrow, Victoria, where they meet relatives and historians who share with them the lives and stories of the men who played for Australia 140 years ago.

Williams and Trask visit the Johnny Mullagh Cricket Centre and meet with Ian Friend, who is the great-great grandson of Charles Lawrence, the captain and manager of the 1868 team.

As the men travel around western Victoria, they begin to get an understanding of life in 1868 and the extraordinary feat that these men achieved.

They then join the squad for an intensive training camp in Brisbane before heading to

London, where they play a series of games over a four-week tour of England.

When not out on the pitch, Williams and Trask continue to explore the journey of the 1868 team.

They try to recreate history, looking at the old uniforms, and undertaking cultural demonstrations as the 1868 team did 140 years ago.

They also visit a memorial to King Cole, the one Aboriginal cricketer who never returned home to Australia, and Lords Cricket Ground, where they train with the Australian Cricket Team.

After a long and exhausting tour, Williams and Trask return home and begin to make choices in their own lives, inspired by their efforts on tour and the efforts of those who played 140 years ago.

From The Ashes was produced by Screen Australia, The Pacific Film and Television Commission Pty Limited and Carbon Media Pty Ltd in association with the ABC.

It will screen on ABC1 this Sunday 14 March at 1.30pm (repeated Saturday March 20 at 11.30am).

● **LEFT: Cricketers Worrin Williams (blue cap) and Cameron Trask prepare for a TV interview during their tour of England last year with the Indigenous Australian squad.**



Inept Govt policy denying Indigenous jobs – report



A NEW report from free market 'think tank' the Centre for Independent Studies (CIS) claims that inept government policies are denying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians

employment.

It says that while the national unemployment rate sits at 5.3 per cent, the Indigenous rates continues to be up around 15 per cent.

Researchers Professor Helen Hughes and Mark Hughes say around 80 per cent of Indigenous Australians lived in capital cities and regional towns, and therefore closer to jobs.

In their paper 'Indigenous Employment, Unemployment and Labour Force Participation: Facts for Evidence Based Policies', the pair assert that the real issue lies with government policies that have made Indigenous Australians 'unemployable', and not job availability.

"Government spin does not mention that Indigenous non-participation in the labour force – those not even looking for work – is three times larger than unemployment," Prof Hughes said.

The report highlights that, while Newstart allowances imply that people are looking for work, those not in the labour force receive other welfare benefits without any obligation to seek jobs.

The report also claims that where jobs were plentiful in remote locations and employers were desperate for qualified and skilled workers, the same jobs were being filled by non-Indigenous workers because of limited literacy and numeracy skills necessary.

"In remote areas, the lack of education is the primary constraint for Indigenous employees, while in capital cities and regional towns it is welfare dependence that creates high unemployment," it says.

Prof Hughes said: "Education and welfare policies have made many Indigenous Australians unemployable."

The researchers claim the transition from welfare to work will never be achieved unless there's an end to the repackaging of welfare that has allowed some to avoid the mutual obligation rules. Further to this, they say additional welfare benefits for Indigenous people act as a disincentive to work because welfare payments often end up higher than entry-level wages.

"Remote schools must also start applying mainstream education standards so remote Aboriginal people have the skills to work," Prof Hughes said.

"Improvements in living standards won't occur until Indigenous people get jobs."

Coastline protected

Traditional owners have a say on marine environment



NYANGUMARTA traditional owners in the Pilbara are working with the WA Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) to help conserve and plan for the special marine

environment of the Eighty Mile Beach area.

The Nyangumarta people, whose native title rights to about 39,931 square kms in the north-west Pilbara and south-west Kimberley regions were recognised in June last year, have an intricate knowledge of

their country and retain a strong connection through sacred sites and ceremonial activities.

Traditional owners regard the protection of cultural sites, stories and songlines as the most important component of any proposal for a marine park in the area, and their aspirations for their coastline and sea country can be summed up by the phrase 'Ngalpa warran, ngalpa marrngu', which translates to 'Healthy country, healthy people'.

In separate groups, men and women recorded sites of resource use and special features. From these mapping exercises, the working group recognised a number of important cultural areas along Eighty Mile Beach.

Seasonal harvest calendars were also created, revealing the key marine resources for the Nyangumarta people.

Site visits to important cultural areas allowed Nyangumarta people to teach DEC about their connection with coastal and sea country.

Nyangumarta traditional owner Nyaparu Rose said the best part about the process was that 'DEC came to the people'.

"They sat down and learned from

us," she said. "We taught about the seasons, about hunting and fishing, about bush foods. It was also a chance for young Nyangumarta people to go out on country and learn from their Elders. So it was like a workshop for our younger generations too."

Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (YMAC) chief executive officer Simon Hawkins said it was a great example of genuine consultation with traditional owners.

"DEC made on-country visits and valued the vast knowledge traditional owners have about their land and sea country," he said. "It's encouraging to see Government realising the value that traditional owners bring to environmental planning."

From left, Charlie Wright, Margaret Rose, David Wright, Winnie Coppin (seated) and DEC Officers on Nyangumarta country.



Nyangumarta women at a workshop with DEC representatives.

Our women in the UN



TWO Aboriginal women are among the Australian Government's delegation to the 54th session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, which began in New York last Monday.

Leanne Miller and Mary O'Reeri joined Carole Shaw, a non-Indigenous woman from the not-for-profit sector, to represent Australia at the 12-day event, which brings together representatives from around the world to evaluate progress on gender equality, identify challenges, and set new policies and standards to promote the advancement of women.

The session also marks the 15th anniversary of the Beijing Platform for Action – an international plan to achieve equality for women in areas such as poverty, education, health, the economy, power and decision-making, and human rights.

Ms Miller is an Indigenous activist and the

executive director of the Koori Women Mean Business Inc, which provides support to Aboriginal businesswomen in regional, rural, and metropolitan Victoria through networking and training events.

Ms O'Reeri is a primary school teacher from the Beagle Bay Aboriginal Community in Western Australia who has campaigned to reduce the rate of suicide in her community, organising the Blank Page Summit on Suicide in 1999.

Minister for the Status of Women Tanya Plibersek said the event gave Australia the opportunity of highlighting its successes in promoting equality between women and men and considering what more needs to be done to create a fairer, more equal society.

The three delegates would bring a wide range of opinions and experiences to the Commission, ensuring strong Australian representation which would assist to advance the status of women, Ms Plibersek said.



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- Good interpersonal and negotiation skills.
- Ability to work effectively and collaboratively in a multi-disciplinary team.
- Capacity to solve problem, resolve issues and make decisions in accordance with Policies and Frameworks.

Job Notes: This is a temporary Aboriginal Identified position for a period of up to 12 months under the terms of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002 through Elsa Dixon Funding (DET). To get a better understanding of this job and to discuss your suitability for this role, please contact Joanne Hall, Aboriginal Employment Advisor. Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Joanne Hall (02) 9831 0851 or mobile: 0408 665 010

To apply online and to get an Information Package visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

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CADETSHIP Client Service Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 2/4
Greater Western Sydney Housing Services Division
Blacktown, Penrith and Mt Druitt
Temporary Full-Time (Various positions)
Position No: 10/HNSW_0334

Total remuneration package valued up to \$67,675 per annum (Salary: \$53,011 pa - \$61,328 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

To work closely with the Aboriginal Community in providing advice and assisting in tenancy related issues.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and Current Driver's Licence.
- Understanding of and capacity to relate to people from a diverse range of social and cultural backgrounds, including those with complex needs.
- Computer literacy and knowledge of Microsoft Office applications.
- Communication, negotiation and conflict resolution skills.
- Willingness to travel to and from work with tenant's in their own home and to participation in community events.

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Preserving the past



The Shoalhaven oral and visual history group, including Elders, last month.

By BRITTA LYSTER



WOMEN Elders from the Shoalhaven district on the New South Wales south coast have embarked on a quest to preserve and restore their local history and stories.

Through the Waminda South Coast Women's Health and Welfare Aboriginal Corporation at Nowra, the Elders are working on an oral and visual recording project with younger women from their communities and the University of Wollongong.

Trainees are currently undergoing training in interviewing techniques and camera operation so they can make audio and video recordings, which will remain the property of the Elders.

The project came about due to community fears stories were being lost as the Elders passed away before they were able to pass them on to future generations.

"Waminda thought it would be a good idea to record the stories so we approached Sue Angel, who works in the

university's journalism and creative writing faculty, and asked them to come on board to help us out," said Marilyn Smart, Waminda's artist co-op co-ordinator.

"We train up young Indigenous women to learn how to record stories of the Elders, of their lifestyles, how they grew up, the bush tucker they used, the bush medicines. It's just to keep the culture alive."

The social aspects of the project have been a highlight, for the Elders and young trainees alike. Some of the younger generation have expressed amazement, surprise and shock when hearing how their grandmothers and other Elders would have lived.

At present, the project involves 20 Elders from Wreck Bay, Jerringa, Roseberry Park, Nowra and Bombaderry and there are plans to extend it further south to include the Ulladulla area.

The recordings will provide the local Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities with insight and appreciation of what life was like for Aboriginal women of Shoalhaven in years gone by.

Award gives Alanah something else to smile about



SOME people say the secret of being a successful hotel worker is to make guests smile, and a young Indigenous woman working in Parramatta in Sydney has been recognised for doing so more than most.

Alanah Wright has been awarded Accor Hotels' most prestigious honour – the 2009 'I Build Smiles' award.

The award-winner is chosen from all Accor employees in Australia, New Zealand and Fiji, and the honour sees Alanah, who is a food and beverage supervisor at the Mercure Parramatta, winning a seven-night trip for two to Paris with \$1000 spending money.

As one of Accor's growing number of Indigenous employees, Alanah was also recognised for her services to the

Indigenous community.

Alanah is actively involved in cultural healing programs for young Indigenous women and youth re-entering the community following incarceration or who are deemed 'at risk'.

The concept of these post-release programs was formulated by Alanah's father, Victor Wright who has been employed with NSW Corrective Services for more than 16 years. The youth programs that Alanah is involved with were specifically set up for young Indigenous people through the Yula-Punaal Education and Healing Centre, which were pioneered by Alanah's mother Tammy Wright and her aunt, Louise Campbell-Price.

"It's a great honour to receive this award," said Alanah. "I love my job and working with my community is a passion, so

to be rewarded for that gives me a huge sense of achievement."

Her mother Tammy Wright said Alanah drew from her strong sense of identity.

"Alanah comes from a strong cultural background of spiritual learning and kinship," she said.

"She is the youngest of three sisters and two brothers and her cultural identity and spirituality is very important to her because it distinguishes who she is and where she comes from."

Alanah has been involved with the Big Sister program since becoming the first Indigenous school captain of her primary school on the Central Coast. The program targets Indigenous youth, providing them with positive role models and mentors with the aim of encouraging them to continue with their studies.



Accor chairman Michael Issenberg travelled from Singapore to present Alanah with her award.

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council - Call for Expressions of Interest

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council was established under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 and plays a vital role in the protection and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in Victoria.

Expressions of interest are sought from Aboriginal people who live in Victoria and are Traditional Owners of land in Victoria to be members of the Council. Four positions will become available on the Council from 29 May 2010.

The Council is responsible for, among other duties:

- Assessing applications by Aboriginal parties for the purposes of registration under the Act;
- Advising the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on heritage matters; and
- Promoting public awareness, protection and management of Aboriginal heritage.

It is expected that members of the Council will:

- Have demonstrated extensive involvement in, and knowledge of, Aboriginal cultural heritage management issues in Victoria;
- Have demonstrated ability to provide authoritative advice on Aboriginal cultural heritage matters;
- Have demonstrated ability to broker agreements with the community about Aboriginal cultural heritage management issues; and
- Have adequate time to commit to the duties of the Council.

Remuneration is available for Council members in accordance with Victorian Government guidelines. Please send your written expression of interest, addressing the above criteria to:

Eleanor Bourke
Chairperson
Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council
GPO Box 2392
Melbourne Victoria 3001

For further information, please telephone Maria Pizzi, Manager - Secretariat to the Aboriginal Heritage Council on 9208 3280.

Applications must be received by 5pm Friday 9 April 2010.

Notice of Aboriginal Consultation: Gerringong, Albion Park and Jerrara

Due to essential electricity infrastructure upgrades at Gerringong Zone Substation, Integral Energy proposes to upgrade existing feeder lines to the substation. The feeder lines are located generally between Gerringong, Albion Park and Jerrara.

The affected feeder lines are Feeder 7043 and Feeder 7050, generally running between Albion Park and Jerrara; Feeder 7008 from Kiama to Gerringong; Feeder 7175/1 from Jerrara to Gerringong and Feeder 7176/1 in the vicinity of Gerringong Zone Substation.

Integral Energy has engaged AMBS to carry out an Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment of the feeder routes. Integral Energy would like to consult with relevant Aboriginal organisations to ascertain Aboriginal concerns and views in respect of the proposal and the management of cultural heritage along the route. This consultation will be undertaken in accordance with the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's Interim Aboriginal Community Consultation Guidelines.

Integral Energy invites relevant Aboriginal groups and individuals to register their interest in accordance with the guidelines.

Local Aboriginal parties wishing to be consulted for this assessment are invited to register a written expression of their interest to AMBS by **Tuesday 6 April 2010** by fax to (02) 9320 6428,

by email to: jenna.weston@austmus.gov.au

or by post to:

Attn: Jenna Weston,
Australian Museum
Business Services,
6 College Street,
Sydney NSW 2010.



We wish to register stakeholder parties for consultation for a cultural heritage investigation at 84a Church Point 2105, Pittwater

Please send details, including cultural connection to area, to Sylvia Dove: bloomssd@bigpond.com phone day: 9281 2368 mobile: 0400 808 133



Government of
South Australia

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NAIDOC COMMITTEE 2010

The South Australian NAIDOC Committee extends an invitation to all interested Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to join a dynamic and creative team of current members to form a renewed and reinvigorated Committee. Several leadership positions including Chairperson will need to be filled.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who wish to contribute to events showcasing and celebrating our culture and survival will need to submit a written Expression of Interest (EOI) to:

Richard King
Chairperson
South Australian NAIDOC Committee 2010
Aboriginal Affairs & Reconciliation Division
Level 13, SAC, 200 Victoria Square
GPO Box 2343
ADELAIDE SA 5001

An EOI form can be downloaded from:
http://www.premcab.sa.gov.au/dpc/departament_aard.html
Alternatively phone Laura Najjar on 8226 8913.

The closing date for submissions is Thursday 11 March 2010.

VALE RUBY HUNTER

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We honour your life, your achievements, your family and your peoples.

We pay tribute to your struggle to overcome removal from family to make a difference for all who suffered this experience and applaud your bravery raising issues and awareness of Stolen Generations experiences through your stories and songs.

We mourn your passing. We celebrate your life.

Rest at peace with the great spirits

With great respect, the Stolen Generations Alliance family



Human Services
Housing NSW

Client Service Officer (Identified)

Clerk Grade 2/4
Northern NSW Housing Services Division
Grafton
Permanent Full-Time
Position No: 10/HNSW_0270

Total remuneration package valued up to \$67,675 per annum (Salary: \$53,011 pa - \$61,328 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

To deliver a broad range of applicant, tenancy and property management services and advice to clients, including those with complex needs

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of and capacity to relate to people from a diverse range of social and cultural backgrounds, including those with complex needs.
- Strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated capacity to use sensitivity in interviewing, problem-solving and decision making.
- Demonstrated ability to prioritise and carry out a range of tasks under competing demands, in a high volume client focused environment.
- Written communication skills, computer literacy and capacity to interpret policy and guidelines.
- Ability to work autonomously and in teams and partnerships.
- Willingness to work with tenants in their homes.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Successful applicants will be required to demonstrate proof of Aboriginality. Although the position is based in Grafton, it may provide Tenancy Management support in other locations Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Mike Summerill (02) 6659 2525

Information Packages and to apply visit:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6623 1900 or post to: NSW Businesslink, Northern Regional Service Centre, PO Box 1140, Lismore NSW 2480.

Closing Date: Friday 19 March 2010

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Pictured at last month's Gamarada gathering are, from left, Harry Allie from the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA), Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, Rod Cook from FaHCSIA, City of Sydney Councillor Marcelle Hoff, Gamarada Indigenous Men's Access to Justice Worker Ken Zulumovski, Uncle Robert, Gamarada's David Beaumont, and John Ogden.

Gamarada getting on with 2010



MORE than 100 people gathered at the Redfern Community Centre last month to hear about plans for the Aboriginal men's healing and life skills

development program Gamarada in 2010.

The new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Mick Gooda was a guest speaker at the gathering.

Mr Gooda cited Gamarada as an example of 'the ordinary people in the community doing extraordinary things'.

He encouraged those behind the program to continue their healing work, and offered to directly contribute to the program as a participant.

City of Sydney Councillor Marcelle Hoff also spoke at the meeting, announcing that the

Mayor Clover Moore MP Salary Trust had approved a grant of close to \$39,000 to Gamarada to enable further development of the program's cultural components.

The Public Interest Advocacy Centre (PIAC) supports Gamarada through its Mental Health Legal Services Project.

Since it began in Redfern in 2007, the program has attracted Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal men of all ages. These men report progress in many areas of their lives, including improvements with relationships, fathering, anger management, cultural knowledge, staying away from drugs, alcohol and gambling, and finding a greater purpose by doing something positive for community.

For more information on Gamarada, visit www.gamarada.org.au

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Scholarships in Family Dispute Resolution (FDR) & Counselling

Would you like to make a difference in your community?
Apply for a scholarship to become a Counsellor or Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner in 2010.

- Scholarships are available for people from an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) or Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) background in 2010.
- Don't miss this unique opportunity to further your career and contribute to your community.
- **Applications close C.O.B Monday 22nd March 2010.**

Scholarship information package available to download from www.ifp.nsw.edu.au website or contact Kim Wilcox at IFP on 02 8830 0755.



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Submission for the provision of Indigenous Family Violence Men's Group Programs.

The Victorian Department of Human Services, Children Youth and Families is seeking submissions from suitably qualified and experienced service providers for the delivery of Indigenous Family Violence Men's Group Programs. The closing date for submissions is 26 March 2010.

These programs will provide family violence services to Indigenous men who use violent and controlling behaviour towards family members.

Indigenous family violence men's group programs will build on the Indigenous Family Violence Ten Year Plan, *Strong Culture, Strong Peoples, Strong Families: towards a safer future for Indigenous families and communities.*

For a copy of the submission documentation and more information please contact, Coral Spencer, Children Youth and Families, Family Violence and Sexual Assault, 03 9096 7145.

mitch30679 Ref No: 0302010

>have your **say**

CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS Public Art Reference Group

Lismore City Council is committed to hearing what you have to say on important issues and Council services, programs and initiatives. Community consultation is informed communication between Lismore City Council and its community prior to Council making a decision. Reference Groups are one way that you can get involved in decision-making.

Council is looking to establish a Public Art Reference Group (PARG) to advise on public art policy matters. Expressions of Interest are invited from people, passionate about public art in the Lismore Local Government Area, to assist Council in developing public art projects for the city. The Public Art Reference Group will meet quarterly and whenever else is appropriate.

Nomination for membership of the abovementioned group is invited from an Arts industry representative and an Aboriginal Artist or Aboriginal community member. Application forms, the scope of the PARG and information about how to apply can be obtained by contacting Lismore Regional Gallery Director, Brett Adlington on telephone: 02 6622 2209 or email: council@lismore.nsw.gov.au. Submissions should be addressed to the General Manager.

Applications will be received up until 4.00pm, Wednesday April 7, 2010. Applications received after this time will not be accepted.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PORT CURTIS CORAL COAST PEOPLE QUD 6026/2001 NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The **Port Curtis Coral Coast People** are currently described as the descendants of the following people:

Descendants of Dina
Descendants of Jessie
Descendants of Johnson Matemate and George Swain
Descendants of Sandy and Fanny
Descendants of Dulhu / Doolan
Descendants of Buller Tolson (Norman Buller)
Descendants of Alice Murray
Descendants of Jane
Descendants of Betsy
Descendants of Rosie
Descendants of Elsie Myers
Descendants of Maggie Little
Descendants of Rosie Blackman
Descendants of Emma Jones; and
Descendants of MaryAnne

All persons who fit the above description or otherwise claim to be Port Curtis Coral Coast People are invited to attend a meeting at the time and location below:

Date of Authorisation Meeting: Saturday 10 April 2010

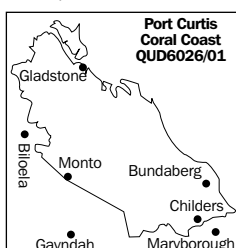
Venue for Authorisation Meeting: Coronation Hall
71 High Street WALKERVALE QLD 4670

Time of Authorisation Meeting: 10.00am to 4.00 pm

The purpose of the meeting:

- Receive information on progress of the claim and provide Queensland South Native Title Services with information relevant to the connection report.
- To ensure that the Applicant for the claim is properly authorised by the claim group and if not, to appoint a new Applicant for the Port Curtis Coral Coast claim in accordance with S66B of the Native Title Act.

The area covered by the Port Curtis Coral Coast People claim area is located in the Bundaberg and Gladstone area of Queensland and covers about 19282.695 km², as shown on the map below:



All Port Curtis Coral Coast People are invited to contact **Sharon McAvoy**, Communities Relations Officer, of **Queensland South Native Title Services**, Communities Section on **1800 663 693** to register their intention to attend the authorisation meeting.

QSNTS regrets it is not able to fund travel or accommodation to attend this meeting, however morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided for those people who attend.



Echuca sets the 2010 standard



ORGANISERS of the National Vibe 3on3 Basketball and Hip-Hop Challenge say they were 'blown away' by the support, talent and enthusiasm displayed by the Echuca local community at the town's first ever 3on3 last month. And the feeling appears to be mutual.

Vibe 3on3 is a youth event that incorporates basketball, dancing, art, culture and health and aims to promote healthy lifestyles, strengthen communities and boost self-esteem.

Held at the Echuca Fonterra Sports and Entertainment Centre on 20 February, the latest event began with a welcome to country by Yorta Yorta Elder Uncle Rick Ronin in front of special guests, including Federal Member for Murray Dr Sharman Stone and Campaspe Mayor Peter Williams.

Celebrity guest role model and 'Living Legend' Jimmy Little performed and spoke to the kids about eating good tucker for a long life. Uncle Jimmy was joined by singer/rapper Lady Lash, BBoy Jason Campbell and dancer Medika Thorpe who spent the

day hanging out with the kids and teaching them some new skills.

"Vibe is excited about the fantastic support shown by the people of Echuca and thanks them for welcoming the Vibe 3on3 so warmly into their community" said event producer Mayrah Sonter.

"This year has certainly begun with a fierce standard of competition, talented dancing and community pride and we can't wait to return."

Ms Sonter thanked local volunteers and sponsors, including the Njerrnda Aboriginal Corporation, the Shire of Campaspe and Rod's Meats.



The Flying Boomerangs team, ready for court action.
Photographs by ANDREW ROSENFELDT



Signing up for bounce, beats, break and health action at the inaugural Echuca 3on3.



These young ones were obviously proud to be Koorie.



Boys breakoff winners Caleb Taivairanga, Jason Campbell, Djye Morgan and Dion Williams collect their prizes.



Mayor of Campaspe Peter Williams with Uncle Jimmy Little and Federal Member for Murray Sharman Stone during the official opening.



Jimmy Little extolled the virtues of eating good tucker for a long life.



● ABOVE: Budding talent at the art house.

● LEFT: 3on3's resident BBoy Jason Campbell and some young recruits in the Hip-hop House.

Officers' 'great work' is praised



THE Victorian Indigenous Youth Advisory Council (VIYAC) has created the

Community Spirit Police Award to counteract the sometimes negative relationship between Victoria Police and Indigenous young people.

VIYAC co-ordinator Tim Kanoa said the council members, who ranged in age from 12 to 25, were concerned about the number of Indigenous young people coming into contact with the justice system and also wanted to focus on officers doing work that normally gets thrown in the 'too hard basket'.

"This award was the idea of the Indigenous young people from VIYAC," Mr Kanoa said.

"Many police officers out there are doing great work with Indigenous young people. We wanted to ensure that those people are recognised in a positive way."

The 2010 winner was Acting Snr Sgt Shane Keogh, the Police Aboriginal Liaison Officer for the Warrnambool community.

After identifying that Indigenous youth in south-western Victoria lacked employment opportunities, Sgt Keogh initiated an Indigenous

youth employment project within Victoria Police. As a result, a number of Indigenous young people have been employed as trainees in Portland, Colac and Warrnambool police stations.

Snr Const Joe Clarke, from the Mildura police station, was the award runner-up. Snr Const Clarke introduced the Koori Cautioning and Youth Diversion program to Mildura in 2007 and coaches the Indigenous basketball team every weekend.

Wurundjeri woman and mother-of-four, Snr Const Melissa Peters, of Laverton police station, received an acknowledgement award for her involvement in youth programs that address issues such as incarceration, homelessness and boredom.

Snr Const Peters has been a police officer for 14 years and has been a strong advocate for the Indigenous community in that time.

"Award programs like this are about highlighting to police the positive ways they can engage with Indigenous young people and help address their over-representation in the justice system," Mr Kanoa said.

The awards were presented at the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne on 25 February in front of Victoria Police Chief Commissioner Simon Overland.



At the Community Spirit Police Award ceremony were, left to right, Snr Const Melissa Peters (acknowledgement award), Acting Snr Sgt Shane Keogh (winner) and Snr Const Joe Clarke (runner-up).



VIYAC members and police officers nominated for the Community Spirit Police Award ceremony.

Public Notice

Proposed Queensland Curtis Liquefied Natural Gas project

Application for approval as an Infrastructure Facility of Significance

The Coordinator-General has received an application from QGC Pty Limited (QGC) under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (the Act) relating to the Queensland Curtis Liquefied Natural Gas (QCLNG) project, to have certain components of that project approved under section 125(1)(f) of the Act as an Infrastructure Facility of Significance (IFS).

QGC proposes to develop the following infrastructure facilities (which together are the Facility) to service its liquefied natural gas (LNG) project in Queensland:

- a network of underground gas and water transmission pipelines, compression and processing facilities and supporting infrastructure in the Surat Basin, in Southern Queensland (gas field component)
- a 340 kilometre underground gas transmission pipeline to transport the coal seam gas (CSG) from QGC's gas fields to its proposed gas liquefaction facility on Curtis Island, near Gladstone, together with related gas and water collection headers (pipeline component)
- a gas liquefaction facility, export jetty and associated infrastructure (LNG facility component), where the CSG will be converted to LNG and exported.

QGC expects to make a final investment decision on the project this year.

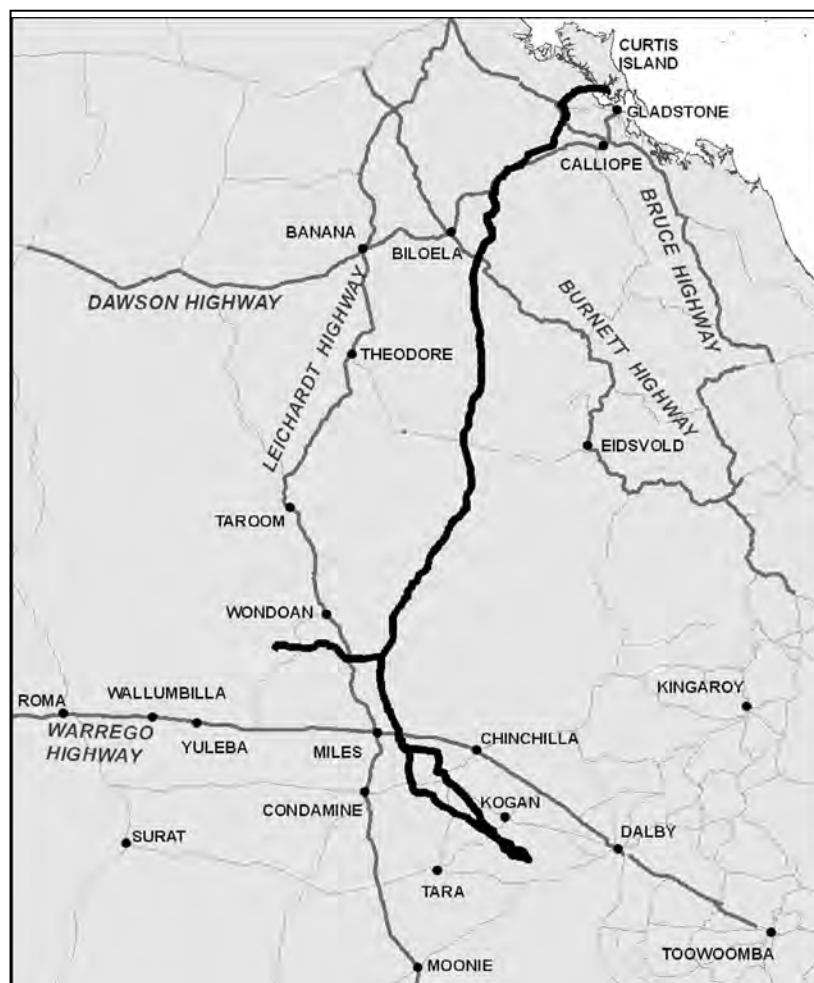
QGC wishes to acquire all land (or easements) necessary and desirable for the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of the Facility by consultation and agreement with the relevant landholders and person(s) who hold or claim to hold native title.

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 QGC is able to demonstrate that reasonable attempts have been made to reach voluntary agreements with landholders or persons who hold or claim to hold native title.

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 in which it is to be constructed is a relevant consideration.

The map shows the approximate location of the land which may be affected by the Facility (the Affected Land).



In order to construct and operate the Facility, QGC requires certain interests in the Affected Land. The primary interest for the gas field and LNG facility components of the Facility will vary (depending upon the footprint of the proposed infrastructure) but will be either freehold, leasehold or an easement. The primary interest for the pipeline component of the Facility is a 340 kilometre long and a nominally 40 metre wide easement. Other additional tenures may be required for associated infrastructure.

The Affected Land description is based on QGC's preferred alignment and knowledge at the date of the IFS application. The final route and placement of the Facility and Affected Land will be determined by landholder negotiations; cultural heritage; native title; ground truthing; and geotechnical surveys and studies.

This IFS declaration does not constitute approval or endorsement of the proposed alignment under the Environmental Impact Statement, or approval or endorsement of the project.

The Coordinator-General is seeking submissions from person(s) who may be affected by the Facility. Submissions must be lodged in writing by **5 pm Wednesday 31 March 2010** and addressed to:

The Coordinator-General
c/- Director, Infrastructure and Indigenous Negotiations
Infrastructure and Economic Development
Department of Infrastructure and Planning
PO Box 15009
City East Qld 4002
Tel: (07) 3224 2416
Fax: (07) 3225 8282
s125qgc@dip.gov.au

The IFS application and supporting materials can be viewed at www.qclng.com.au/project and a CD Rom is available on request by contacting the Director, Infrastructure and Indigenous Negotiations.

Persons or groups with special communication needs who wish to comment on the proposed Facility should contact the Director, Infrastructure and Indigenous Negotiations to make alternative arrangements.



Anthony Beven, Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

This list was last updated
on 4 March 2010.

Island culture tour



A CULTURAL camp on lungtalanana in Tasmania has instilled Aboriginal children with historical ties to the island with a new

sense of its pre and post-colonial history.

Also known as Clarke Island, lungtalanana was returned to the Tasmanian Aboriginal community in 1995. Since then, the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC) has managed an alternative to imprisonment program there, where young offenders can serve their time while having access to their culture and their land while gaining skills such as land management.

The island is also available for cultural camps to teach Tasmanian Aboriginal children about their history, land, culture and language.

For some of ten mainland children aged 9-14 who took part in a camp in January, the trip to lungtalanana was their first time flying in a plane.

The children on the camp got to swim in the beautiful beaches, ride on the back of the ute, and explore the largely untouched landscape.

Ancestors

Just as their ancestors and Elders did before them, they collected shellfish such as periwinkles, limpets, werriners and abalone from the rocks on the beach and made shell necklaces.

The children listened to stories about the history of the Island such as when Surveyor General Power visited lungtalanana in 1848 to impose rent on residents such as the Thomas family, as a way of exercising government control.

They learned how the government brig, the Governor Phillip, was shipwrecked nearby in 1848 and the survivors spent a fortnight on lungtalanana.

One of the survivors described their welcome thus: 'In the kindest manner by two black women and a girl...we found two men and a black boy in the hut busy cooking for us....Our black hostess went down to the shore the day of our arrival and dived into the sea to find crayfish...the ladies were wrapped in kangaroo, wallaby and possum skins'.

The Tasmanian Government later gave Thomas family – who were related to some of the children at the recent cultural camp – ten dollars for caring for the shipwreck survivors. After their time on lungtalanana, the children declared it had been great to get away from the noisy city.



Riding on the back of the ute on lungtalanana. Back, from left, Tyran Mansell, Braydon Gower, Krystal Lynch, Georgie Spotswood and Marlia Richardson. Front, from left, Callie Gower, Kitana Mansell-Burns, Madison Richardson and Emarra Gower.



Krystal Lynch (left) and Callie Gower posing on top of Home Hill.
Photos and information courtesy of NALA MANSELL-MCKENNA



Georgie Spotswood (left) and Madison Richardson gathering shellfish such as werriners and periwinkles from the rocks



PM drops by All Stars event



AS well as providing thrilling on-field action, the recent NRL All Stars match on Queensland's Gold Coast built on many off-field

relationships.

The Indigenous All Stars Employment and Careers Market was held a few hours before the match, and was attended by a range of employment service providers and corporations.

The Prime Minister Kevin Rudd stopped by the pre-game event and is seen here with

Commonwealth Bank representatives Dylan Saunders, who is an Indigenous trainee at the Tweed Heads branch (left) and Indigenous Employment Manager Phil Lockyer (second from right).

Dare to Lead consultant and former first-grade rugby league player David Liddiard was also with them (right).

