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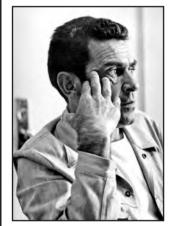
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Charles 'Chicka' Dixon in his hey-day. Photo courtesy of the Dixon family

We've lost one of our very best

INDIGENOUS Australia is mourning the death of revered Aboriginal activist and leader Charles

'Chicka' Dixon. The 81-year-old former

The 81-year-old former wharfie and unionist died in Sydney at the weekend, following a period of ill health.

'Uncle Chicka', as he was widely known, dedicated his life to fighting for basic human rights and justice for Indigenous people. He was active in the Federal Council for the Advancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (FCAATSI) and its campaign for the 1967 Referendum, instrumental in the establishment of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in Canberra, and helped found Australia's first Aboriginal legal and medical services.

"I believe every woman on this planet is my sister, I believe every man on this planet is my brother and, like all Indigenous people through the world, I know the earth as my mother," he said in 2006.

"I share and care with those three – if you, everybody in this hall and the rest of the world could learn to share and care with those three there would be no wars, but most importantly there would be no starving children."

In 1983, he was named the first Aboriginal of the Year. Twenty-five years later, in 2008, he was recognised with a

NAIDOC Lifetime Achievement Award.

The family of Chicka Dixon has requested that their privacy be respected 'at this time of profound grief'.

No details of funeral arrangements had been released at the time of printing.

Chicka Dixon was a supporter and friend of *The Koori Mail*, and we express our sincere condolences to his family.

See our next edition for tributes.

Generation hope



ONE of Australia's most iconic structures, the Sydney Opera House, was commandeered on Friday to help spread the message behind a new campaign aimed at convincing all Australians to act to help end Indigenous disadvantage. The brainchild of Australia's richest man, Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest, GenerationOne was launched in glittering style at the Overseas Passenger Terminal in The Rocks district on Friday night. Prime Minister Kevin Rudd led business and community leaders in placing his painted handprint on a screen (see inset above), to have the image projected live onto the 'sails' of the Opera House. Each handprint represented its owner's commitment to acting to help end disparity between black and white Australians. Movie stars Russell Crowe and Cate Blanchett added extra sparkle to the night, but some of the biggest applause was reserved for the Jannawi Young Dancers – signifying pride in and hope for the current generation. GenerationOne spokeswoman Tania Major (pictured inset with fellow spokesperson Jack Manning Bancroft) said the campaign was about Australians changing their attitudes and taking action around education and the creation of sustainable jobs for Indigenous people. Beginning in Parramatta yesterday, a GenerationOne 'roadshow' of business breakfasts and community events will now track to 23 centres throughout the country. Turn to pages 12-13 for full coverage. *Main photo by JUSTIN AVELING*

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MY FAMILY CHERYL DUROUX – Tenterfield, NSW



ERE we are at the Moombahlene Local Aboriginal Land Council office in Tenterfield, far northern NSW.

That's me on the right holding my new grandson Matari. He's my fourth grandchild.

I'm the Chairperson of Moombahlene and I work in Tenterfield as a Family Links officer, co-ordinating a playgroup.

I've got lots of family links here on Kamilaroi country.

William Grose is a cousin of mine. He's a real handyman and we call on him if anything needs fixing.

Next to him is my cousin Karen Binge we call her Grace - a mother of four and a grandmother. Like me she just loves getting involved with and helping the family.

Dolly Jerome – her real name's Ronella – is my baby sister. She's co-ordinating our involvement in the local art trail (see story on page 43). Dolly's really business-minded.

Helen Duroux, standing next to me, is my eldest sister. She's back here after working away for a while. I know she's really pleased to be here with all of us.

The kids in the picture are all members of

our family. Monique is a granddaughter, while Katie is my niece, Malika is Dolly's grand-daughter, Jara is my great niece, and Raymond/Jai is also part of the extended family.

Tenterfield is a great place to live and we all love it here. We have our share of problems in the community, but it's all pretty good right now.

One thing none of us is looking forward to is winter. Tenterfield's right on top of the Great Dividing Range and it gets freezing up here.

The one good thing about winter, though, is football - and I'm talking rugby league. I'm a St George supporter in the NRL and I know it's going to be a great year for the Dragons!

Pictured: Cheryl Duroux holding baby Matari with family members, adults from left, William Grose, Karen 'Grace' Binge, Ronella 'Dolly' Jerome and Helen Duroux and, kids from left, Monique Hooper, Katie McQuirk, Malikah Woodbridge, Jara Duroux, Raymond/Jai Evans and Malik Wightman.

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OUR CHILDREN



Sherry and Marie Puruntatameri have fun at an outdoor picnic as part of the Let's Start program, an early intervention education program aimed at helping children aged four to six years adjust to starting school, supporting parents and enhancing the social-emotional wellbeing of Northern Territory families. Menzies School of Health Research launched the final evaluation report of the expanded program in Darwin last Wednesday. See page 41 for more on Let's Start.

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Kristy Kendrigan, Grace Smallwood, Kirsty Nichols and Tamara Abala were amongst nearly 60 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women who attended the Oxfam Straight Talk Summit recently in Canberra. Over four days, the enthusiastic group were up front about the things that were foremost on their minds and closest to their hearts. At the top of the agenda were health, drug and alcohol issues, education, family violence and the intervention. And although they came from all corners of the country and everywhere in between, the one thing these women shared was the desire to return to their communities and be leaders of change. See page 11 for more. Photo courtesy of Oxfam

New blow hits SIHIP



THE troubled Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) has hit another

snag, with the Federal and Northern Territory governments dropping one of three building alliances undertaking work under the program. In a joint statement last Thursday, they said Earth Connect Alliance's operations on Groote Eylandt, Gunbalanya, Belyuen and Acacia Larrakia would cease.

No reason was given for the decision, but Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said another SIHIP alliance consortium, Territory Alliance, would take on remaining stage-one work in the four sites, working with Earth Connect 'to enable a smooth and seamless transition of operations'.

The Minister said the Federal and NT governments would continue to improve SIHIP's administration and delivery.

Chairman of the Anindilyakwa Land Council on Groote Eylandt Walter Amagula welcomed the decision, saying the 80 new houses and renovations



WALTER AMAGULA

earmarked for the community provided a major opportunity to maximise business, employment and training outcomes for Aboriginal people.

The day before the decision on Earth Connect, Ms Macklin announced that a new independent, expert quality assurance team would be set up to make sure new houses and refurbishments delivered by SIHIP were up to scratch.

Federal and Territory Opposition figures were last week highly critical about sluggish progress under the housing program.

Shadow Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion called for a breakdown of \$45 million spent under SIHIP so far.

So far, just two new houses in the Top End community of Wadeye - have been handed over against a target of 750.

The Federal Government has also promised 230 rebuilds and 2500 refurbishments over the period to 2013. But some tenants have complained that refurbished houses have been handed over without windows or completed kitchens

Senator Scullion said that, if true, that'd be an insult.

His Territory counterpart. Adam Giles, said the 'ditching' of Earth Connect marked a new low

"This will ensure even more delays in building houses for Aboriginal people and further cost blow-outs into the future," Mr Giles said.

"Labor's all over the place. and the people most affected are Indigenous Territorians who are desperate for new homes."

Nevertheless. Ms Macklin said a recent assessment of SIHIP had found that changes made to the program following a 2009 review meant that it was on track to meet targets.

– By KIRSTIE PARKER





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Woodside Executive Vice President Eve Howell and Woodside Senior Community Relations Adviser Rob McPhee with Mingullatharndo Community leaders Marshall and Beth Smith at the launch of the Pilbara Indigenous Nursery. Inset: The Pilbara Indigenous Nursery specialises in the propagation and sale of local Pilbara plants and seedlings.



IT'S not just seedlings that are being nurtured at Mingullatharndo (Five Mile)

community in Roebourne in Western Australia, but hope too. Residents recently celebrated the opening of their first community-owned and operated business, the Pilbara Indigenous Nursery, and hope it will improve their community's health and viability.

The green enterprise has the capacity to produce up to 750,000 native Pilbara seedlings annually, and has already started supplying local businesses and organisations with its produce.

Energy company
Woodside is helping the
community to become
economically self-sufficient
through locally owned and
managed businesses.

Community leaders
Marshall and Beth Smith have
lived in Mingullatharndo for 20
years and are committed to
improving its social and
economic capacity.

"We want to create long-term opportunities for our community so we identified enterprises which could be operated and staffed by local Indigenous people," Mr Smith said.

"To turn our concepts into reality we needed assistance so we approached Woodside who've worked with us to help develop the businesses."

Woodside Executive
Vice-President Eve Howell
has followed the journey of
the nursery with interest and
said she was especially
impressed by the outcomes
and opportunities being
created at Mingullatharndo.

"The unique and innovative approach adopted by the community will ensure that meaningful employment and training opportunities for

local Aboriginal people will be provided over the long term, and that Mingullatharndo residents can continue to build a vibrant community for future generations," Ms Howell said.

Mingullatharndo residents are developing a range of other ventures. For example, station skills including horse handling training will be taught at the rodeo arena and workshops on the production of Aboriginal artefacts are also on the agenda.

In the longer term, the community will look to develop other enterprises that may include accommodation and other tourism attractions.

"Exciting times lie ahead for the Mingullatharndo community and we're focused on running the nursery and completing the remaining projects," said Mr Smith.

He said he hoped the Shire of Roebourne community would help support the enterprises.

Your paper – more than ever

THE Koori Mail continues to buck a worldwide trend of falling newspaper circulation.

The latest figures from the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) – the official barometer of newspaper sales – reveal yet another increase for *The Koori Mail*.

ABC checks verified a total of 9562 copies of *The Koori Mail* are sold nationwide every fortnight. That's an increase of almost 3.5 per cent on the previous audit period, and the fourth consecutive year of growth.

Koori Mail Chairperson Russell Kapeen welcomed the news. "We're proud of *The Koori*

Mail and the fact that it's totally owned by Bundjalung people in northern NSW," he said.

"That we continue to sell more and more copies of our newspaper highlights the interest of Australians in Indigenous affairs, and is a tribute to the efforts of our staff.