The Commonwealth Bank's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) incorporates its Indigenous Employment Strategy, which has contributed to the employment of 67 Indigenous trainees around Australia.



Artist Abe Muriata, Tineriba Gallery Director Neriba Gallasch and Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre Manager, Valerie Keenan with Muriata's ceremonial jawun, the feature artwork of the exhibition.

Photo courtesy Girringun Aboriginal Corporation.

Weaving a touch of the rainforest



GIRRAMAY master weaver and artist Abe Muriata aims for perfection when making the traditional fibre 'japun' of his far north Queensland people.

And his desire to share the unique bi-cornual baskets with others further afield was partly realised last week when an exhibition of his work opened at the new Tineriba Gallery in Hahndorf, outside Adelaide.

Opened by National Library of Australia (NGA) Director of Development Doreen Mellor, the *Bi-cornual Artistry* exhibition features a number of very finely woven traditional Aboriginal jawun.

"Abe creates exquisitely crafted bi-cornual baskets or jawun," Ms Mellor said. "He is truly a master maker and has worked very hard for over a decade to achieve this level of expertise."

"Abe has taken great care to study older examples of bi-cornual baskets in museums and to revisit his memories of his grandmother weaving. When he was a child he watched her making these elegant baskets."

"When Abe makes traditional fibre jawun, he says he is aiming for perfection."

Ms Mellor said jawun held a very significant place in rainforest cultures, from ceremonial baskets painted with ochres as well as those used for every day.

Muriata's work is held in a number of major collections including the Art Gallery of SA and the Qld Art Gallery. He is managed by the Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre of Cardwell in far north Queensland.

The new exhibition *Bi-cornual Artistry* continues at The Tineriba Gallery at 77 Main Street, Hahndorf until 28 March.

Money for Artists and Artswriters Indigenous Arts Grants March Funding Round

The Department of Culture and the Arts invites applications from individuals, groups and organisations requiring financial assistance to undertake activity in all artforms (except film, television and radio) for the

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Please check our website www.dca.wa.gov.au for further details, as well as information on Arts Development, Young People and the Arts, Contemporary Music and Designer Fashion funding programs.



Department of Culture and the Arts



Course is a pearler

2009 Black Pearls Students
Ian Ludwick and Lynn Chapman.



QUEENSLAND'S screen development centre, QPIX Ltd, is again running its Indigenous film course, Black Pearls.

QPIX Ltd chief executive Kerry O'Rourke said the course was being held for its second year this year with the support of the Federal Department of Education and Training.

"There is no course like Black Pearl's anywhere in the country, so it's fantastic that Black Pearls is back in March 2010," he said. "We are very grateful to the department for their vision in supporting it."

Because the Black Pearls course is subsidised by government, successful applicants are only required to pay a small administration fee for a course valued at around \$13,000 per student.

The first Black Pearls in 2009 produced such a high standard of work that the National Indigenous TV Network (NITV) will broadcast three hours of that first Black Pearls content nationally in May this year.

Tightly focused

Mr O'Rourke said Black Pearls was so intensive and tightly focused industrially, that students were already underway as producers when they graduated.

"Black Pearls students produce music video clips, television commercials, documentaries and short dramas within the course," he said.

"For a culture with strong ties to story telling, it is so important that Indigenous Australians have the training to tell stories through the powerful communication channels of the Internet, film and TV."

Black Pearls awards its students with a Certificate IV in Screen and Media when they graduate, but Mr O'Rourke said the quality of the training places graduates at a far higher skill level than that.

"We urge aspiring Indigenous film and TV makers from all over Queensland to apply," he

said. "Our 2009 Black Pearls students came from as far away as Townsville, Mossman and Hopevale to attend the course."

QPIX Ltd is asking for expressions of interest and will accept up to 24 students for the 2010 Black Pearls course. For more information, call (07) 3848 800 or email lisa@qpix.org.au.



Benjamin Southwell, 2009 Black Pearls student and recipient of funding from the Pacific Film and Television Commission (now Screen Queensland) for his short film 'Dead Creek'.

Mellor takes prize



INDIGENOUS artist Danie Mellor has taken out this year's Adelaide Perry Prize for Drawing with his diptych *The Offerings (A Custom Ritual)*.

Cathy Leahy, Senior Curator of Drawings and Prints at The National Gallery of Victoria, judged the Adelaide Perry Prize for Drawing, selecting Mellor's drawings from a field of 407 entries.

"These are impressive and memorable drawings. The enigmatic encounter represented in them, together with their impressive formal qualities and complexities of meaning, invite sustained contemplation," Ms Leahy said last week.

She said Mellor's drawings powerfully convey the clash of cultures that the great voyages of discovery heralded in the eighteenth century.

"They playfully evoke decorative arts traditions of bygone eras, while using distinct visual codes – the schematically rendered Europeans contrasting with the fully-modelled, and coloured, Indigenous couple – as a metaphor for the gulf between the two cultures."

Mellor, whose prize was \$15,000, also won last year's 26th Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Awards and has exhibited in most major gallery collections around Australia.

The acquisitive prize offered by PLC Sydney, the Croydon College for girls, is now in its fifth year and has attracted artists from all over Australia.

Forty-four selected finalists, whose works impressed the judge for their quality and range of drawing styles, subjects and concerns, are on exhibition at The Adelaide Perry Gallery, on the corner of Hennessy and College Streets Croydon, until 27 March.



Danie Mellor with his winning drawing, *The Offerings (A Custom Ritual)*.



The Last Kinection will be on hand to lend some of their expertise in the music industry at the 2010 Advanced Indigenous Musician Development Workshop at the end of the month in Sydney.

Developing talent in the music industry



FOR many up-and-coming Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander musicians, the road to success can be bumpy. That's where the 2010 Advanced Indigenous Musician Development Workshop comes in.

Whichway and MusicNSW have announced the latest round of free intensive workshops aimed at emerging Indigenous musicians wanting to take their music career to the next level.

Held at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern from 26-29 March, artists of all musical genres are invited to register their interest.

The workshops will attempt to cover the skills necessary to make it in the industry today including practical workshops, performance master classes, interactive

discussions and demonstrations from industry professionals.

Established Indigenous musicians like The Last Kinection and The Herd will be on hand to lead some of the workshops and share secrets of their success in the music industry.

The workshops have been targeted at passionate artists committed to their music and wanting to improve their knowledge and skills.

If you're an Indigenous artist and need some assistance, want to find out a bit more about Whichway or want to participate in this workshop email frank@musicnsw.com or phone (02) 9281 1600

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Melioidosis targeted



THE North Queensland Cowboys were in Darwin last month supporting the launch of a new science partnership between the Menzies School of Health Research and St John's

College.

Menzies senior researcher Mark Mayo said Indigenous students would work with scientists from Menzies' Melioidosis Division to gauge the presence of the infectious disease melioidosis across the Darwin and Palmerston regions.

"(The students) will take part in the collection of environmental samples from the area surrounding their school, learning data collection skills in a very

meaningful way," Mr Mayo said.

The bacterium that causes melioidosis lives in soil and is prevalent throughout the Top End.

Thirty people are understood to have presented with melioidosis this wet season in the Northern Territory alone. On average, up to 40 Territorians are infected with melioidosis each year, and 50 per cent of those people are Indigenous.

"Indigenous Territorians are clearly over-represented in these figures. That's because chronic diseases like diabetes, found in alarmingly high rates in remote communities, make people more susceptible to melioidosis," Mr Mayo said.

Students will learn about the risks of

melioidosis, and how to prevent infection by wearing covered shoes outdoors, using gloves when touching soil and avoiding the outdoors during heavy rain.

North Queensland Cowboys star Mathew Bowen said it was an important message for the students to take back to their school, and back to their communities.

"After you've been playing rugby out on the field, gardening, or doing anything with soil, make sure you wash yourself with soap," he said. "You're washing off the bacteria, and protecting yourself against infection."

Menzies is hoping this will be one of many collaborations offering 'real science' opportunities to Territory students.



From left, senior researcher Mark Mayo, Johanna Bell, Julie Fraser, Normie Grogan and Jim Smith all from Menzies School of Health Research; the North Qld Cowboys' Matt Bowen and Steve Southern (obscured); students Cecil Bourke, Theo Tipungwuti, Clayton Webb, Grayson Grogan (O'Loughlin Catholic College), Gabriella Gibson, Dominic Tipiloura, Kenneth Dawson, Rikeshia Pedro, Hayden Walker, Delilah Ngarlingarli, Ashlee Dolby and Fredelle Lawrence; and Loyla Leysley, Valerie Thompson, and Sandy Nelson from Menzies. In front, from left, Ty Williams and Michael Bani of the North Qld Cowboys, and Daniel Dixon from St John's College.



North Queensland Cowboys' Matt Bowen and St John's College student Dominic Tipiloura. Photos courtesy Menzies School of Health Research

Wiradjuri words used in new parenting book



A NEW parenting book designed for Aboriginal families to improve the health and wellbeing of children has been launched in the Riverina, Murray and Central-West regions of New South Wales.

*Growing Up Strong Burray** includes a vocabulary list of body parts in Wiradjuri and English and a series of songs such as *Head Shoulders Knees and Toes* which uses Aboriginal language terms.

The book covers the development stages, including new-born to five years and the book was launched recently in Orange, Tumut and Dubbo.

State Community Services Minister – and Wiradjuri woman – Linda Burney said it was a great resource packed with tips and information on how children behave and how to care for children at different stages of their development.

"As any parent knows, raising a child is a rewarding and fulfilling, but it can be challenging as well," Ms Burney said.

"There's also handy advice on topics ranging from playing games to dealing with temper tantrums. This is a fantastic book that will help parents give their children the best start in life and ensure they grow up healthy, strong and proud.

"The book uses Wiradjuri words to help children maintain their Aboriginal heritage, and keep their language and culture alive. As a proud Wiradjuri woman, I believe it is important to help Aboriginal children keep their identity."

The book was funded by the NSW Government's Aboriginal Child, Youth and Family Strategy, which focuses on improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal children, young people and families.

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Mackay: Early March, Middlemount. Early to mid March, Dysart. Mid March, Tieri. Mid March to mid April, Clermont. Mid April to early May, Moranbah. Early May, Glenden. Mid May, Nebo & Walkerston. Late May, Mirani.

Rockhampton: Early March, Mt Morgan. Early March to early April, Emerald.

Sunshine Coast: Early March to late April, Maroochydore. Early to late May, Tin Can Bay. Late May, Maleny.

Toowoomba: Early March, Stanthorpe. Early to mid March, Inglewood. Mid to late March, Texas. Early to mid April, Mitchell. Mid April, Injune. Mid April to May, Roma.

Townsville: Early May, Balgal Beach & Townsville Correctional Centre. Mid May, Townsville Aboriginal and Islanders Health Service (TAIHS)/Garbutt. Late May, Palm Island.

Wide Bay: Mid to late May, Gin Gin. Mid May, Mt Perry. Late May to June, Childers. Early June, Howard.

For women, age is the biggest risk factor for developing breast cancer. Women aged 50-69 years are strongly encouraged to have a free breast screen every two years at a BreastScreen Queensland Service. Women aged 40-49 years and those over 70 are also eligible for a free breast screen. Please call **13 20 50** to arrange an appointment. Group bookings are also available. The schedule is a guide and subject to change

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Rheanna Summers checks Deena Dodd's blood pressure at the free general health screening available every Friday at Indigenous Employment Queensland in Toowoomba.

Rheanna wastes little time in finding a job



RHEANNA Summers didn't waste any time putting her knowledge and new skills in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health to work.

After completing her Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care with the Southern Queensland Institute of TAFE (SQIT), Mrs Summers gained full-time employment at Unara Community Health in Toowoomba.

"I have always found this line of work intriguing, then a friend told me about the course at TAFE," Mrs Summers said.

"I didn't really know what to expect about the course as I hadn't worked in the industry before, but there was always someone there to assist with any areas I didn't fully understand.

"The one-week face-to-face block training was excellent as I got to mix with other students and some were already working in the field."

Certificate III is an entry-level qualification which assists people to learn skills and knowledge applicable to Indigenous health care, with a strong focus on early intervention and prevention.

The course aims to develop confident and competent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers.

Work experience

TAFE teacher Alison Finlayson said part of the course included 160 hours of vocational placement.

"Some students already work in the industry, and for those that don't, we assist in finding them a suitable workplace," she said.

"Rheanna was part of the first group in the new training packages which is now being delivered in others areas, including Toowoomba, Rockhampton, Mackay and Mount Isa."

Toowoomba Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service cluster co-ordinator Michael Veasey said the vocational placement could often lead to work opportunities.

"Often when the students have completed their subjects, we can offer them a temporary contract which can lead to full-time employment as was the case with Rheanna," Mr Veasey said.

"It provides an opportunity to gain sufficient experience necessary to be eligible to be competitive in the industry and is therefore a win-win situation."

Rheanna hasn't looked back and now holds the position as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander chronic disease health worker.

"The course gave me self-belief and confidence and there are some excellent career pathways," she said.

"My goal is to continue to work with the community and get into social work or counselling."

Mrs Summers will continue her studies and has enrolled in Certificate IV starting next month.

More staff to handle rush



THE Indigenous nursing program at the University of Southern Queensland has reportedly become so popular that the Faculty of Sciences has employed two more academics to help with the student load.

Meanwhile, ten Indigenous nursing students will graduate at USQ's second 2010 graduation at the end of next month.

USQ Indigenous Health lecturer Lynne Stuart said it was very satisfying seeing Indigenous nursing graduates return to their communities following graduation.

"At the university we have the highest number of Indigenous nursing completions nationally with a large number of these students coming from all over Queensland," she said.

"We have two new staff members, Anne Maree Nielsen and Vicki Horner, who are assisting me and specialise in mental health and midwifery.

"Their expertise has been invaluable and they also work closely with the university's Centre for Australian Indigenous Knowledges (CAIK)."

Challenges ahead

Although Indigenous nursing at USQ has produced a high number of graduates, Ms Stuart said that there were still challenges facing the course.

"Sixty per cent of the Indigenous population is made up of people under the age of 20, so that is a very young population," she said.

"At the moment we are attracting a high number of mature-age students, but not as many high school leavers as we'd like."

Ms Stuart said that with the health gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians still alarmingly high, it was vital the graduation rate was maintained.

"It is extremely important that (students) return to their communities so that they can contribute to the wellness of their community and pass on the knowledge that they have learned through their studies," she said.

"In many instances, Indigenous health is something that is a sad reality of life as a lot of the time their family are the statistics."

Ms Stuart said the faculty had experienced a high retention rate for Indigenous students, partly due to support strategies and Indigenous and culturally-sensitive mainstream academics who students felt comfortable talking to.



Roslyn Wharton Boland, Michael Veasey and Ailie Lewis have all been involved in USQ's nursing program.

McCarthy Green Indigenous Scholarship for Nursing in Sexual & Reproductive Health

This scholarship provides funding for a nurse/midwife to complete the Family Planning NSW Certificate in Sexual and Reproductive Health (Nursing). \$6,000 will be awarded for tuition, travel and away-from-home living expenses.

Applicants must be registered nurses/midwives with at least two years post-basic experience and be currently working in an Indigenous community in NSW, Australian citizens or permanent residents, and able to commence study in 2010.

Preference will be given to Indigenous applicants.

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Playgroup builds on success of another



THE Red Cross is supporting the establishment of an Indigenous playgroup at the Garbutt State School, in Townsville West.

The Garbutt initiative, part of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Early Years Community Group Inc, follows a successful playgroup at the Vincent State School that has grown from being a supported group,

to a playgroup now run by the parents and carers themselves.

Last year, the Vincent 'Bibique' playgroup won a \$500 excellence award from Playgroup Queensland.

The Garbutt playgroup started a fortnight ago and will be held on Thursdays during school term from 9am to 11am. A special room has been provided at the school for the new playgroup along with books, furniture and other resources.

All Indigenous community members from Townsville West and surrounding areas are welcome to come along to play with their children, as well as share ideas and experiences with new friends.

Red Cross regional service manager Anita Leslie said it was an opportunity for families to get together and have fun 'while at the same time providing an experience for the children that will help them get ready for school'.



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Students' learning enhanced



CESSNOCK High School, in the NSW Hunter Valley, officially opened its new Aboriginal Learning Centre last month and students have already developed a keen sense of ownership.

Managed by the school's Aboriginal education co-ordinator Deborah Falconer and Aboriginal education worker Kerrie Roberts, the centre is aimed at enhancing learning outcomes for all Aboriginal students and to encourage the wider Aboriginal community to help in the teaching and preservation of culture.

Cultural activities such as painting, dance, music and cooking are being held in the centre during class breaks and after school.

The centre is also being utilised as a meeting

place for students to be involved in mentoring programs.

The opening ceremony on 19 February included a smoking ceremony, dancing and an official welcome by local Elder and NAIDOC Artist of the Year Les Elvin.

Students are very enthusiastic about the centre.

"It is a place to hang out with friends, and we study art and do traditional activities," said Year Ten student Chantelle Roberts.

Year Nine student Dylan Farleigh said he loved the centre because he got to learn about culture and history.

Ms Roberts said the centre gave Aboriginal students an opportunity to learn, and was a safe haven and a place to live their culture.



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Cessnock High School students, back, from left, Denzel Seiver, Dylan Parker and Quentin Trappel; front, Dylan Farley, Shane Swan and Ben Passfield.
Photo courtesy of Cessnock High School

Students targeted by Public Service program



ONE hundred Indigenous students from around Australia will be invited to Parliament House in Canberra later this year

to experience life in a political office.

Employment Participation Minister Mark Arbib announced the Inaugural Student Work Experience Program during a recent Indigenous Business Leaders' Forum at Parliament House.

Senator Arbib said the students would participate in voluntary work experience in parliamentarians' offices and in the Australian Public Service from 21 to 25 June 2010, in Canberra.

"The Indigenous Student Work Experience Program is a Rudd Government initiative that will provide an invaluable opportunity for Indigenous students," he said.

"The goal of the program is to help Indigenous students expand their horizons about what job opportunities exist as they consider their future careers.

"The participating students will see how government works first hand, as well as seeing the diverse options available within the Australian Public Service."

The Indigenous Student Work Experience program is part of the Rudd Government's commitment to increasing Indigenous employment within the Public Service to 10,800 by 2015.

The program is being run in partnership with the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation and Dare to Lead.

Participants will be chosen from schools around Australia that are part of the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation and Dare to Lead networks.

Top of their uni classes



THE top 20 highest achieving Indigenous students from Curtin University of Technology's 2009 second semester student body have had their efforts recognised.

The students were presented with certificates at a special ceremony in Perth on 25 February, where United States Deputy Consul Neal Vermillion was the guest speaker.

The students had graduated from a range of studies including education, science and human resources from across all faculties at Curtin, including the Centre for Aboriginal Studies (CAS).

CAS Director Associate Professor Anita Lee Hong said she was proud to see so many Indigenous students graduating.

"The students have worked hard in their chosen area of study and have achieved

some of the highest marks from across the university," she said.

The students are:

- Joshua Combs, Bachelor of Science (Applied Geology and Geophysics)
- Nikita Umbagai, Aboriginal Bridging Course
- Natasha Tapper, Bachelor of Education
- Lyndy Bowden, Bachelor of Applied Science
- Loretta Harris, Graduate Certificate in Human Resources
- Junnetta Spurgeon, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course
- Leah Latham, Bachelor of Education
- Grant King, Master of Science and Master of Business Administration
- Elizabeth Brown, Bachelor of Arts
- Sarah Hancox, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course

● Diana Jeffries, UniReady Enabling Program for Regional Students

● Shelley Coleman, Bachelor of Science

● Tanya Dorizzi, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course

● Chloe Taylor, Bachelor of Psychology

● Helen Todd, Master of Leadership and Management

● Wendy Curley, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course

● Lauren Heinritz, Graduate Certificate in Project Management

● Krissy Yarran, Bachelor of Education

● Fatima Lever, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course

● Sherilyn Cheeseman, Bachelor of Education Conversion Course

Curtin has one of the highest enrolments of Indigenous students studying at any university in Australia.

● RIGHT: Curtin University of Technology Indigenous achievers pictured with, in front from left to right, Adjunct Professor Joan Winch, CUT Vice-Chancellor Professor Jeanette Hackett, Associate Professor Anita Lee Hong from the Centre for Aboriginal Studies and, at far right, United States Deputy Consul Neal Vermillion.



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Dr Ken Edwards shows Pinalba students Reece Tass (left) and Leilani Clarke, centre, how to use a dog catcher as a woomera.

Learning games the traditional way



A GROUP of Pinalba State School students in Hervey Bay, south-east Queensland have been taught to play traditional

Indigenous games by a man who researched and wrote a manual on the subject.

Dr Ken Edwards visited Hervey Bay late last month and taught the 25 Year Seven Pinalba students a range of games using modern

equipment to replicate traditional items such as spears.

Dr Edwards spent five years travelling Australia to research and learn the games from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

He compiled them into a 260-page book called Yulunga: Traditional Indigenous Games, which is available on the Australian Sports Commission's website.

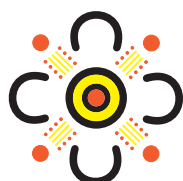
The University of Southern

Queensland Fraser Coast runs a professional development workshop each year to show staff and education students how to teach the games to school students. Dr Edwards, who is a senior education lecturer at USQ Toowoomba, was joined in Pinalba by local USQ staff and students and community and government representatives.

USQ education lecturer Sharon Louth said the games gave the children the chance to experience

and appreciate Indigenous culture and had been modified for safety and ease of use to cater for all ages. For instance, tennis balls were used as spears to throw at a gym ball, which represented a kangaroo.

"It's possible to see elements of our modern games in these games. Keentan is like basketball, and Wana is much like French cricket. Kokan is a hockey game and Koolchee is like 10-pin bowling," she said.



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Trainees Dane Farthing (left) and Cody Reti (right) with Elder Roger Duroux who gave the welcome to country at the welcome lunch.

Training for forest work



NSW Forest Resources Minister Ian Macdonald has congratulated two Grafton men, Dane Walker and Cody Reti, who have been selected for a two-year traineeship under the Forests NSW Indigenous Recruitment Strategy.

Dane and Cody were welcomed to Forests NSW at a lunch on 19 February to introduce them to key business and community stakeholders in the Indigenous recruitment strategy.

Dane has worked in the role of teacher's aid, administration assistant and bush regeneration supervisor with organisations such as The Cathedral School in Townsville, Buyinbin Aboriginal Corporation, Clarence Valley Council and MacLean High School.

Cody has worked in customer service, as a trainee and as a cook with organisations such as Westpac, Aboriginal Employment Strategy, McDonalds and KFC.

The pair have been offered the Certificate III Traineeship in Forest Growing and Management which will see them undertaking a variety of field-based and manual works including slashing, spraying, fire fighting, clearing tracks, pruning, maintenance of facilities and equipment, road construction, fire protection works such as hazard reduction burning, measurement and assessment of trees and general field work in plantations and/or native forest areas.

"These men have been recognised for their talent and potential to gain new and invaluable skills over the next two years," Mr Macdonald said. "The traineeship allows the men to complete their Certificate in the comfort of their own backyards, being based in Grafton and will work in native and plantation forests on a 12 month rotational basis."

Forests NSW has partnered with the Aboriginal Employment Service (AES) on the project.



Tintinara Duroux from the Aboriginal Employment Strategy with Cody Reti.



Dane Farthing with FNSW Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer Robyne Bancroft.

NATIONAL CALENDAR



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@koorimail.com, faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666.

GENERAL

21 March: Harmony Day 2010 events around the country, including 'A Taste of Harmony' from March 15-21, a celebration of the multicultural nature of Australian workplaces through sharing food. For info, go to www.harmony.gov.au

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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 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: '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

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

5-13 March: Byron Bay International Film Festival 2010. This is a nine-day festival featuring a host of Australian premieres, gala red carpet parties, Q&A sessions, family-friendly film sessions, free filmmaking workshops and more. Showcasing Australian Indigenous films such as *Black Culture*, *The Dreaming Man*, *Blowback*, *Barnnggrnn Marrangu Story* and *Contact*. All welcome. Cost involved. Held at the Byron Community Centre, Byron Bay, NSW. Details: (02) 66 856 807 or visit www.bbff.com.au

12 March and 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. All welcome. Held in Redfern, NSW. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

13 March: 'Sharing Your Stories', a community open day for redevelopment of the Lismore Visitor Information Centre to feature a major exhibition focussing on the history and culture of the Widjabal people of the Bundjalung Nation. Members of the community are invited to share their stories and photographs for possible inclusion in the exhibition. From 10am-2pm at the GunnaWannaBe Café, Gallery and Learning Centre, 18 Union St, South Lismore. For info, call Mitch Lowe at Lismore City Council on (02) 6626 0105.

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

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, NSW from 2-5pm. Details: Steve Miller on (02) 9339 9903 or email stevem@mgns.org.au or visit www.mgns.org.au

27 March: 'Journeys into Understanding'. This is a one-day course in Aboriginal Studies, History and Culture as well as updates on the NT Intervention. Speakers include Yuin Elder Uncle Max Harrison, human rights lawyer Waratah Rosemary Gillespie, anthropologist Les Bursill and more. Cost \$33 per person and includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea. All welcome. Held at Jannali Centre, 127-129 Sutherland Road, Jannali from 9.30am-4.30pm. Details: (02) 9528 3344 or visit www.sgsc.edu.au

30 March: Fundraising breakfast for the University of Sydney Women's College Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alliance Project. The breakfast, from 7-8.30am at the Women's College, will feature Indigenous Principal of Nothlakes High School Lisa Muir as guest speaker. \$50 per person or \$375 for corporate tables of eight. For info, email community@thewomenscollege.com.au or call (02) 9517 5008.

30 March: Fundraising breakfast. This fundraiser will support WATSA, a hands-on project that aims to increase the number of young Indigenous women undertaking tertiary education. All welcome. Guest speakers. Free parking. Cost \$50 per person. Held at The Women's College, University of Sydney, 15 Carillon Ave, Newtown, from 7am-8.30am. Details: (02) 9517 5008 or email community@thewomenscollege.com.au or visit www.thewomenscollege.com.au

2-5 April: Greg Inglis Inaugural Rugby League Tournament, including games and coaching and development. The tournament is open to all junior rugby league teams and will be held at the Verge Street Sports Complex, Kempsey. Strictly a drug and alcohol-free event. For info, call Paul Davis on (0458) 778 246 or email dunguttibroncos@yahoo.com.au.

8-9 June: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing and Service Infrastructure. The conference will address problems of overcrowding and poorly maintained housing stock across remote and urban communities to close the gap on disadvantages. Keynote

speakers include Brian Gleeson, Michael Mundine, Russell Logan, John Mofflin and more. Cost involved. All welcome. Held at the Mercure Hotel, Brisbane, QLD. Details: 1300 316 882 or email registration@criterionconferences.com or visit www.indighouses.com

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, Silverton, NSW. For details on what to bring contact Neville Naden on (0425) 387 402 or email nedann@optusnet.com.au

18 July: The Last Kinection Propa Mad Deadly Tour. Featuring special guests Impossible Odds, Mr Morgz, Tjimba and the Young Warriors, Johnny Mac, Lady Luck, Alter Egoz, Little G, Koori Boy and DJ Deadly. Cost \$20 at the door. All welcome. Held at Ocktober Lounge, 911 High St, Northcote, NSW, from 8pm onwards. Details: (0402) 354 382 or visit www.lastkinection.com

Northern Territory

19 March: The Hoops 4 Health Challenge returns to Alice Springs, featuring Anthony 'The Man' Mundine, Cairns Taipans' Deba George and Kerry Williams and NBL Legend Brett Maher. The Hoops 4 Health All Stars will take on the Alice Springs Senior Men's Basketball Team at Traeger Park Basketball Stadium at 7.30pm, preceded by a match between The Girls of the Centre Program and Role Models and the Hoops 4 Health Womens Challenge. Entry is free. For info, call (0431) 428 767.

14 April: 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. All welcome. Held in Darwin, NT. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

20 August: NT Indigenous Music Awards. The awards acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of the Territory's Aboriginal music performers, both in contemporary and traditional genres. Food and drinks available no BYO alcohol. Limited seating so bring a rug. All welcome. Held in Darwin, NT. Details: (08) 8981 1995 or email admin@musicnt.com.au or visit www.musicnt.com.au

Queensland

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 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

12 March-30 May: Aiewal 'Come, gather' Art Exhibition. This is an exhibition of work produced at creative skills development workshops in the Torres Strait during 2009. All welcome. Held at the Gab Titui Cultural Centre, Corner Blackall St and Victoria Parade, Thursday Island, Torres Strait. Details: (07) 4090 2130 or visit www.gabtitui.com.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

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 www.TonkinCorporation.com

28 May: 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. All welcome. Held in Brisbane, Qld. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

South Australia

Until 21 March: WATA (wind) – songs that 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. 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 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

12 April: 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. All welcome. Held in Adelaide, SA. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

Victoria

Until 15 March: Deadly Funny workshop. The workshop will 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. Lead-up to state finals. Free entry and food provided. All welcome. Held at Evelyn Hotel, Fitzroy from 7-9pm. Details: Jason Tamiru on (03) 9245 3700 or visit www.deadlyfunny.com.au

Until 20 March: Douglas Kwarple 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 16 April: Indigenous Arts Grants Writing Workshops. These free workshops are

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Personal Carer	Personal Carer	Personal Carer	Physio Assistant
<p>(7 Positions)</p> <p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$35,619 - \$39,941 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Assist residents at the home with their personal care and hygiene whilst ensuring their independence <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is an Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$546.23 - \$612.51 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 30.40 hours per weekAssist residents at the home with their personal care and hygiene whilst ensuring their independence <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>(2 Positions)</p> <p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$409.68 - \$459.39 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 22.80 hours per weekAssist residents at the home with their personal care and hygiene whilst ensuring their independence <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>(Temporary Position)</p> <p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$377.33 - \$385.19 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 21.00 hours per weekCarry out programmes under the direction of the PhysiotherapistFacilitate and evaluate programmes for the residentsProvide feedback to the PhysiotherapistMaintain records and statistics <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>

Registered Nurse	Registered Nurse	Registered Nurse	Relief Cook	Weekend Cook
<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 4 \$895.50 - \$1020.02 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 30.40 hours per weekUnder the direction of the Clinical Nursing Coordinator, lead a team and be responsible for the delivery of quality, holistic care to the residents <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, Alice Springs NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is an Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 5 \$796.95 - \$851.50 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 22.80 hours per weekUnder the direction of the Clinical Nursing Coordinator, lead a team and be responsible for the delivery of quality, holistic care to the residents <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, Alice Springs NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is an Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 5 \$1062.59 - \$1135.33 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 30.40 hours per weekUnder the direction of the Clinical Nursing Coordinator, lead a team and be responsible for the delivery of quality, holistic care to the residents <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Teresa Branson on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, Alice Springs NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is an Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$299.23 - \$306.26 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 15.20 hours per weekPrepare and cook meals for the residents of the home whilst ensuring a high level of cleanliness is maintained <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Sandre Buckley on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs</p> <p>Topsy Smith Hostel APS Level 1 \$178.95 - \$193.70 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Part time 10 hours per weekPrepare and cook meals for the residents of the hostel whilst ensuring a high level of cleanliness is maintained <hr/> <p>Want to know more?</p> <p>Contact Natasha Appo on 08 8952 7815.</p> <p>Application Documents</p> <p>From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply</p> <p>Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date</p> <p>By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Renal Dialysis hostel.</p>

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Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Helping hand

PAUL Williams believes that 20 years' experience as a bricklayer has helped him in his current job as a Queensland Government Indigenous Employment and Training Support Officer.

He said it had given him a good understanding of what employers expected and how apprenticeships and traineeships could help people get a good start in the workforce.

Based in Lutwyche – a Brisbane suburb – Paul recently helped Travis Williams, of Stafford, and Andrew Enoch, of Logan, secure positions as Indigenous trainees at Australia Post.

"My role is to mentor and advocate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are participating in apprenticeships or traineeships," he said.

"I've supported five people into these traineeships through my contact with group training organisation CADET Group Australia. CADET employs the trainees and works in partnership with host employer Australia Post to organise the program.

"I think this is a sensational program because Australia Post has a proven commitment to Indigenous employment.

'Real jobs'

"This program is training for a real, on-going job – not just training for training's sake."

Paul visited Travis and Andrew, along with two other Indigenous trainees, Travis Fry, from Rockhampton, and Stuart Nuggin, from Townsville, as they completed motorcycle training at the Honda Australia Rider Training (HART) facility at Brisbane Airport.

Andrew said after sub-contracting jobs sanding and polishing floors dried up a few months ago, he had gained some part-time work as a delivery driver, but he was looking forward to the traineeship opportunity.

"Being a trainee with Australia Post I know I'll get paid each fortnight and I get to ride bikes and work outside," he said.



Denise Huxham from CADET Group and Qld Government Indigenous Employment and Training support officers Paul Williams (second from left) and Ron Fogarty (far right) visit Australia Post trainees Stuart Nuggin, Travis Williams, Travis Fry and Andrew Enoch during their postal motorcycle training in Brisbane.

"I'm enjoying it and now I've got my mind set on becoming a postie."

CADET program co-ordinator Denise Huxham said they had been working with Paul Williams and the IETSO program for more than three years and Paul's assistance, insight and personalised service was invaluable.

"Paul has worked closely with our trainees at Australia Post through all stages of their traineeships from recruitment and

assessment to mentoring and advice. He has a comprehensive understanding of the program and a clear vision of what we are trying to achieve," Denise said.

Perseverance

"His perseverance and dedication has made a significant difference to many of our trainees and his approachable, easy-going manner make him a pleasure to work with."

Australia Post State diversity co-ordinator Wendy Viney said

Australia Post was serious about supporting Indigenous employment in local communities.

"As part of Australia Post's Indigenous Employment and Business Strategy, we are working towards providing 100 Indigenous traineeships across Australia," she said.

"Trainees are placed in workplaces where their current strengths can be built upon and there is an opportunity for them to broaden their skills and knowledge.

"The idea is to allow trainees to experience a broad range of tasks so they have a good understanding of the business and how it contributes to the community."

Australia Post now employs nearly 200 Indigenous staff across Queensland in a range of positions and locations.

Indigenous people interested in a job with Australia Post should contact Greg Broderick on (07) 3405 1217 or visit the website at www.auspost.com.au/jobsatpost

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council (KLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO will be required to assist and support the KLALC Board in implementing the KLALC's community business plan.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and an understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of financial management principals and practices. An in-depth knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues, including social housing, would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer – Bronwyn Leon, by email: bronwyn.leon@alc.org.au or on (02) 6659 1202.

Applications can be forwarded to:

trent.lynwood@alc.org.au
or marked "Confidential" and posted to:
CEO Recruitment Panel
Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1912, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450

Applications close 26th March 2010

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

www.dhs.vic.gov.au



Aboriginal Family Decision Making Convenors

North and West Metropolitan Region

Child Protection Program

Footscray Regional Office

Salary: \$77,813 - \$89,556 (Pro rata and plus Superannuation)

One full time fixed term - 6 months

One part time fixed term - 6 months (38 hours p/fortnight)

This is an exciting opportunity to join the North & West Metropolitan Region's Aboriginal Family Decision Making (AFDM) program, operating in partnership with the Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA). The position will be responsible for co-convening AFDM meetings with the VACCA convenor and Aboriginal Elder. The Convenor must have strengths in engaging large family groups and developing culturally appropriate plans for Indigenous children, youth and their families. The successful candidate must have the ability to communicate well with, as see issues from, the perspective of Indigenous people.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Ms Dominique Swift, A/Assistant Child Protection Manager, on (03) 9479-0556.

To apply online and view the job description, visit www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers and click on Vacancies. Please quote reference: DHS/NWR/27415

Closing date for applications is Sunday 21 March 2010

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DHS recruitment practices.



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Web Search No: IRC16500

Level/Salary: Level 6, \$77,679 - \$86,017 pa, PSGA 2008

This opportunity is offered as permanent full-time, with a recruitment pool open for 12 months after the initial appointment. These pool applicants may be placed on a fixed term or permanent basis.

The position provides policy advice to public sector agencies on the implementation of the Policy Framework for Substantive Equality. You will also support the Manager Substantive Equality on a range of operational matters.

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: 9258 0988 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Mrs Cathy Groves on Ph: 9216 3910.

Location: Perth

Closing Date: Tuesday, 16 March 2010 at 11.45pm WST.

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2 positions
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Reconciliation Australia is committed to improving employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and welcomes applications from all Australians especially those of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent.

Applications close on Wednesday, 24 March 2010 at 5.00pm AEDT

Further information about this position, including remuneration details, job description and selection criteria is available from our website at www.reconciliation.org.au or contact Kate Leonard on phone (02) 6272 2633 or kate.leonard@reconciliation.org.au

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Providing reports and updates as well as costing and pricing analysis; Monitoring budgets; Ensuring projects operate and mobilise to our high safety systems and standards; To be the key contact for clients and creating/managing strong relationships

The ideal candidate will have: Project manager experience; Exposure to site environment, preferably with Mining and Construction; Sound knowledge of project scheduling; Strong Analytical Skills; Report writing skills; Excellent communication and relationship skills; Leadership and management experience; Ability to adapt to

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For more information please contact Sebastien Charbonneau on (08) 9232 1138 or email your resume to Tmartin@macmahon.com.au quoting reference DDYOPM.

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Participating in this fully funded, nationally recognised, program will set you up with the skills and knowledge needed to pursue a career in the energy industry. And one day a week you'll do work experience at our apprentice training centre – so you can try things out first hand. **At the end of the course, and based on your results, you will be eligible to apply for our 2011 apprentice program.**

The 10 week program starts this July and can be done at two locations; Petersham TAFE in Sydney or Maitland TAFE in the Hunter. Work experience will be held at EnergyAustralia's Meadowbank, Silverwater and Wallsend Apprentice Training Centres.

For more information, please contact Lyn Wilson, Head Teacher Foundation Education, TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute on 0409 310 384 or visit the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Programs section at www.energyaustralia.com.au/careers

All EnergyAustralia appointments are subject to background checks. EnergyAustralia is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to environment excellence.



INDIGENOUS STUDENT SERVICES OFFICER

Part-time (80%), fixed-term (1 year) (HEO5) position in the Office of the Director, Indigenous Education.

VCAT Exemption Number: A371/2006

An exemption has been obtained from VCAT allowing preference to be given to applicants from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.

CAMPUS: ALBURY-WODONGA

REMUNERATION: Package of \$57,748 to \$65,030 p.a. pro rata (inclusive of 17% employer superannuation).

REFERENCE NUMBER: 50002425

CLOSING DATE: Close of Business, Friday 26 March 2010

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CAMPBELLTOWN FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE have the following permanent part time vacancies;

YOUTH SUPPORT WORKER

Permanent part-time 35 hours pw SACs (NSW) Award grade 3 To provide early intervention, preventative casework through outreach home visiting and group work focusing on the most vulnerable in Macarthur aged 12-17 years and their families. Some after hours work.

FAMILY WORKER

Permanent part time 28 hours pw SACs (NSW) Award grade 3 This position provides support to families with dependent children in times of stress and crisis.

ABORIGINAL FAMILY WORKER

Permanent part time 20 hours pw SACs (NSW) Award grade 3 This Family Worker home visiting casework position provides a developmental and supportive role to Aboriginal/TSI families with dependent children, in times of crisis and stress, who live in the Macarthur area. Aboriginality is essential.

ABORIGINAL YOUTH SUPPORT WORKER

20 hours pw. SACs Award (NSW) grade 3 To provide outreach services to Aboriginal/TSI young people and their families in Macarthur. Aboriginality and a demonstrated knowledge of issues impacting on young people is essential.

Essential for all positions

- Relevant tertiary qualifications or at least 2 years working experience in a relevant field.
- A comprehensively insured car and current driver's licence
- An understanding of local Aboriginal/TSI issues

These positions are covered by the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act of 1998. Relevant criminal and employment history checks will be carried out on recommended applicants.

For a full job description and selection criteria please phone 02 46287233.

Applications close 5pm Friday 19th March 2010



Indigenous Cadetship Program

An initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement

Are you an Indigenous person undertaking full-time study?

Are you interested in being paid while you study your diploma, advanced diploma or degree?

The Department of Justice (Victoria) has **four** Cadetships available for Indigenous students interested in a career within the Department who are studying full time across a broad range of areas to include legal studies, justice studies, criminology, welfare studies, social work, social sciences, accounting and business management.

Other related areas of study are strongly encouraged to apply.

Why apply for an Indigenous Cadetship with the Department of Justice?

The Department of Justice offers:

- a fortnightly study allowance whilst undertaking your study
- on the job experience through a 12 week paid work experience placement each academic year
- \$1,000 each academic year for purchase of study materials
- ongoing mentoring support during the Cadetship
- networking opportunities and support through the Departments Koori Staff Network
- guaranteed ongoing employment at the successful completion of the Cadetship at a VPS level 2-3

Applications close 5pm Monday 29 March 2010.

Applicants will need to meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the 2010 Guidelines.

To find out more about the Indigenous Cadetship Program or to obtain a copy of the Guidelines and an Application Form please contact Travis Lovett at the Koori Justice Unit on (03) 8684 1765 or email travis.lovett@justice.vic.gov.au

The Indigenous Cadetship Program is supported by funding from the Commonwealth Government under its Indigenous Cadetship Support program, administered by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

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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 Departmental policy. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and ethical practices.

Juvenile Justice Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 5/6, Penrith Juvenile Justice Community Services, Permanent Full Time. Vacancy Number 10/009.

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 re advertised position. Applicants must re apply. 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: Lee Mansfield on 02 4720 3600

Information Packages: Deanna Newman on 02 4720 3600

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Employee Services Officer, Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240

Closing Date: Sunday 14 March 2010

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NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AUSTRALIA'S FIRST PEOPLES

- **Lead the Creation of Australia's New Representative Body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples**
- **Location: Sydney**

The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has been created to provide national leadership in advocating for the recognition of the status of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as First Nations peoples, protecting the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and advancing the well being of their communities. The Congress will provide a voice and represent the best interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, actively pursuing a principled and visionary agenda to secure their economic, social, cultural and environmental futures, and building a new relationship with government, industry, and among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, based on mutual respect and equality.

The inaugural Chief Executive Officer will lead a small team to establish the office of the Congress, consistent with the highest standards of professionalism and organisational integrity, and develop processes that are transparent, participatory, informed and robust. The appointee will establish the governance structures as

well as the operations arm of the organisation, and develop organisational policies and procedures to underpin the initial growth of the Congress. This will include business and operational plans, financial management and reporting systems, and media and community relations protocols and procedures.

We are seeking applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with proven general management experience combined with Board and financial governance capability, and supported by outstanding leadership, organisational and team building skills. Candidates will need to possess strong stakeholder engagement skills, including the capability to interact effectively at all levels of Government, the corporate and community sectors, and the capacity to be successful within complex political and social contexts. A sound understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander national priorities and issues would be preferred, together with strong negotiation, advocacy and media relations skills.

Please apply in writing quoting Ref No. 5801 to Watermark Search International.
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- Beautiful, remote outback location
- Opportunity to contribute to the future of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands

Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) is a corporation that represents its 3000 members on the APY Lands, an area covering over 100,000 km², in the far north west of South Australia.

APY administers the APY Land Rights Act which provided Anangu (Aboriginal people of the APY Lands) with inalienable, freehold title to their Lands. Anangu Traditional Owners are consulted and informed before giving consent for any plans to develop their Lands.

These are exciting times for Anangu on the APY Lands with many development proposals being put forward from oil and mineral exploration to government and non-government agencies wishing to expand their services and programs. Visit the website www.anangu.com.au to get an overview of the APY Lands and how APY operates.

We are seeking **two** experienced Anthropologists to join our team at Umuwa; the administration centre of the Lands. The Anthropologists will provide a full range of anthropological services, including consultation, heritage clearances, traditional owner identification, and participation in distribution meetings. Opportunities for professional development and social research exist as well.

APY provides modern, furnished housing and a vehicle for work purposes. Leave entitlements and conditions are very generous.

This is an opportunity for people to escape the urban environment, see some beautiful country in remote Australia and work with some wonderful traditional people whilst also being a part of a small but vibrant organisation that has modern office accommodation and up-to-date technology.

Coffey International Development is coordinating the recruitment of this position on behalf of Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara. Detailed Terms of Reference and essential application procedures for this challenging role are available at www.careers.coffey.com or from Kylie Green at kylie_green@coffey.com quoting the reference number COFF-1035. Enquiries can be directed to Trish Sawford at trisha_sawford@coffey.com or on +61 8 8418 1500. **Applications close 5.00pm (ACT) Friday 26th of March 2010.**



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:

Drummond Memorial Public School (02) 6772 3736	Taree High School (02) 6552 1166	Westport Public School (02) 6583 2944
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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 26 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.



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Communications Support Officer

Located at Grafton

Temporary Full Time - PN: 50010442, Salary: \$60,049 - \$63,107 pa

The Communications Support Officer provides support to the Regional Communications Officer in the delivery of Communications activities, including community and Parliamentary communication and customer service.

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Closing Date: 12 March 2010

For further information, applicants must obtain an information package from Sonia George (02) 6640 1327.

Applicants can apply online at www.rta.nsw.gov.au/careers



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Area Supervisor - HALLS CREEK AREA

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 Indigenous communities around Halls Creek from April 2010 to July 2010.

We are looking to appoint an Area Supervisor in Halls Creek who will take responsibility for the enumeration within the selected Indigenous communities and manage local field staff who will undertake the enumeration.

If you can answer **YES** to **ALL** of the following questions, please **call Janet Gunn on (08) 9360 5377** 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.

- Are you an Australian Citizen or do you have permanent residency?
- Are you at least 18 years of age?
- Do you have experience working in or with Indigenous communities or with local Indigenous groups?
- Are you available to work during the period 12 April 2010 to 13 July 2010?
- Do you live in Halls Creek or the surrounding area?
- Do you have a current driver's licence?
- Do you have a home telephone and/or a mobile phone?
- Do you have a home computer with internet access?
- Are you able to communicate and liaise with the public?
- Can you train and supervise a small number of Indigenous community field staff?
- Are you able to read a map and perform clerical functions?
- Can you maintain the security and confidentiality of information collected?
- Are you able to work on weekends and evenings?

You will be paid \$26.47 per hour for a pre-determined number of hours. The number of hours varies according to the number of collectors in your workload and travel requirements but most Area Supervisors will earn approximately \$6,500 plus a casual loading entitlement. An additional allowance is paid for incidentals and reimbursement of travel expenses. 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.

Applications close on 19 March 2010.

Indigenous Health Promotion Officer.

Indigenous Eye Health Unit, Melbourne School of Population Health

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 (A312/2007). Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a dedicated team of researchers working on Indigenous eye health research.

You will work as a part of a team involved in the research activities of the Indigenous Eye Health Unit, within the Melbourne School of Population Health. You will work specifically on health promotion aspects of policy development and addressing the recommendations arising from the various research projects and studies within the Unit, the aim being to implement effective system reform.

This position will report to Professor Hugh Taylor. Responsibilities include assisting with planning, implementing and evaluating activities associated within the Indigenous Eye Health Unit.

Salary: \$65,935 - \$71,373 p.a. (pro-rata where applicable) plus 9% super.

Job No: 0023276.

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- Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Division – Aboriginal or Public Policy, or related fields
- Arts SA – Marketing
- SafeWork SA – Studies related to OHS, Industrial Relations, Law or Economics

Commencing in May 2010, the positions are offered as 12-month contracts with salaries beginning at \$42,336 per annum plus superannuation.

General enquiries should be directed to: Human Resources on 08 8463 5430 or dpc.hr@saugov.sa.gov.au

Please apply online at: www.premcab.sa.gov.au/careers

Applicants are asked to submit a current CV and 2 page cover letter detailing their suitability for the position.

Applications Close:
4.00pm 26th March 2010

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INDIGENOUS CADETSHIPS MONITORING FIELD OFFICERS

An opportunity exists for you to pursue or start an exciting career in water resource monitoring and gain a qualification. As a cadet you will assist with the collection of flow, water level and salinity data from surface water and ground water monitoring networks around the State.

The Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation takes the lead in South Australia's policy and management of natural land and water resources in SA. We are committed to getting the balance right, making a difference, being connected, service excellence and achievement with a work culture centred on respect, diversity and integrity

Eligibility: To be eligible for this position, you will be a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, and willing to undertake a Certificate IV in Hydrography.

Commencement Date: March 2010 (for up to 2 years)

Location: Based in Adelaide Metropolitan and will undertake work in both rural and remote regions.

Application Criteria: To apply please refer to the Notice of Vacancies on www.vacancies.sa.gov.au

Further Information: Kevin Dennis,
Manager Resource Monitoring Services Unit
Email: kevin.dennis@sa.gov.au
Phone: 8463 6958 or mobile: 0418 801 703

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Closing Date: 5pm 26th March 2010

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Academic Leader: Indigenous Health

Graduate School of Medicine (GSM)

The GSM has offered a graduate-entry medical programme at both the Wollongong and Shoalhaven campuses since 2007. The aim of the GSM is to graduate excellent medical practitioners, who have the capacity and desire to contribute to the enhancement of health care for persons in all geographic settings, but particularly in regional, rural and remote communities. These graduates will have a commitment to patient-centred, evidence-based reflective and cost-effective medical practice.

As a new school, the GSM is a supportive environment in which teamwork underpins the development and delivery of the new MBBS degree.

The Academic Leader will lead the teaching and learning of Indigenous Health in the University of Wollongong medical curriculum and contribute to curriculum design and development in relation to the area of Indigenous Health. The School has a commitment to the pedagogical principles and approach of the Indigenous health Curriculum Framework developed by the Committee of Deans of Australasian Medical Schools. The successful candidate will develop and facilitate strong links between the GSM, the Indigenous community, and staff of hospital and community-based health services.

The GSM invites applications for this full time continuing Academic appointment. The position is available at either Senior Lecturer or Associate Professor level and an offer will be made commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate. Candidates must address the criteria specified in the Position Description (either Level C or D), which is available from our website. Please also refer to the Position Classification Standard. For further information please contact Professor Elizabeth Farmer, Dean GSM, on (02) 4221 5151.

Applications Close 4 April 2010

Quote Ref No 28087

how to apply: Please go to our website <http://employment.uow.edu.au/> to submit your application online & for more information about the position and UOW.

University of Wollongong



Human Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Asset & Property Project Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 7/8
Strategic Asset Management & Procurement Unit
Central Office, Clarence Street, Sydney
Temporary Full-Time
Position No: 10/ADHC_0304

Total remuneration package is valued up to \$91,779 per annum (Salary: \$75,137 pa - \$83,171 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Provide support to the ADHC capital works program in the management of the delivery of disability accommodation residential projects.

The Asset and Property Project Officer will play a key role in deliver of disability accommodation residential projects under the Asset Strategy & Innovative Accommodation (ASIA) program and will be the link between the Regional Offices to facilitate a consistent approach to the scoping and delivery of regional supported accommodation projects.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Skills and experience in project development and implementation and an ability to allocate priorities, resources and manage according to a budget.
- Knowledge and understanding of property and asset management, service delivery and client issues.
- Analytical, problem solving, research and data analysis skills.
- Ability to interpret and apply legislation and policies.
- Effective written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills for liaising and consulting with a diverse range of stakeholders.
- Demonstrated commitment to teamwork and a willingness to show initiative and flexibility and reliability in meeting deadlines.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with Regions and service providers.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position for a period up to 30 June 2011 under the terms of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002.

In an identified position, an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977* (NSW).

The agency will accept proof of Aboriginality confirming the following:

1. You are an Aboriginal person of Aboriginal descent;
2. You identify as being Aboriginal; and
3. You are accepted as such by the community in which you live.

An acceptable form of documented verification is a 'Conformity of Aboriginality' letter, provided to you by a local Aboriginal organisation that includes the common seal of the organisation.

Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

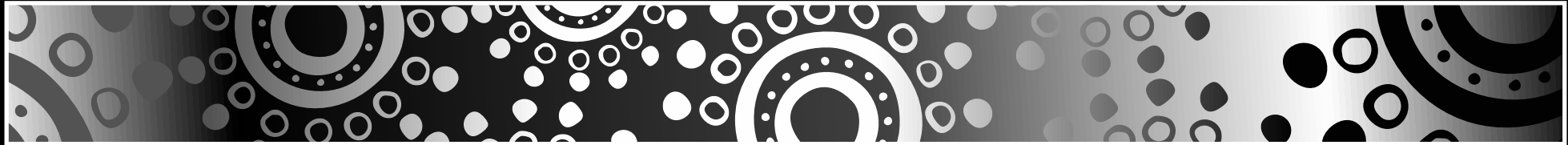
Inquiries: Craig Heinjus, Executive Manager Residential and Community Living Assets (02) 9300 3882

Information package: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or 1800 185 466

Closing Date: Friday 26 March 2010

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Houseparent	Aboriginal Liaison Officer	Activities Officer	Corporate Services Administrative Support Officer
<p>Tennant Creek Wangkana - Kari Hostel APS Level 3 \$344.95 - \$366.07 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Part time 15.20 hours per week• Responsible for the 24-hour operation of the hostel whilst on duty• Ensure that appropriate recreational, educational and other support facilities are available to the students• Experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander teenagers in a residential setting would be an advantage• Senior First Aid Certificate would be an advantage• Licence to drive a 22-seater bus or the ability to obtain one <p>Want to know more? Contact Marcella Rankine on 08 8962 2511.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Secondary Education hostel.</p>	<p>(2 Temporary Positions) Alice Springs Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 2 \$364.86 - \$398.30 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Part time 17.50 hours per week• Transportation of residents to medical appointments when required• Assist residents in maintaining contact and relationships with family members and the community• Assist with the admission processes, including respite admission, ensuring that all documentation is received• Assist with maintaining and updating family contacts/numbers/forwarding addresses <p>Want to know more? Contact Sandre Buckley on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 2 \$41,330 - \$45,118 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responsible for the development of activities for the residents of the Home• Establishment, implementation, evaluation and review of activities policies and procedures• Assist the Adminsitrator in developing routine cleaning schedules• Provide reports on the progress of the activities programme <p>Want to know more? Contact Sandre Buckley on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs Regional Office APS Level 2 \$459.47 - \$501.32 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial point of contact for all visitors and telephone calls• Provide support to the finance, personnel and payroll functions• Record keeping, including maintaining company filing systems• General office administration, including stationery, mail services and petty cash <p>Want to know more? Contact Tresna Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p>
Assistant Hostel Manager	Domestic	Kitchenhand	Kitchenhand
<p>Alice Springs Topsy Smith Hostel APS Level 3 \$44,987 - \$47,742 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operation of the hostel• Provide a quality service to our residents• Supervise staff• Manage a budget• Provide reports to Regional Manager <p>Want to know more? Contact Natasha Appo on 08 8952 7815.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Renal Dialysis hostel.</p>	<p>Alice Springs Topsy Smith Hostel APS Level 1 \$502.59 - \$533.35 per week, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Part time 30.40 hours per week• Ensure that a high level of cleanliness is maintained throughout all areas of the hostel• Preparation of all rooms• Stock control of all linen including the changing and washing• Food preparation, cooking and service <p>Want to know more? Contact Natasha Appo on 08 8952 7815.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Renal Dialysis hostel.</p>	<p>Alice Springs Hetti Perkins Home for the Aged APS Level 1 \$35,619 - \$36,361 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist in the preparation and cooking of meals for the residents of the home whilst ensuring a high level of cleanliness <p>Want to know more? Contact Sandre Buckley on 08 8952 5811.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Aged Care Home.</p>	<p>Alice Springs Topsy Smith Hostel APS Level 1 \$32,773 - \$34,779 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist in the preparation and cooking of meals for the residents of the hostel whilst ensuring a high level of cleanliness <p>Want to know more? Contact Natasha Appo on 08 8952 7815.</p> <p>Application Documents From our website or telephone Amanda Appo on 08 8952 6544.</p> <p>How to Apply Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1945, ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871.</p> <p>Closing date By 5pm 26 March 2010.</p> <p>This is a Renal Dialysis hostel.</p>

Working with Indigenous people for Indigenous people
Aboriginal Hostels Limited improves Indigenous quality of life through the delivery of hostel accommodation to enable access to education, employment, health and other services.

Conditions of Employment
The successful applicant is required to be an Australian citizen and to satisfactorily complete a medical assessment and police records check.
A probationary period applies.

These are identified positions.

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Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place (MMIGP) is a community controlled Aboriginal organisation based in Melbourne's eastern metropolitan region. MMIGP is responsible for service delivery to its local Indigenous community and is planning to expand and grow the organisation.

The Managing Director has responsibility for all strategic and operational aspects of MMIGP, including leading a workforce of 15-20 staff, delivering services to this Indigenous community and building its economic base. Core to the role is building relationships with a wide variety of stakeholders, undertaking strategic planning, economic and workforce development, as well as a range of other challenges.

You have a proven track record in business management and the delivery of multiple services. Experience in managing healthcare services and economic development is highly desirable. You are able to develop submissions and negotiate funding, along with the ability to strengthen and maintain partnerships with a focus on economic development and operational sustainability.

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 1995* (No. A31/2010). Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

If you have relevant experience as a senior manager, an ability to build economic sustainability as well as a sound understanding of challenges that face Aboriginal communities, we'd like to hear from you. Please call Kylie Kinsela on 0401 107 318 email kylie@indigcareers.com.au

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Get to make a difference in lives of people in Dubbo and our community: Get a career that matters.

New Family Referral Services Program – Various positions (full time) Child and Family Team - Manager Community Placements Programs – Caseworkers and Support Workers (full time and casual)

The New Family Referral Service to be established in Dubbo provides coordinated services and referral pathways for vulnerable families.

- **Manager Position** - This position is responsible for the overall operation of the Family Referral Service in the Dubbo Region. (Call Reg Humphreys on 02 6885 5010)
- **Family Connector positions x 5 available** - These positions work with families and services contacting the Family Referral Service. They provide assessment, information and referral via phone and in person. (Call Lisa Andersen on 02 6885 2353)
- **Administration/Intake Officer** - This position provides general administration support to the Family Referral Service team and assists with intake services. (Call Lisa Andersen on 02 6885 2353)

Child and Family Team (CAFT) (Call Reg Humphreys on 02 6885 5010)

- **Manager - CAFT** - This position is responsible for day to day management day to day operations of the combined CAFT consisting of Brighter Futures, Disability, Community and Counselling teams.

Community Placements Program (Out of Home Care) (Call Dave Ryan on 02 6885 5010)

- **Caseworkers/Support Workers** - These positions provide support to of Out of Home Care placements and work with and through the carer to provide support and advice to child/young person.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY -

We strive for cultural competence and a large number of our staff in our Dubbo programs are proud Aboriginal people working to make a difference in their community.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 19 MARCH 2010

www.getacareerthatmatters.com.au

Further information including job descriptions are available on our website and you can apply online or if you would like to speak to someone please call (02) 6885 5010

We will require a "Working with Children Check" under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply.



AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Centre for Indigenous Education and Research McAuley Campus — Brisbane

- **Three (3) month fixed-term appointment**

Australian Catholic University is a public university open to all, with six campuses located in Brisbane, Sydney (2), Canberra, Melbourne and Ballarat.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT (PROJECT MANAGER)

The University is a leader in Indigenous education, with a demonstrated commitment to Indigenous Australians through the provision of appropriate programs and culturally appropriate, safe and respectful practices and services. The University's Centre for Indigenous Education and Research (CIER), aims to build upon this commitment by becoming a centre of excellence in Indigenous education, policy development and practice, research and scholarship and community engagement.

The Research Assistant (Project Manager) will provide research support at the campus and national level to the Director, CIER and the Australian Catholic University Indigenous Research Advisory Group (IRAG), to carry out and promote Indigenous research, postgraduate research studies and research workshops and training.

To be successful in this role, you will have demonstrated knowledge of and ability to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and communities. You will also have the ability to establish and maintain high quality research, editorial and administrative support services; including assisting in the development of tender submissions, reports, and scholarly articles. Project management and research skills are essential.

Total remuneration valued to \$66,330 - \$71,278 per annum, including salary component \$56,693 - \$60,922 per annum (HEW Level 6), employer contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

A range of generous conditions of employment and entitlements are provided, these include: generous leave conditions; flexible working arrangements; salary packaging benefits and comprehensive staff development programs.

Applications close: Wednesday, 24 March 2010.

HOW TO APPLY:

Obtain further information, including the position description and selection criteria from the ACU Careers website: www.acu.edu.au/careers

Applicants should demonstrate commitment to the specific mission and Catholic ethos of the institution. Australian Catholic University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



WWW.ACU.EDU.AU/CAREERS

CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY

The School of Law and Business is a key School within Charles Darwin University's Faculty of Law Business and Arts. The School offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate programs with the major focus being online delivery of high quality learning experiences. The School is currently going through an exciting period of growth and renewal, offering opportunities for energetic and committed academics.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified individuals at the Professorial level through to the Lecturer level, for a range of exciting and challenging positions. Candidates will need to demonstrate the drive, passion and commitment to contribute to and be a part of a professionally focused and productive team.

To be considered for any of these roles, candidates will possess excellent communication skills combined with solid academic backgrounds and the ability to work both independently and as part of a team. In return, you'll be exposed to a dynamic work environment and be offered a competitive salary.

Associate Professor / Professor of Accounting

Vacancy Reference Number: 210057

Continuing full-time appointment – Located in Darwin

Remuneration Package – Academic Level D/E

Base salary of \$103,810 - \$133,720 per annum plus superannuation employer contribution up to 17%. District Allowance may apply. Conditions include 6 weeks annual leave.

Associate Professor / Professor of Governance

Vacancy Reference Number: 210060

Continuing full-time appointment – Located in Darwin

Remuneration Package – Academic Level D/E

Base salary of \$103,810 - \$133,720 per annum plus superannuation employer contribution up to 17%. District Allowance may apply. Conditions include 6 weeks annual leave.

Senior Lecturer in Law

Vacancy Reference Number: 210058

Continuing full-time appointment – Located in Darwin

Remuneration Package – Academic Level C

Base salary of \$86,215 - \$99,412 per annum plus superannuation employer contribution up to 17%. District Allowance may apply. Conditions include 6 weeks annual leave

Lecturer in Law

Vacancy Reference Number: 210059

Continuing full-time appointment – Located in Darwin

Remuneration Package – Academic Level B

Base salary of \$70,378 - \$83,575 per annum plus superannuation employer contribution up to 17%. District Allowance may apply. Conditions include 6 weeks annual leave

Lecturer Management/Economics/Accounting

Vacancy Reference Number: 210065

Continuing full-time appointment – Located in Alice Springs

Remuneration Package – Academic Level B

Base salary of \$70,378 - \$83,575 per annum plus superannuation employer contribution up to 17%. District Allowance may apply. Conditions include 6 weeks annual leave

For more information on the position/s and on how to apply, please refer to the following link;
<http://www.cdu.edu.au/pmd/vacancies.html>

For further information on any of the above positions please contact Professor Phil Bretherton, Head of School – School of Law and Business on 08 8946 6108 or at philip.bretherton@cdu.edu.au

Applications Close: 19 March 2010

WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE TO APPLY

**For further information and to apply for this position please visit
www.cdu.edu.au/pmd/vacancies.html or phone (08) 8946 6904.
Applicants should address the Selection Competencies.**

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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

PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT RAYMOND TERRACE PUBLIC SCHOOL

A vacancy for a **School Learning Support Officer** position exists at **Raymond Terrace Public School**. We invite applications from Aboriginal people who may be interested in this position.

Duties focus primarily on assisting teachers in the implementation of individual educational programs and individual transition programs and also assisting teachers in providing opportunities for children with special needs to develop personal, social, domestic and pre-vocational skills and attending to the personal care needs of children. Duties may also include the operation of audio-visual aids, duplicating, issuing of learning materials and minor clerical duties.

For further information contact the Principal on **(02) 4987 2083**

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Awareness of the needs of students with disabilities. Ability to work with students with emotional, physical or intellectual disabilities. Effective communication skills.

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 \$45,188pa includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading (annual salary range \$24,537 - \$40,950).

To apply for this position online go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au. Closing date for applications is 26 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.



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SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

Indigenous Policy and Services Unit, Corrections Victoria

\$74,018 - \$89,556 plus superannuation

Position No CV0006

As Senior Project Officer you will provide leadership in the development, adaptation and application of culturally appropriate/responsive programs and services for Indigenous prisoners and offenders. The successful applicant will lead the development and implementation of projects as well as ongoing work such as monitoring and reporting on the delivery of services to Indigenous prisoners and offenders within correctional facilities, and in the community context.

The successful applicant will also develop service plans and delivery standards for the area of responsibility, including managing contracts and consultants engaged by the Unit, as well as establish and maintain effective relationships with Indigenous community organisations and other prison service providers to enhance outcomes in service delivery to Indigenous prisoners and offenders.

Note: this role is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information about the role, please contact Marie Murfet on (03) 8684 6528.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 19 March 2010
www.justice.vic.gov.au

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Business Assurance Officer

APS6/EL1

**Australian Passport Office
Canberra**

**Salary Range - \$68,935 - \$96,023
Plus superannuation**

CANBERRA (Ref: 427)

The Department is seeking a dynamic individual to assist with the planning and conduct of business assurance reviews in the Australian Passport Office (APO) including state passport offices, designed to maintain and improve the security and integrity of passport systems, procedures and operations. The successful candidate will; analyse results of internal business assurance and compliance reviews, prepare reports for executive members, and make recommendations. As a representative of the APO on relevant committees and, as required, at meetings and conferences, you will assist with the development and implementation of strategies to improve the business operations of the APO.

In support of the Government's Closing the Gap Strategy: Indigenous Economic Participation Agreement, the Department is aiming to increase its recruitment of Indigenous Australians, and strongly encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for these vacancies.

Applications close 18 March 2010

**FURTHER INFORMATION
IS AVAILABLE AT
WWW.DFAT.GOV.AU/JOBS**

Applicants must be Australian citizens to be eligible for engagement. Employment with DFAT is dependent on an employee gaining a valid security clearance. Loss of a security clearance at any time will lead to termination of employment.

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Find Your Career Pathway Cadetship Program For Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Under-Graduates

CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW is pleased to participate in the NSW Public Sector Indigenous Cadetship Program, and to offer cadetships to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students who are presently undertaking an undergraduate degree (including an honours year), which will provide them with the qualification to fill one of the following roles:

- Teacher
- Psychologist
- Probation and Parole Officer

Cadets receive:

- a study allowance of \$600 (before tax) per fortnight,
- up to \$500 (before tax) per semester for books and similar,
- a salary for 12 weeks full-time work per year, and
- a permanent job at the end upon successful completion of the cadetship and workplace components.

Find out more by visiting www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers or have a yarn with our Aboriginal Employment and Careers Officer, Charley Boyter, on (02) 8346 1437.

Applications will close on FRIDAY, 19 MARCH, 2010.



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Department of Education, Employment
and Workplace Relations



Corrective Services NSW

This project is supported by funding from the Commonwealth Government under Indigenous Cadetship Support, administered by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

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Production Coordinator Living Black

1 Year Contract
Salary from \$42,637 pa + superannuation

Our story: At SBS, we play a key role in recording, telling and sharing a diverse range of Australian stories.

We have an opportunity for a Production Coordinator to join Australia's only indigenous current affairs program 'Living Black' based in Sydney. You will have a keen interest in television production and the ability to carry out a range of duties (sourcing footage; obtaining copyright clearances and licencing agreements; completing transmission records; general administration).

It is highly desirable that you have a knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and issues.

Good communication, organisational and administrative skills are essential, along with the ability to meet tight production deadlines. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are encouraged to apply.

For more information and to apply visit www.sbs.com.au/jobs.