"Our readers can rest assured we'll continue to give them a must-have newspaper, and our advertisers can be confident their message is being read by more and more people."

The Koori Mail is the only national Indigenous newspaper to have any form of industry-recognised audit.

Tokenism comments draw angry response

Abbott condemned for Welcome to **Country criticism**

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



AN APPARENT throwaway comment by Opposition Leader Tony Abbott dismissing acknowledgments of country as 'tokenism' has raised the ire of Indigenous

people around the country and fanned a national debate

Mr Abbott told media last week that it wasn't always necessary to mention Indigenous owners of the land, and the gesture risked becoming 'empty'.

"There's a place for this in the right circumstances but certainly there are many occasions when it does look like tokenism, he said, referring to an acknowledgement of country by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd during an Australian Medical Association (AMA) dinner.

"It is the kind of genuflection to political correctness that these guys (Labor) feel they have to make.'

While Mr Abbott's comments were supported by some members of his party and found some traction in the broader community, they were largely condemned by many within the Indigenous community.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda dismissed Mr Abbott's comments, saying acknowledgement of country was not only a widely accepted sign of respect but critical

Sign of respect

"The High Court of Australia in the Mabo decision recognised the fact that Australia was occupied when the British came here," Mr Gooda said.

"It was more than 200 years before the courts finally recognised this fact in 1992 and it, along with the National Apology to the Stolen Generations, has steered us along the reconciliation path that we are still travelling on," he said.

"As a nation, we have now moved beyond debating what is a self-evident truth about our history."

But while some Liberals expressed support of their leader's comments, veteran backbencher Wilson Tuckey took them one step further, labelling Aboriginal recognition as a 'farce'.

"I have never thanked anyone for the right to be on the soil that is Australian," Mr

He went on to criticise some Aboriginal performers of welcomes to country as 'grossly overweight' and said life for Aboriginal people had become worse since the 1967 Referendum.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny





TONY ABBOTT

Macklin said Mr Tuckey's comments were 'appalling' and called on Mr Abbott to show some leadership and 'pull Wilson Tuckey into line and make him apologise for his extreme comments'.

The Rudd Government is committed to a bipartisan approach to make inroads on closing the gap," she said. "Welcome to country acknowledgements play an important role for many Australians.'

Australian Greens leader Bob Brown also took exception to what he described as Mr Tuckey's 'obnoxious references to Indigenous Australians'.

"His white supremacist statements cut right across Australia's credo of a fair go. (One Nation's) Pauline Hanson was never more derogatory than Wilson Tuckey was today," he said.

For President of the Indigenous Social Justice Association Ray Jackson, however, acknowledgements of country and welcome to country ceremonies can ring hollow.

"The only problem I have with acknowledgements is the word 'stolen' Uncle Max Eulo performs a welcome to country ceremony in Sydney last month.

should be inserted before land, otherwise it's all a bit meaningless," he said.

"To do an acknowledgement that doesn't state the full truth of history is hollow. It's yet another form of subtle whitewash.

"Until we come to grips with the truth of the black and white history of the county we are never going to get anywhere."

But Mr Jackson said proper acknowledgement of country could assist in moving the country toward reconciliation.

NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Chairwoman Bev Manton had a blunt message for the Opposition leader.

"If Tony Abbott can't bring himself to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which he meets, then maybe he should find another land," she said.

"It's disappointing that Tony Abbott sees it as a threat, although it's not surprising. This is the same man who opposed an apology to members of the Stolen Generations for 12 years while in Government, and then embraced it in Opposition when he realised the nation had left him behind."

Retired West Australian magistrate Sue Gordon, however, said enforced welcome to country and acknowledgement ceremonies were becoming meaningless and something of a feel-good exercise for non-Indigenous politicians.

"If people are forced, for example by Governments having policies for all departments to do welcome to country, then people are not genuinely making the gesture," Dr Gordon told The Koori Mail.

"I personally believe it should be for ceremonial occasions and not for every meeting or function, otherwise it feels

"I have travelled extensively around Australia and overseas, have been to Indigenous meetings overseas and it is always a quiet cultural type welcome, not the flamboyant, symbolic welcome it has become."

Central Land Council Director David Ross argued that opposing welcome to country ceremonies encouraged racist elements within the community.

"If Australia is so strong and proud, why wouldn't its people want to acknowledge that, on the land they now stand, there were people who once owned it and were dispossessed of it?" he asked

You can ignore the existence and ownership of this land by Aboriginal people before European settlement but that won't make it any less true."

Mr Ross said sceptics would do well to remember that Aboriginal people had been acknowledged as the owners of the country in the Mabo decision in the High Court of Australia.

"Australia has a black history and it needs to be acknowledged."

Indigenous business leader Warren Mundine was bemused by the Opposition Leader's comments.

"I know Tony on a personal level and I know that if he ever became Prime Minister he would do the acknowledgement," he

"I don't know what was in the grub he ate in the bush but I think it sent him a bit silly. I'd say to him pull your head in and focus on your policy."

However, Mr Mundine admitted that some acknowledgement ceremonies had room for improvement.

"Out of 100 of them that you attend, most are very appropriate and proper and about five are a bit strange," he said. "But I think it's fantastic, ten vear even acknowledged.'

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Uncertainty for NITV 'cruel'

By KIRSTIE PARKER



A LAST-DITCH campaign is under way to save National Indigenous TV (NITV), which is

under threat because the Federal Government is refusing to reveal whether it'll renew the service's funding beyond 30 June.

NITV's initial four-year funding expires then, and Arts Minister Peter Garrett's office says all will be revealed in the Federal Budget in May.

But the service says much more lead time is required and the funding uncertainty has already cost it ten of its 50 staff since December alone.

Direct pleas to Prime Minister Kevin Rudd have come to nought, and NITV is now preparing to pull the plug on one of its most popular shows.

The weekly one-hour Barefoot Rugby League program will be axed on 12 May unless NITV receives word on funding very

NITV CEO Pat Turner said it would be a tough decision,

especially as the show had proved a success at engaging young Indigenous men and provided much-needed positive role models, but the organisation needed a solid commitment on

The Koori Mail caught up with Ms Turner on Friday night, at the launch by Prime Minister Rudd of the GenerationOne campaign, which is aimed at addressing Indigenous disparity. It is a virtual twin campaign for the Australian Employment Covenant, which aims to create and fill 50,000 new Indigenous jobs. The irony wasn't lost on the Arrernte woman.

"Here they are talking about the creation of 50,000 new jobs for Indigenous people," she said. "Yet, at risk because of NITV's funding uncertainty are probably 400 jobs if you count our staff and the Indigenous production sector which we help to nurture."

Ms Turner echoed NITV Chairperson Terri Janke's earlier comments to The Koori Mail that the uncertainty was untenable, but went even further.

"It's actually cruel," Ms Turner said. "For any business person today - and I consider myself to



NITV CEO Pat Turner ... "For any business person today and I consider myself to be running a business - to be forced into this kind of funds hiatus is cruel and unforgivable.

be running a business - to be forced into this kind of funds hiatus is cruel and unforgivable.

"I and the Board of NITV have a fiduciary duty to ensure the viability of the company. We

cannot and will not trade to insolvency."

Ms Turner revealed that NITV had sought funding averaging about \$30 million a year for the next five years, which she said amounted to just three per cent of what the ABC and SBS would get over the same period.

And she said that under a formula developed by the Australian Film Commission, every million dollars invested in television production generated an additional \$1.8 million.

NITV's audience research had shown that a minimum of 250,000 Indigenous people watched NITV – the equivalent of about one in two - despite the fact that it cost them to do so, via Pay TV.

"Which is itself inequitable - for the poorest people in the land to have to pay to see their own TV service," Ms Turner said, adding that audience research also showed that 90 per cent of NITV's Indigenous viewers agreed that the service did Indigenous people proud

"NITV also enriches Australia, its national identity and our standing in the world.'

Ms Turner said NITV's board

had already implemented most of the recommendations from an independent review of it, many of which centred on governance. Others related to improving its relationships with other stakeholders in the Indigenous broadcasting industry, and Ms Turner said the organisation had sought funding to enable it to dedicate a position to the task.

"Apart from not being funded, the worst possible outcome would be for the Federal Government to give NITV a year's funding because it would put us in exactly the same situation for the next year as we've had to date. The uncertainty flows from our staff to our commissioning and programming and of course on to our audience," she said.

Readers can email letters of support to friends@nitv.org.au or direct to Minister Garrett via www.aph.gov.au/P_Garrett_MP. They can also post a letter to: The Hon Peter Garrett AM, MP Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage & the Arts PO Box 6022 House of Representatives Parliament House

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WArally push for payment



By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



THE rally at Parliament House in Perth last Wednesday was supposed to be in support of the family of Ngaanyatjarra

Elder Mr Ward who died in prison custody in January 2008, but tragically it was about much more

There had been another death in custody, this time at the Perth police watch house on 14 March, and a close call on 12 March for a man who collapsed from heat exhaustion in prison custody in Perth.

One of the banners at last week's rally of about 150 supporters read 'When is the pain going to stop?

The pain hasn't stopped for the Ward family, and rally participants loudly backed their call for a promised ex-gratia payment to be made immediately.



CHRISTIAN PORTER

Mr Ward died in January 2008 after collapsing from heat exhaustion in the back of a prison van with no air-conditioning. He had endured a 400km trip from Laverton to Kalgoorlie with only a small supply of water.

The subsequent coroner's inquest was scathing of the prisoner transport system, the WA Police Service and the WA Government.

The WA Government reacted reasonably quickly at the time, announcing that an ex gratia



JOHN BEDFORD

payment would be made, but didn't say when.

Last week, the Ward family and their supporters, along with the aggrieved from the two incidents the previous week, descended on Parliament House to demand to know when the family might expect that payment.

WA Attorney General Christian Porter was straight out of the gates.

He told a waiting media that the Aboriginal Legal Service (ALS) of WA, which has been

handling the case only since last June, had made a request for an interim ex gratia payment in January, and he expected that that request would be finalised by the end of this month.

(The ALS) have made the point to me that in considering the full amount of the ex gratia payment, that's going to be a complicated matter and that may take a little time, which is probably why they've made the request for the interim ex gratia payment in January," he said.