Applications addressing the Selection Criteria must be lodged on the SBS website by 5pm on 26 March 2010.

sbs.com.au/jobs



Group Leader - Australian Indigenous Program Part-Time - 4 days/week

Caritas Australia is the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development in Australia and works with partners in Australia, Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Pacific to address the causes of poverty and bring about long term change. The Agency is a member of the Caritas Internationalis network and is active in the network's response to emergencies, supporting aid and grass roots programs in nearly every developing country.

The primary aim of Caritas Australia's Australian Indigenous Program is to work in solidarity with Indigenous organisations and communities within Australia to pursue justice and help those suffering from poverty and disadvantage. Caritas do this by supporting sustainable development projects that are developed and implemented by Indigenous Australians and which therefore reflect an Indigenous view of the world.

The Group Leader – Australian Indigenous Program will be responsible for working with our program partners in a number of Indigenous communities. You will need to have extensive experience working with the Indigenous community as well as developed networks within the Indigenous sector. Enthusiasm and commitment to the principles of mutual respect, justice and fairness, and strong communication and mentoring skills, are as highly valued as your education and experience. Experience with or exposure to the international aid and development sector is a plus.

You must have more than five years experience in development, experience managing a team and programs, and first hand understanding of Indigenous communities. You will need to be able to demonstrate an in-depth understanding of program management and government development funding and how it relates to this portfolio.

People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

If you are up to the challenge, please forward your CV and a covering letter addressing the Selection Criteria detailed in the position description to jobs@caritas.org.au or contact the Human Resources Manager by close of business 1 April 2010. A position description is available at www.caritas.org.au/jobs.

Please note: only those applicants who address each item of the Selection Criteria will be considered for the role.

In the spirit of hope and peace, Caritas Australia works in partnership with some of the most disadvantaged members of our global community regardless of race, gender and religion to alleviate poverty and injustice. Caritas Australia is committed to promoting children's rights, as set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Appointment to this position is dependent upon successful completion of Working with Children Check and a relevant country of work and residence Police Check.



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RTA Contact Centre Traineeship

If you have drive, the ability to provide exceptional telephone based customer service, and a Higher School Certificate or equivalent qualification, then you have what it takes to start a career with one of Australia's largest customer focused employers in the NSW public sector – the RTA.

Commencing in May 2010, the RTA will help you gain a Certificate III Traineeship qualification while you gain on-the-job experience providing team based customer service for E-Toll, vehicle registration and driver licensing products and services in response to public enquiries.

We are looking for motivated people to start their career with one of our Contact Centre Traineeships. Your training includes Contact Centre experience in a team environment under the guidance of experienced supervisors.

10 Positions - Temporary full-time for up to 12 months

Salary range - \$17,010 pa to \$26,298 pa

For general enquiries about the role contact Claire McKay on (02) 4925 1841.

[Click here to apply https://www.onetest.com.au/rtanewcastle/ap27053/](https://www.onetest.com.au/rtanewcastle/ap27053/)

Please note that once you select the 'click here' option, you will be redirected to the Onetest website to complete your application.

For technical support with our online application form contact:
Onetest on 1300 137 937.

Applications close: 12 March 2010

The RTA is actively working to ensure our workforce is representative of the communities we serve. We encourage diversity in our teams to provide a more creative, innovative and responsive workforce to meet the challenges of the future.

To be eligible, traineeship applicants should not have a Certificate III or higher qualification in the last seven years.



NOTICE TO GRANT GENERAL PURPOSE LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following general purpose lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO & PURPOSE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/21	Polaris Metals NL	437.78ha	75km E'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°49' Long 120°18'	Coolgardie

The purposes for G15/21 are: Rail Siding, crushing & stockpiling of ore for transportation, pipeline, taking water, power generation, dangerous goods storage, administration, laboratory, communications facility, grey water & sewerage treatment and workshop.

Nature of the act: Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 10 March 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 the applications. The 3 month period closes on **10 June 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. The leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 10 July 2010**), there is no native title party in relation to the area of the leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements State of Western Australia



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 24 March 2010



WI2010/001 Burringurrah Multi Function Police Facility ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 0.5 hectares and is located approximately 180km north-east of Gascoyne Junction. The agreement falls within Reserve 39182, west of the Landor, Mount Augustus Road as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

Parties to agreement and their contact address:

State of Western Australia
Minister for Housing and Works
c/- State Solicitor's Office
Level 16, 141 St George's Terrace
PERTH WA 6000

Wajarri Yamatji Registered Native Title Claimants on their own behalf and on behalf of the Wajarri Yamatji Registered Native Title Claim Group, c/- Yamatji Land and Sea Council
171 Marine Terrace, GERALDTON WA 6530

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 3 Consent to Future Acts

3.1 Consent

The Claimants irrevocably consent to the doing of the following Future

Acts:

- (a) the grant of the Sub-Lease;
- (b) the construction and operation of the Multi Function Police Facility and the GROH.

To avoid doubt, for the purposes of clause 3.1(b), "operation" includes the conduct of all such activities that can be reasonably related to the construction and operation, including repairs and maintenance, of the Multi Function Police Facility and the GROH.

3.2 Conditions

No conditions apply to the consent of the Claimants to the Future Acts referred to in clause 3.1, provided that the Sub-Lease is used only for the purpose of a Multi Function Police Facility and GROH.

3.4 Effect on Native Title

- (a) The Non-Extinguishment Principle applies to the Future Acts referred to in clause 3.1.

- (b) The Parties acknowledge that Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA [the right to negotiate provisions] does not apply to the Future Acts referred to in clause 3.1.

Clause 1.1 defines

- 'GROH' as meaning 'the Government Regional Officers Housing associated with the Multi Function Police Facility, to be constructed on Lots within the Agreement Area, in accordance with the Sub-Lease and as described as Part A in Schedule 1;

- 'Multi Function Police Facility' as meaning 'the facility to be constructed and operated in the Agreement Area in accordance with the Sub-Lease and described as Part B in Schedule 1'; and

- 'Sub-Lease' as meaning the sublease by the Burringurrah Community Aboriginal Corporation to the Minister of the land within the Agreement Area, substantially in the form set out in Schedule 2 (as varied by the parties to the sublease from time to time) of this Agreement'.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body(ies) for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by **24 June 2010**.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the Native Title Registrar, **National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Perth WA 6000 by 24 June 2010**.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of Landgate (WA). Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, contact Karen Holmes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of Victoria and adjoining waters

Notification day: 24 March 2010

 National Native Title Tribunal

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 Registrar of the Federal Court, 305 William Street, Melbourne VIC 3000, **on or before 23 June 2010**. After **23 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: Gunai/Kurnai # 2

Federal Court File No: VID482/2009

Date filed: 29 June 2009

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, it may still proceed to mediation in the Tribunal and/or determination in the Federal Court.

Location: The area subject to this application is located east of Melbourne in Gippsland in eastern Victoria and covers an area of about 39,100km² as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the local government authorities of the following Shire Councils: Alpine, Baw Baw, Cardinia, East Gippsland, La Trobe, Mansfield, Mount Baw Baw Alpine Resort (unincorporated), Mount Hotham Alpine Resort (unincorporated), South Gippsland, Wangaratta, Wellington and Yarra Ranges.

Data statement: claimant application boundary data compiled by the NNTT from data sourced from the Department of Natural Resources & Environment (VIC) and Geoscience Australia.

For assistance and further information contact Nadja Mack on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of New South Wales

Notification day: 10 March 2010

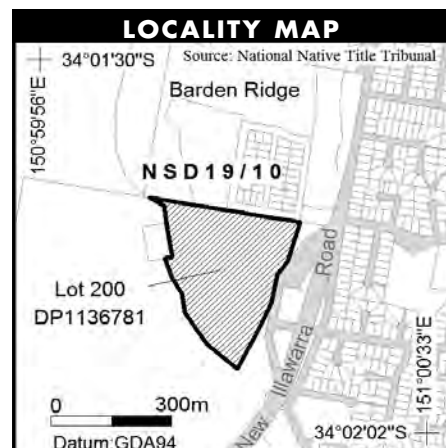
 National Native Title Tribunal

This application is a 'non-claimant application', an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves but, rather, they are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the form below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in the area may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 9 June 2010. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before 9 June 2010, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to this non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17, Law Court Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000**, on or before **9 June 2010**. After **9 June 2010**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council #5

Federal Court File No: NSD19/2010

Non-native title interest: Freehold title in certificate of title folio 200/1136781

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination of no native title.

Description of application area: The area subject to this application is Lot 200 on Plan DP1136781 covering about 9 hectares, located approximately 27km south-west of Sydney in the vicinity of Barden Ridge as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within Local Government Authority of Sutherland Shire Council.

[* The applicant has indicated that if the non-claimant application is unopposed by a native title claimant application they intend to seek the protection of section 24FA of the Act to validly undertake the proposed act and then withdraw the non-claimant application.]

Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary compiled by NNTT.

For assistance or further information contact Nakari Thorpe on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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The School and Student Support Branch of the Lifting Educational Outcomes Group is seeking candidates to undertake a range of duties at Executive Level 1.

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Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Contact Officer: Barry Lohse (02) 6240 7943

Applications close: 25 March 2010

DELIVERY AND NETWORK GROUP, ADELAIDE – SA

Various Roles

APS Level 5 | \$61,196–\$68,425 | Ref no: 10/0342

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APS Level 4 \$54,630–\$58,400 Ref no: 10/0340

APS Level 4 \$54,630–\$58,400 Ref no: 10/0331

Identified and Non-Identified Positions

Various positions available in roles of Contract, Project, Policy and Program Management and/or Administration are available.

The South Australian State Office is seeking highly motivated, positive and energetic persons to work in a dynamic and changing environment, responding to evolving Government policy.

Applicants must demonstrate their willingness and flexibility to apply their skills as required and should be motivated by personal and organisational improvement.

A current driver's licence is essential as these positions may involve regular intrastate travel in order to visit providers.

Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Contact Officer: Jenny Brown (08) 8306 8681

Applications close: 18 March 2010

VARIOUS GROUPS – CANBERRA – ACT

Executive Assistants

APS Level 5 | \$54,630 – \$58,400 | Ref no: 10/0443

APS Level 4 | \$54,630 – \$65,425 | Ref no: 10/0442

Identified and Non-Identified Positions

The successful candidates will be required to support and assist DEEWR Senior Executives in achieving high level work performance. They will show initiative and be able to anticipate, prioritise and work proactively to consistently achieve high level outcomes. Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to work independently and proactively are of paramount importance.

DEEWR is looking to fill a number of positions. This exercise will also be used to develop an order of merit to fill both ongoing and non-ongoing positions over the next 12 months. Some positions may be identified positions, supporting our branches/groups working on Indigenous programs and policies.

Indigenous Australians and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Please note that interviews will be held over the period 7-13 April 2010.

Contact Officer: Charlotte Adams (02) 6240 8164

Applications close: 21 March 2010

DELIVERY AND NETWORK GROUP, SYDNEY - NSW

Contract Officers

APS 4 \$54,630–\$58,400 Ref no: 10/0336

Identified and Non-Identified Positions

As a Contract Officer you will be involved in a variety of activities relating to the management of contracts, funding agreements and programs.

Indigenous Australians and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Contact Officer: Lee Robinson (02) 9297 9394

Applications close: 18 March 2010

How to Apply

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Further information about this position is available in the Candidate Information Pack which is available at: www.deewr.gov.au/jobs. After reading the Candidate Information Pack, confidential inquiries can be made to Robert Griew Associate Secretary on (02) 6240 2700

This position will be filled as ongoing or specified term appointments for up to 5 years as negotiated between the department and the successful candidate. The merit list established from this process may also be used in filling similar positions that arise over the next 12 months.

Applications close at 5pm on Wednesday 17 March 2010.

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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
20/2132	Michael Ashley Giles Michael Terrence Leyland	161.87ha	66km NW'ly of Cue	Lat 26°57' Long 117°28'	Cue
21/712	Archie Doropolous	121.03ha	4km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°25' Long 117°50'	Cue
24/4477	Winchester Resources Ltd	7.93ha	67km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°19' Long 120°58'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4486	Scott Walter Wilson	28.16ha	53km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°25' Long 121°03'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2063	Golddust Drilling Pty Ltd	171.68ha	32km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°43' Long 121°48'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/1192	Frederick Andrei Alan William Vaughan Vicki Noeline Hooper	8.1ha	75km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°28' Long 122°11'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/2123	Lisa Milling	10ha	80km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°06' Long 120°32'	Menzies
31/1986	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	67.13ha	78km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°29' Long 121°48'	Menzies
37/7824-7	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	631.05ha	23km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°42' Long 121°13'	Leonora
37/7828	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	112.28ha	29km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°42' Long 121°06'	Leonora
37/7829	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	198.44ha	36km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°38' Long 121°05'	Leonora
37/7830	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	29.22ha	36km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°42' Long 121°08'	Leonora
37/7831-2	Bligh Resources Pty Ltd	224.45ha	26km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°43' Long 121°08'	Leonora
37/7877	Goldphyre Resources Pty Ltd	167.32ha	30km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°52' Long 121°38'	Leonora
38/3887	Drew Griffin Money	48.88ha	80km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°08' Long 123°41'	Laverton
39/5095	Colin John Beck	10.68ha	85km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°22' Long 122°15'	Leonora
45/2764-7	Mount Magnet Iron Pty Ltd	793.35ha	86km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°04' Long 118°55'	East Pilbara
45/2768-73	Mount Magnet Iron Pty Ltd	1029.11ha	85km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°07' Long 118°55'	East Pilbara
45/2774	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	121.72ha	23km NE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 20°59' Long 119°51'	East Pilbara
47/1534	Hammersley Exploration Pty Ltd	153.04ha	79km E'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°56' Long 118°31'	Ashburton
51/2632	Alchemy Resources (Murchison) Pty Ltd	47.62ha	36km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°54' Long 118°28'	Meekatharra
57/1254	Troy Resources NL	16.74ha	5km NW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°56' Long 119°16'	Sandstone
57/1255	Troy Resources NL	21.61ha	4km W'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°58' Long 119°15'	Sandstone
57/1257	Legend Resources Pty Ltd	21.82ha	69km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°21' Long 119°20'	Sandstone
57/1258	Legend Resources Pty Ltd	73.59ha	67km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°23' Long 119°21'	Sandstone
58/1462	Auriferous Mining Pty Ltd	200ha	14km SW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°10' Long 117°46'	Mount Magnet
58/1495-6 & 58/1498	Laconia Resources Limited	417.17ha	7km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°04' Long 117°54'	Mount Magnet
58/1497	Laconia Resources Limited	115.75ha	6km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°05' Long 117°54'	Mount Magnet
58/1499	Laconia Resources Limited	121.42ha	8km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°03' Long 117°55'	Mount Magnet
58/1500-1	Laconia Resources Limited	242.65ha	11km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°03' Long 117°57'	Mount Magnet
58/1503	Michael Terrence Leyland Michael Ashley Giles Ralph Alexander McNab Darron Edward McNab	76.42ha	14km S'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°10' Long 117°47'	Mount Magnet
58/1504	Keith Ridley Nicolas Reginald Wells	99.97ha	67km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°02' Long 118°31'	Mount Magnet
59/1923		9.99ha	69km NE'ly of Mullewa	Lat 28°01' Long 115°54'	Mullewa

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: 10 March 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 **10 June 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. 10 July 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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Government of Western Australia

Department of Regional Development and Lands

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW

LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170

AND TO COMPULSORILY ACQUIRE NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 170 of the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) that it is proposed to take those interests in the land described in the Schedule for the purposes specified. AND for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (as amended) (NTA), that any native title rights and interests in the land described in the Schedule are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified. It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedule in respect of the land described in the Schedule as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165 of the LAA.

SCHEDULE
<p>LAND DESCRIPTION:</p> <p>1. Part Lot 285 on Deposited Plan 30477 shown as Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 65321, being part of the North West Coastal Highway. Volume 3127 Folio 274 Area: 2247 square metres;</p> <p>2. Part Lot 182 on Deposited Plan 28412 shown as Lot 501 on Deposited Plan 65321, being Pastoral Lease 3114/420 "Minilya Station". Volume 3069 Folio 390 Area: 6432 square metres;</p> <p>3. Part Lot 182 on Deposited Plan 28412 marked E on Deposited Plan 65322, Being Pastoral Lease 3114/420 "Minilya Station". Volume 3069 Folio 390 Area: 200 square metres PLAN/DIAGRAM: Deposited Plans 28412, 30477, 65321 and 65322 LAND SITUATED IN: Shire of Carnarvon NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: 1. All registered and unregistered interests (including any Native Title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Land Description" other than interests of the Crown. 2. All registered and unregistered interests (including any Native Title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Land Description" other than interests of the Crown, sufficient to create an easement for "Water and Access".</p> <p>PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: 1. Sale of land.</p> <p>2. Easement for "Water and Access" PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT: (1) Sale for amalgamation with adjoining freehold Lot 48. (2) Easement for "Water and Access". REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: (1) To formalise tenure of existing building encroachments by adjoining Lot 48. (2) To create an easement for "Water and Access". DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: 1 July 2010 DPI FILE: 00332-2009-01RO DPI REF.: 091586</p>
<p>PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lily Sutomo, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08) 9347 5189. OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED: Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 OR Midland Square, Midland no later than 24 June 2010. MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND: A person may not enter into a transaction in relation to the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands. NATURE OF THE ACT: In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes. NOTIFICATION DAY: The notification day is 24 March 2010. NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until <u>3 months after the notification day</u> to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 24 June 2010. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272. Dated 14 February 2010.</p>

HON BRENDON GRYLLS MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS

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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
24/808	Matsa Resources Ltd	202.27ha	70km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°18' Long 120°53'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/323 & 27/403	Gindalbie Metals Ltd	454.1ha	65km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°12' Long 121°44'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
38/1249	Regis Resources Limited	449.14ha	54km W'ly of Cosmo	Lat 27°53' Long 122°21'	Laverton
			Newberry Mission		
38/1250	Regis Resources Limited	1670.4ha	55km W'ly of Cosmo	Lat 27°51' Long 122°21'	Laverton
	Duketon Resources Pty Ltd		Newberry Mission		
70/1285	Regan Scott Grant	688.59ha	65km NE'ly of Jerramungup	Lat 33°26' Long 119°17'	Lake Grace

Nature Of The Act: 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: 10 March 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 **10 June 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. 10 July 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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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 24th March 2010



National
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Tribunal



QI2010/002 Injinoo Pre-Prep Facility ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 2,242m² and is over Leases A and B on SP224686 within Lot 7 on SP120089 located at Injinoo as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Local Government Authority of Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council.

Parties to agreement and their contact address:

State of Queensland
C/o Crown Law
GPO Box 5221
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Meun Lifu on his own behalf and on behalf of the
Gudang Yadhaykenu Peoples,
Bethena McDonnell on her own behalf and on behalf
of the Seven Rivers Angkamuthi Peoples,
Cecelia Ropeyarn on her own behalf and on behalf of
the Atambayah Peoples,
C/o Principal Legal Officer
Cape York Land Council Aboriginal Corporation
PO Box 2496
CAIRNS QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 5 Consent

Clause 5.1 The parties:

- consent to the doing of the Construction Acts and the grant of the Trustee Lease; and
- agree to the validation of the grant of the Trustee Lease and any of the Construction Acts done prior to Registration.

Clause 5.2 To the extent that the grant of the Trustee Lease or the doing of Construction Acts is a Future Act, the parties acknowledge that the Non-Extinguishment Principle applies to the grant of the Trustee Lease or doing of the Construction Acts.

Clause 5.4 Subdivision P, Part 2, Division 3 of the NTA [the right to negotiate] is not intended to apply to the doing of the Construction Acts or the grant of the Trustee Lease.

“Construction Acts” means any act done as part of, or in relation to, the construction or operation of a Pre-Prep Facility including, but not limited to, survey activities, geotechnical investigations and the grant of any licenses, permits or authorities;

“Future Act” and “Non-Extinguishment Principle” have the meaning given in the NTA;

“Trustee Lease” means a trustee lease under the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991* (Qld) granted to the State by NPARC, or its successor in title, over the Agreement Area on terms, or substantially the same terms, as set out in Schedule 2 [of the agreement].

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body(ies) for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by 24th June 2010.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, CAIRNS QUEENSLAND 4870** by **24th June 2010**.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, contact Karrell Ross, Case Manager on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

Manager VPSG6

Aboriginal Early Years Services

If you want to make a difference to outcomes for Aboriginal children in Victoria, this position is for you. This position plays a key role in policy and planning in relation to services and supports for Aboriginal children and their families. You will have a record of policy development and project management and a demonstrated understanding of the workings of government. Your capacity to build relationships and networks with agencies and government departments and understanding of Victorian Aboriginal communities, structures and organisations will be critical as will the ability to lead a team to deliver outcomes. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Further information about this position is available from Anthony Raitman, contact (03) 9651 3273.

Interested applicants should apply for these positions at www.careers.vic.gov.au. In the Reference field on the Jobs Board page, enter the **position reference NEW547**. Applications close **26 March 2010**.

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HUMAN RESOURCES

OFFICE OF INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT AND ENGAGEMENT

PROJECT OFFICER – INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT AND ENGAGEMENT

Penrith (Werrington North) Campus

Ref No. 248/10

Remuneration Package: HEW Level 7 \$76,639 to \$82,696 p.a. (comprising Salary \$64,761 to \$69,879 p.a., 17% Superannuation and Leave Loading)

“The University of Western Sydney (UWS) considers that being an Indigenous Australian is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)”

The Office of Indigenous Employment and Engagement is located within Human Resources and works across all areas of the University scoping, developing, managing and implementing key initiatives that contribute to the University achieving its key goals.

The University is seeking to appoint a Project Officer to provide high level assistance to the Director, Indigenous Employment and Engagement.

The Project Officer will be required to manage all aspects of project deliverables to ensure successful delivery of initiatives.

To be successful, you will be a highly motivated Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person with sound oral and written communication skills together with the relevant qualifications and experience and the ability to manage projects to scope. You will also be able to demonstrate experience working with the Indigenous community.

Position Enquiries: Melissa Williams, (02) 9678 7587 or email: melissa.williams@uws.edu.au

Closing Date: 31 March 2010.

Please visit the UWS Website: <http://www.uws.edu.au/vacancies/> for full details on this position and how to apply.

UWS values workplace diversity

BE INSPIRED,
BE PART OF A UNIVERSITY ON THE MOVE

University of
Western Sydney
Bringing knowledge to life



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 Student Liaison Officer –

Keep Them Safe Initiatives (position number 155233)

Education Officer (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time

Total remuneration package valued to \$90,107p.a. (Salary \$49,370 to \$81,656 p.a. plus allowance of \$2,398 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working with the community and schools to support the regular attendance of students, with a particular focus on Aboriginal students.

Position Criteria:

Aboriginality. Understanding of issues affecting the regular school attendance of Aboriginal students. Knowledge of the Home School Liaison Program and demonstrated involvement in student welfare programs. Demonstrated ability to liaise with schools, students, parents and outside agencies. Effective written and oral communication and liaison skills and ability to work as part of a team. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. This is a temporary appointment for a period up to 26 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.

Inquiries: Julie Haworth (02) 6755 5000

Email: Julie.haworth@det.nsw.edu.au

Information packages: Debbie Strudwick (02) 6776 4100

Applications Marked ‘Confidential’ to:

Ms Julie Haworth, PO Box 370, TAMWORTH NSW 2340.

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 26 March 2010

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Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Incorporated

The Metropolitan Wurreker Regional Broker

Salary: \$55,000 - Vehicle attached to position, Salary Packaging Options and 5 weeks leave

Tenure: 12 months - ongoing

Location: VAEAI Metropolitan

VAEAI is the peak body for Koorie education and training in Victoria providing policy advice to the State Government. VAEAI, a State-wide community based organisation comprising of 32 Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Groups (LAECGs), across Victoria. LAECGs are the primary source of local advice on education and training matters and participate as equal partners in the planning, development, operation, monitoring and evaluation of education and training programs across Victoria.

VAEAI in partnership with the Victorian Government developed the Wurreker Strategy in 2000 to enhance pathways to employment for Koorie people through training opportunities provided by TAFE, ACE and Private Registered Training Organisations.

The Wurreker Strategy ensures that training is consistent with Koorie community identified needs and that training links to future employment opportunities. Wurreker empowers LAECGs and Koorie people at the local, regional and state levels in planning for and endorsement of vocational education and training to be delivered in their community.

It is expected that the successful applicant will have a sound knowledge of Koorie culture in the State of Victoria, have established local networks and an understanding of the issues that effect Koorie people, particularly in education and training. High levels of written and oral communication skills are also required.

The Metropolitan Wurreker Regional Broker position focuses on the ongoing functions and operations of the Wurreker Strategy in one of the eight VAEAI regions across Victoria.

Koorie people are encouraged to apply

For a copy of the position descriptions please contact:

Neville Atkinson, Wurreker Manager

Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Inc. (VAEAI)

P.O Box 113, NORTHCOTE 3070

Email: neville@vaeai.org.au Tel: 03 9481 0800

Closing date for the position is Friday 26th March 2010



**NORTHERN RIVERS
COMMUNITY TRANSPORT
(NRCT)**

ABORIGINAL TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (ATDO)

**FULL-TIME - PACKAGE \$84931 - \$87559 - SACS GRADE 5
(salary \$53510-\$55875)**

NRCT is looking for a highly skilled energetic person of Aboriginal identity, to coordinate a well established Aboriginal Transport Program.

The ATDO coordinates a team of drivers and office staff across the LGA's of Lismore, Kyogle & Richmond Valley. Support provided by the expert skills of the NRCT team. **Applications close 31st March.**

We offer a culturally integrated friendly and supportive team environment.

This is a designated Aboriginal position.

For an information package contact NRCT on 66286000 or download from our website www.nrct.org



ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER

Salary: \$58k to \$62k per annum

The position is responsible for identifying the needs of Aboriginal residents of the City, and developing and implementing services, programs, and strategies to meet these needs.

As the Aboriginal Community Development Worker, you will enjoy the challenges of working in a multi-disciplined team and with community, government and other stakeholders.

Aboriginality is an essential criterion for this position.

Closing date: 9.00am Monday, 22 March 2010

To Apply: Visit our website: www.lakemac.com.au for a complete application package or telephone Stephen McAlister on 02 4921 0262.

NOTE: Please ensure you address ALL the selection criteria listed in the Position Description, as outlined in the Application Information.

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
EPC1440	Approx. 62 km WNW from Injune Centred at approximate Lat.25°32'S Long.148°03'E Local Government Area: Maranoa Regional Council	Area: 928 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1200 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 1201 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 1272 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 1273 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 1274 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1344 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 1345 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 1346 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 1416 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 1417 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 1418 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 1489 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 1490 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k	Brothers Mining Pty Ltd 090 839 008
EPC1442	Approx. 113 km WSW from Injune Centred at approximate Lat.25°58'S Long.147°27'E Local Government Area: Maranoa Regional Council and Murweh Shire Council	Area: 924 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1628 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1629 a, b, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r 1695 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 1696 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 1697 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 1698 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 1699 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 1700 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1768 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 1769 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 1770 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 1771 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 1772 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	Brothers Mining Pty Ltd 090 839 008

* 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.

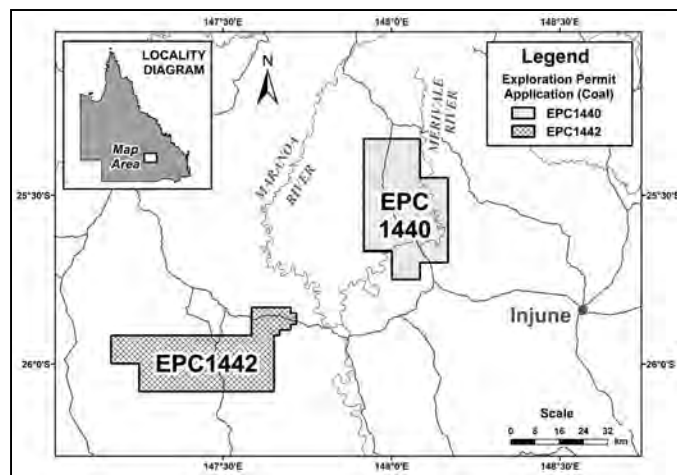
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 31 March 2010



Careers with Queensland Health

Administration Officer

Deadly Ears Program, The Statewide Ear Health Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, Community Child Health Services, Spring Hill, Children's Health Services District. Remuneration value up to \$63 240 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 549 - \$55 427 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (AO3) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10RCH02240. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide an efficient and professional administrative support service to the Deadly Ears program - The State Wide Ear Health program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. The position will assist in the delivery of services across Queensland in the challenging and multi-faceted field of ear disease amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. Ear disease is a significant chronic disease amongst this population, and it is recognised as a major barrier to child development, education and opportunity. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. Under s104 and s105 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Antonetta Savaris (07) 3250 8509.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4261 or (07) 3170 4260 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 22 March 2010.

Cultural Health Promotions Officer
Homeless Health Outreach Team, Mental Health, Mount Isa, Mount Isa Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$63 240 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 549 - \$55 427 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (AO3) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10MI02628. **Duties/Abilities:** Culturally appropriate advice and education to staff, community agencies and groups to improve access to support and treatment of Indigenous people at risk of, or experiencing Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEW) problems who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991* (Qld), there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. **Enquiries:** Karen Meadows (07) 4744 9115.

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THE KOORI MAIL, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010.

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EPM18029 This Application consists of nine separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 32 km ESE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°12'S Long.146°33'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 35 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°02'S Long.146°36'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 3: Approx. 33 km ENE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.19°58'S Long.146°34'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 4: Approx. 33 km ESE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°09'S Long.146°35'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 5: Approx. 26 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°04'S Long.146°31'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 6: Approx. 29 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°06'S Long.146°33'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 7: Approx. 52 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°03'S Long.146°46'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 8: Approx. 53 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°04'S Long.146°47'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 9: Approx. 61 km E from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°05'S Long.146°51'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 29 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 175 b, c, g, h, m, n, o, r, s Area of Part 2: 26 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 31 p 32 g, l, m, n, q, r, s Area of Part 3: 23 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3415 m, n, o, p, u, z 3416 l Area of Part 4: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 103 t, u, y 104 q Area of Part 5: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 31 v, w Area of Part 6: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 103 c Area of Part 7: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 34 q Area of Part 8: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 34 w Area of Part 9: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 107 a	Carpentaria Gold Pty Ltd 010 706 966

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Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 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.

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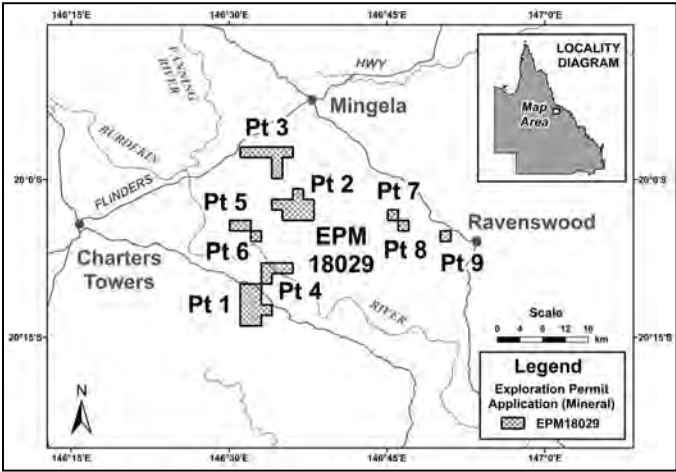
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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



Queensland Government

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Solicitor (Family Law) (Aboriginal Identified)

Legal Officer Grade IV

Positions available in:

- Central Sydney Office (Haymarket) (Job Reference No.: FL10/028)
- Liverpool Regional Office (Job Reference No.: FL10/030)

Applicants **must** obtain an information package for full position details and selection criteria.

Inquiries: Norman O'Dowd on (02) 9219 5777

Information packages: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 26 March 2010

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Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Incorporated

VAEAI is the peak body for Koorie education and training in Victoria providing policy advice to the State Government. VAEAI, a State-wide community based organisation comprising of 32 Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Groups (LAECGs), across Victoria. LAECGs are the primary source of local advice on education and training matters and participate as equal partners in the planning, development, operation, monitoring and evaluation of education and training programs across Victoria.

VAEAI will appoint two Policy Officer's who will be responsible for evaluating Koorie Education & Training Policies with an aim of increasing education & training opportunities for Victorian Koorie people. The Policy Officer's will communicate effectively and sensitively with the Koorie community and Key Stakeholders to produce high quality reports and briefing documents on Koorie education & training.

Policy & Research Officer

Salary: \$60,000 Salary Packaging Options and 6 weeks leave
Location: Melbourne

It is expected that the successful applicants will have knowledge of Victorian Koorie culture, society and networks and an understanding of the issues that effect Koorie people, particularly in education and training. High levels of written and research communication skills are also required.

Koorie people are encouraged to apply

For a copy of the position description please contact:

Shelley Chapman
Email: shelley@vaeai.org.au
Tel: 03 9481 0800

Closing date for the position is Friday 26th March 2010.



Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services.

Respite Carers/Carer

Aboriginal Adolescent Community Placement House

The Aboriginal Adolescent Community Placement House is a specialized model of care for Aboriginal young people. It accommodates up to three young people and aims to provide a culturally sensitive family environment which nurtures and supports their identity and development. As a respite carer within the Adolescent Community Placement House you will be responsible for the day to day care of the young people during designated periods when the live-in carer is taking respite. Respite periods are equivalent to a weekend per fortnight, and a period of four weeks in the year when the carer takes leave, additional periods may be requested. The position is a voluntary position however a generous reimbursement is provided.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has a sound knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal cultures and values.
- Is able to communicate effectively with Aboriginal young people and their families.
- Is able to contribute to Aboriginal young people's physical, emotional, psychological, and cultural wellbeing and development.
- Is able to facilitate the overall smooth running of the house and the development of a culturally sensitive, safe and nurturing home.
- Is able to participate as part of the young people's care teams and work collaboratively with support workers and other professionals involved.
- Is willing to access support and participate in training and professional supervision as requested.

Please contact Rene Sephton to obtain a copy of the position description on (03) 8388 1855.

Closing date for applications is the 17th March 2010.



ABORIGINAL RESPITE SERVICE Aboriginal Respite Care Worker

St Andrew's, a family-friendly and supportive employer committed to the delivery of quality of care and services to the aged, is seeking to employ an Aboriginal Respite Care Worker on a casual basis (up to 14 hours per week) with our Aboriginal Respite Service based in Ballina.

The Aboriginal Respite Service is for Aboriginal frail-aged, disabled people and their carers. Services are provided in the Ballina area.

Applications close on Monday 29 March 2010.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For application package email pa@standrew.com.au. or phone Vicki Knudson on 6620 5800.

CRIME PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE GROUP COORDINATOR (ATSI IDENTIFIED)

JAG10/0062

Clerk Grade 3-4, Wollongong, Permanent Full Time

Salary range: \$56,009 - \$61,328

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$67,675

The Aboriginal Community Justice Group Coordinator (ACJGC) supports and facilitates the activities of the local Aboriginal Community Justice Group.

The position is responsible for clerical and administrative support, liaising and meeting with key agencies of the NSW criminal justice system and assisting with the development and implementation of policies and management of crime prevention programs. The position also provides a vital link between the Local Court and the Aboriginal community.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and Extensive knowledge of Aboriginal culture, particularly the culture of those communities of New South Wales;
- Knowledge of the New South Wales justice system;
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and orally with people of all backgrounds;
- Experience in negotiating with community organisations, particularly Aboriginal communities;
- Experience in organising and presenting information sessions, workshops and other educational forums;
- Ability to manage projects.

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. Please include JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries: Catherine Lomas phnoe (02) 8688 8106 catherine_lomas@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 19 March 2010

GA1-754755



NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- **Highly Strategic and Operational in Focus**
- **Key Leadership Role**
- **Facilitate Organisational Change**
- **Excellent Remuneration Package and Salary Packaging Options available**

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) is a self-funding statutory authority responsible for protecting and promoting the rights and interests of the Indigenous people of NSW. This is a unique opportunity to work for the State's peak representative body in indigenous affairs.

This challenging and exciting role provides strategic advice on a range of matters that affect NSWALC operations and directions and plays a key role in organisational decision making, goal setting and planning.

Reporting to the CEO, the position is a critical member of NSWALC's Executive Team together with leading, managing and directing the Policy & Research and Commercial Units.

To be successful you will have relevant executive management, organisational and operational experience, together with high level communication skills, policy formation and implementation experience.

A knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 and issues that affect Aboriginal societies and cultures in NSW would also be required.

For detailed information about the position please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting the Manager Human Resources, Geoff Binns by email: geoff.binns@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4406.

Applications can be forwarded to geoff.binns@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Manager Human Resources
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1125

PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Applications close Monday 22 March 2010

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of a Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant ACN
ML10346 Jax	Approx. 12km South of Collinsville Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Current Land Tenures: Lot 618 on PH2106 Pastoral Development Holding 5/618 (mining) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 1944.5007 ha	Jax Coal Pty Ltd ACN 133 499 500

Nature of the acts: Grant of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years, with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

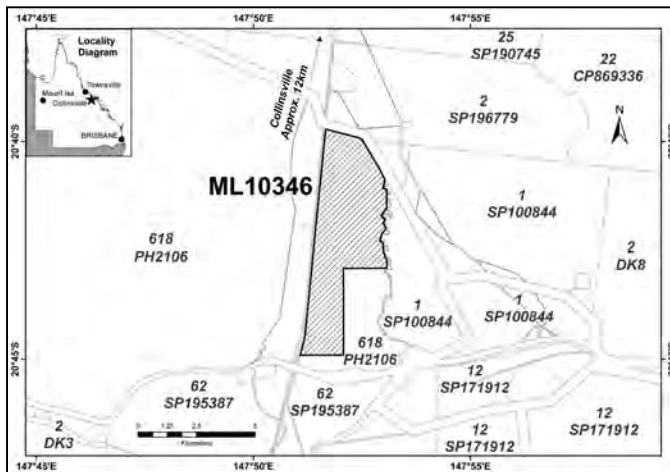
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Charters Towers Mining District, 27-43 Natal Downs Road, Charters Towers, Qld 4820, Telephone: (07) 4761 5763.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, MLC Building Corner George & Adelaide Streets, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 10 March 2010



TMP 0087753



Queensland Government

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Grantee Party hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed renewal of each of the Exploration Permits, shown below, with new and different conditions being imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit pursuant to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit(s) to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Grantee Party
EPM12463	Approx. 71 km E from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.20°05'S Long.140°43'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 105 c, d	Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd 108 925 284

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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.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed renewal of each individual Exploration Permit. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

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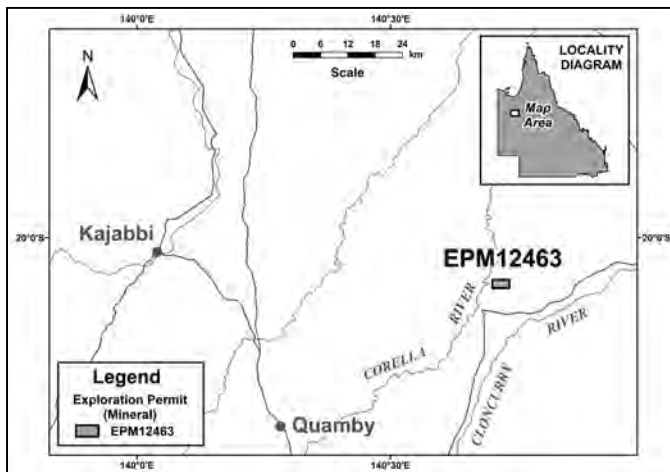
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Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be renewed with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



TMP 0088477



Queensland Government

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
EPM18090	Approx. 52 km SSE from Ravenswood Centred at approximate Lat.20°31'S Long.147°07'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 196 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 61 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 397 t, u, y, z 398 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 399 q, r, v, w 469 d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 470 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 471 a, b, f, g, l, m	Adelaide Exploration Pty Ltd 097 387 918
EPM18121 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 46m SE from Ravenswood Centred at approximate Lat.20°27'S Long.147°07'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council and Burdekin Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 34 km SE from Ravenswood Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'S Long.147°07'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 279 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 87 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 325 g, h, j, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 326 m, n, s, v, w, x, y, z 327 q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 396 k, p 397 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, v, w, x 398 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 399 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m 469 b, c, f, g, m, r Area of Part 2: 35 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 254 r, s, w, x 325 e 326 a, b, c, d, j, k	Carpentaria Gold Pty Ltd 010 706 966
EPM18198 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 26 km SSE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°18'S Long.146°20'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 18 km SE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°12'S Long.146°23'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 125 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 39 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 173 x, y 243 t, u, z 245 c, d, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w 315 e, k, p 316 a, b, c, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 317 a, b, f, g, l, m Area of Part 2: 67 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 21 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 172 k, o, p, s, t, u, y 173 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, n, o, p 174 l, m, n, o	Australia Hualong Pty Ltd 131 800 934

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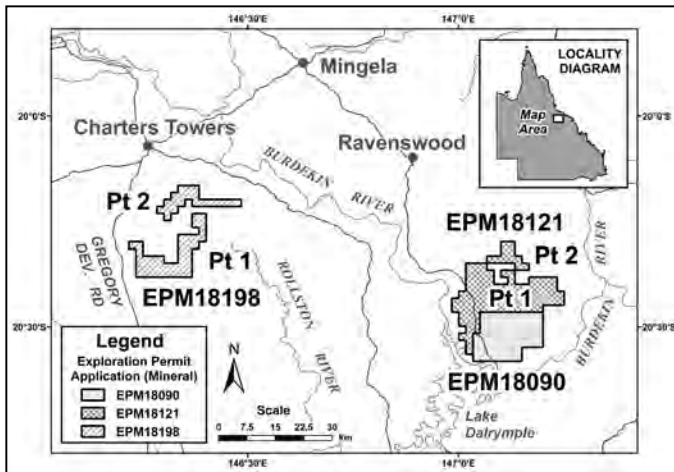
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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



Queensland Government

CRIME PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

POLICY OFFICER COMMUNITY JUSTICE GROUPS (ATSI IDENTIFIED)

JAG10/0061

Clerk Grade 7-8, Parramatta, Permanent Full Time

Salary range: \$75,137 - \$83,171

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$91,779

Provides support to the Manager, Aboriginal Programs Unit, in the development and management of Aboriginal crime prevention plans, projects and community justice initiatives.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and knowledge of Aboriginal community culture, social and community representative structures;
- Demonstrated project planning, implementation and management skills;
- Demonstrated capacity to establish and maintain strategic partnerships with a variety of key stakeholders;
- Excellent facilitation, presentation and negotiation skills;
- Sound ability to communicate effectively at all levels and with people from diverse cultures and locations;
- Proven ability to deal with competing priorities in a high volume work area.

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. Please include JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries: Liz West phone (02) 8688 7179
liz_west@agd.nsw.gov.au

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Mental Health Support Coordinator

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A/Human Resources Coordinator
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Administrative/Finance

The Northern NSW Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service seeks to employ an Administrative/Finance assistant based at Grafton. The successful applicant will provide financial and administrative support for the service.

Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent, have had previous experience working as an administrative/financial assistant, be experienced in using MYOB, be able to manage own workload and have a current driver's licence.

Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Case Worker

The Northern NSW Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service seeks to employ an Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Case Worker based at Grafton. The successful applicant will provide advice, advocacy and community education to Aboriginal communities within a large geographical area.

Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent, able to work with minimal supervision, able to manage own workload and have a current driver's licence

To obtain a selection criteria and duty statement for these positions please contact this service on 66434426.

Applications must address all points on the selection criteria.

Applications close on Friday, 26 March 2010

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S140 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1987 (NSW)*



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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*:

	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1843	Valley Point Pty Ltd	9.85km ²	136km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 16°18' Long 124°22'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1844	Valley Point Pty Ltd	6.56km ²	123km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 16°23' Long 124°17'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1845	Valley Point Pty Ltd	32.84km ²	127km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 16°17' Long 124°11'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1936	Worldwide Diamond Exploration Consultancy Pty Ltd Global Diamond Exploration Services Pty Ltd Sarah Elizabeth Dowling	134.03km ²	50km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°48' Long 125°19'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1992	Thomson Aviation Pty Ltd	123.91km ²	67km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°48' Long 125°05'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1993	State Resources Pty Ltd	288.68km ²	122km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°40' Long 124°33'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1994-5	GHL Resource Investments Pty Ltd	1104.36km ²	113W'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°07' Long 125°10'	Derby-West Kimberley
08/1986	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	97.83km ²	130km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°48' Long 116°19'	Ashburton
08/2050	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	6.34km ²	50km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°01' Long 116°03'	Ashburton
15/1173	Heron Resources Ltd	38.19km ²	22km SE'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°05' Long 121°20'	Coolgardie
15/1178	Brendon Chevely Deshon	20.42km ²	114km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°51' Long 120°17'	Coolgardie
16/393	Lyndon Scott Mahoney	23.66km ²	65km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°29' Long 120°45'	Coolgardie
20/732	Citic Nickel Australia Pty Ltd	213.35km ²	72km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°13' Long 118°39'	Cue/Meekatharra
24/170	Allan Keith Ding	2.96km ²	63km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°14' Long 120°54'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/139	Blair Nickel Mine Pty Ltd Pioneer Resources Limited	85.27km ²	25km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°58' Long 121°42'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/425	Rubicon Resources Ltd	23.65km ²	49km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°26' Long 121°50'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/426	Rubicon Resources Ltd	2.95km ²	52km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°34' Long 121°58'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2003	Gryphon Minerals Ltd	2.96km ²	115km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°09' Long 122°27'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2008	AC Minerals Pty Ltd	174.56km ²	130km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°18' Long 122°43'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2022	Fraserx Pty Ltd	585.81km ²	104km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 31°20' Long 124°11'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2023-5	Fraserx Pty Ltd	1749.99km ²	79km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°45' Long 123°41'	Dundas
28/2026-7	NBX Pty Ltd	1179.56km ²	60km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°34' Long 124°54'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2028-9 & 28/2031	NBX Pty Ltd	1758.79km ²	46km SW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 31°13' Long 124°47'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2030	NBX Pty Ltd	588.52km ²	48km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°55' Long 124°44'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2032	Salazar Gold Pty Limited	137.44km ²	108km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°30' Long 124°04'	Dundas
29/754	Wild Acre Metals Ltd	14.98km ²	74km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°12' Long 120°31'	Menzies
30/407	Internickel Australia Pty Ltd	50.49km ²	95km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°08' Long 120°08'	Coolgardie/Menzies
30/408	Internickel Australia Pty Ltd	35.74km ²	100km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°52' Long 120°01'	Menzies
30/411	First Strategic Development Corporation Limited	8.92km ²	100km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°02' Long 120°03'	Menzies
31/899	Gryphon Minerals Ltd	2.97km ²	128km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°46' Long 122°26'	Menzies
31/905	Gryphon Minerals Ltd	32.63km ²	115km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°04' Long 122°22'	Menzies
31/910	Salazar Gold Pty Limited	208.73km ²	106km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°33' Long 122°07'	Menzies
31/912	Legacy Iron Ore Ltd	41.59km ²	144km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 29°56' Long 122°38'	Menzies
38/2258	JML Resources Pty Ltd	6.06km ²	72km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°44' Long 122°13'	Laverton
38/2285	Eleckra Mines Ltd	612.57km ²	159km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 26°34' Long 123°10'	Laverton/Wiluna
38/2342	JML Resources Pty Ltd	201.46km ²	93km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°39' Long 122°02'	Laverton/Leonora
38/2347	Glenn William Baker	18.17km ²	9km W'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°36' Long 122°18'	Laverton
38/2348	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	21km ²	36km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°53' Long 122°36'	Laverton
38/2394	GME Resources Ltd	24.13km ²	32km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°20' Long 122°26'	Laverton
38/2401	Michael Jeremy Elliss	106.14km ²	70km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°45' Long 122°14'	Laverton
38/2403	South Boulder Mines Ltd	81.62km ²	46km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°05' Long 122°26'	Laverton
39/1225	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	229.2km ²	151km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 29°48' Long 124°34'	Menzies
39/1310	Austwhim Resources Pty Ltd	78.12km ²	25km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°45' Long 122°11'	Laverton
39/1522-3	Pembrey Prospecting Pty Ltd	401.49km ²	162km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 29°04' Long 124°01'	Laverton/Menzies
39/1524	Pembrey Prospecting Pty Ltd	116.78km ²	186km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 29°09' Long 124°16'	Menzies
39/1535	Strategic Resource Management Pty Ltd	41.79km ²	88km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°24' Long 122°31'	Menzies
40/278	Trevor John Dixon	2.99km ²	18km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°02' Long 121°22'	Leonora
45/3272	Oscar Aamodt	22.43km ²	40km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°34' Long 118°20'	Port Hedland Town
45/3488	Australian Tantalum Pty Ltd	3.19km ²	85km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°01' Long 118°56'	East Pilbara
45/3524	BC Iron Pty Ltd	6.36km ²	93km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°07' Long 119°15'	East Pilbara
46/833	Robert Gerard Devlin	60.52km ²	32km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°44' Long 120°22'	East Pilbara
46/836	BC Iron Pty Ltd	139.81km ²	35km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°07' Long 119°52'	East Pilbara
46/837	BC Iron Pty Ltd	53.9km ²	48km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°15' Long 119°51'	East Pilbara
46/838	BC Iron Pty Ltd	34.91km ²	48km S'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°18' Long 119°58'	East Pilbara
46/839	BC Iron Pty Ltd	34.94km ²	36km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°11' Long 119°58'	East Pilbara
47/2159	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	51.2km ²	10km E'ly of Roebourne	Lat 20°45' Long 117°14'	Roebourne
47/2202	Diana Robinson	3.19km ²	65km SE'ly of Roebourne	Lat 21°08' Long 118°15'	Port Hedland Town
51/1406	Michael Francis Madigan	3.07km ²	81km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°19' Long 117°44'	Meekatharra
51/1410	Glenn Griffin Venn Money	122.19km ²	63km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°02' Long 118°53'	Meekatharra
51/1414	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	6.13km ²	53km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°26' Long 117°59'	Meekatharra
51/1418	Kallenia Mines Pty Ltd	215.54km ²	65km E'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°24' Long 119°07'	Meekatharra
52/2261	Dawn Metals Ltd	211.66km ²	189km S'ly of Newman	Lat 25°02' Long 119°25'	Meekatharra
52/2512	Glenn Griffin Venn Money	49.64km ²	145km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°28' Long 119°16'	Meekatharra
53/1518	Faurex Pty Ltd	21.43km ²	60km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°45' Long 120°48'	Wiluna
53/1527	Calimo Pty Ltd	30.53km ²	74km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°15' Long 120°08'	Wiluna
53/1532	Clinton Dean Hood	3.06km ²	59km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°02' Long 120°32'	Wiluna
53/1537	William Robert Richmond	12.25km ²	45km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°46' Long 119°49'	Wiluna
53/1539	JML Resources Pty Ltd	61.16km ²	93km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°58' Long 119°23'	Wiluna
57/812	Bruce Robert Legendre	109.61km ²	62km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°26' Long 119°23'	Sandstone
57/813	Vanguard Exploration Pty Ltd	161.54km ²	90km NE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°24' Long 119°55'	Sandstone/Wiluna
57/815-6	Golden Mile South Pty Ltd	300.18km ²	112km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°56' Long 118°53'	Sandstone
59/1441	Carlinga Mining Pty Ltd	54.43km ²	56km NE'ly of Mullewa	Lat 28°04' Long 115°45'	Mullewa/Murchison
59/1487	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	60.37km ²	45km N'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°53' Long 117°50'	Yalgoo
59/1632	Enterprise Metals Limited	126.76km ²	18km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°15' Long 116°31'	Yalgoo
59/1636	Mount Magnet South NL	12km ²	46km N'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°51' Long 117°48'	Yalgoo
59/1637	Dragon Energy Ltd	130.82km ²	73km NE'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat 29°51' Long 117°14'	Dalwallinu/Yalgoo
59/1638	Dragon Energy Ltd	89.4km ²	46km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°37' Long 117°26'	Yalgoo
59/1639	Dragon Energy Ltd	141.78km ²	31km S'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°19' Long 117°44'	Mount Magnet
59/1645	Enterprise Metals Limited	84.22km ²	35km S'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°38' Long 116°33'	Yalgoo
59/1652	Peter Andrew Wiltshire	24.08km ²	29km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°31' Long 116°54'	Yalgoo
63/1321	Central Norseman Gold Corporation Ltd	14.49km ²	16km SE'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°19' Long 121°52'	Dundas
63/1374	Regency Mines Australasia Pty Ltd	14.43km ²	82km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°45' Long 120°48'	Esperance
69/2671	Iluka Resources Ltd	301.01km ²	284km S'ly of Warburton Mission	Lat 28°41' Long 126°41'	Laverton
69/2696	Alloy Resources Ltd	58.62km ²	97km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°53' Long 120°47'	Wiluna
70/2943	Swanovce Enterprises Pty Ltd	204.86km ²	29km E'ly of Gingin	Lat 31°25' Long 116°12'	Chittering/Toodyay
70/3689	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	101.68km ²	49km NE'ly of Nornalup	Lat 34°36' Long 117°00'	Plantagenet
70/3690	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	562.55km ²	29km E'ly of Nornalup	Lat 34°57' Long 117°03'	Denmark
70/3691	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	565.11km ²	11km NW'ly of Mount Barker	Lat 34°33' Long 117°35'	Plantagenet
70/3692	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	563.88km ²	25km SW'ly of Mount Barker	Lat 34°47' Long 117°29'	Denmark/Plantagenet
70/3693	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	562.41km ²	40km W'ly of Albany	Lat 34°58' Long 117°27'	Albany/Denmark
70/3694	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	564.06km ²	28km N'ly of Albany	Lat 34°45' Long 117°57'	Albany/Plantagenet
70/3695-7	Ligniteoil Pty Ltd	1125.95km ²	31km NE'ly of Albany	Lat 34°50' Long 118°10'	Albany
77/1459	Polaris Metals NL	139.55km ²	80km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°06' Long 119°26'	Yilgam
77/1475	Urban Minerals Pty Ltd	20.43km ²	70km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°47' Long 119°39'	Yilgam
77/1542	Polaris Metals NL	2.96km ²	55km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°21' Long 119°44'	Yilgam
77/1553	Adam Frank Hill	2.96km ²	63km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°15' Long 119°22'	Yilgam
77/1557	Polaris Metals NL	2.96km ²	67km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°13' Long 119°21'	Yilgam
77/1558	Polaris Metals NL	2.96km ²	65km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°15' Long 119°19'	Yilgam
77/1642	David Lewis Williams	8.89km ²	68km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°13' Long 119°19'	Yilgam
77/1686	Fleet Street Holdings Pty Ltd Bildex Holdings Pty Ltd	5.91km ²	58km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°30' Long 118°52'	Yilgam
77/1706	Geoffrey William Pember	5.83km ²	69km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°48' Long 119°36'	Yilgam
77/1726	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	23.44km ²	17km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°22' Long 119°22'	Yilgam
77/1727	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	2.93km ²	13km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°20' Long 119°19'	Yilgam
77/1728	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	8.92km ²	113km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°51' Long 119°08'	Menzies/Yilgam
77/1729	Geoffrey William Pember	5.94km ²	101km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°55' Long 119°22'	Menzies/Yilgam
77/1730	Raymond James O'Connor	14.85km ²	72km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°16' Long 119°07'	Yilgam
77/1731	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	2.93km ²	10km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°18' Long 119°17'	Yilgam
77/1732	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	5.86km ²	6km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°17' Long 119°18'	Yilgam
77/1733	Reton Holdings Pty Ltd	2.96km ²	75km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°11' Long 119°13'	Yilgam
77/1735	Geoffrey William Pember	11.77km ²	10km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°55' Long 119°03'	Yilgam
80/4318	Mineralogy Pty Ltd	126.05km ²	234km NW'ly of Wyndham	Lat 14°34' Long 126°09'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4323	William Robert Richmond	56.78km ²	52km SW'ly ofhalls Creek	Lat 18°35' Long 127°21'	Halls Creek
80/4372	Geotech International Pty Ltd Timothy Vincent Tatterson	289.15km ²	221km NW'ly of Wyndham	Lat 13°52' Long 126°55'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4377	Duketon Consolidated Pty Ltd	160.55km ²	149km S'ly of Wyndham	Lat 16°45' Long 127°38'	Derby-West Kimberley Halls Creek
80/4379	GHL Resource Investments Pty Ltd	164.76km ²	21km SW'ly of Wyndham	Lat 15°36' Long 127°57'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4381	Rebecca Resources Pty Ltd	652.87km ²	84km N'ly ofhalls Creek	Lat 17°28' Long 127°42'	Wyndham & East Kimberley Halls Creek
80/4385	Aurox Resources Ltd	39.22km ²	127km N'ly ofhalls Creek	Lat 17°10' Long 128°07'	Wyndham & East Kimberley Halls Creek

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
EPM18078	Approx. 22 km NE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°13'S Long.140°01'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 29 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1032 p, u, z 1033 g, l, m, q, v, w	Syndicated Metals Limited 115 768 986
EPM18102	Approx. 21 km SE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°30'S Long.140°0'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 22 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1248 z 1249 v 1320 d, e, j, k 1321 a	Tread Resources Pty Ltd 132 006 949
EPM18116	Part 1: Approx. 42 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.20°59'S Long.139°56'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 19 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°11'S Long.139°53'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 55 km NNE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.20°53'S Long.140°03'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 4: Approx. 51 km NNE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.20°55'S Long.140°02'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 5: Approx. 33 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°04'S Long.139°56'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 6: Approx. 31 km NNE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°06'S Long.140°0'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 7: Approx. 5 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°19'S Long.139°51'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 816 q, v Area of Part 2: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1031 h, j Area of Part 3: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 745 s Area of Part 4: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 817 b Area of Part 5: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 888 v Area of Part 6: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 960 k Area of Part 7: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1103 v	Mt Dockerell Mining Pty Ltd 009 242 997
EPM18207	Approx. 19 km ENE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°20'S Long.140°04'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 319 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1034 o, p, t, u, x, y, z 1106 c, d, e, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1176 c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1177 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x 1178 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 1248 d, e, j, k, o, p, u 1249 a, b, f, g, l, q	Isa Tenements Pty Ltd 131 350 760

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Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 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: 31 March 2010



Queensland Government

NSW HEALTH
SYDNEY SOUTH WEST
AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Closing Date: 26 March 2010.

MENTAL HEALTH

Aboriginal (Social and Emotional Wellbeing) Mental Health Worker

Ref: 61034. F/T at Mental Health Services Liverpool, Fairfield, Wingecarribee and Campbelltown.

Enq: Patrick Parker, (02) 9616 4057.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Apply online at: www.sswahs.nsw.gov.au
or email application quoting Ref No. to:
jobs@sswahs.nsw.gov.au or send application to:
Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 7050, Liverpool NSW 1871.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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NSW HEALTH

MENTAL HEALTH, DRUG & ALCOHOL SERVICES

Walgett

Aboriginal Family Health Worker – Safe Families

TFT (jobshare considered), up to 11/06/2012, **Salary:** \$804.40–\$1,372.00 pw, **Recruitment No:** GW61804, **Enquiries & Application Kit:** Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or Sue.Burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au **Close:** 26/03/2010.

•Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

•Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification for this position and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

We are committed to Equal Employment Opportunity Ethical Practices, the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a smoke-free environment. Appropriate criminal record and child protection checks conducted for all positions. All employees (except casuals) are eligible to Salary Package.

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Training Officer (WDVCAP) (Aboriginal Identified)

**Clerk Grade 7/8, Central Sydney Office
(Haymarket) (Job Reference No.: SP10/025)**

Works as part of a team to co-ordinate the provision of mandatory Core training for all WDVCAS workers and additional training for all Seconded and Specialist WDVCAS workers. Also co-ordinates a yearly WDVCAP conference and other training programs as required by the WDVCAP.

Applicants **must** obtain an information package for full position details and selection criteria.

Inquiries: Michelle Jones on (02) 9219 5791

Information packages: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday, 26 March 2010

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Waringarri Media Aboriginal Corporation RADIO MANAGER

Waringarri Media has a vacancy for a special person who has proven broadcast - administration skills and is not afraid of a challenge.

Our station 6WR – 693AM - based in scenic Kununurra

This is an opportunity for a motivated person and a commitment to Community radio.

The Radio Manager will report to the Board of Management, and will be responsible for the over all effective day-to-day and longer-term management of the radio station.

- Previous experience in radio management/sales is essential
- Ability to provide training and support for broadcasters
- Develop and maintain budgets and effective budget management
- Apply for funding, grants and donations from Government lending bodies, State, Federal, Local or other organisations
- Ensure that all reports, funding submissions, budgets, and acquittals are properly prepared and presented on time
- Attend monthly Board Meetings and report to the Board on activities,
- Operational matters, achievements, opportunities and problem areas.
- Other duties as may be requested by the Board of Management

Administration professionals with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background are strongly encouraged to apply.

Salary based on qualifications – Rent assistance and car provided.

Applications: Email to: WMAC-admin@westnet.com.au

Mail to: Waringarri Media Aboriginal Corporation
Radio 6WR – 693AM
PO Box 1336, Kununurra WA 6743

**Applications should be received by:
Wednesday 24 March, 2010**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE
AND WATER NSW,
**Discovery Guide
(Aboriginal)**
Interpretive Assistant, Kurnell
Casual
Vacancy Ref :DECCW 58-10

\$26.76- \$27.72 per hour plus applicable casual loadings and employer contributions to superannuation scheme. Delivers local Discovery interpretive activities of guided tours and talks which fosters community awareness, appreciation and understanding for conserving the state's natural and cultural heritage, and the role of the DECCW.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality, and awareness of Aboriginal Culture.
- Proven practical experience in interpretive and educational guiding.
- Understanding of the role of the Department of Environment and Climate Change, and a broad knowledge of the natural values and cultural history of the local area.
- Sound oral communication skills and sound written communication skills.
- Demonstrated Customer Relations and Service skills, particularly in terms of conducting educational tours and associated activities.
- Capacity for undertaking ticket and merchandise sales.
- Computer skills in word processing and spreadsheets and ability to work with minimal supervision and as part of a team.
- Current Drivers Licence, or ability to obtain one. Current Senior First Aid Certificate or willingness to gain a Senior First Aid Certificate prior to commencement of employment.

Job Notes: Casual position for up to 12 months with possible extension. 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. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. As this position is considered Child - Related Employment under the provisions of the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 you are required to satisfactorily sign a Prohibited Person Declaration and undergo a satisfactory pre-employment screening. Relevant forms are attached for your signature and return if you have not already done so. Appointment and employment is dependent on meeting the requirements of relevant legislation. This position may involve regular evening and weekend work. This is a shift-based position, under the Crown Employees (Public Service Conditions of Employment) Reviewed Award 2006. This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Inquiries: Dean Kelly (02) 9542 0603 (M)0404 921 168 or dean.kelly@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: (02) 9542 0603 (M) 0404 921 168 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 1481, Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 26 March 2010.

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NEW SOUTH WALES

**EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES
LEADING EDGE FAMILY REFERRAL SERVICE
MOUNT DRUITT**

- Innovative Service
- Passionate professionals required
- Respected Not For Profit organisation

Relationships Australia (NSW) is embarking upon a new program designed to support the needs of children and families living in the Mount Druitt area. The Family Referral Service requires several professionals to start this culturally aware and responsive telephone based information and referral service within the next month.

Are you a self motivated, experienced and passionate professional and want to make a real difference in the world?

PROGRAM COORDINATOR
Full time

As program coordinator, you will be responsible for ensuring the development of the program and provision of quality services to clients and customers. This is a senior position in the organisation with significant autonomy and decision making capacity which requires flexibility, initiative and high level organisational and management skills.

COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER
Part time 3-4 days a week

This position is responsible for enhancing the profile of the service, building relationships with other community services/key stakeholders/client groups and representing the service in a range of forums. The successful applicant will possess relevant qualifications in health promotion, community development or similar field, supported by relevant experience and the ability to engage a wide range of people from diverse backgrounds.

FAMILY ADVISOR
Full time, part time and casual

We are seeking social welfare professionals to provide support and assistance to people accessing the service, including intake, assessment, referral and follow up of clients. Family Advisors must be able to demonstrate skills in providing professional telephone services including; engaging clients, providing needs assessments, case management and referral.

If you are looking for a position in an organisation that values respect, is people focused and offers excellent development opportunities, flexible hours and a competitive salary package please apply NOW by obtaining an information package from www.relationships.com.au/vacancy_list or contact Lee at leed@ransw.org.au

Applicants with experience and an understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are particularly encouraged to apply.

Please forward your professional CV and your written application addressing the selection criteria found within the information pack.

All positions are subject to a Working with Children check.

Applications close on Friday, 19 March 2010.

Gummyaney Aboriginal Pre School

PART TIME TEACHER 4 days per week

Gummyaney Aboriginal Pre School is seeking a permanent part time teacher 4 days per week. Must have the Batchelor of Teaching Early Childhood. Aboriginality desirable.

**All applications must be received by
Friday the 26th of March.**

Contact Siandra Webb
30 Pound Street
Grafton NSW 2460
gummyan@bigpond.net.au
Phone: 66 422 048 **Fax:** 66 421 461



ABORIGINAL WORKERS

Casino Neighbourhood Centre Inc is seeking to employ the following Aboriginal Workers with the Brighter Futures Early Intervention Service.

Aboriginal Family Worker
38 hours per week. Package \$52,580 (Salary \$47,741) includes superannuation and annual leave loading. Salary Sacrifice is also offered.

Aboriginal Parenting Assistant
15 hours per week. Package \$17,533 (Salary \$15,889) includes superannuation and annual leave loading. Salary Sacrifice is also offered

Applications close 12 February 2010.

For Application Packages email cncl.noeline@bigpond.com Website www.cncl.org.au or phone 66 622898

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977


Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

Koorie Engagement Support Officer – ES2.4

Salary range \$63,923 to \$75,372 (48/52)
1 full time position available – located in the Eastern Metropolitan Region

The Victorian Department of Education & Early Childhood Development is seeking suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to work in the regions as Koorie Engagement Support officers.

The successful applicants will work as a member of a regional Koorie Engagement Support Team responsible for the implementation of the Wannik Education Strategy. They will be responsible for facilitating and managing the delivery of programs for Koorie children and young people through early childhood to school completion.

The occupant of the position will possess strong leadership skills to ensure the successful delivery of educational support services, provide advice to schools, kindergartens, families and the Koorie community on strategies aimed at improving educational outcomes for Koorie children and young people, have a high level of understanding of Koorie education and community needs and have a suitable qualification/s.

These roles are identified positions and are available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only. VCAT exemption # A195/2009.

For a more detailed position description, key selection criteria and contact details pertaining to a specific region, please refer to www.education.vic.gov.au/schooljobs and search using vacancy number 718231.

Applications close 19 March 2010.

For more information about the Wannik Education Strategy, please visit www.education.vic.gov.au/wannikdhuna.