"So that is going to be ongoing, but what I can say is that I'm confident that we'll have the interim payment finalised by the end of this month.'

Acting Chief Executive Officer of the ALS John Bedford said that the Government had not responded to repeated requests for the interim payment to be made more quickly.

But there were more things to talk about. One of the speakers was the brother of the 33-yearold Nyoongar man who died in the Perth police watch house on

14 March, and Mr Bedford said the ALS had problems with the medical report given during his time in custody.

The man was taken into police custody in the early hours of Sunday 14 March during what police say was a domestic dispute at his home, and a nurse at the Perth watch house was concerned for his well-being and admitted him to Royal Perth Hospital (RPH).

He was twice taken to hospital during the course of the day, but police officers found him slumped unconscious in his cell early on Sunday evening. A short time later, he was pronounced dead on arrival at RPH.

"A coronial inquiry will be conducted into this matter. However, we want to be assured that the authorities conduct a proper and timely investigation and that it will be a comprehensive, objective and transparent process that provides the necessary answers to this grieving family," Mr Bedford said.

A million reasons to think



WHAT is an idea that creates positive social change for Australian communities worth? A million dollars, according to The Australian Centre

for Social Innovation (TACSI), which recently launched the Bold Ideas, Better Lives Challenge.

And there's no reason why the winning idea couldn't come from within the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community - although bright sparks will have to get thinking quickly, with applications closing in just over a month.

TACSI Chief Executive Officer

Brenton Caffin said the centre wanted to give the 'too hard basket' the boot and get people thinking about practical and creative solutions to some of Australia's most pressing social needs.

"We believe that ideas alone do not change the world; people with ideas do. And we want to support those people because they are the ones that know what their communities need," he said.

Mr Caffin said the initiative challenged people and organisations to look past the status quo and find alternative solutions in any area where there was an unmet social need - from health services to unemployment,

climate change to disability, ageing to communications.

"Projects that can eventually be replicated or scaled up for other communities are at the heart of this challenge," he said.

A panel of judges headed by TACSI Chair Phillip Adams will shortlist around ten ideas to be developed further. TACSI will give the originators of the top ten ideas \$1000 to move to the development stage and provide expert advice to turn those ideas into projects.

Applications in the Bold Ideas, Better Lives Challenge close on 23 April. For more details go to www.tacsi.org. au/challenge

More pressure on bypass site

By Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



PRELIMINARY test results indicate that Aboriginal heritage in the path of

Tasmania's controversial Brighton Bypass could be up to 40,000 years old.

Rob Paton, the principal archaeologist working on the site - on the ancient flood plains of the Jordan River, outside of Hobart - said that if the figures prove to be correct it would be the oldest site in Tasmania, amongst the oldest in Australia and the oldest most southern human occupation site on the planet.

"This means that we should be able to pick out individual living floors and events from the distant past, giving us a glimpse into an unknown part of world history and the spread of homo sapiens across the earth," he said.

"This is almost unheard of from an open-air site anywhere in the world.'

The archaeological investigations were ramped up following protests from the Tasmanian Aboriginal community late last year, which resulted in more than 40 people being arrested.

Legal Director of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre issued a statement suggesting that the road be diverted around the area of Aboriginal heritage.

The Tasmanian Government has offered to build a bridge over the area. Secretary of the Department of Infrastructure, **Energy and Resources Norm** McIlfatrick told The Koori Mail that the Government's preferred option was to extend a bridge over the site from an originally proposed 30 metres to 70 metres, adding \$10 million to the \$176 million project. He said Mr Mansell's idea was likely to add \$60 million and two years to the



Aboriginal heritage officer Aaron Everett points the Brighton bypass site and, inset, at one of the trenches where stone tools thought to be up to 40,000 years old were located.

project, an option the Government appeared to find unpalatable

'The issue is whether the (Aboriginal) community can put up with the visual impairment of the bridge," Mr McIlfatrick said.

Mr Mansell said the extended span was not an acceptable option to the Aboriginal community.

The Hagley Bypass section of the Bass Highway project (in Northern Tasmania) required the realignment of the highway to bypass the town of Hagley, he said. "This section of the new highway passed through a sensitive area of cultural landscape known as the 'Hagley Mill Cultural Landscape'

"Hagley House is also situated within the Hagley Cultural Landscape, an historic homestead built in 1826.

"In 2004, the Tasmanian Government sued Leighton constructions for failing to cut the highway sufficiently low to preserve the aesthetics and shield noise levels from the

"Those standards must also apply at Brighton. After all, if a

road can bypass a town, it can bypass a heritage area.'

The route of the bypass and the management of the Aboriginal heritage in the area is unlikely to be decided until at least April.

Conclusive dating results from the United States are due next week, and in the meantime the outcome of Tasmania's state election will

Final decision

Mr Mclifatrick said the final decision rested with the Minister for Environment based on a submission from his department and advice from the Aboriginal community.

He said an improved process for dealing with Aboriginal heritage was being worked on and talks with the Aboriginal community were continuing.

At the time The Koori Mail went to print, works approaching either side of the site continued along the original proposed route. Mr McIlfatrick said the works had permits and proper authority.

However, Aboriginal

heritage officer Aaron Everett, who was involved in the archaeological investigations, said he had approached te Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania to extend the boundaries of the registered site as further discoveries were made. He said the request was rejected.

If the boundaries had been changed this could have deemed invalid current permits to destroy adjacent Aboriginal heritage sites.

What all parties do agree on is the importance of the discovery.

Tasmanian Land and Sea Council Manager Fiona Newson said she was thrilled with the preliminary results.

Mr Paton described the discovery as a scientifically important and exciting site.

"It will be an important place for interpreting the deep history of Tasmania, but also of archaeology on a worldwide scale," he said.

Mr McIlfatrick has said that, if the dates were confirmed, it would clearly be a site of national archaeological significance and importance to the Aboriginal community.

\$1m kidney health boost answer to prayers in **Central Aust**

By DARREN COYNE



IT could have been the prayers on World Kidney Day, the politicking in Parliament, or maybe the persistent bad press. Either way, the Federal

Government has announced a funding boost of \$1 million a year to go towards improved renal care for Aboriginal patients from

remote areas of Central Australia. The announcement by Federal Health Minister Nicola Roxon and Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon on 18 March came in the wake of a successful Greens motion in the Senate eight days earlier.

That motion had called on the Government to sort out the long-standing dialysis crisis, which has prevented a number of remote area Aboriginal people from accessing services in Alice Springs.

A prayer service was held in Alice Springs the next day, where people prayed for Elders such as Nura Ward, 71, from the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands in South Australia.

Mrs Ward has renal and other serious health problems and is the latest victim of a policy that bars her and others from being treated in Alice Springs because their home community is in SA. She has been told she must move to Adelaide for treatment.

Agreement

A day after the prayer service, and with an election looming, SA Health Minister John Hill announced that SA health officials had in fact reached an in-principle agreement with their counterparts in the NT to provide dialysis in Alice Springs for up to eight SA patients, although critics say this is still nowhere near enough. At the time of going to press the results of that election were unknown, but Mr Hill promised that a 're-elected Labor Government would sign the agreement without delay'

He also promised to 'look into the possibility of providing renal dialysis closer to the APY Lands, at Coober Pedy, and in the longer term, on the Lands'

SA Opposition Health Spokesman Duncan McFetridge had also made a pre-election promise that a SA Liberal Government would address the issue.

And while those pledges are yet to be honoured, the Federal Government at least responded with its million-dollar boost.

Ministers Roxon and Snowdon said the extra funds would go to the Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (WDNWPT), which provides renal dialysis care in Kintore, and in 'The Purple House' renal facility in Alice Springs.

Half of the funding would go towards the operation of the Purple House so it stays open beyond June 2010. The other \$500,000 would enable the WDNWPT to operate more renal facilities and to increase the level of clinical services at Yuendumu and other communities.

WDNWPT plans to establish a dialysis service at Yuendumu in conjunction with the local community, which is scheduled to open next month.

The Ministers said the corporation had also agreed to provide support for a proposed renal facility in Hermannsburg.

Jimmy Little Foundation Chairman Graham 'Buzz' Bidstrup said any extra funds from government were welcome, but \$1 million was a 'drop in the ocean' of what was needed to deal with the dialysis dilemma.

"I try to walk a middle line but it really does come down to people realising there is a crisis. We are talking about people's lives here and it shouldn't be a political issue," said.

Qld Minister promises custody death inquiry



QUEENSLAND'S Corrective Services Minister has promised a thorough investigation into claims an Aboriginal man died after being denied medical care in prison. Indigenous

leaders and family members of the man rallied outside Parliament House on 11 March, saying it was another needless Aboriginal death in custody.

The 18-year-old was on remand in Brisbane's Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre when he was repeatedly denied requests for medical help, Aboriginal activist Sam Watson said.

He became progressively worse, Mr Watson said, and eventually was taken to the Princess Alexandra Hospital on February 16.

He was put on life support but died four days later.

Mr Watson said the man repeatedly asked to see a doctor while he was in jail but his plea was ignored.

"He was just given Panadol and sent back to his cell," Mr Watson said.

"But he was that ill that prison mates had to hold him up so he could walk."

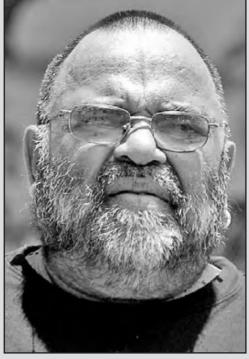
Corrective Services Minister Neil Roberts has promised a full investigation into the death of the man.

being interviewed and the coroner would

'This is a tragic and sad event and our hearts go out to the family and friends of this young man," Mr Roberts said.

"Any death of a young person, any death in custody is something that needs to be fully investigated and that will

Prison chaplain Rev Alex Gater, who works closely with Aborigines in custody, told the ABC the young man should never have been placed in prison because he had a pre-existing medical condition. -AAP



SAM WATSON

More criticism of welfare overhaul

But new measures likely to go ahead

By KIRSTIE PARKER



FEDERAL Government plans to overhaul the welfare system and extend compulsory income

management to recipients nationwide are continuing to draw heavy criticism from the community and social services sector. But they look set to become reality after the Federal Opposition said it would not oppose them.

The Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform and Reinstatement of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2009 was still before the Senate when The Koori Mail went to print at the end of last week.

But Opposition Human Services Spokesman Kevin Andrews' office said that, while the bill wasn't perfect, the Coalition had made an 'on balance' decision not to fight it.

Reflecting its broad support for income management, the Opposition would move only a minor amendment to force all eligible welfare recipients who had received welfare for 13 weeks out of a 26-week period on to income management.

But Government failure to agree to such a change would



JENNY MACKLIN

not be a deal-breaker. "It's not a substantive change, we're just seeking to bring some uniformity to categories (of recipient)." Mr Andrews' spokesman told The Koori Mail last Wednesday

"Whether the Government accepts this is a matter for them. We hope they do, but the Coalition will not oppose the bill on the floor on the Senate.'

The Government believes the extension of compulsory income management beyond Aboriginal 'prescribed' communities in the Northern Territory would allow reinstatement of the Racial Discrimination Act.

It says changes to Intervention measures around community input into alcohol management and policing, limiting the circumstances for five-year compulsory leases

over townships, and strengthening community store licensing would render them 'special measures', and therefore permissible, under the Act.

If the Senate passes the bill, the changes would probably be in place throughout the NT by the end of the year, and in other disadvantaged parts of Australia after a review to be conducted by the end of 2011

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin welcomed the Opposition's backing but cited 500 community meetings to reject ongoing criticism that there'd been little evidence that income management had worked under the Intervention.

"...the majority view was certainly that income management had been very helpful, very



KEVIN ANDREWS

beneficial," she told media in Canberra last week.

"There's also been various vevs done of the stores of the food that's been sold in those stores. We've seen an increase in the purchase of food in those stores.

But Ms Macklin's claims did not persuade the NT Council of Social Service (NTCOSS), the Intervention Rollback Action Group (IRAG), or the Stop the Intervention Collective in Sydney (STICS).

"There is just not enough concrete evidence to show that income quarantining has improved people's lives," said NTCOSS Executive Director Wendy Morton.

"In our view. Minister Macklin has simply failed to demonstrate that income management in

remote communities has been successful."

Critics of income management say it stigmatises welfare recipients unnecessarily and will still discriminate by impacting disproportionately on Indigenous people, who had higher rates of welfare dependency.

Nevertheless, there's been some support for the Government's bill.

The Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) said last month that the legislation was not perfect, but the evidence on the links between health and human rights was clear.

"It is a stark choice for our political leaders," AMSANT said.

"Support the human rights of Aboriginal Territorians through the restoration of the RDA now. Then engage with differences we might have with other elements of the legislation down the track."

Race Discrimination Commissioner Graeme Innes agreed the bill would not fully reinstate the RDA, but said it 'took things further in the direction we should be heading and for this reason it should be passed'.

Mr Andrews' spokesman said the possibility of a successful legal challenge to the legislation was unsettling, as it would undermine the whole framework.

Meanwhile, a report by the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) has found that the Intervention could profoundly damage the long-term psychological and social health and well-being of affected Aboriginal families and children, as well as cultural integrity outweighing any potential physical

AIDA President Associate Prof Peter O'Mara said the report found that increasing levels of mistrust surrounding the Intervention were compromising progress.

\$1m dialysis boost

By DARREN COYNE



A MOBILE renal-health truck is being built with funds donated to the Jimmy Little Foundation by Medicines Australia.

The \$1 million donation, announced during a dinner at Parliament House in

Canberra last Tuesday, will fund the truck as well as a new diabetes education program called Thumbs Up! (see separate story).

The renal truck is being built in partnership with the Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku (WDNWPT) Aboriginal Corporation so patients will now be able travel home for respite visits.

It will offer stability to the patient and give family members, especially children, the opportunity to see what their family members have to endure on a dialysis machine just to stay alive.

JLF chief executive Graham 'Buzz' Bidstrup told The Koori Mail the million-dollar donation was a great boost for the foundation.

"To date if people wanted to get back to country for ceremony they would be back one day and then have to return to Alice Springs," he said.

"The truck will allow people to dialyse at home, which will be a wonderful service. It's a tiny drop in the ocean of what's needed and the NT Government has also got one being built as well.

"It's up to us as a foundation to lobby government to get more of these, although the ultimate aim is to have these services in the communities to service people in their own communities. I hope that will eventually happen.'

Living national treasure Jimmy Little said the donation would help many people.

"On behalf of all Indigenous Australians I would like to sincerely thank Medicines Australia for their donation to the Jimmy Little Foundation," he said.

"The money will enable us to fund two very worthy projects that will help many of my countrymen and women achieve a healthier future."

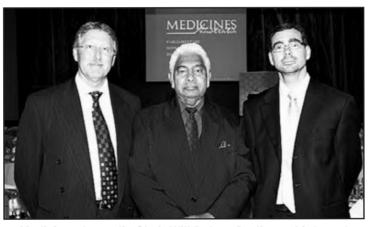
WDNWPT Manager Sarah Brown also welcomed the announcement of the truck.

'This is a dream come true for our committee and patient community," she said. "Many patients have not got home to country for many years because of distance and their need for dialysis every second day.

"This project will have a huge impact on the quality of life of senior Western Desert people and on the



Jimmy Little, Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (WDNWPT) Vice-President Bobby West, Ngambri-Ngunnawal Elder Matilda House and Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon.



Medicines Australia Chair Will Delaat, Dr Jimmy Little and Medicines Australia Chief Executive Dr Brendan Shaw.



Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (WDNWPT) President Marlene Spencer with with service manager Sarah Brown.

Program gives the thumbs up to healthy food choices

THE Jimmy Little Foundation has launched a new program aimed at tackling the rising rates of diabetes in

Indigenous communities. Called the Thumbs Up! program, it will target children aged from five to 16 by using music and multi-media workshops, concerts and cooking.

Thumbs Up! uses music to engage the children. They write healthy food songs

which they can then upload on to social networking sites.

This will allow children in communities from all over Australia to interact by uploading their songs, photos, recipes and share their experience of the Thumbs Up! visit.

As well, senior community women will be employed to promote healthy eating, education and information, with the aim of encouraging

young people to make healthier food choices.

Such choices would be drinking adequate amounts of water instead of sugar-laden drinks, and also to promote the eating of more fruit and vegetables rather than junk food.

Jimmy Little Foundation Chairman Buzz Bidstrup said the incidence of diabetes in Indigenous communities was alarmingly high.

"Programs aimed specifically at Indigenous youth informing them of the food choices required for a healthy life are in abundance, but using a high-profile Indigenous role model like Dr Jimmy Little, who has lived with diabetes, together with his young artists will help get the message through," Mr Bidstrup said.

Five remote Arnhem Land communities were involved in the Thumbs Up! pilot in 2009. Indigenous artists Shellie Morris and Allen Murphy joined Jimmy Little to deliver the Thumbs Up! message to Ramingining, Gapuwiyak, Galiwinku, Milingimbi and

The project was launched during a dinner at Parliament House in Canberra last week.

It is being funded through a \$1 million donation from Medicines Australia.

Funds needed to train Indigenous doctors

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGENOUS leaders are urging the Federal Government to set aside a portion of funds from a major health training package to target Indigenous doctors and

specialists. Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announced last week that \$632 million would be spent training health specialists across the country.

Close the Gap co-chairs Mick Gooda and Tom Calma said a portion of those funds should be used to train Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Mr Gooda said increasing the number of Indigenous people in the health system was critical if the Government was serious about meeting its commitments to close the gap within a generation.

"And it is not just more doctors that are needed, but nurses, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers, dentists, mental health professionals and allied health workers," he said.

Mr Calma said the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) had estimated there were 140 Indigenous doctors, and 137 Indigenous medical students in

"While these figures are encouraging, they are not enough to service the need in order to close the gap in Indigenous health outcomes," he said.

Mr Calma said the 2004 Indigenous health report card 'Healing Hands: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Workforce Requirements' by the Australian Medical Association found that 928 Indigenous doctors needed to be trained.

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) Chair Justin Mohamed supported their call.

Shortage

He said the 150 Aboriginal community controlled health services across the country were especially affected by the shortage of health staff, especially Aboriginal health workers.

"We estimate another 1500 Aboriginal health workers are needed to perform a range of frontline clinical procedures in our services nationwide," he said. "They are an important element in the ability of Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services

being able to access to the most difficult to reach and marginalised of patients

"Their importance was recently recognised with Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon launching their professional body, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Association and providing \$1.3 million to help it grow and for the profession to achieve national registration."

Mr Mohamed said there was a need to 'ramp up' the training of Indigenous health professionals.

"It is through Aboriginal people having more control of the design and delivery of their health services both as community representatives and as health professionals that we will make lasting gains in closing the health gap," he said.

The Mulrunji Doomadgee Inquest

'My family has been to hell and back'

FRAIL Victoria Doomadgee sat outside the Aback entrance to the Townsville Court building and reflected on how the past five years had been hell for her family since the death in custody of her brother Mulrunji.

It was about 11.30am on Friday, 12 March, and Victoria was sitting on an uncomfortable steel seat as media waited for Snr Sgt Chris Hurley to emerge after finishing his evidence at the re-opened inquest.

Victoria has lost a lot of weight since the tragedy and is an ill woman and needs a wheelchair to get around much of the time.

She told The Koori Mail she was certain her brother's spirit was nearby.

"I can feel his presence as we sit here; I am so sure he is here looking over me," she said. "I know he is here because my hair is standing up like it used to when we were together.

"My family has been to hell and back since my brother died a lonely and painful death in the Palm Island watch house. I can't explain the sadness we have felt.'

At the age of 54, Victoria is now Mulrunji's eldest surviving sibling. Her sisters Elizabeth Doomadgee and Valmai Aplin live on Palm Island,



Victoria Doomadgee sits outside Townsville Court.

as does Victoria. Another sister, Jane Doomadgee, travelled down from Burketown for the inquest. Her brother, Lloyd Doomadgee, did not travel from Doomadgee for the

"My older sister Carol died in the Palm Island Hospital last year and she suffered terrible stress from all this," Victoria

Victoria also reflected on her mother Doris' passing from cancer not long after Mulrunji's

death on 19 November 2004, and a riot on Palm Island a week later when the local police station and barracks were torched.

"Mum had been sick but died a very sad lady from all this stress. We were such a close

Mulrunji's only child, 18-year-old Eric, took his own life 19 months after his father died.

"Eric died under tragic circumstances. He just could not handle the death of his dad who was so close to him," Victoria said.

For all of this tragedy, Victoria takes comfort from treasured memories of her brother.

"He used to go fishing and hunting for goats on one of the islands close to Palm and sometimes I sit near the beach there and think of that," she said. "He used to enjoy diving and catching turtle."

Word came out of the court room that Snr Sgt Hurley had apologised to the Doomadgee family over Mulrunii's death. Not long afterwards, the police officer walked within a few metres of her and got into a parked car.

"I loved my brother so dearly and I am sure that he would have wanted Hurley to pay for what he has done," Victoria said.

"Mulrunji would have wanted Hurley locked up. I can feel him saying that." - by Alf Wilson



Two of Mulrunji's sisters, Valmai Aplin, left, and Jane Doomadgee.

Family rejects Hurley apology

Story and photos by ALF WILSON



THE family and partner of Mulrunji Doomadgee, who died in police custody on Palm Island more than five years ago, has rejected an apology from the police officer acquitted

of his manslaughter.

Snr Sgt Chris Hurley arrested Mulrunji before he died on 19 October 2004 in the Palm Island watch house, and offered the apology during day five of a reopened inquest into the death earlier this month.

"I have always wanted to say to Tracey (Twaddle) and the family that I offer my sympathy for Mulrunji's death," Snr Sgt Hurley told the inquest. "I'm sorry for the angst that they have had to suffer over the past number of years.'

Mulrunji was found dead on the floor of a cell in the station less than an hour after his morning arrest for swearing. He'd suffered four broken ribs, bruising to the head, a torn portal vein and his liver had been almost cut in two.

An earlier inquest found that Snr Hurley's action caused Mulrunji's death, but this was set aside last year after a court found Snr Sgt Hurley could not have inflicted the fatal injuries simply by punching Mulrunji.

In June 2007, a Townsville jury acquitted Snr Sgt Hurley of Mulrunji's manslaughter.

Outside the court, Mulrunji's partner Tracey Twaddle told The Koori Mail she did not accept Snr Sgt Hurley's apology.

"No I don't, I was almost sick in the court room when listening to the evidence," she said.

"We have been through years of hell and his apology means nothing. It's

Mulrunji's sisters Elizabeth



Mulrunji's sister Elizabeth Doomadgee in Townsville for the

Doomadgee, Victoria Doomadgee, Jane Doomadgee and Valmai Aplin were at the inquest and also rejected the apology.

"We just want justice for my brother," Elizabeth said.

Ms Aplin said that if Snr Sgt Hurley had come to her family five years ago and explained what happened to her brother it could have been able to be talked through.

'Too late'

"It is too late, too late now," Ms Aplin said.

Jane Doomadgee travelled from Burketown for the inquest and spoke to The Koori Mail along with Stephen Martin, from Palm Island, a nephew of Mulrunji. "We hope we get some justice out of this. We have got to get something. It has been a very hard time," Ms Doomadgee said.

Mr Martin said it had been a traumatic journey for the family and he hoped that the truth would come out when the coroner handed down his

Mulrunji's nephew Leonard Noble and niece Jennifer Starlight sat with their Aunty Victoria.

"You can replace a building such as the Palm Island police station but not a person," Mr Noble said.

Townsville residents John Mooka, 22, and Reg Mooka, 33, were also at

"I have come here to support the family and to hear any new evidence. People as far away as the Torres Strait want to see justice," said Reg.

He said he hoped justice would come out of it.

"It has dragged on for so long. We need to see the coroner's findings very quickly," he said.

The court room was packed with family members and friends of Mulrunji. Such was the interest from local, state and national television and print media that journalists had to sit in the

Brisbane activist Sam Watson was at the inquest, as was Townsville community leader Gracelyn Smallwood.

"When are these deaths in custody going to stop?" Mr Watson asked.

"Aboriginal people going into custody expect to come out alive. These deaths in custody don't occur in front of television cameras.

"This whole matter is police investigating police, mates investigating

Whilst the inquest officially ended on 12 March, Coroner Brian Hine has called for written submissions to be lodged with the court by 1 April.

His findings will be handed down on a date to be fixed.



Straight Talk participants at Government House in Canberra with Governor-General Quentin Bryce.

Talking straight

Women in capital for summi

By MAHALA STROHFELDT **Photos courtesy of Oxfam**



FOR Kristy Kendrigan, a busy mother of a three-yearold girl and nine-year-old boy with a disability, attending the Oxfam Straight Talk Summit in Canberra

was a surreal experience.

The Mt Druitt mum, who works as a co-ordinator for the Aboriginal Community Justice Group, is just a three-hour drive from the nation's capital, but might just as well be a world away.

"It was amazing to meet so many women from all over the country, we have the same issues but we are all so different," she said.

"It's also a confirmation that good things are happening in our communities."

Ms Kendrigan was one of about 60 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women who came from across Australia to take part in a four-day summit organised by aid agency Oxfam.



WA politician Carol Martin gave a speech as a 'trailblazer'. Her talk proved very moving for the audience.

The women were given the opportunity to talk to Governor_General Quentin Bryce, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and a host of other female politicians about the issues most affecting them.

The summit attempted to provide a safe forum for the women to discuss everything from health, alcohol, employment and education and the intervention, while also attempting to create a greater understanding of the political system. For many, particularly those from remote communities, this was their first time inside the institution.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin opened the summit by praising the strength and resilience of Indigenous

"You are all without exception strong,



Deanna Kennedy enjoys the grounds at University House in Canberra, where Straight Talk was being hosted.

determined, capable women, women of courage and conviction. Since I've been in this job I've met many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women," she said.

'They are often the organisers, they see what needs to be done and they do it. They reach out to others who are struggling. There are so many who are healers and peacemakers.

"I have also seen how, given opportunity, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are remarkable leaders and outstanding role models.

Back in Mt Druitt, Ms Kendrigan admits attending the summit has filled her with a renewed sense of optimism and purpose for the challenges ahead.

"I've now come back to my own community and I'm excited that we do have a voice and we can make a difference. I have that empowerment and enthusiasm for change, and a fire in my belly now," she

Ms Kendrigan's passion remains addressing domestic violence, and having identified a need for prevention programs to reach a much younger audience she established a pilot anti-violence program in her community. It will target young Indigenous football players and, if successful, expand to other sports.

However, since treading the halls of Parliament House for the first time, she has found some new aspirations.

"I really want to get into politics, maybe by joining a local party in my area, but I've decided that's something I want to do sooner rather than later," she said.

"To be able to understand the government process and to meet other female politicians has been a very rewarding experience.

"Also to meet these women and to know they're human just like the rest of us with the same challenges and responsibilities."

Ms Kendrigan said one of the most important things to come out of the summit had been a renewed sense of optimism and a strong bond with the other participants.

"We've all got connections now, even though we've returned to our own communities, we've formed a really good bond with each other and that's important.

"In the end, what it has done is empower us as individuals to do something for our communities and our families, being an Aboriginal woman, having that support to say you can do it, nothing is out of your reach."



Kerry Major on a tour of Parliament. Vonda Moar-Malone is in the background at left



Minister Jenny Macklin, centre, meets with women at the Straight Talk conference, from left, Chantelle Davis, Maree Meredith, Linda Quartermaine, Ruby Dykes, Jaleesa Donovan and Grace Smallwood.



Patricia Waria-Read at the understanding the political system session.

Glittering national launch of



Akira Kelly, from La Perouse, and Dubs Yunupingu from the Jannawi Young Dancers meet the Prime Minister.



Australian Jobs Covenant member and Indigenous Chamber of Commerce Chairperson Warren Mundine, Moree cotton farmer and reconciliation advocate Dick Estens, and Macquarie Bank Executive **Director Richard Price.**



Sydney based didg player and artist Adam Hill performed with a message.



The Jannawi Young Dancers in full flight at the ceremony. Photos by KIRSTIE PARKER and JUSTIN AVELING





Golden girls ... Minister for the Status of Women Tanya Plibersek, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, and actor Cate Blanchett.



Jon Stevens, Casey Donovan, Ernie Dingo and rapper Brotha Black rocked out to the GenerationOne song, written by country music's Melinda Schneider and music industry stalwart Les Gock.



Veteran actor Jack Thompson on stage.



Former Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) Chief Executive and now member of the AEC Implementation Team Danny Lester. He told The Koori Mail: "This is the start of something different, but tomorrow is another story. And that story is how can we turn iconic gestures into real Indigenous careers. We've had the fanfare so let's turn it into reality. We are ready to do it now."

GenerationOne campaign

Big names pledge to take action

By KIRSTIE PARKER



IMAGINE a big-budget movie premiere complete with red carpet... the launch of a chart-topping

musical offering... the unveiling of a major brand product... and an ambitious presidential candidate's campaign launch.

Now, roll them into one and you might be somewhere close to picturing the launch in Sydney on Friday of a national campaign aimed at convincing all Australians to act to help end Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander disadvantage.

It was the kind of event that only Australia's richest man could pull off by calling together some friends from the big end of town, national and state leaders, and the celebrity A-list and asking them to join an undeniably worthy cause.

If any of the 400 or so people present at the International Passenger Terminal down in The Rocks felt discomforted by the showy spectacle, they kept those feelings close to their chest. It was a night for high-octane optimism.

And for taking over one of Australia's most iconic institutions, the Sydney Opera House, to spread the message via state-of-the-art video projection.

GenerationOne is the brainchild of once-shy stutterer and now billionaire miner Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest, also the man behind the closely-aligned Australian Employment Covenant (AEC) launched two years ago with an aim of creating 50,000 sustainable Indigenous jobs.

The latter campaign targets Australia's corporates including the likes of James Packer, Kerry Stokes and Lindsay Fox, while GenerationOne - a TV advertisement backed by a muscular website and stirring theme song – aims to get everyday Australians, 'mums and dads', to do whatever they can to address the ongoing disparity between black and white.