Wannik Learning Together – Journey to Our Future



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Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of Mining Leases shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Leases to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant ACN
ML 70425 Kevin's Corner	Approx. 50km North West of Alpha Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Barcardine Regional Council	<p>Current Land Tenures:</p> <p>Lot 1007 on NPW632 – Cudmore Resources Reserve (mining)</p> <p>Lot 1778 on PH886 – Pastoral Holding 12/1788 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 3533 on PH56 – Pastoral Holding 12/3533 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 4994 on PH2232 – Preferential Pastoral Holding 12/4994 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 649 on PH1981– Pastoral Holding 12/649 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 681 on PH406 – Pastoral Holding 12/681 (mining)</p> <p>Road Reserve Degulla Road (mining and access)</p> <p>Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 37380.8193 ha</p>	Hancock Galilee Pty Ltd 136 381 970
ML 70426 Alpha	Approx. 50km North West of Alpha Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Barcardine Regional Council	<p>Current Land Tenures:</p> <p>Lot 1 on BF58 – Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease 12/2503 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 1 on BF72 – Freehold (mining)</p> <p>Lot 1 on CP860083 Reserve Queensland Transport (mining)</p> <p>Lot 11 on BF25 – Freehold (mining)</p> <p>Lot 2 on BF46 – Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease 12/2515 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 2 on SP136836 Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease 37/3697 (mining)</p> <p>Road Reserve Degulla Road (mining and access)</p> <p>Lot 3533 on PH56 – Pastoral Holding 12/3533 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 4 on BF50 – Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease 37/3380 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 4994 on PH2232 – Pastoral Holding 12/4994 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 6 on BF46 – Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease 37/3500 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 649 on PH1981 – Pastoral Holding 12/649 (mining)</p> <p>Lot 3 on CP860083 – Grazing Homestead Freeholding Lease 37/3374 (mining)</p> <p>Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 64630.6824 ha</p>	Hancock Coal Pty Ltd 130 249 973

Nature of the acts: Grant of a mining lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding forty (40) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding forty (40) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the mining leases be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

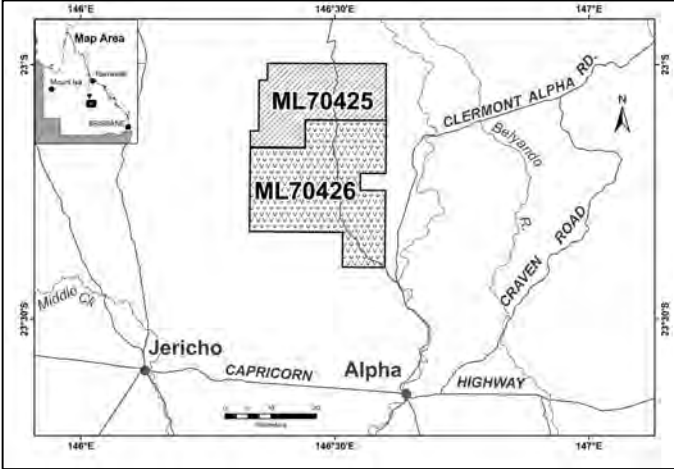
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the mining leases, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the mining lease applications, may be obtained from Queensland Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, State Government Offices 99 Hospital Road Emerald Qld 4720 Telephone: (07) 4987 9373


Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 31 March 2010




Queensland Government

TMP 0087231L



NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

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 amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

EXPLORATION NO.	APPLICANT	AMALG NO	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
40/230	Kookynie Resources Pty Ltd FMR Investments Pty Ltd	340627	29.97ha	54km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°21' Long 121°32'	Menzies
	Kookynie Resources Pty Ltd FMR Investments Pty Ltd	340628	43.86ha	54km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°21' Long 121°32'	Menzies
40/233	Kookynie Resources Pty Ltd FMR Investments Pty Ltd	340384	89.97ha	53km NE'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°22' Long 121°27'	Menzies
45/1866	Segue (Pardoo) Ltd	337711	76.94ha	16km NE'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°12' Long 119°36'	East Pilbara
45/2287	Australian Tantalum Ltd	327240	90.24ha	89km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 21°04' Long 118°53'	East Pilbara
77/1235	Cazaly Resources Ltd	338692	23.69ha	52km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°39' Long 119°31'	Yilgarn

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 10 March 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 the applications. The 3 month period closes on **10 June 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 amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 10 July 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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HEALTH PROMOTION ROLES

Established in 1994, Apunipima is an Aboriginal community controlled health organisation covering Cape York which has moved from an advocacy to primary health service delivery organisation. Our evidence-based systematic comprehensive primary health care model is underpinned by a ground up approach reflecting "for the people by the people".

Health Promotion Coordinator

The Health Promotion Coordinator is integral to achieving this by providing Health Promotion knowledge and people leadership across Cape York and providing strategic direction and advice across the full spectrum of Health Promotion.

Health Promotion Officer

In collaboration with Health Action Teams (HAT), community members and service providers you will coordinate and support the planning and delivery of culturally appropriate health promotion programs and initiatives that respond to community needs and address health issues in priority populations in Cape York communities.

Please request an application pack by emailing hr@apunipima.org.au which outlines the selection criteria to be addressed. The pack also includes the position description and application process.

The positions are base in Far North Queensland is flexible and dependent on the candidate.

With future growth and a supportive team this role is ideal for a Health Promotion professionals with the desire to make a difference.

Applications close 5pm Monday 15th 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
EPM18063	Approx. 3 km W from Boulia Centred at approximate Lat.22°54'S Long.139°51'E Local Government Area: Boulia Shire Council	Area: 315 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2398 q, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 2399 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2400 q, v, w 2470 b, c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, t, u, z 2471 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 2472 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 2542 e 2543 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2544 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w	Queensland Coal Seam Gas Pty Ltd 127 503 646
EPM18065	Approx. 181 km SW from Boulia Centred at approximate Lat.23°30'S Long.138°15'E Local Government Area: Boulia Shire Council and Diamantina Shire Council	Area: 314 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2883 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 2884 a, f, l, m, q, r, v, w 2955 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 2956 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 3027 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 3028 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w, x 3099 e 3100 a, b, c, g, h, j, n, o, s, t, y	Krucible Metals Limited 118 788 846

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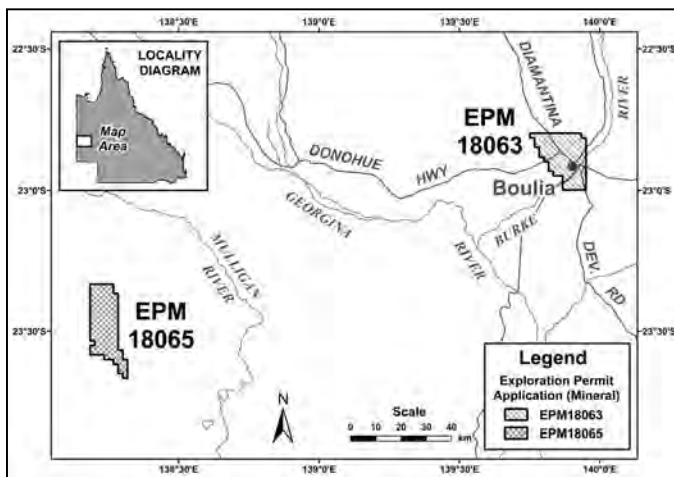
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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



Queensland Government



Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services. We are looking for an enthusiastic and committed person to fill the following position in our Extended Care Program.

Koori Cultural Support Worker

We are looking for someone:

- Provide cultural support to children living with non Aboriginal carers and services by ensuring that they have cultural support plans and community connections.
- A sound understanding and working knowledge of the issues related to Aboriginal child and family welfare is required.
- A sound knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture and society and the ability to effectively communicate with Aboriginal people will be necessary to fulfill this role.

For a copy of the job description and key selection criteria, which applicants must address, please contact Paula Crilly on (03) 8388 1855.

Applications close: Wednesday 24th March 2010



Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Incorporated

The Central Highlands Wimmera Wurreker Regional Broker The Murray Valley Wurreker Regional Broker The South Western Wurreker Regional Broker

Salary: \$50,000 - Vehicle attached to position, Salary Packaging Options and 5 weeks leave

Tenure: 12 months - ongoing

Location: VAEAI Central Highlands Wimmera, Murray Valley and South Western Region

VAEAI is the peak body for Koorie education and training in Victoria providing policy advice to the State Government. VAEAI, a State-wide community based organisation comprising of 32 Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Groups (LAECGs), across Victoria. LAECGs are the primary source of local advice on education and training matters and participate as equal partners in the planning, development, operation, monitoring and evaluation of education and training programs across Victoria.

VAEAI in partnership with the Victorian Government developed the Wurreker Strategy in 2000 to enhance pathways to employment for Koorie people through training opportunities provided by TAFE, ACE and Private Registered Training Organisations.

The Wurreker Strategy ensures that training is consistent with Koorie community identified needs and that training links to future employment opportunities. Wurreker empowers LAECGs and Koorie people at the local, regional and state levels in planning for and endorsement of vocational education and training to be delivered in their community.

The Wurreker Regional Broker positions focus on the ongoing functions and operations of the Wurreker Strategy in one of the eight VAEAI regions across Victoria.

It is expected that the successful applicant will have a sound knowledge of Koorie culture in the State of Victoria, have established local networks and an understanding of the issues that effect Koorie people, particularly in education and training. High levels of written and oral communication skills are also required.

Koorie people are encouraged to apply

For a copy of the position description please contact:

Neville Atkinson, Wurreker Manager
Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Inc. (VAEAI)
P.O Box 113, NORTHCOLE 3070
Email: neville@vaeai.org.au
Tel: 03 9481 0800

Closing date for the position is Friday 26th March 2010



Aboriginal Child, Youth and Family Strategy - Community Facilitator

Temporary Full Time - until 30 June 2011

Salary: \$66,320 to \$73,545 per annum, plus 9% superannuation and a 9 day fortnight
Vacancy No: 2010-0020

Are you a highly motivated, qualified and skilled indigenous professional who can identify and develop strategies to improve support and access to services for Aboriginal families in the Northern Sydney Region?

You will be of Aboriginal descent and be required to demonstrate skills, knowledge and experience in community development, community capacity building, social planning, working collaboratively between government and non-government agencies and the private sector, advanced skills in project planning, research and evaluation methods and have a current understanding and knowledge of the Aboriginal community and issues affecting them. Tertiary qualifications or demonstrated equivalent experience relevant to Community Services are essential.

The position is currently funded through Families NSW and the Aboriginal Child and Family Strategy until 30 June 2011.

Hornsby Shire Council considers that Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for the purpose of Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Further information: Please contact Lisa Cahill on 9847 6779.

How to apply: Applications MUST address the selection criteria stated in the person specification at www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au.

Closing date: 26 March 2010.



NOTICE TO GRANT MISCELLANEOUS 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 miscellaneous licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*.

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
31/58	Heron Resources Ltd	264.95ha	73km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°09' Long 121°47'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City Menzies Leonora
39/198	Glenmurrin Pty Ltd	14.87ha	62km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°06' Long 122°04'	Laverton
39/199	Murrin Murrin Holdings Pty Ltd	19.98ha	52km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°56' Long 122°00'	Laverton
39/203	Glenmurrin Pty Ltd	13.91ha	49km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°52' Long 121°59'	Laverton
39/205	Murrin Murrin Holdings Pty Ltd	8.29ha	46km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°48' Long 121°58'	Laverton

The Purposes for L31/58 are: Search for Groundwater

The Purposes for L39/203 are: Road, Communications Facility, Minesite Administration Facility, Power Generation and Transmission Facility, Workshop and Storage Facility.

The Purposes for L39/198, L39/199 & L39/205 are: Taking Water, Pipeline, Water Management Facility, Bore, Pump Station, Road, Power Generation and Transmission Facility, Workshop and Storage Facility

Nature of act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 10 March 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 the applications. The 3 month period closes on **10 June 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. 10 July 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.

adcorp F38836

Film Workshop Facilitators

The Wakakirri Outback program gives young Australians in remote communities the opportunity to take part in a national arts festival. Facilitators run workshops with students to produce a 5 minute film about their community. Wakakirri is seeking talented film workshop facilitators to join our team on the 2010 Outback tour.

Positions available:

Director/Editor - responsible for overseeing the production of the film

Camera operator/editor - responsible for all technical aspects involved in making the film

Desirable Criteria:

1. Experience in running film workshops for young people
2. Experience working with Indigenous communities and children

Job information pack please contact: Anna Bowring, Event Manager

email: anna@wakakirri.com **freecall:** 1800 650 979

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
EPC1668 This Application consists of three separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 40 km SE from Middlemount Centred at approximate Lat.23°08'S Long.148°54'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 41 km SE from Middlemount Centred at approximate Lat.23°05'S Long.148°59'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council and Central Highlands Regional Council Part 3: Approx. 46 km SE from Middlemount Centred at approximate Lat.23°08'S Long.149°0'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council and Central Highlands Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2723 o, t Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2724 d 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 2724 u	Yarrabee Coal Company Pty Ltd 010 849 402

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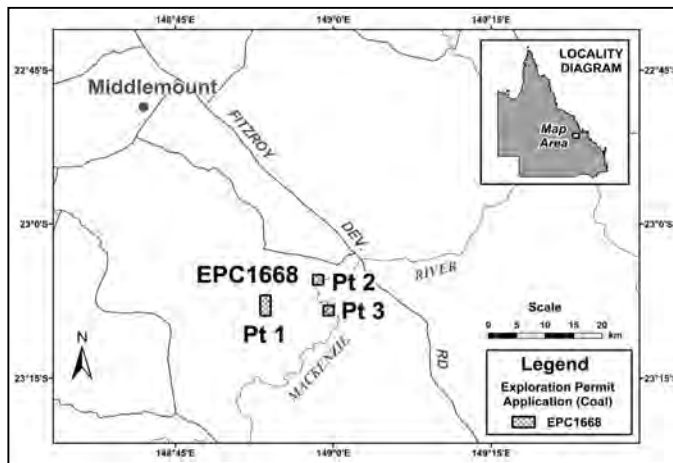
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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



Queensland Government

Gummyaney Aboriginal Pre School

PART TIME
TEACHER
4 days per week

Gummyaney Aboriginal Pre School is seeking a permanent part time teacher 4 days per week. Must have the Batchelor of Teaching Early Childhood. Aboriginality desirable.

All applications must be received by Friday the 26th of March.

Contact: Siandra Webb
30 Pound Street, Grafton NSW 2460
gummyan@bigpond.net.au
Phone: 66 422 048 Fax: 66 421 461

Aboriginal Health Worker
Trainers (x3)

- * Location: Alice Springs, NT
- * \$56,970.61-\$61,505.23 + benefits!
- * Excellent advancement opportunities!

The Central Australian Remote Health Development Service (CARHDS) has exciting and challenging opportunities for three **Aboriginal Health Worker Trainers**. You will be rewarded with a **generous remuneration package, circa \$56,970.61 - \$61,505.23, plus 9% super and salary sacrifice options up to \$16,000.** Specific benefits include **6 weeks annual leave including 17.5% leave loading, district allowance, accommodation within the communities, generous travel allowance, relocation assistance up to \$3,000** and more! Apply now!



ApplyNow.com.au/Job16651
Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573



SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION - NOWRA, NSW
Senior Manager Community
Care Services

(Aboriginal Identified Position)

Very Attractive Salary Package including Salary
Sacrifice

Full Time Contract, initially 3 years

The Senior Manager Community Care Services will provide high level strategic management for the SCMSAC Community Programs and Social and Emotional Wellbeing teams. This will include direct supervision of managers, team leaders and administrative staff on the team. The Senior Manager will develop plans, priorities and projects in collaboration with other sections of SCMSAC and local stakeholders, develop annual work plans and submissions for additional funding for the Community Care Service to meet agreed priorities, support the implementation and monitoring of new projects and ensure and report on the delivery of outcomes against agreed priorities and plans. Three Year Renewable Contract, with very attractive Salary Package and access to Salary Sacrifice.

To discuss this position contact: Anne Greenaway – 02 4428 6666

* Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act.

Applications Must Address the Selection Criteria: The Selection Criteria is available in the Information pack which can be obtained from Administration Section or by email recruitment@southcoastams.org.au.

Applications close: COB Monday 29th March 2010.

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EPM18052	Approx. 42 km E from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°14'S Long.143°57'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 81 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 25 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1943 k, p 1944 b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, r, s, t, w, x, y, z 2016 b, c, d, h, n, o, t, u	KS Mining Pty Ltd 120 136 754
EPM18059	Part 1: Approx. 57 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°46'S Long.143°30'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 55 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°47'S Long.143°36'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 70 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°39'S Long.143°37'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council and Tablelands Regional Council Part 4: Approx. 67 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°40'S Long.143°34'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 163 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 50 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1506 k, p, t, u, y 1507 b, f, g, h 1578 d, e, f, g, j, k, l, m, o, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1579 f, g, l, m, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1650 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, l, m 1651 a Area of Part 2: 138 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 42 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1508 f, g, l, m, n, q, r, s, v 1579 e 1580 a, f, l, m, n, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1651 k, n, o, p, s, t, u 1652 b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n Area of Part 3: 23 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1435 z 1436 q, r, v, w, x, y Area of Part 4: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1507 d	KS Mining Pty Ltd 120 136 754

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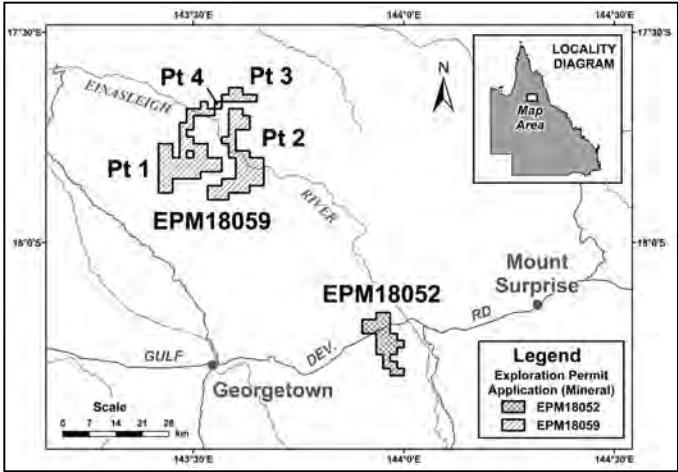
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Queensland Government

Lifeline Community Care Queensland

LCCQ exists to strengthen the lives of individuals, families and communities through wide-ranging services that deliver enhanced access, efficiency and outcomes to people who are most vulnerable. The Out of Home Care Program (S.W.) is seeking suitably qualified and experienced people wanting a challenging and rewarding role in providing residential care for young people on child protection orders. *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.*

Team Leader

UCA P&A Level 6
2 positions Ipswich area

The Team Leader coordinates the day to day operations of a residential care service, leading the team of youth workers to ensure the service has a therapeutic approach and meets Child Safety Standards.

The successful applicant will possess strong organisational skills to coordinate a number of individual care plans simultaneously and the ability to manage challenging behaviours of young people who have experienced trauma in a calm, considered and consistent manner. Qualifications in Social Work, Psychology or Behavioural Sciences (highly valued but not essential) and/or experience in residential care are essential.

To apply for a position, please send your resume and an expression of interest outlining the skills and personal qualities you possess which would enable you to achieve in the role to stella.miriarobinson@lccq.org.au by 5pm, 21st March 2010.

Lifeline Community Care is a leading provider of community services for the people of Queensland. LCCQ offers generous salary packaging to maximise your take home salary. Visit us at www.lccq.org.au



MERRIMANS
Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Merrimans Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the Merrimans LALC's affairs in accordance with, delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

To obtain recruitment package contact the Contact Officer Ms Catherine Wright, by email Catherine.wright@alc.org.au or on (02) 6124 3555.

MLALC considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification of this position under Section 31 Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Applications can be forwarded to:

Catherine.wright@alc.org.au and/or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Ms Catherine Wright
NSWALC - Southern Zone
PO Box 619,
QUEANBEYAN, NSW, 2620

Applications close:
31 March 2010

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open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. Learn to develop your application writing skills and find out how to write a budget, manage your arts projects and more. Dates and venues; 23 March at Robinvale TAFE Campus, 24 March at Swan Hill TAFE Campus, 14 April at RMIT Bundoora West Campus and 16 April at Kangan Batman TAFE, Broadmeadows, Vic from 10am-3pm. Free and all welcome. Details: Robyn Simpson on (03) 9658 8549 or email robyn.Simpson@melbourne.vic.gov.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

26-27 March: Lake Bolac Eel Festival. This is a family friendly festival that highlights the environment and celebrates indigenous art, culture and dance. There will be a healing walk, a forum discussion on brolgas and wetlands and a world premiere performance of Anne Norman’s *Brolga Suite* for shakuhachi. Entertainers include Archie Roach, Neil Murray, Loren, Rory Faithfield, The Stiff Gins Luke Watt and more. All welcome. Held on the banks of Lake Bolac, Vic. Details: (03) 5350 2204 or Una Allender on (0419) 891 920 or David Allen on (0428) 995 448 or visit www.eelfestival.org.au

10 April: National Deadly Funny grand final. The winner of the grand final wins \$2000 and a Deadly Funny national champion trophy. 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

11 May: 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. All welcome. Held in Melbourne, Vic. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

22 May: The Long Walk 2010. The annual celebration of Michael Long’s walk to Canberra. The Long Walk starts at Federation Square and walks to the MCG from 4 - 6pm. All welcome. Details: Kim Kruger on (03) 9230 0300 or email admin@thelongwalk.com.au or visit www.thelongwalk.com.au

Western Australia

Until 11 March: Deadly Funny workshop. The workshop will provide contestants the opportunity to get their deadly funny joke or yarn workshoped by a professional stand-up comedian, who will also provide deadly tips and advice on your writing and performance. Lead-up to state finals. Free entry and food provided. All welcome. Held at the Comedy Lounge, 509 Charles Street, North Perth, WA from 8-10pm. Details: Jason Tamiru on (03) 9245 3700 or

visit www.deadlyfunny.com.au

Until 21 March: Mother and Daughter Art Exhibition. This is a unique exhibition featuring Lulu Teece Apetyarr and Selina Teece Pwerl. All welcome. Held at 330 South Terrace, South Fremantle, WA from 10am-6pm. Details: (08) 9336 7787 or email info@artitja.com.au or visit www.aboriginalartcoop.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 5131or 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

19-20 March: National Symposium, Racism Revisited: Anti-racism Leadership and Practice hosted by and held at Murdoch University, Perth. Speakers will include President Obama adviser Professor Sylvester Gates, UK anti-racism activist Viv Ahmun and AFL CEO Andrew Demetriou. For the symposium program, visit www.rralp2010.com.au

9 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. All welcome. Held in Broome, WA. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.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

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
EPM18117 This Application consists of four separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 23 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°15’S Long.144°21’E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 33 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°19’S Long.144°27’E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council and Cook Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 42 km SE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°22’S Long.144°31’E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council and Cook Shire Council Part 4: 36 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°21’S Long.144°25’E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council and Cook Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 49 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 15 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 148 s, w, x, y 220 c, d, e, k 221 a, b, f, g, h, j, k Area of Part 2: 43 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 13 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 222 g, h, l, m, n, r, s, v, w, x 294 b, c, h Area of Part 3: 23 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 294 k 295 f, g, l, m, q, r Area of Part 4: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 293 e, k 294 f	Amanda Jane Blazely

* 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.

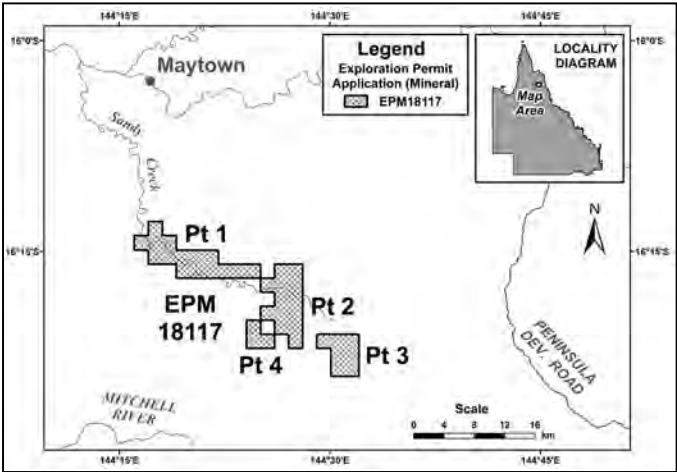
Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a ‘native title party’ is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification 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: 31 March 2010



Government of
Western Australia
Department of Regional
Development and Lands

Aboriginal Affairs
Coordinator

Web Search No: IRC16555

Level/Salary: Level 7, \$90,727-\$97,241 pa, PSGA 2008

The Department of Regional Development and Lands plans and manages WA's state lands and facilitates the development of sustainable regional communities so that they have a sense of purpose and control over their future.

We want a strong focus on Aboriginal affairs in our activities.

This position will drive the Aboriginal development and engagement program.

If you enjoy working with a wide range of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people inside and outside Government, and want to make a difference for Aboriginal people in WA, then this may be the opportunity you have been looking for.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No IRC16555 to access Information Pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Mr Mike Rowe on (08) 9217 1502.

Location: Perth (Currently West Perth)

Closing Date: Monday, 22 March 2010 at 11:45pm.

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Rugby League World Cup qualifying open to 20-plus nations

MORE than 20 nations will be given the opportunity to play in the 2013 Rugby League World Cup to be held in the United Kingdom.

The Rugby League International Federation (RLIF) announced last month that 14 nations would compete in the revamped and expanded tournament, with two of the countries to come from qualifying tournaments in the northern

and southern hemispheres.

The proposal for a 14-nation World Cup was ratified in Singapore at a meeting of the RLIF.

"We are delighted to have ratified this proposal for a 14-nation Rugby League World Cup, which was unanimously supported by RLIF delegates," RLIF chairman Colin Love said.

"This year will see the Four Nations

(tournament) in Australia and New Zealand build on the success of the 2008 World Cup and the 2009 Four Nations.

"Going forward I am confident that in 2013 we will see a tournament that will successfully showcase international rugby league to a worldwide audience."

The 2013 Rugby League World Cup was awarded to the UK in July 2009.

— AAP

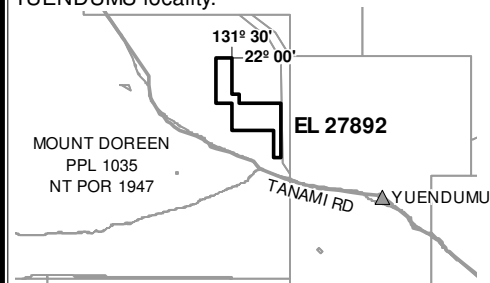
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

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 an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

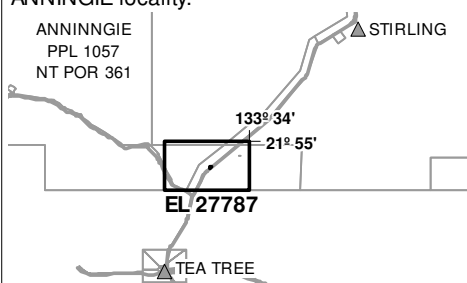
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 27892 sought by BLUEKEBBLE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 508 over an area of 32 Blocks (102 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the YUENDUMU locality.



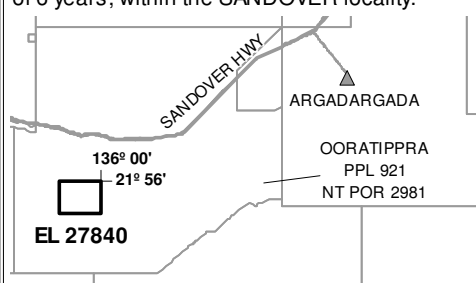
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Exploration Licence 27787 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 45 Blocks (139 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



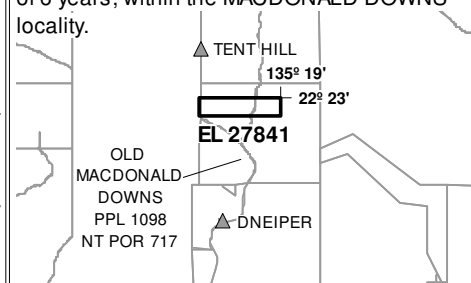
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Exploration Licence 27840 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 35 Blocks (111 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SANDOVER locality.



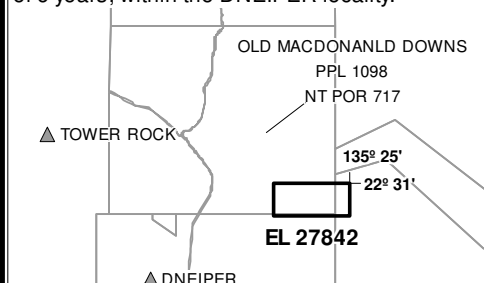
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Exploration Licence 27841 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 20 Blocks (64 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONALD DOWNS locality.



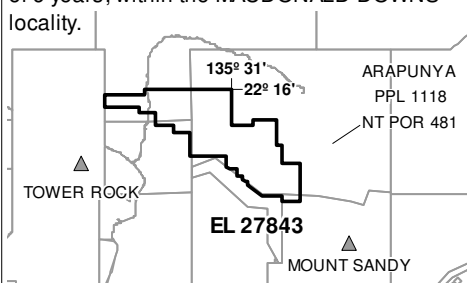
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Exploration Licence 27842 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 10 Blocks (32 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



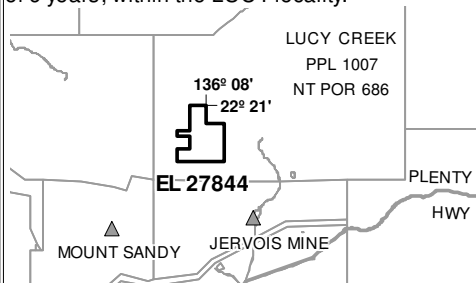
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Exploration Licence 27843 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 254 Blocks (789 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONALD DOWNS locality.



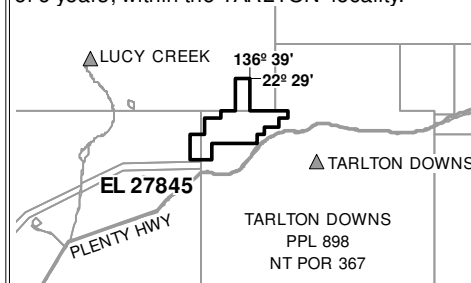
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Exploration Licence 27844 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 51 Blocks (162 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LUCY locality.



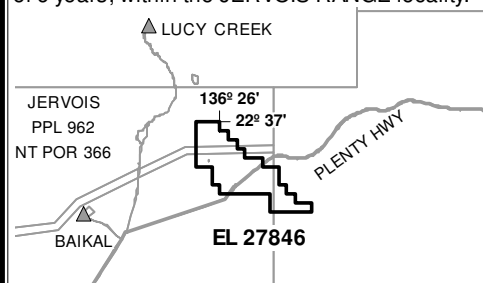
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Exploration Licence 27845 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 50 Blocks (159 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TARLTON locality.



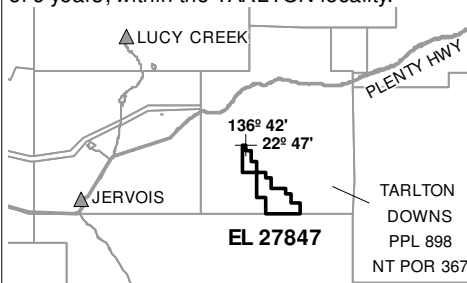
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Exploration Licence 27846 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 58 Blocks (184 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JERVOIS RANGE locality.



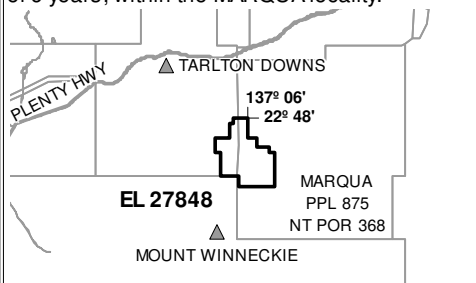
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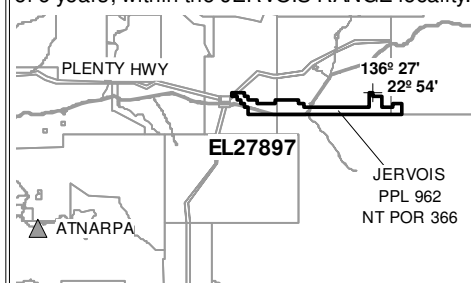
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Exploration Licence 27848 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 121 Blocks (382 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MARQUA locality.



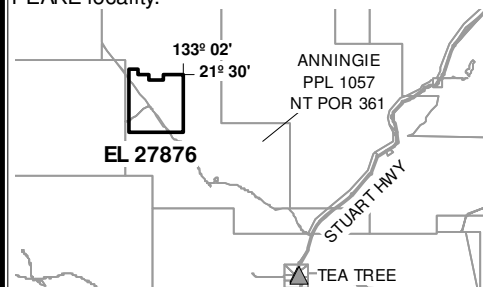
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Exploration Licence 27897 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 145 Blocks (454 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JERVOIS RANGE locality.



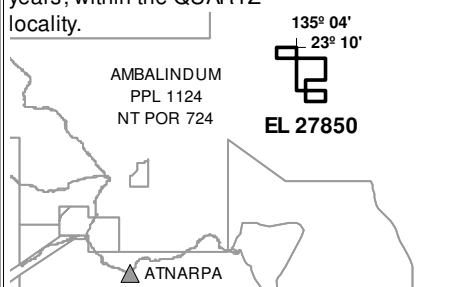
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Exploration Licence 27876 sought by TORO ENERGY LIMITED, ACN 117 127 590 over an area of 120 Blocks (383 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOUNT PEAKE locality.