The sobering advertisement places Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people alongside each other, stating their aspirations -

finishing high school, going to university and getting a degree, owning a home, having a real job and living past 65 - and revealing gaps of up to 50 per cent between the two.

GenerationOne makes some suggestions ranging from offering an Indigenous person a job, mentoring, sharing an Indigenous success story with their friends and family, or simply 'not looking the other way' any more.

Mr Forrest has enlisted the help of former Young Australian of the Year Tania Major and current NSW Young Australian of the Year Jack Manning Bancroft to help him find traction for the campaign.

A few hours before the launch, Cape Yorker-made-good Major spoke with journalists about why she'd come on board.

'This is about real jobs, it's about education, mentoring, and it really aligns with what I believe

in," she said. "It's time for

and move forward.

Australia to turn over a new leaf

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I mean, what have they got to

lose? We've been suffering for

decades. We've got to take on

opportunities are coming our way.

Ms Major conceded to The

Koori Mail that there was still a

serious disconnect between the

jobs covenant – about 22,700

and the number of actual job

placements so far - 700. She

cited low literacy, numeracy and

number of jobs pledged under the

This is an opportunity to change

decades, not just years but

the course for our children.'

education now that the

GenerationOne

spokesperson and

former Young

Australian of the

Year Tania Major.

low self-esteem amongst Indigenous people and unfocussed training as some of

Speaking at the campaign launch, Andrew Forrest reiterated the vital need to closely align education and training for Indigenous people to actual jobs.

"We just can't watch the spirit of Australia – our Indigenous brothers and sisters - die before our eyes simply because we want to throw money instead of opportunity," he told guests.

"We've failed in so many ways... it is this generation that can stop that. It's this generation that can say 'we have a solution'. The solution is, of course, to start at the end – to start where you have to be.

"We know when we have Aboriginal people in employment at the same rate as the rest of us, we don't have disparity anymore." Soon afterwards, NSW

> Premier Kristina Kenneally took to the stage to announce her Government's pledge of 2229 new Indigenous jobs within the state public service.

Then, just as he launched the jobs covenant two years ago, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd officially launched GenerationOne.

Ditching an embargoed speech distributed earlier in the day, the PM echoed Mr Forrest's language to declare it 'a night to reach across all divides for one purpose; to make a difference for our Indigenous brothers and sisters'.

"We began a couple of years ago by simply saying sorry," he said.

"But you know something? Saying sorry is not enough. It's what you then do in real life to make a difference.

"... The days have gone when we said everything must be solved by government, because it can't be...it is also you who can make a difference.

"Reconciliation is a long word, the apology a long speech. But what happens is that Australia changes with each one of us making a change... Let's change Australia for the better."

So, Australia, job pledges versus jobs filled. Now, that's a gap worth closing.







Emily Murphy, of Toowoomba, Mayrah Sonter, of Sydney, and Charles Prouse, of NASCA.



Former Opposition Leader Malcolm Turnbull and his wife Lucy were at the bipartisan event.



PM gives thanks for efforts on **National Congress**



Dr Jackie Huggins, PM Kevin Rudd and Tom Calma.



AS interim arrangements for the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples are being bedded down, community members and

others who guided development of the new Indigenous representative body have had their efforts acknowledged.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and Federal

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin attended a function at Parliament House in Canberra late last month with members of the representative body Steering Committee and its interim Ethics Council, and staff from the Australian Human Rights Commission and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA).



Pictured from left, Josephine Bourne, Rob Heferen, Geoff Richardson, Tanya Hosch, Bernie Yates, Minister Jenny Macklin, Jason Glanville, Dr Jackie Huggins, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, Tom Calma, Professor Lester Irabinna Rigney, Nalwarri Ngurruwutthun, Tim Goodwin, Cheryl Foster, Darren Dick and Dr Jeff Harmer.

Help for the homeless



A NEW drop-in centre in Broome will provide homeless people and visitors sleeping rough with somewhere to have breakfast, a shower and do their laundry.

The centre will be staffed by two outreach workers and will be located next to the Nicholas Emo Centre in Broome. It will be up and running from October.

West Australian Child Protection Minister Robyn McSweeney said the State Government was providing funding to Centacare Kimberley Association Inc to provide services at the centre.

"The main focus for the new drop-in centre will be for Indigenous people, many of whom are visitors to the town and sleep rough," she said.

"The outreach workers will help homeless people find and maintain stable accommodation and access mainstream services in their local region."

Ms McSweeney said the announcement formed part of the \$135 million Homelessness National Partnership Agreement (NPA).

In February, Centacare Kimberley Association Inc signed a service agreement worth \$285,000 a year, plus \$90,000 in one-off start-up

Ms McSweeney said the

Department of Housing also was developing a proposal to establish an Indigenous visitors centre which would provide short-stay accommodation, with the newly announced drop-in centre to act as an interim support service for Broome's affected indigenous population.

"Funding of \$62,500 will also be available for a housing support worker to help people with a mental illness who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness, to access and maintain long-term stable accommodation," she said.

She said work would also be done in conjunction with Kimberley Mental Health Service so that clients of inpatient mental health facilities received help with their accommodation needs.'

Meanwhile, Centacare Kimberley Manager Trish Jones said a new program launched on Monday would help homeless Indigenous people to return to their country.

Under the scheme, people who had been living rough and were long-term Centacare clients could be eligible for a one-off bus ticket.

Already eight people have taken up the offer, she told The Koori Mail.

Ms Jones said there were more than 150 people living homeless around Broome, and that figure did not take into account those living in overcrowded houses.



Land matters ...and so do your ideas about training, employment and land management!

The call for Land Acquisition applications is now open. Applications close on 30 April 2010.

The ILC will give priority to applications that will deliver training and sustainable employment outcomes for Indigenous people.

The call for Land Management applications is now open. Applications close on 30 June 2010.

The ILC is seeking Land Management applications for projects on Indigenous-held land that assist:

- Development of Indigenous businesses that relate to the use of land;
- Cultural and environmental heritage protection; and
- Sustainable management of the land.



Australian Government

Indigenous Land Corporation

For more information phone 1800 818 490 or visit www.ilc.gov.au

Child death rates 'improving



INDIGENOUS child death rates are improving and the gap could be halved by 2018 if the trend continues, according

to a new report.

The 'Child Mortality Targets: Recommendations and Analysis' report was released on 10 March, along with the 'National Target Setting Instrument' report.

The National Indigenous Health Equality Council (NIHEC), set up in 2008 by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, completed both reports.

NIHEC Chairman Professor Ian Anderson said the child mortality report showed Indigenous child

death rates had been improving.

"Infant mortality results have been particularly good, and the gap may halve by 2018 if current trends continue," Prof Anderson said. "In antenatal care and child mortality there have been improvements overall, but work is still required to reduce smoking during pregnancy and low birth weight rates."

In 2007, the Rudd Government committed \$90.3 million to provide better access to maternal and child health services

Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said that while there was still a way to go to bridge the gap, the report



NIHEC chairman Professor Ian Anderson

revealed some positive signs. "I am encouraged by positive trends in Indigenous child mortality rates, and progress in key areas, such as the increase in the proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mothers accessing antenatal care services at least once during pregnancy," he said.

The second report, the 'National Target Setting Instrument', provides a best practice guide for policy makers on how targets should be set in Indigenous health, in two parts.

The first would be an overall framework for targets, including the role of targets in policy and a guide to effective target setting; and the second would be a series of exemplary analyses to assess tracking against key target areas

with key drivers, trends and projections.

Prof Anderson highlighted the importance of improving the quality of Indigenous data. "It has to be a priority. We need to be able to accurately measure and monitor targets to help close the gap in Indigenous disadvantage," he said.

Mr Snowdon said the reports were a step forward for Indigenous health and he thanked the NIHEC members, including Prof Anderson, for their work.

"We can only make steady and significant advances if we can measure our progress in a consistent and sustained way," the Minister said.

Report backs waste dump



A NORTHERN Land Council (NLC) report into the proposed Northern Territory nuclear waste dump says there are no sacred sites involved and the traditional owners overwhelmingly agree to its use as a repository.

A summary of the anthropological report, tabled in the Senate, says the NLC also consulted nearby traditional land owners, with most agreeing to the proposed use of the site.

The report was tabled by Industry Minister Kim Carr following a notice of motion by Greens senator Scott Ludlam.

The Government initially denied having a copy of this report, but subsequently acknowledged one did exist within the Resources and Energy Department.

However, the NLC consented to the release of only a precis as the original contained information on sacred sites and matters of cultural sensitivity to Aboriginal people.

Muckaty Station

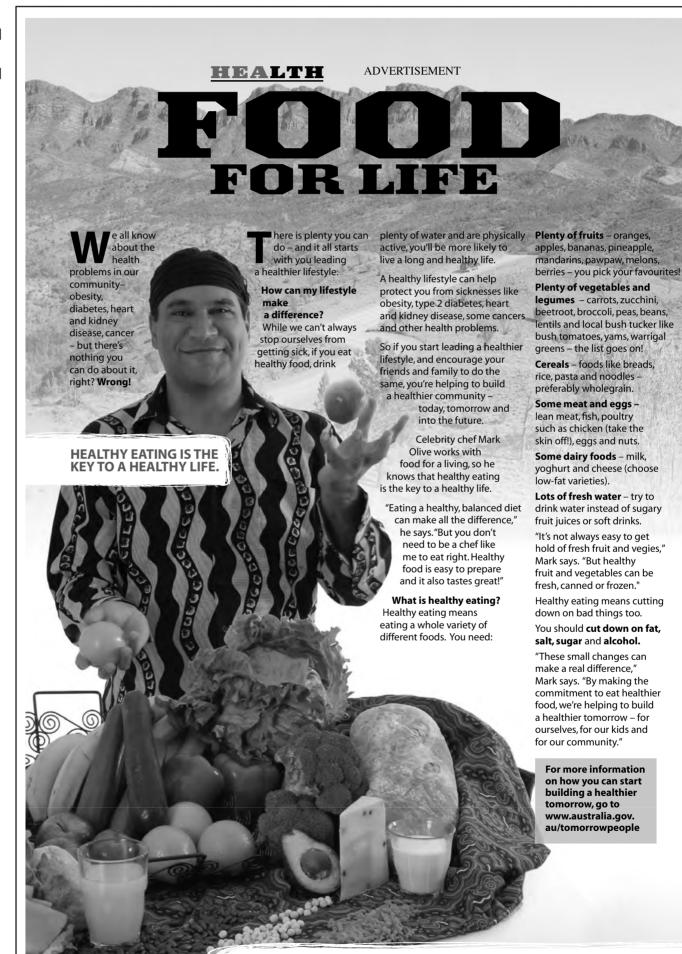
The report relates to consultations with the traditional owners of the Muckaty Station site who offered the land, 120kms north of Tennant Creek, as the site for the facility. Those consultations were conducted in 2006 and 2007, with the report supplied to the former government.

The NLC's consultants said they conducted comprehensive briefings and consultations with the traditional owners, the Ngapa people. "On the basis of those consultations and research, the NLC is satisfied that the traditional Aboriginal owners of the nominated repository site are members of the Ngapa group and pursuant to its traditional decision-making process, that group consents to the nomination," it said.

Consultations with other interested groups and individuals, including traditional owners of adjacent properties, showed substantial support, with only a few individuals expressing

"There are no sacred sites on the nominated site, although sacred sites exist in the broader region," the report said.

The NLC said it was satisfied the establishment and operation of a nuclear waste facility would not damage or interfere with any sacred site. - AAP



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NT people to Goodooga ready for flood waters reap benefit



and business opportunities for Indigenous people in the Northern Territory are

about to get an \$11.5 million boost. The latest round of Aboriginal Benefit Account (ABA) grants will assist 24 projects including expanded tourism accommodation, more training for Indigenous rangers, film-making and new community market gardens.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon announced the grants last week, saying the funding would get new ventures off the ground, back established businesses to expand and invest in skills and training for Indigenous people.

In the Darwin town camps, the Indigenous Community Horticulture Project is being funded to establish three market gardens and to employ 12 Indigenous people along with a horticulture specialist.

Also in Darwin, a grant to the Aboriginal Bush Traders Retail Support Project aims to support Indigenous artists from the Larrakia nation, Bagot, Nauiyu Nambiyu and Wadeye to offer their work at local markets. It will also fund the expansion of the Aboriginal Bush Traders' store and retail management traineeships.

Near Katherine, Nitmiluk Tours will use its grant of \$3.7 million to expand its tourism business with the construction of a 24-room lodge and reception area at the Nitmiluk Gorge. An estimated 255,000 visitors travel to Nitmiluk Gorge every year, creating jobs and generating significant income for the local economy.

On Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island, the Anindilyakwa Land Council is receiving a \$2 million grant to build a research and education centre to improve the capacity and skills of rangers in land and sea management and to support research to help protect 12 threatened species.

The Julalikari Council Corporation in Tennant Creek will be funded to refurbish the recently acquired Barkly TAFE building and the Juno Equestrian Centre to convert them into training campuses for local Aboriginal people.

And the Laynhapuy Homelands Association is receiving four grants totalling \$768,000 to build accommodation for ranger facilitators at Yirrkala, support tourism and cultural ventures at Bawaka and Gangan Homeland and fund the Garrangali Band's first album launch and concert.

The ABA was established under the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976 and receives financial compensation from the Government equivalent to the value of royalties paid in respect of mining interests on Aboriginal land.



THE small northwestern NSW community of Goodooga was amongst those

bracing for weeks of isolation at the weekend, as floodwaters moved down from southern Queensland.

As The Koori Mail went to print the last road into the mostly Aboriginal town had been cut, and the State Emergency Service (SES) was working with other agencies to supply essential items to residents.

About 20 people living at the Goodooga Reserve were issued with an evacuation order and all had taken up temporary accommodation with family and

Most of the town's remaining 350-400 residents had opted to stay in their homes and would be relying on SES members, including some from Moree, to help keep them safe.

"The North West Region SES volunteers have once again done a wonderful job in answering the call for help," said North West Region SES Controller Steve Martin. "The volunteers from Moree and Boggabilla



Moree SES volunteers Michael Knox and Janelle Duncan with North West **Region SES Controller Steve Martin** preparing to depart for Goodooga.

will continue to assist at Goodooga into next week.

The SES said the floodwaters were very slow moving and very slow rising but major flooding, exceeding that of April 1990, was expected along the Culgoa, Bokhara, Birrie and Narran rivers, affecting 85 rural properties as well as towns. Goodooga is on the Bokhara River.

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Wyatt sets sights on Parliament

By KEN BOASE in Perth



NYOONGAR man Ken Wyatt has been nominated by the Liberal Party to contest the Perth seat of Hasluck for the

upcoming Federal Election. Mr Wyatt's nomination is expected to be formalised at a State Liberal electoral council meeting at the end of the

The seat of Hasluck, with more than 83,000 registered voters, is centred on the south-eastern suburbs of Perth, including Gosnells, Kalamunda and Midland, and is held by Labor's Sharryn Jackson by a margin of just

one per cent. Mr Wyatt, who also has Yamatji and Wongatha heritage, has held senior positions with the Health and Education departments in Western Australia for the past 20 years, as well as heading up the Indigenous Office of Aboriginal Health in NSW for nearly five years until 2007.

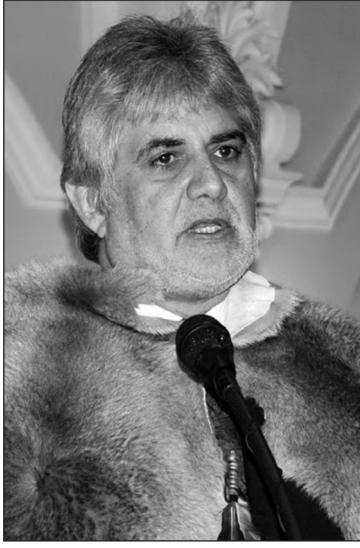
Currently the Director of Aboriginal Health with the WA Health Department, Mr Wyatt said he'd always had an interest in being involved in politics, and his interest intensified after his involvement in successfully pushing a reform agenda with the Council of Australian Governments (COAG).

Mr Wyatt's decision to enter politics was also influenced by his insight into the Federal and State bureaucracies, and concern that Aboriginal people remain the passive recipients of government services

"We're not as active at the community level as we should be, except through the positions we hold in government and through individual leadership, so I just thought it's time to complete the journey by going into politics," he told The Koori

Mr Wvatt said he had indicated to Liberal Party state officials that he would be interested in taking his membership to a higher level in the political arena, and he was inspired by the achievements of other Aboriginal politicians, in particular former Queensland Liberal Senator, the late Neville Bonner.

"I knew Neville Bonner personally and I always admired the work that he set about doing in the Senate, and then Aden Ridgeway in more recent times, so I nominated. That was interesting because you've got



Political aspirant Ken Wyatt: "I made it clear right from the start that I am Indigenous and I am proud of our collective achievements over the years."

to convince delegates within the (seat) division that you're worthy of their support," he said.

"I made it clear right from the start that I am Indigenous and I am proud of our people and our collective achievements over the years, and I mentioned that my mother was part of the Stolen Generations, so they know my background and what

Representation

Mr Wyatt conceded that the Labor Party might, historically, have seemed a more natural fit for Aboriginal political aspirants, but he said he joined the Liberal Party more than 20 years ago because he felt strongly about Indigenous representation in all political spheres.

"We have to diversify in our interests and in the parties that are aligned to what it is that we're seeking, and I would love to see every party put forward Indigenous candidates in the House of Representatives," he

Mr Wyatt's candidacy means that his potential future

colleagues include Wilson Tuckey (Member for O'Connor), whose latest outbursts include a declaration that the 1967 referendum was a waste of time, and scathing criticism of the Welcome to Country

"My whole life experience has been that issue, of talking to people who don't agree with either programs or services or initiatives or strategies that we want to put in place," Mr Wyatt

"Some of that is tough and hurtful, but it doesn't stop you entering a dialogue

"People will ask why do we want or need separate programs and why do we want to be different, and my answer has always been that – as a cultural group - we have strong aspects to the way we are and we ask that they respect our rights as strongly as they assert

If Mr Wyatt's nomination is successful, he will step down from his position in the WA Health Department when election writs are issued.



Australian Government

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

REQUEST FOR APPLICATION

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) in conjunction with the Governor-General are offering a \$25,000 scholarship to one teacher education student from each state and territory.

Eight students each year will be offered the Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarships, for up to four years to assist with study costs.

To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must be an Indigenous Australian and undertake fulltime study in an undergraduate teaching degree.

The guidelines and application form for the scholarships are available at www. deewr. gov. au/In digenous Teacher Scholar ships

Applications close 9 April 2010 (EST).

If you have any queries regarding the scholarships or application process, please direct them to GovGenScholarhsips@deewr.gov.au



Australian Government

Department of Families, Housing, **Community Services and Indigenous Affairs**

VOLUNTEER GRANTS 2010

Invitation to Apply for Funding

The Australian Government is pleased to announce funding opportunities are available under Volunteer Grants 2010. Volunteer Grants provides funding opportunities to eligible organisations whose volunteers are actively working in the

Eligible non-profit organisations are invited to apply for funding ranging between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to support the work of their volunteers. This funding will enable organisations to purchase small practical and tangible equipment items and contribute towards the costs of training, background checks and fuel costs associated with their volunteering activities.

The Volunteer Grants 2010 Application Form, Application Guidelines and further information is available at www.fahcsia.gov.au. Organisations are encouraged to read the Guidelines then complete and submit the electronic application online.

The documents and further information may also be obtained by telephoning the Volunteer Grants 2010 toll-free hotline on 1800 183 374.

A TTY service for people who have hearing or speech impairment is available on

Applications close on Friday 16 April 2010 at 2 pm AEST. Applications submitted or postmarked after the closing date may not be included in the selection process

www.fahcsia.gov.au



Funding For Domestic and Family Violence Projects

As part of the NSW Government's improved approach to tackling domestic and family violence more than \$2 million in new funding is available each year to support non-Government organisations' projects to prevent or minimise the impact of domestic and family violence. At least \$900,000 of this funding is provided to projects that target

The NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet is now calling for expressions of interest from non-Government organisations for one-off funding for domestic and family violence projects.