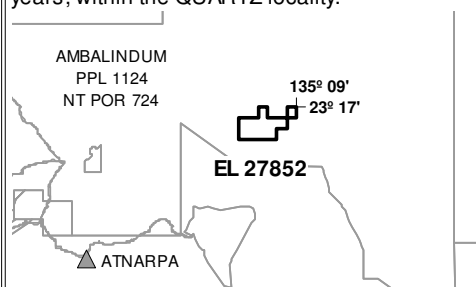
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Exploration Licence 27850 sought by URANIUM EXPLORATION AUSTRALIA LTD, ACN 112 714 397 over an area of 11 Blocks (35 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



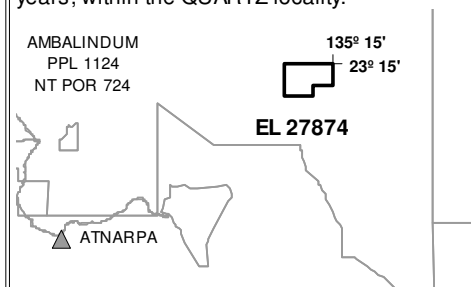
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Exploration Licence 27852 sought by URANIUM EXPLORATION AUSTRALIA LTD, ACN 112 714 397 over an area of 11 Blocks (35 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



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Exploration Licence 27874 sought by URANIUM EXPLORATION AUSTRALIA LTD, ACN 112 714 397 over an area of 13 Blocks (41 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ 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 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 have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5 NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973 Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 10 March 2010

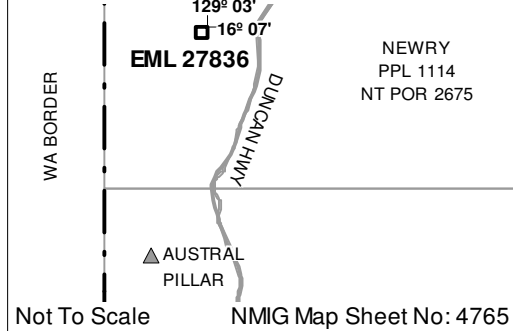
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXTRACTIVE MINERAL LEASE

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 an act namely to grant the following extractive mineral lease application.

The application to which this notice applies:

Extractive Mineral Lease 27836 sought by RUTH ANN DUNCAN and PETER CONRAD VANDENBERG over an area of 32.5 ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the NEWRY locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of an extractive mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to extract or remove (whether by quarrying or other means) from, on or below the natural surface of the land, extractive mineral(s), clay or stone for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the extractive mineral lease 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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Notification Day: 10 March 2010

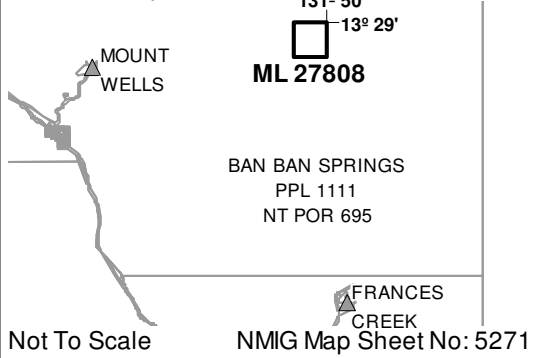
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, 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 an act namely to grant the following mineral lease application.

The application to which this notice applies:

Mineral Lease 27808 sought by TERRITORY RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 100 552 118 over an area of 333.2 ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals including (but not limited to) the processing and the removal of minerals from the lease area and the treatment of tailings or other mining material the property of the Crown on the lease area, including any extractive minerals for or in connection with any of the purposes specified in the lease document for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to

grant the mineral lease 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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Notification Day: 10 March 2010

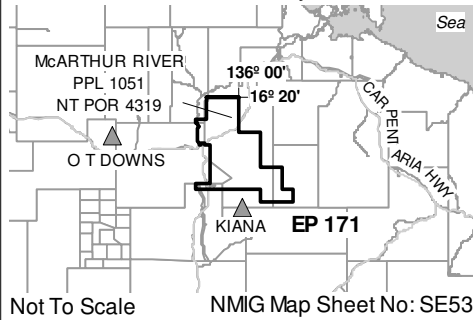
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS (PETROLEUM)

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

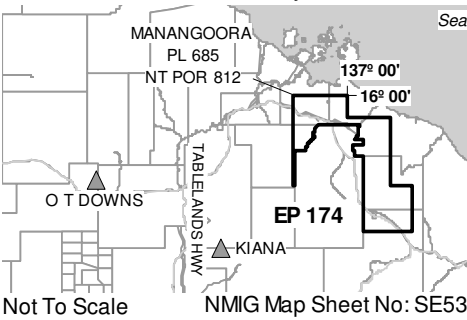
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, c/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN, NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) that applications have been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, Exploration Permits (Petroleum) ("Permit") under Division 2 of Part II of the Petroleum Act (NT) as follows.

Application(s) to which this notice applies:

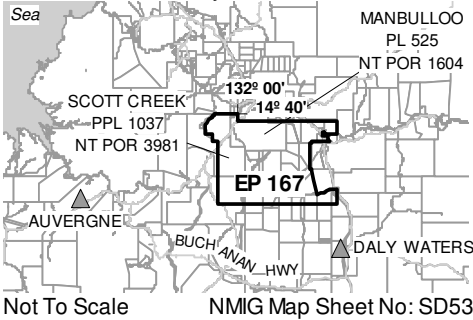
Exploration Permit 171 sought by ARMOUR ENERGY PTY LTD, ACN 141 198 414 over an area of 45 Blocks (3,467 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the NEWCASTLE WATERS locality.



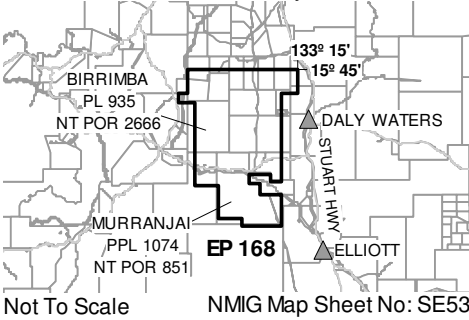
Exploration Permit 174 sought by ARMOUR ENERGY PTY LTD, ACN 141 198 414 over an area of 65 Blocks (4,332 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the NEWCASTLE WATERS locality.



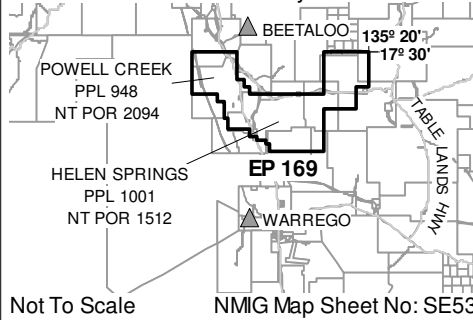
Exploration Permit 167 sought by PANGAEA RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 070 165 025 over an area of 200 Blocks (16,200 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the ROPER RIVER locality.



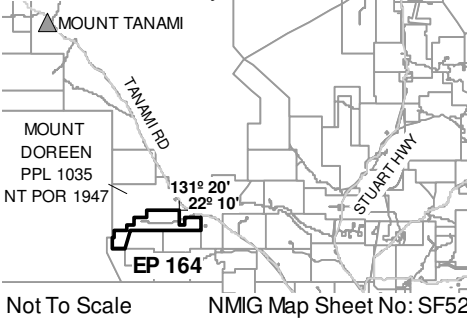
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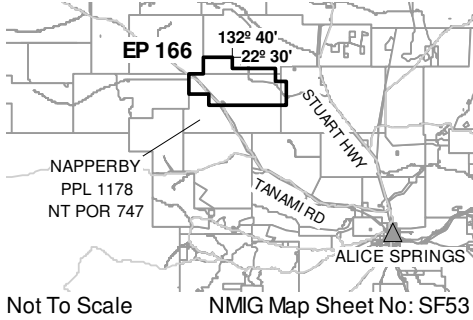
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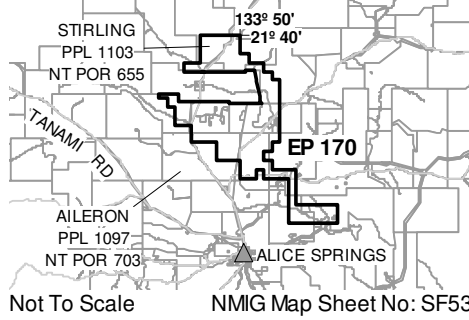
Exploration Permit 164 sought by TAMBORAN RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 135 299 062 over an area of 37 Blocks (2,403 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the LAKE MACKAY locality.



Exploration Permit 166 sought by TAMBORAN RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 135 299 062 over an area of 26 Blocks (2,046 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the ALICE SPRINGS locality.



Exploration Permit 170 sought by URAMET MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 124 251 396 over an area of 138 Blocks (10,290 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the ALICE SPRINGS locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a permit under the *Petroleum Act*, gives the person to whom it is granted the exclusive right, for a term of up to 5 years, to explore for petroleum and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the area covered by the Permit including(but not limited to) use of machinery and equipment for carrying out works, removal of material for testing, use of water resources for domestic use and to seek renewals. A permit may be renewed no more than twice. If petroleum is discovered in the permit area, production licences and/or retention licences may subsequently be granted. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801, or Centrepoint Building 40-50 Smith St Mall, Darwin NT 0800.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973, Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

Notification Day: For the purposes of section 29(4) of the NTA, the notification day is 10 March 2010

Ready for big season

By ALF WILSON



His uncle Toni Bani is a Thursday Island policeman who coached Mabuiag team Wagadagam Storm to a plate final

A TRIP to his birthplace of Thursday Island should be the tonic Torres Strait islander Michael Bani needs as he faces the challenge to be a regular in the North Queensland Cowboys 2010 National Rugby League (NRL) campaign. Bani was on Thursday Island in February and also visited the rugby league stronghold of Badu and conducted a clinic on Horn

win at the Rockhampton carnival in late January and was glowing in his praise. "Michael is my nephew and this is where he started after finishing school," Toni Bani said. "We worked at Mabuiag Island as community police officers and he played footy and basketball. "He played with us at the Royal Dragons in the KRL (Kaiwalagal Rugby League) where he got most tries for that year before going down to Bundaberg. "He also played for Goemu Bau Raiders at our Island of Origin and Torres Cup. It is great he could get up here before the NRL season. Born on 3 July 1984 on Thursday Island, the 25-year-old is 182cm tall and weighs 91kg and under Cowboys fitness coach Billy Johnstone, is in the best

shape of his football career. Equally at home as a fullback or on the wing, Bani played 20 games for the Manly Sea Eagles between 2007 and 2009, when he was swapped mid-season to the Cowboys for Ben Farrar. Bani played nine games for the Cowboys in 2009 and looks set for a big season. **Speed, strong defence** Of Mabuiag Islander descent, Bani has great speed, and is brilliant in attack and strong in defence. The Bani name is synonymous with rugby league in the Torres Strait. Bani's visit to TI was part of a huge Community Carnival which the Cowboys supported. More than 40 Cowboys players and

coaches visited ten regions and more than 50 north Queensland communities from 7-10 February for the largest Community Carnival seen in the event's history. Destinations included regional centres and communities across the Tablelands, Tully/Ingham, Whitsunday region, Charters Towers, Mackay region and the Burdekin, and far north to the Gulf, Northern Peninsula, Torres Strait and Eastern Cape. Many of the players and fans they met were Indigenous and Cowboys community relations manager Fiona Pelling said it had grown significantly on the 2009 event. "While we have a number of community programs that operate throughout the season, the North Queensland Community Carnival will be our biggest combined community event for 2010," she said. "No other NRL club covers the ground that we did, but the distance is all part of being proud north Queenslanders and we're very excited about our visits."

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM18007	Approx. 160 km NE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.19°40'S Long.141°35'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Area: 323 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3139 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 3140 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 3211 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 3212 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
EPM18017	Approx. 55 km N from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°13'S Long.140°37'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 90 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 28 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 103 z 175 e 176 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 247 k, p 248 a, b, f, l, m, n	Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd 108 925 284

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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.

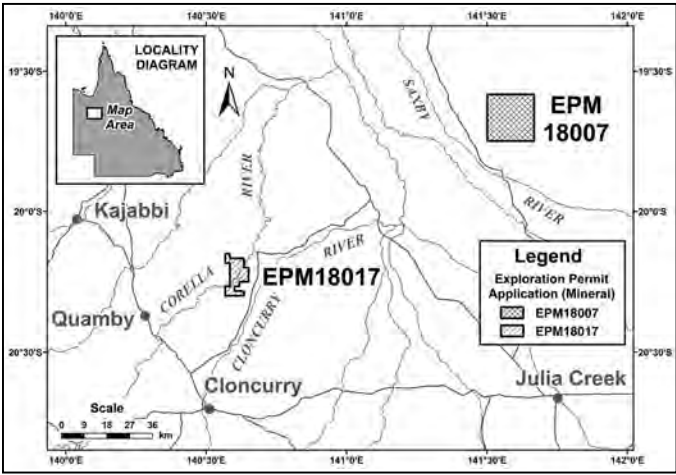
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Notification Day: 31 March 2010



Michael Bani with his Thursday Island policeman uncle Tony Bani On Thursday Island.



Michael Bani ready to go spearfishing in the Torres Strait.

Allies avenge early round loss at Wagga



THE Northern Allies (Sydney/ACT) were declared the inaugural Jack Atkinson Indigenous Carnival Australian Football champions after a solid grand final victory over the home team, South West Magic at Maher Oval, Wagga Wagga on 27 February.

After playing four games each across the day in mixed weather conditions, the two exhausted teams hit the ground at 7pm for the grand final, with little or nothing left in either side's tank.

After two 20-minute halves, the Northern Allies proved too strong, running out 77-point winners.

South West Magic defeated the combined Sydney and Canberra-based Northern Allies earlier in the day, but the final proved to be a very different result with 13.5 (83) to 0.6 (6) win by the Allies.

"We are absolutely thrilled with the outcome of the weekend's carnival," AFL (NSW/ACT) Indigenous Academy program manager Luke Penrith said.

"We had a good number of spectators, the football club and local volunteers did an amazing job and the standard of football was terrific.

"The whole community banded together to get this carnival off the ground and now we have a great blueprint to work off.

"We hope to return to Wagga Wagga next season with even more sides lining up for a shot at the Jack Atkinson trophy."

Best on ground

Allies half-forward Owen Love was awarded best on ground for the final, while midfielder Adam Jennings was named player of the tournament.

Osborne's Dali Bloomfield and new Northern Jets recruit Leroy Eggmolesse stood out for South West.

The Northern Allies, Narrgundra Warriors (Narrandera), Rumbalara FC, Cowra and South West Magic contested matches in the lead-up to the main event, with a NSW junior match held as the curtain-raiser. The NSW talent group was divided into two sides, Team Red and Team Black, with Team Red winning the match 85-53.

Earlier in the day, the NSW Indigenous junior talent group was also made privy to words of wisdom from legends Michael O'Loughlin, Jason Mifsud and Kevin Sheedy.

All three mentors encouraged the boys to pursue their dreams, recognise the importance of



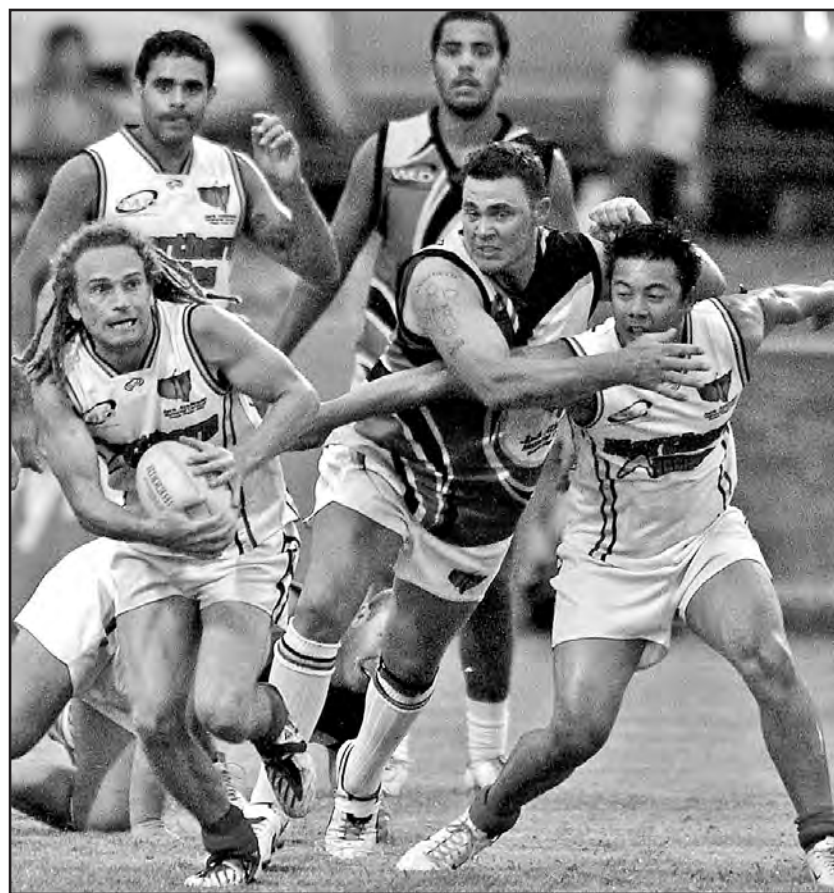
Sydney Swans legend Michael O'Loughlin imparting words of wisdom to players during a break in one of the games.

courage, discipline, dedication and good character and to never give up on their dreams or their beliefs.

Nearly 200 Indigenous footballers have made careers with AFL teams.

Indigenous carnivals have been held around Australia for years. The AFL has Indigenous and multicultural academies in Blacktown and Campbelltown, with about 100 enrolments, with plans to extend to the Riverina and Illawarra.

The carnival was named in honour of Jack Atkinson, a highly regarded person in the communities of Deniliquin, Swan Hill and Barmah.



Northern Allies on the attack in the final against South West Magic.

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM18064	Approx. 39 km NNW from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°23'S Long.140°24'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 51 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 16 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 317 j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 318 f, l	Mining Investments Five Pty Ltd 123 293 710
EPM18189	Approx. 11 km ESE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.20°45'S Long.140°37'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 608 w 680 b	Volga Elderberry Pty Ltd 112 177 107

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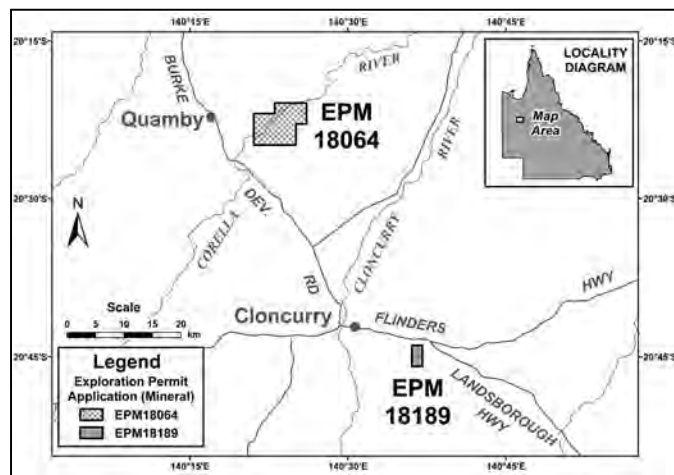
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Queensland Government

WA Govt wants Mundine-Green fight



THE West Australian Government is eager to snare a Danny Green-Anthony Mundine rematch. Green will switch his world boxing title defence against Manny Siaca from Sydney to his home town Perth after people power convinced the West Australian

Government to provide backing. Green will put his International Boxing Organisation (IBO) title on the line against Puerto Rican Siaca at Perth's Challenge Stadium on 14 April. The fight was originally set down for the Sydney Entertainment Centre on 14 April. The move comes with the WA

Government eager to snare any future Green v Anthony Mundine re-match. WA Premier Colin Barnett was widely criticised after refusing government support that could have taken Green's recent successful title defence against legendary Roy Jones Jnr to Perth instead of Sydney, where it was held. "I know a lot WA sports fans were

disappointed the fight was there not here," Mr Barnett said of the Roy Jones Jnr fight. "A second time around, we looked at it and recognised there was a lot of support and fans in WA. "We will help meet the cost of some of the event, the venue, some of the set out, the necessary security for the event and promoting WA and Perth as a venue on pay TV and any other media coverage. "It is no way a payment to Danny. "... I think \$185,000 is a modest contribution to see a great WA sportsman defend his title in Perth."

Green said the commitment of the WA Government increased the chances of Perth also hosting his re-match with Mundine – should Mundine agree to another bout. "The prospects of the (Mundine) fight being held in WA are obviously very strong – but I can't really answer that because I am not Anthony Mundine," Green said. Sports Minister Terry Waldron refused to acknowledge the Government had made a mistake in failing to secure the Green-Jones fight and said the bout with Siaca was 'a great opportunity' for Perth. "The last fight was in Sydney and that's been and gone," Waldron told Fairfax Radio. "There were some misunderstandings. That was unfortunate. "The great thing about gaining this fight here is that it puts us in a good position to perhaps get the fight – and I'm sure it will happen – between Danny Green and Anthony Mundine. "Manny Siaca is the man that beat Mundine back in (2004)." Challenge Stadium has hosted most of Green's fights since his professional career began in 2002. Barnett said the announcement would provide an opportunity for Green to fight in front of his home-town fans while providing international media coverage through pay TV. – AAP

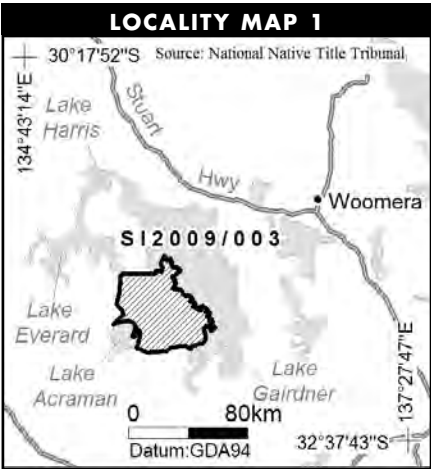
Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Gawler Ranges - Moonaree Pastoral – SI2009/003
Gawler Ranges - Coondambo Pastoral - SI2009/004
Gawler Ranges - Kokatha Pastoral - SI2009/005

State of South Australia
Notification day: 10 March 2010

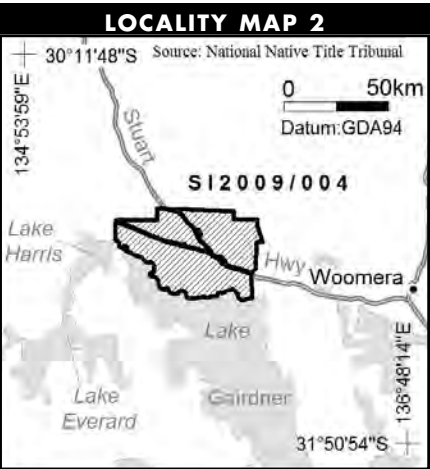


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SI2009/003 Gawler Ranges - Moonaree Pastoral ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 2,505km², located approximately 110km south-west of Woomera between Lake Gairdner and Lake Acraman as shown on the locality map. The agreement falls within the unincorporated Local Government Authority area.



SI2009/004 Gawler Ranges -Coondambo Pastoral ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 2,112km², located approximately 75km west of Woomera, north of Lake Gairdner and east of Lake Harris as shown on the locality map. The agreement falls within the unincorporated Local Government Authority area.



SI2009/005 Gawler Ranges -Kokatha Pastoral ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 1,720km², located approximately 106km west of Woomera between Lake Everard, Lake Harris and Lake Gairdner as shown on the locality map. The agreement falls within the unincorporated Local Government Authority area.

Parties to the agreements and their contact address:

Parties common to all of the agreements

Elliot McNamara, Howard Richards, Andrew Dingaman and Ken Smith, on behalf of the Gawler Ranges Native Tile Group
C/- Andrew Beckworth
South Australian Native Title Services Ltd
Level 4, 345 King William Street
ADELAIDE SA 5000

The State of South Australia
C/- Peter Hall
Native Title Claim Resolution Unit
GPO Box 464
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Other parties to the agreements

ILUA

Gawler Ranges - Moonaree Pastoral – SI2009/003

Gawler Ranges - Coondambo Pastoral - SI2009/004

Gawler Ranges - Kokatha Pastoral - SI2009/005

Party and contact address

Wychwood Pty Ltd, C/- Alistair McTaggart
Moonaree Station PMB 113 via
PORT AUGUSTA SA 5710

Richard Giles Mould and Julie-Ann Mould
Coondambo Station, PMB
PORT AUGUSTA SA 5710

David William Henderson and Megan Joy Henderson, PMB 10 via
WOOMERA SA 5720

The agreements contain the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

The agreements do not contain any statements of a kind mentioned in either s24EB(1)(b)(c)or(d) or s23EBA(1)(a)

[The agreements deal with the relationship between native title rights and interests and other rights and interests in relation to the areas (s.24CB(c) of the Act) and the manner of exercise of native title rights and interests or other rights and interests in relation to the areas (s.24CB (d) of the Act).]

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified

These three applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by South Australian Native Title Services Ltd, the representative body for the areas concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the respective maps. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, ADELAIDE SA 5001 by 10 June 2010.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreements are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about these applications, contact Greg Jervis on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Saints are tops across the board



THE Darwin-based St Marys Football Club has won the Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT) inaugural Cazalys Champion Club Award.

It was decided after 18 rounds of junior, senior and women's football.

"The Cazalys Champion Club Award is awarded to a club with the best performance across all aspects of its football operations," AFLNT football operations manager Marc Turri said.

"The award primarily focuses on accredited coaching staff, teams entered into competition, number of suspensions a club may have, and also games won."

St Marys president Greg Connors was presented with the award at St Mary's training session at TIO Stadium on 25 February by Cazalys chairman Ray Norman.

"Cazalys are pleased be sponsoring this award and we congratulate the St Marys Football Club who have demonstrated excellence across all aspects of their football operations," Mr Norman said.

Mr Connors was pleased that there was an award that represented the performance of the whole club.

"The St Marys Football, Sporting and Social Club is very proud to be awarded the 2009/10 NTFL Club Championship," he said.

"These types of awards are extremely important to NTFL clubs as they are true indicators of football success."

"The award again illustrates the professionalism demonstrated throughout the club, from its coaches, administration, support staff, volunteers and players."

Apart from some hardware the Cazalys Champion Club will also receive a cash prize of \$3000 and St Mary's have pledged \$1000 of this to the Bryan Ah Mat Appeal.

'No one cares what you did last year'

Soward out to prove himself



HE was one of the hottest players in the National Rugby League (NRL) last season, but St George Illawarra star Jamie Soward isn't expecting to have a new contract handed to him for his 2009 form.

Instead, the five-eighth says he must continue to shine for the Dragons if he wants coach Wayne Bennett to offer him a deal when his current contract ends at the end of the season.

"I'm off contract at the end of the year so I've just got to play good this year," Soward said.

"No one cares what you did last year."

Good times turning sour are nothing new for the diminutive playmaker, who was allowed to leave the Sydney Roosters half-way through the 2007 season to join the Dragons less than three years after securing the club a Jersey Flegg title in 2004.

Big things were tipped for Soward after that youth season in 2004, where he scored 28 tries and kicked 117 goals for a record 352-point tally, including the match-winning field goal in the grand final against Cronulla.

Rebuild reputation

But having failed to make an impact at Bondi Junction, Soward has had to rebuild his reputation at the Dragons and he's not prepared to rest on his laurels in 2010.

"I'll have to play good this year and hopefully Wayne at the end of the year comes and we sign a contract for next year," he said.

"But I've still got one year to go so I'm not thinking about contracts or anything like that."

Aiding Soward's ambition is his veteran coach's reputation for developing solid working relationships with his key playmakers.

Having worked with firstly Allan Langer and then Darren Lockyer during his 20-year stint at Brisbane that included six premierships, Bennett says developing a similar understanding with Soward is one of

his main ambitions.

"It's important with your chief playmakers that you have a good relationship," Bennett said.

"If you don't communicate and build that relationship, there's going to be a lot of misunderstanding and frustration between both parties."

Bennett also feels he's in a better place to guide the Dragons to glory in 2010, having already transformed the club into genuine contenders during his first season at the helm.

He believes he underestimated the challenge of switching clubs after

two decades with the Broncos, but was well ahead of where he was with the Dragons this time last year.

"When you've been in a place for a while, you're certainly a lot more comfortable and I'm certainly in that boat," Bennett said.

"I just didn't realise what a big challenge I'd taken on until I got back this year and realised how much more easier it was having been with the guys for 12 months and everybody knowing what's required of them."

"A lot more easier this pre-season than last." — AAP



Jamie Soward salutes the crowd after his last-gasp match-winning try for the Indigenous All Stars against the National Rugby League All Stars at Skilled Park, Gold Coast, on 13 February. Picture: WAYNE QUILLIAM



Shola Diop takes aim.

Sky is the limit for Shola Diop



WHILE Paddy Mills and Nathan Jawai earn close to a million dollars a season on the world's biggest basketball stage – the US National Basketball Association (NBA) – Shola Diop, another Indigenous Australian, struggles to cover his costs as he battles to make his way in the US.

Shola means 'to bring goodwill' in a West African language, but it is 21-year-old Diop who requires goodwill if he is to complete his studies and basketball education at Yuba Junior College in California.

A long-time resident of inner-Sydney suburbs Ultimo and Pyrmont, Diop is attempting to continue a tradition of Indigenous Australians achieving basketball greatness in the United States.

But while Mills and Jawai earn the big bucks, Diop struggles to cover costs of his basic expenses. These include accommodation, school fees, books, internet, travel and food. Such expenses are covered at some of the larger colleges in the USA, however until Diop is accepted into a Division One college, these costs will go unpaid, perhaps meaning he will have to return to his Sydney home sooner than expected.

In the event that Diop is accepted into a Division One college, he intends to study commerce – majoring in accounting.

His background is Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, South Sea Islander, West Indian and West African and he stands at an imposing six feet nine inches (205.74cm), with size 18 shoes.

His coach Doug Cornelius said: "We are excited about (the prospect of) him coming back to Yuba next season and we hope he gets the support he needs – financial and emotionally to keep him going strong."

Cornelius also attributes the team's recent form to Diop's on-court ability.

"He has been a nice part of our success... the sky could be the limit for Shola," the coach said.

Indigenous netball team named

AN all-Indigenous team will again contest the International Challenge schoolgirls' netball carnival in Adelaide in May.

The team was selected at the conclusion of an interstate Indigenous carnival at Beenleigh, south of Brisbane, in January.

The Adelaide tournament has been running for seven years and attracts teams from Australasia, Pacifica and South-East Asia.

The final is usually between the

representative Australian and New Zealand sides, with the Indigenous girls finishing as high as fourth place.

Indigenous players chosen for the Adelaide tournament are: Sam Gordon (NSW), Shahni Wellington (NSW), Jordan Kickett (Vic), Tommaya Kelly-Sines (NSW), Minjarra Atkinson (Vic), Libby Cook-Black (Qld), Tanisha Stanton (NSW), Courtney Byrne (NSW), Tanaya Harradine (Vic), Teneal

Hookey (NSW), Victoria Aubrey (Qld).

Team officials say the tournament is an ideal way for the girls to develop their netball skills and to participate at an international level.

They say the program is aimed at increasing self-esteem and promoting education to teenagers. Players become role models in their communities and promote the message behind health, sport and education.

Turning tide

By WAYNE HEMMING, of AAP



WHEN Lionel Morgan became the first Aborigine to play rugby league for Australia in the

second Test against France in 1960, he was booed and pelted by objects.

Fifty years on, an Indigenous team led by Preston Campbell and superstar Johnathan Thurston was cheered by a sell-out crowd on a momentarily proud night for their people and for players like Morgan and the late George Green.

It was never established if Green was an Aborigine, Torres Strait Islander or Melanesian, but history acknowledges him as rugby league's first Indigenous player.

He played 16 games for Eastern Suburbs and 92 for North Sydney in a career that stretched from 1908-1922.

Huge success

The clash between the Indigenous All Stars and NRL All Stars led by Darren Lockyer was an overwhelming success – even before it was played.

Tony Currie, whose grandfather Arthur 'Stoker' Currie was the first Aborigine to play for NSW Country in 1937, said Indigenous people had endured a 'massive struggle' over the years as highlighted by the treatment of Morgan in 1960.

"Lionel had bottles of beer thrown at him and was hissed and booed in his first Test," said Currie, who emulated his grandfather by playing seven Tests for Australia and 15 Origin games for Queensland.

"I think most Australians now accept Indigenous people were hard done by in all facets of life.

"... the momentum for this



Lionel Morgan (third from right) with other members of the Indigenous Team of the Century at the Indigenous All Stars-NRL All Stars game on the Gold Coast on 13 February. From left, Greg Inglis, Dale Shearer, Cliff Lyons, Gorden Tallis, Laurie Daley, Steve Renouf, Lionel Morgan, Mal Cochrane and Sam Backo. Picture: WAYNE QUILLIAM

game had been building since Prime Minister Kevin Rudd said 'sorry' to the Stolen Generations two years ago and after the Dream Team played against the New Zealand Maoris last year.

"I truly believe we won't fully understand the importance of this game for years to come.

"Over time Australians have become more culturally-sensitive to our people which is why this game was so important...time will tell us just how important."

While former NRL star and now multiple world boxing champion Anthony Mundine says one game won't stop racism, Currie believes rugby league is a great game for Indigenous people because it

makes everyone feel equal.

"There's no colour bar, no ethnic bar, that's what I loved so much about the game," he said.

The All Star exhibition game created amazing interest, selling out Skilled Park and gaining live television coverage usually reserved for the State of Origin matches.

Merchandise boom

Demand for merchandise went through the roof, with the Indigenous jerseys outselling the NRL All Star jumper three to one.

"The interest was phenomenal," said Currie, who along with Gorden Tallis, Ron 'Rambo' Gibbs and Cliff Lyons, were members of coach Neil

Henry's support staff.

"My phone didn't stop ringing with calls from long lost relatives wanting tickets.

"Even people I bumped into and just said hello to in a pub on Thursday Island years ago managed to find my telephone number and call for tickets."

The involvement of Indigenous players in rugby league has come a long way.

While Australian rules football has attracted many of the most talented Indigenous footballers, the involvement of Indigenous players in rugby league in the early years was greater than many believed, because often they disguised their heritage for fear of facing prejudice.

Over the years, Indigenous

players have increased their involvement and impact on rugby league and can now lay claim to some of the world's best players – if not the best, in Bowraville's Greg Inglis.

Arthur Beetson, who breathed life into State of Origin, made rugby league's Team of the Century, named in 2008 as part of the game's Centenary celebrations.

Queensland have used almost 170 players in State of Origin sides since 1980, almost one-third of them being Indigenous.

"We have got a three-year guarantee but this game will now be on the pre-season calendar for ever and a day," Currie said.

From one Bomber to another



THE Essendon Bombers went out of their way to give every assistance to the Tiwi Bombers ahead of the Tiwi side's push towards glory in the Northern Territory Football League finals.

At the Tiwi Bombers' training camp in the lead-up to the finals, a DVD message of support from Essendon assistant coach Alan Richardson was played.

And to reinforce the Essendon Bombers' support for the Tiwi Bombers, two Essendon players, Jason Laycock and David Myers, were at the Tiwi training camp when the DVD was played.

Richardson had some words of advice and encouragement for the Tiwi players.

His words were not enough as the Tiwi Bombers lost their qualifying final to St Marys 14.15 (99) to 7.8 (50).

That result propelled St Marys into next weekend's grand final, while the Tiwi Bombers were forced into the preliminary final last weekend against the Waratahs for the right to advance to the grand final.

The Tiwi Bombers entered the NTFL competition in 2007-08 and have reached the finals series every year.

Five appearances, five losses

But in their five finals appearances before last weekend, they had yet to win a game.

The Bombers started the 2009-10 season slowly, losing their opening two games.

But they then strung together a 16-game winning sequence, only to be broken by St Marys in the all-important grand final qualifying match.

The Tiwi Bombers are one of five interstate/territory clubs that are affiliated with Essendon.

Essendon's support of Tiwi Islands/Tiwi Bombers includes:

- Assistance in facilitating the establishment of the Tiwi Bombers
- Major sponsorship (ongoing) of the Tiwi Bombers since their inception (financial assistance)
- Regular in-kind support for equipment and apparel (playing/training guernseys, footballs etc)
- Supporting full-time AFLNT regional development manager on Tiwi Islands

● Conducting community visits with Essendon players each year for the past three years

● Supporting local schools (including Clontarf Academy) through the provision of equipment, apparel and resources

● Supporting the Tiwi Bombers around sustainability issues (EFC management assistance)

● Supporting the Tiwi Bombers' visit to Melbourne to participate in Dreamtime at the G (2007)

● Supporting Imalu Tigers' (local Tiwi team) visit to Melbourne to participate in Dreamtime at the G (2009)

● Supporting Tiwi Bomber youngsters in Melbourne on scholarship

● Assisting directly and indirectly in Tiwi Bombers fundraising efforts.

Start your engines

RUGBY LEAGUE



With Guest Columnist
PRESTON CAMPBELL

ALTHOUGH this is my 13th season playing at the National Rugby League (NRL) level, I cannot remember a year where everybody has been so excited about the competition kicking off.

On a personal level, I am excited and motivated to play well for the Titans after being given the opportunity to play for the Indigenous All Stars a few weeks ago.

I think I can speak for all the boys on this because without the support of the clubs, we would not have been given the opportunity to play for our people.

The best way we can repay them for that support is to play well and consistently over the whole season.

And every team will have to be consistent because I cannot remember a season where all sides have looked so formidable at the start of the year.

Talking point

Souths are the team most people are talking about given that two of their new signings – Dave Taylor and Sam Burgess – are potentially the best ball-playing forwards in the competition.

They shouldn't be decimated by representative football in the middle of the season and will threaten for a top-four finish.

From there, half the country would get behind them and momentum will become an emotional factor in taking them further.

I thought Beau Champion was outstanding for us the All Stars match, with Nathan Merritt also proving he is a quality player at the representative level.

I also expect Chris Sandow will have a great season under my old coach John Lang – with a little bit of help from the huge pack in front of him!

Storm season

Defending premiers Melbourne Storm will again be hard to beat.

They have played in the past four grand finals and have finished in the top six every year since 2003.

New players on the roster appear to slot seamlessly into the Melbourne machine and get the job done.

That goes part of the way towards explaining their ongoing success.

They also have the best player in the competition in Greg Inglis – that helps!

The Bulldogs surprised everybody last

year when the side blossomed under new leadership and they are sure to be in contention this year.

They have a hard-working pack and a backline brimming with speed, but it's in the key positions (hooker, halves, fullback) where the Dogs have the edge on most of the competition.

Look for Jamal Idris to have a huge season and for Ben Barba to finally make his mark at the NRL level.

However, no team is under more pressure to perform than Parramatta.

According to the experts, anything less than a top two finish would be a disappointing result.

They are a very good team and are sure to be thereabouts, but the heavy weight of expectation will make it tough for them.

It will be great to have Timana Tahu back in the competition.

Watch out for Jonathon Wright and Anthony Mitchell to make an impact.

Tigers to roar

Wests Tigers fans are beginning to roar again and the season hasn't started!

The return of Lote Tuqiri will obviously have an impact, but I expect to see a huge improvement in their pack.

The early signing of Robert Lui to an extended contract is a huge vote of confidence in the youngster's future.

What can supercoach Wayne Bennett do with the Dragons after last season?

They are sure to be among the contenders again and I believe Jamie Soward will star again.

I believe he has the ability to play State of Origin this year.

Watch for Michael Lett to make the most of any opportunity now that 'Dell' has officially retired.

The Raiders always seem to be written off before a tackle has been made in anger, but I certainly do not underestimate them given the talent they have coming through the ranks.

One of the highlights of the All Stars

game was seeing the likes of Travis Waddell and Joel Thompson stand tall alongside imposing company.

The Raiders have a big agile pack, including Tom Learoyd-Lahrs, an imposing record at home and a young fullback in Josh Dugan that you will be hearing a lot about.

Write them off at your peril.

The Broncos were founded in 1988, and in the 22 years that have followed, they are yet to miss a finals series.

There is always a first time, but I don't expect this will be it.

They have a young side but that includes the likes of Jharal Yow Yeh and Josh Hoffman playing alongside Darren Lockyer, who enjoys making experts look like idiots.

The 'Penny' Panthers are tipped to be the big improvers of the season and after seeing Michael Jennings play for the All Stars, I can understand why.

Maurice Blair is a player I rate, and alongside Luke Grant, Brad Tighe and Jarrod Sammut, he forms a potent backline.

It will be a huge year for Daine Laurie, who could prove to be the buy of the season for the Panthers.

The Cowboys were one of last year's favourites and probably ended up disappointing themselves more than anyone else.

We struck them on a night when they were hot, with Matty Bowen playing one of his few games.

If Johnathan Thurston sorts out his future, the Cowboys could be anything with Willie Mason taking some of the pressure off Carl Webb in the pack.

Ty Williams was awesome for the All Stars and could form an awesome combination with a fit Willie Tonga.

The Roosters had the season from hell last year.

Brian Smith will bring a new discipline to the whole club this season.

Watch for Ben Jones to fulfil Arthur Beetson's predictions for this talented

young player.

Like the Roosters, the Sea Eagles had an unhappy year in 2009.

After a fleeting period of success, the Sea Eagles have reclaimed their title of 'most hated team'.

They should see this as a sign of respect.

I would love to see big George Rose get the opportunity to play State of Origin.

He would be awesome coming off the bench!

The New Zealand Warriors are probably the big unknowns for 2010.

They have some great young talent, but always seem short on experience in the big games.

Rising Moon

Joel Moon showed glimpses of why he was rated so highly as a junior and this year may well see him fulfil that potential.

The Knights have a talented young squad, but they could be a little unhinged by off-field dramas.

Cory Paterson may well be the player to step into the breach.

He really impressed me during the whole week in camp with the All Stars.

You can never underestimate the Knights.

The Sharks showed a ton of guts last year, despite their poor finish on the table.

Young Blake Ferguson is one of the most exciting talents in the game and you can expect him to be joined by the likes of Albert Kelly and Ben Orcher.

As for the Titans, we will turn up each week and do our best.

I have never seen Scott Prince so focused and ready to go.

Greg Bird also showed in the All Stars game what a great acquisition he will be for the team.

But one player cannot win you a competition.

As always, it will be the best team that wins the competition.

Gentlemen... Start Your Engines!

Players to watch



Manly's George Rose. Preston Campbell says he would like to see the big fella play State of Origin.



Cronulla's Blake Ferguson is one of the most exciting talents in rugby league, says Preston Campbell.



The Titans' Scott Prince, who has been training the house down in the run-up to the season opener.

The boundaries



Michael O'Loughlin presents Archbishop Desmond Tutu with a boomerang after a church service in South Africa.

IN my previous column, I wrote about one of the great experiences of my life in meeting Desmond Tutu on the Australian Football League (AFL) tour to South Africa with the Flying Boomerangs.

At the recent opening of the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE), I was fortunate enough to be able to present Prime Minister Kevin Rudd with a jersey from the trip as a symbol of the AFL's commitment to the Excellence Centre.

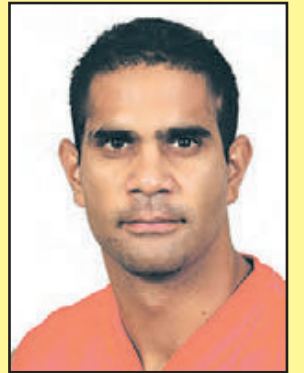
I will touch on the tour and the great Centre of Excellence later in the article, but I just wanted to start by sharing some thoughts these two meetings generated.

There was no way when I was growing up running around the streets of Salisbury, South Australia, that I thought that I would one day meet an international leader of Desmond Tutu's standing, as well as meeting the Prime Minister of our nation.

The name Desmond Tutu resonates strongly with people all around the world as a fighter for social justice and here in Australia we all know the impact the Prime Ministers' Apology to the Stolen Generations has had on our own people.

To meet men of such prominence – and in my role I am fortunate to meet people such as the Prime Minister on a regular basis – gave me pause to think about the opportunities that we can present to the current generation as represented by the Flying

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



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Boomerangs and the kids who will visit the NICE.

These kids can live a life without the restriction of boundaries that are placed on them by others.

For some of the Flying Boomerangs, the trip to South Africa was the first time they had ventured outside of their home community, let alone their State or the nation.

Sport may have been the major reason that they had the opportunity to travel, but this should not disguise the importance of looking beyond our immediate community.

Up to ourselves

The physical boundaries of where we live have largely been removed and it very much up to ourselves how far we explore the world we live in.

For many, expense and other physical reasons may limit our immediate opportunities.

These can too often be used as excuses rather than be seen as challenges.

And this leads me to what I consider to be the greatest boundary of all – the boundary of self-expectation.

Whether you are an Indigenous kid or a kid from any background, the easiest way to avoid failure is to not try at all in the first instance.

It is common for many people to put many pursuits into the 'too hard' basket.

It is an attitude that kills dreams before they are even have a chance to come to life.

I am not saying that dreams will simply be achieved by trying waking up one morning and deciding to give it a go.

What I am saying is that those dreams will never become reality unless you take that positive approach.

My life is littered with personal failures and times I have fallen over.

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Michael O'Loughlin and Prime Minister Kevin Rudd with a Flying Boomerangs jumper at the opening of the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Sydney. Picture: WAYNE QUILLIAM

of life

● From facing page

But with the support of family and other important people in my life, I have always been able to dust myself off and have another go.

Sure, luck and opportunity play their part, but without the right attitude and preparation, success never happens.

Sometimes, it can be an opportunity of chance, but most of the time success is a result of a positive attitude.

In the same way the Flying Boomerangs took their opportunity, the NCIE will provide life-changing opportunities for many Indigenous youth.

Eight Narramine locals representing the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) as part of the Gambirrang (My Future) region, proved this when they were given the opportunity to meet a number of prominent Australians at the launch of the NCIE.

The opening of the unique and exciting new place for young Indigenous people from around Australia to share their dreams, hopes and ambitions, was attended not only by the Prime Minister, but also NSW Governor Professor Marie Bashir, NSW Premier Kristina Keneally and Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, and from Narramine, Bec Schofield escorted Gabby Pengilley, Tomeka West, Alice Clarke, Monique McKean, Jakinta Carter, Jordan Peckham and Patrick Buswell.

Funded and constructed by the Indigenous Land Corporation, the NCIE will foster talent and encourage excellence by providing young Indigenous and non-Indigenous people with the foundations they need to succeed in their future endeavours.

The centre will offer a safe environment for about 5000 young Indigenous people from across the nation to be inspired

and connect with the community every year.

Sam Jeffries, co-chair of the NCIE and deputy chair of the Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC), believes the launch marks a new chapter for Indigenous opportunity and achievement in Australia.

"The launch of the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence is a momentous occasion for Indigenous people," he said.

"It is a direct investment into the young Indigenous people of our nation and is one of the biggest and most significant single transaction investments into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people ever to have been made in the history of Australia.

"The centre will give young Indigenous people permission to think beyond the limitations of their day-to-day life and dream of a bigger future.

"And it will provide them with development pathways to make those dreams come true."

This is a centre where boundaries will be stretched and dreams will be explored and reinvented.

On the trip to South Africa, I saw how these opportunities can transform a young man's belief in himself.

The boys may well have won their two games against the South African Inland and Coastal squads, but more importantly, they had wins in the game of life.

Our trip to Table Mountain became a symbol of our trip.

We all climbed Table Mountain together and it took over an hour and a half of physically and mentally challenging effort to get there.

But like most things that require effort, the view when we got there made it all worthwhile.

Life's challenges are more demanding than climbing a mountain, but the results are again more rewarding.

It's all about challenging the boundaries.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!



Michael O'Loughlin with some local boys during the Flying Boomerangs' visit to South Africa.

Population: 3500 – 7 footy clubs

By ALF WILSON



HISTORY will be made when the Palm Island rugby league competition commences on 27 March with a record seven clubs to battle

it out, including new teams Hornets and Mundy Bay Warriors.

Reigning premiers Butler Bay Bulls, runners-up Skipjacks, Jets, Raiders and Brothers will be the other clubs.

That is an amazing effort when you consider that Palm Island has a permanent population of about 3500, compared with Townsville (160,000 people).

The Townsville and District Rugby League 2010 competition will also have seven clubs and that includes out-of-towners Charters Towers, Burdekin and Herbert River, which combined, have another 30,000 residents.

Palm Island Rugby League (PIRL) president Ili Dabea said on 3 March that he had never seen so many people talking about the new season.

"At this stage it will commence on 27 March and some time after that, we will have an under 16 boys competition and junior grades for kids aged six to 12," he said.

"There may also be a women's comp with at least three teams."

Mr Dabea and PIRL secretary Regina James were delighted to have two news teams.

"That will result in a bye, but it is great to have seven clubs as we never had that before," Dabea said.

Better conditions

As another bonus, the main football field has been upgraded with a state-of-the-art underground sprinkler system and new grass.

Local football enthusiast Robert Blackley said there had been a bit of player poaching going on amongst the clubs.

The *Koori Mail* spoke to representatives of most clubs about their prospects and found lots of enthusiasm.

Star Skipjacks forward Fred Bulsey said that the club had snared the services of quality utility Raoul Miller from Jets.

"It is like me the veteran and Raoul as the new lad who will help us," 30-year-old Bulsey said.

Astute Skipjacks coach Alex Morgan said that the extra teams would make it harder to win the flag.

"We have a speedy side and have recruited Valentine Fulford from Brothers," Morgan said.

But Jets quality back Caleb Geia was having none of that, and said his side would be hard to beat.

"We have Jason Thimble, and the Sam brothers Assan, Costa and Kareem, Alfie Clay Jnr, Billo Wotton and Jermaine Bulsey and others," Geia said.

Jets will be coached by Eddie



Brothers players at training on Palm Island.



Jets star Caleb Geia.



Bulls coach Lloyd Morgan.



PIRL President Ili Dabea with secretary Regina James.

Prior, who put his charges through a gruelling training session that night watched by *The Koori Mail*.

Butler Bay Bulls coach Lloyd Morgan is confident his boys can make it three premierships in a row.

"We have lost a couple of players, but have young William Blackman and the four Pearson brothers who are all good footballers," Morgan said.

About 20 Brothers players were training on 3 March on the area across from the CBD.

Brothers oldest player was nippy back Ian Ketchup, who is 38, but rising young star Gavin Johnson says the club will hope to improve on last year's fourth.

"We have all young players in the early 20s other than Ian," Johnson said.

At the main football field, Palm Street Jets had more than 30 players and nearby Skipjacks had 25.

Unknown quantity

Mystery still surrounds which players will be the trump cards for Hornets, Mundy Bay Warriors and Raiders.

Queensland Rugby League (QRL) Northern Division Chairman Greg Sutherland said it was exciting news that the new clubs had been formed.

"Rugby league is going ahead in leaps and bounds," Sutherland said.

Anger over Howard's appointment



NEIL Gillespie, a South Australian Indigenous leader and father of former Test cricketer Jason Gillespie, has criticised the appointment of former Australian Prime Minister John Howard as International Cricket Council (ICC) President from 2012.

Howard will take over as ICC President after he was put forward by Australia and New Zealand as their candidate to become vice-president.

That job comes with the promise of being rubber-stamped as the next president once India's Sharad Pawar steps down. He will follow Pawar, who replaces the incumbent Briton David Morgan in July.

A two-year spell as vice-president will give Howard the time to gain a more adequate working knowledge of the game's administration, following a life in politics where cricket, always a pleasing diversion, was never the main game.

Howard's impending role at the top of the sport created little reaction – positive or negative – on the Sub-Continent.

'At a loss'

But back in Australia, Neil Gillespie, the Chief Executive Officer of the South Australian Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc, told *The Koori Mail* he was at a loss as to how an international body could consider Mr Howard for such an influential position 'based on his record in the treatment of Black Australians when he was Prime Minister'.

He asked readers to consider the following:

- "He would not apologise to the members of the Stolen Generations. These were Aboriginal children taken from families and their communities simply because they were Aboriginal. The current Prime Minister Kevin Rudd apologised to the Stolen Generations in a heartfelt speech in February 2008.

- "Mr Howard would not support the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Mr Rudd has.

- "Mr Howard's term of office from 1996 to 2007 was characterised with his appalling treatment of Aboriginal peoples of our nation. He abolished the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission, our only elected body representing Aboriginal people.

- "His approach to refugees was nothing short of disgraceful. Most, if not all, refugees were black.

- "It was his Government that institutionalised discrimination against Black Australians so that racism is now entrenched within our society. We as a nation have unprecedented incarceration rates of Aboriginal people, and I understand it is worse than the apartheid years in South Africa.



● **LEFT:** South Australian Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement CEO Neil Gillespie. He said Mr Howard's history of discrimination against Aboriginal people was an international disgrace and he would break his links with cricket if the Howard appointment went ahead.

● **BELOW:** Former Prime Minister John Howard, now waiting to become President of the International Cricket Council (ICC) – cricket's world-governing body.



"I am simply shaking my head that other cricketing nations would ever consider this man to control cricket internationally. Surely, someone has considered his candidature rigorously before placing his name forward."

Mr Gillespie said Mr Howard's history of discrimination against Aboriginal people was an international disgrace.

"For the ICC to even consider this individual is of concern to me as the CEO of an Aboriginal legal service that has expressed concern nationally and internationally about the appalling treatment of Aboriginal people by the Howard Government," he said.

Lodged complaint

"My organisation has lodged a formal complaint to the UN CERD Committee which oversees the UN Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination because of Howard's continuing denial of access to justice for Aboriginal peoples in this country.

"The UN's Human Rights Committee has expressed concern to Australia on its appalling treatment of Aboriginal people during the Howard years.

"The evidence is there, so I plead with

the ICC to reconsider this man's candidature for ICC President.

"Finally, I advise I am the father of Jason Gillespie, former Test cricketer for Australia.

"I will have to give up on cricket if this man gets the top job. His credibility is absent in leading an organisation comprising mostly black nations."

Howard's impending appointment was met with outrage in New Zealand, where that country's highly qualified candidate, Sir John Anderson, was beaten by Howard to the role despite years of experience in the sport.

The New Zealand Herald said Howard's only link with the game was as a fan.

"This is not a bleat that a New Zealander did not get the gig, more wonderment that someone with absolutely no cricket experience did," the paper said.

But Howard hit back at the perception that he lacked the skills to take on the job.

"I think the fact I haven't been involved in cricket administration is explained by the fact I had a day job which made that rather difficult," he said, referring to his 30-year political career.

– With AAP

At 37, Pat the black flash still scorches



EVERGREEN Australian 100m record-holder Patrick Johnson has set a blistering benchmark for the rest of the nation's sprinters, clocking an

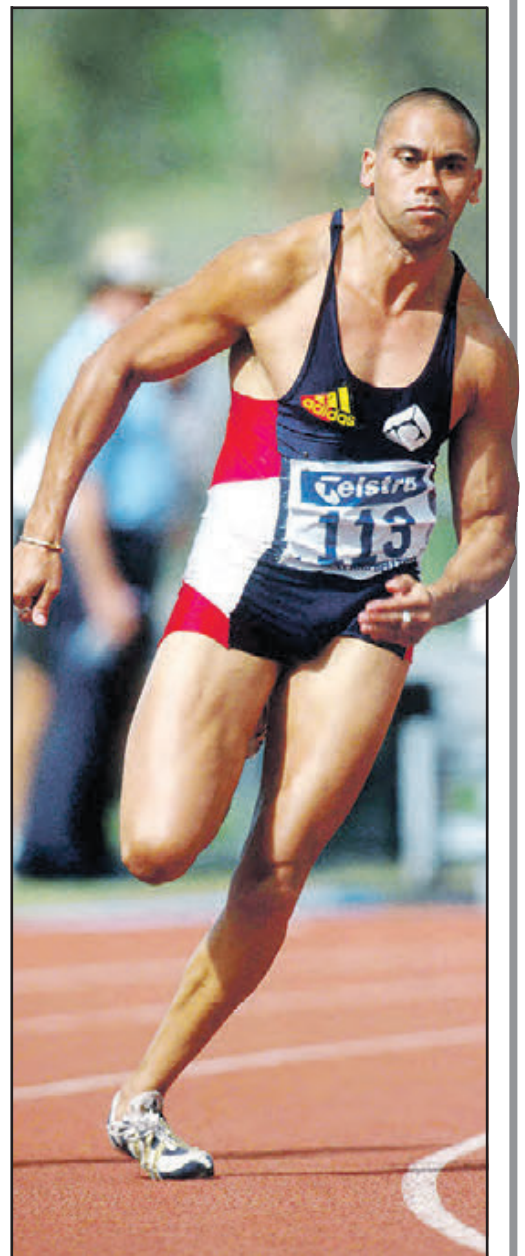
A-qualifier in stunning fashion at Perth's new athletics stadium.

On 19 February, the 37-year-old Queenslander scorched the fresh surface in 10.18 seconds (wind +1.5m/s), his fastest run since 2007.

He was chased all the way by Matt Davies, who is emerging as a major talent.

With the WA track bringing unparalleled results, Johnson is contemplating permanent residency in Perth, having now run four of Australia's fastest six times at the venue in 2010.

Johnson will start as a strong favourite at the Go for 2 & 5 Australian championships and selection trials, to be held from 16-18 April at the Perth track, and will receive a warm reception from the West Australian crowd who have adopted him as one of their own after the show he has put on over the past month.



Indigenous sprinter Patrick Johnson... still showing the young ones a thing or two.

Right at home

Burgoyne settles in at the Hawks

By PETER ARGENT



SHAUN Burgoyne, one of the premier recruits during the Australian Football League (AFL) trade period last October, found his way onto the Hawks' list for the 2010 campaign after eight years and 157 games with the Port Adelaide Football Club.

"Naturally, as you would have expected, Shaun has quickly fitted into the structure here at Hawthorn," Hawks midfield coach Rick Macgowan said.

"We were a little surprised at how quickly he felt comfortable enough to express himself within the playing group."

"He is a natural leader."

An outstanding clearance player, with silky smooth skills, Burgoyne has already achieved plenty and with his new start at Hawthorn, will add further impetus to a potent midfield contingent which includes Indigenous 2008 premiership player Chance Bateman, captain Sam Mitchell, along with the tough 'in and under' style of Brad Sewell and Grant Birchall.

Alternatively to a role in the engine room, he is equally effective across half back in a sweeping role.

His credentials include the 2004 premiership, runner-up to the Jack Cahill Medal (Power's best and fairest) in 2006, along with All-Australia selection that year.

Burgoyne, at 186cm, and 88kg, was also a Rising Star nominee in his first season back in 2002 and a



member of the pre-season premiership side that year.

After being selected as the vice-captain of the Power, he had an injury-riddled 2009, playing just nine of the 22 minor round games.

"Shaun had a little bit of a hiccup with his knee when he arrived," Macgowan said.

"He has been in rehab for the most of pre-season, but he's been back on the track for a month now."

"For the past couple of weeks Shaun has been with the main group."

"It's a matter of getting him to a level of fitness to play to the level we know he can."

Doubt still remains whether he will be fit enough to take his place in the opening AFL round on 27 March

because of a hamstring injury.

He has a low-grade tear to his hamstring and is no certainty to be ready in time for the clash with the Demons at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).

Hawthorn general manager of football operations Mark Evan said the club would be conservative in its approach to the injury.

After winning the crown in 2008, Hawthorn performed modestly last year, finishing ninth and missed major round action.

"At the end of last season, we recognised we didn't have the balance right between our inside players and outside footballers in the middle," Macgowan said.

"Shaun is as good an outside player as there is in the AFL."

"We have a pretty mature group at Hawthorn and a number of good top-end players, and Shaun certainly enhances that."

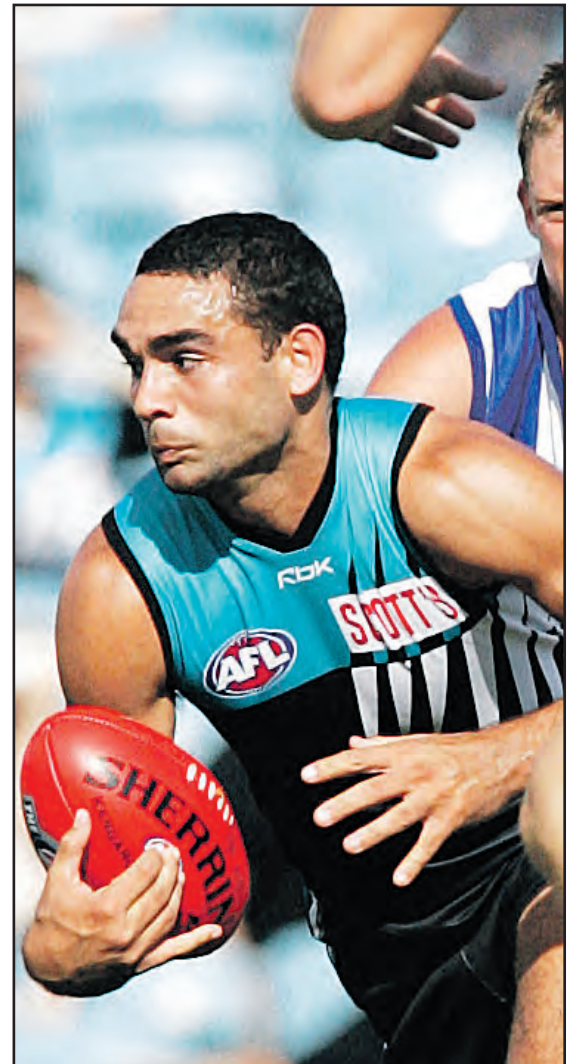
"Our recruitment people worked hard on getting Shaun to the club."

"Having a player who can go through the midfield with his skills and go forward and kick goals will be of great benefit to any club."

"The Adelaide footballing public have known about his quality for some time, and the Melbourne people will get to see his quality this year."

With Burgoyne's arrival, the Hawks are tipped to be one of the big improvers this winter.

Interestingly, he has also been given 300-game Hawks club champion and 199 Brownlow Medallist Shane Crawford's number nine to wear this year.



Shaun Burgoyne in the colours of Port Adelaide.

Sheedy looking for talent

By PETER ARGENT



GREATER Western Sydney inaugural coach and Australian rules icon Kevin Sheedy has been marketing the game to Aboriginal teenagers throughout NSW.

"We don't know what's available and much of NSW is technically untapped," Sheedy, one of the game's true innovators, said.

"The question is how much talent is out there and currently we don't know what's available."

"One of the great Aboriginal sporting stories was that of Patrick Johnson - who lived on a boat for a portion of his life - when he got on land you found out how fast he could run."

"We already have a good network of development officers through NSW, but equally the club is happy to field calls from teachers or coaches across the State about football prospects."

Sheedy, the brains behind the 'Dreaming at the G' concept, which is the

centrepiece of the AFL Indigenous Round that has been so successful over the past few years, is keen to ensure he has plenty of Aboriginal talent to work with at GWS.

His success with Indigenous players is unprecedented and many other AFL coaches and clubs, especially Mark Williams at Port Adelaide and the Fremantle Football Club, have followed in his footsteps, having large Indigenous representation in recent squads.

Previous stars

Stars who played under Sheedy at Essendon included 1993 Brownlow Medallist Gavin Wanganeen, who went on to become the first Aboriginal footballer to complete the 300-AFL game milestone.

Premiership team-mate Michael Long won the 1993 Norm Smith Medal as 'best on ground' in the win over Carlton that year. Long was also a key member of the Bombers' 2000 premiership victory against Melbourne.

"I like having Indigenous players in my side because they use the ball well and don't like to turn it over," Sheedy said.

"It also means they don't have to chase it."

"Their intuitiveness is one of their real strengths."

"I've taken a firm foothold in developing Indigenous pathways and I'm challenging myself to grow the opportunities in NSW and the Northern Territory."

Sheedy, who was at an Aussie rules carnival in Wagga Wagga in late February watching the next batch of talent, will also be at the Northern Territory Football League grand final this weekend looking for potential AFL footballers from the Top End.

Greater Western Sydney (GWS) is looking to enter the Australian Football League (AFL) competition in 2012 as the 18th team.

The GWS team has a healthy base to start from.

In total there are in-excess of 8000 NAB AFL Auskick participants in Greater Western Sydney alone.

In the Paul Kelly Cup, there are 2448 participants from Greater Western Sydney schools and they have access to 26 junior and senior clubs across their region.



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On top of his game

Matt Hodgson the 11th Indigenous Wallaby

By CHRIS PIKE



WESTERN Force star Matt Hodgson is just one of 11 Aboriginal players to represent the Wallabies and the

rugby union star continues to prove himself as one of the best flanker's in world rugby.

Unlike the National Rugby League (NRL) and Australian Football League (AFL) who have a strong Indigenous contingent and embrace their culture, the same hasn't quite transferred across into rugby union, with only 11 players representing the Australian national team, the Wallabies.

Just three players of Aboriginal heritage are playing in the four Australian provinces of the Super 14 competition.

Along with Hodgson with the WA-based Force, Queensland Reds' Will Chambers and NSW Waratahs' Kurtley Beale are playing in the South African-New Zealand-Australian Super 14 competition.

Beale and Hodgson are among the 11 Aboriginal players to earn caps for the Wallabies – the others being Mark, Glen and Gary Ella, Jim Williams, Lloyd McDermott, Andrew Walker, Lloyd Walker, Wendell Sailor and Timana Tahu.

The Ella Sevens tournament is staged in Coffs Harbour each March and is run by the Lloyd McDermott Foundation, so they are all still heavily involved in the code, with Williams also a Wallabies assistant coach.

Hodgson remembers fondly being part of some tours with the Lloyd McDermott Foundation and believes it helped get him ready to be a professional rugby player.

"The Aboriginal side with the Lloyd McDermott Foundation got me used to touring as a teen. That was the first tour I got on and we travelled to places like Papua New Guinea playing 10s," Hodgson said.

"It got me into the touring side of things and the enjoyment you get out of that and by meeting new people, and the challenge that arise from that as well."

Ella legend

Hodgson found it a real buzz as a junior when he met Mark and Gary Ella, and he looked up to them like many young rugby players did.

"Most rugby players do look up to guys who have taken the game to a different level, especially Mark and Gary who I've had a bit of time with in junior teams," he said.

"Also Mark, coming to my local club on the Central Coast, was great. It's good to actually meet those guys and talk to them about how they got into rugby and what rugby did for them."

The AFL and NRL do a great job embracing its Indigenous players and Hodgson would like to see rugby union do it better, but the Force have worked on getting in touch with WA's Indigenous communities.

"There is an avenue there that rugby union could go down. We at the Force last year went down to a few places like Cotton Creek

and saw how skilful the young blokes are when they pick up a football," he said.

"They've got that AFL instinct at the moment, so if you get a bit of rugby into them, you never know. You've got Kurtley Beale at the moment as well for them to look up to, so there's definitely a pathway that we need to look down and go."

Hodgson has been part of the Force squad since the inception of the club in 2006 and after three seasons of being a fill-in flanker, he had a breakthrough season when he solidified a spot on the blindside in the No 6 jersey.

He had such a great season that he was named the Force Player of the Year ahead of stars like Matt Giteau, James O'Connor, David Pocock, Richard Brown and Nathan Sharpe, and was rewarded with selection in the Wallabies squad.

Injured

He started the game against the Barbarians, but disappointingly injured his shoulder in the contest and subsequently missed the entire Tri-Nations tournament with New Zealand and South Africa.

Wallabies coach Robbie Deans still had the 28-year-old in his plans, though, and included him on the spring tour of the UK, so he came into the 2010 season with enormous confidence.

It hasn't gone to plan so far for

the Force following a string of injuries to key players and three losses to start the season, but Hodgson is confident of a crucial win against the Reds on March 14 at Suncorp Stadium.

Reflection

"It hasn't been the start we wanted, but the bye has come at a good time and we've done a bit of reflection to look forward to see where we can improve, and adjust our game to the players we

have on board. We're looking forward to the Reds' game," Hodgson said.

"I'm happy with my form, but I'd give that all up for a couple of wins as a team. We're aiming to play quite good as a 15 and 22-man squad and that's our main goal. I'm enjoying my rugby at the moment and I feel like I've got my place in the team now. I'm just trying to show that leadership to the boys who are quite young and new into the franchise."



Matt Hodgson in a line-out for the Western Force in the Super 14 rugby union competition.

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