To be eligible, projects must

- be conducted in New South Wales:
- be no longer than 2 years, as recurrent funding is not available;
- be consistent with the objectives of the Grants Program;
- be linked to a dedicated service specifically designed to address domestic and family
- be delivered by providers with expertise in the area of addressing domestic and family violence, or violence against women;
- not duplicate existing services in the area; and
- either have already been positively evaluated or include evaluation as a key component of

Priority will be given to projects that focus on prevention and early intervention of domestic and family violence and that target areas of high need.

Application forms and guidelines of the Domestic and Family Violence Grants Program can be found at www.women.nsw.gov.au.

The closing date for applications is Friday 9 April 2010. Applications should be addressed to: The Manager Violence Prevention Coordination Unit

Office for Women's Policy Department of Premier and Cabinet PO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2000.

Alternatively, applications can be emailed to dvgrants@dpc.nsw.gov.au

Faxed applications will not be accepted.

Please contact Ms Nicole Lawless at the Office for Women's Policy for further information \S on (02) 9228 3141.

Aboriginal Community Meeting 8th April 2010

The Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment Management Authority invites all Aboriginal community members to discuss a range of natural resource issues in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment.

The Aboriginal community meeting will run between 10am to 12 noon at the Grose Room, Katoomba Council Chambers, 2-6 Civic Place, Katoomba NSW 2780. Lunch will be provided.

RSVP to John Lennis on (02) 4587 0059.





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.

Rebuilding after Koompahtoo



THE NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) says it will be

months before decisions can be made on how to rebuild land rights in the state's Hunter region following the dissolution of the Koompahtoo Local Aboriginal Land Council (KLALC).

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch announced the decision to dissolve the land council on 10 March after findings of corruption against some of the land council's former office bearers and a lengthy period of administration.

Mr Lynch said the move was regrettable and a last resort, but unavoidable.

NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott said last week that NSWALC was still unaware of the extent and scope of the transfer of assets and liabilities from the dissolution, but would try to keep people informed of progress.



councillor Roy Ah See. He said there were people -Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal who could have ensured that the dissolution of the **Koompahtoo Local Aboriginal Land** Council was avoided.

● LEFT: NSWALC's

"We expect the full picture to come to light over the next few days and weeks," he said.

"Our immediate priority is the people directly affected by the dissolution - the six former staff of the land council, and the tenants in its five properties.

Way forward

"The process of establishing a way forward is going to take some months, not weeks. In that time, we will ensure any assets transferred to NSWALC will be protected

for the future benefit of Aboriginal people. Any liabilities that are transferred to NSWALC will be discharged in a way that best minimises the impact on Aboriginal people across NSW."

NSWALC's Councillor Roy Ah See described Koompahtoo's dissolution as a very sad day, but said 'the writing has been on the wall for a long time'.

"While I had hoped Koompahtoo would be around for a long time to come, I don't think anybody can

reasonably say that its dissolution was unexpected," Mr Ah See said.

"With that in mind, there are people - Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal - who could have ensured this day was avoided, but either failed to act, or simply acted in their own self-interest."

Mr Ah See said Koompahtoo demonstrated the need to confront maladministration and corruption, but Aboriginal people had faced bigger challenges than the dissolution of a local land council.

"I look forward to working with the people of my region and beyond - to rebuild Koompahtoo from the ground up," he said.

"We can recreate a once proud, active and vibrant land council and in doing so deliver on the promise that land rights brought us - a promise of an economic future for generations of Aboriginal people to come.'

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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 Tolsen (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 S66Bof 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 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 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.



Indigenous arts – a growing enterprise



Australians than ever have a growing interest in the Indigenous arts scene. This

comes from the latest research by the Australia Council for the Arts, which also identified major opportunities to build audiences for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts across the country.

The findings revealed that nine out of ten Australians agreed Indigenous arts were important to Australian culture.

'More than bums on seats: Australian participation in the arts' aims to provide a complete picture of arts participation for the first time.

The research shows that of the 74 per cent of people who had attended a visual arts and crafts, theatre, dance or music exhibition or performance in the past 12 months, nearly one-quarter (23 per cent) had attended arts created or performed by Indigenous artists.

And while only 17 per cent of the population attended an Indigenous arts event in the past year, 47 per cent said they had a growing interest in the area.

The main finding to come of the research showed that almost two-thirds (64 per cent) of Australians already had a strong interest in Indigenous arts or had a growing interest.

The research linked a relationship between attitudes to Indigenous arts and attendance, with those who had attended an Indigenous arts activity having significantly more positive attitudes.





LEFT: Torres Strait Islander weaving.

■ ABOVE: A scene from the Laura Festival in far north Queensland. Photo by WAYNE QUILLIAM

However, the council said this didn't mean that attendance created positive attitudes; rather those who were going to see Indigenous art were more likely to favour it.

Of those who had attended arts created or performed by Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artists, 34 per cent reported having a strong interest in Indigenous arts and would continue to, while 50 per cent said their interest was growing.

Perhaps even more surprising was that 60 per cent of people who had not attended Indigenous art in the past 12 months still maintained interest in it (14 per cent strong and 46 per cent

The council believes this signals an opportunity for the arts sector to address the demand for more Indigenous art experiences.

Visual arts and crafts were the most popular Indigenous art form, followed by dance and then theatre.

On a state-by-state comparison, New South Wales and Queensland boasted higher levels of attendance at Indigenous dance events than Victoria and South Australia, while the Northern Territory appeared to have much higher attendance levels for Indigenous visual arts and crafts compared with the other states.

The regional differences in Indigenous arts attendance showed dance and live music audiences. were higher in rural areas when compared with inner city or outer metropolitan areas.

The research was based on focus groups, stakeholder interviews and a survey of 3000 Australians.

- MAHALA STROHFELDT

\$10m gift for health

'It is great

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Indigenous

health'



NEW centres aimed at increasing the number of Indigenous doctors, nurses and other health professionals will be established in

Adelaide and Alice Springs, thanks to a \$10 million donation from philanthropist Greg Poche to Flinders University.

The centres will network with

another one established at the University of Sydney in 2008 with a separate \$10 million donation.

Flinders University Vice-Chancellor Professor Michael Barber said transport magnate Mr Poche's 'extremely generous' commitment would allow a number of important education and research initiatives that would, over time, deliver

positive health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The Poche Centres for Indigenous Health in Alice Springs and Adelaide will be led by senior Indigenous academics.

Between them, they'll undertake research to help tailor health services to meet the needs of Indigenous Australians and work to increase the number of Indigenous students studying medicine, nursing and other health profession courses.

The centres will also foster health research by Indigenous researchers and health workers, and research that leads to improvements in Indigenous mental health and social and emotional well-being.

Mr Poche said he was very pleased that two major Australian universities had already taken up the project to improve Indigenous health, and signalled plans to partner with other major Australians universities 'to make this a national initiative'.

Former Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma has accepted a position as Patron of the

Poche Centres for Indigenous Health. "It is great to see philanthropists like Greg Poche investing in projects like Indigenous health," Mr Calma said. "... It is through these collaborative approaches that we will see success in the future where all parties are treated as

equals and partners."





HAIR today, gone tomorrow ... Liz Tobin before and after her World's Greatest Shave exploit.

Close shave for Liz



doesn't worry about the odd close shave. In fact she's

happy to have them because, down the track, they might help save her life.

You see Ms Tobin, a Kamilaroi woman who lives in the northern NSW town of Tenterfield, has a rare blood condition for which a cure has yet to be developed.

That's why she's more than pleased to take part in the annual World's Greatest Shave, a national fundraising campaign by the Leukaemia Foundation.

Like the name says,

participants get sponsored to have their hair shaved. The not-so-brave can opt to have their hair coloured.

Ms Tobin first did the shave two years ago. The 40-yearold was unwell last year, but this month she went back for another appointment with the razor in front of a big crowd at the local tavern. And now, with a couple of fund-raising events still to be held, she is well on track to raise more than \$2000 for leukaemia research.

"Is it worth it? You bet it is," the part-time taxi driver told The Koori Mail on the day of her big trim.

"I've had close relations

who've passed away from cancer and I have a serious blood condition myself. The editor of our local paper, a wonderful mother and lovely person, passed away from leukaemia just recently.

"So for me it's really personal. But it's also been great to see the way my local community - Indigenous and wider - has come together to help raise money.

"People really open their wallets and their hearts, giving donations and taking part in events.

"It gives me great hope for the future."

 Donations can be made to www.worldsgreatestshave.com



POWER OF POSITIVE ROLE MODELS



THE WOLLOTUKA **INSTITUTE**

A self-confessed teenage 'ratbag', Danielle Green doubted tertiary education was for her. But with her high school teacher's help, the 25-year-old is now a university graduate - as well as a teacher herself.

"It was something I didn't think I'd be able to do. But I've definitely proved myself wrong – and a lot of other people too," says Danielle.

Backing the girl from Baryulgil were her family, and high school Aboriginal Education Officer Chris George - studying teaching himself at the time, now a Portfolio Leader at the Wollotuka Institute. Sharing in his experiences saw Danielle enrol in a Bachelor of Teaching and a Bachelor of Arts at The University of Newcastle's Central Coast campus. Its Wollotuka Institute – one of the nationally recognised leaders in Indigenous education – helped her through.

"You don't just get academic support, you get emotional support," she says.

Now, Danielle has big plans to make a difference herself by providing the same sort of support she found so inspiring. And she's starting with her own young Indigenous students at Wadalba Community School.

"I want to be that person connecting with them and encouraging them to go further."

Danielle graduated at the Central Coast campus on 19 February 2010. The Wollotuka Institute congratulates all students who celebrated their success on this special day.

The Wollotuka Institute provides a full range of services to enhance the journey of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through higher education.

The University of Newcastle offers a range of programs, including the Bachelor of Aboriginal Studies and Yapug

To find out more about our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry process, and mid year programs offered please contact Nat Heath on 02 4921 6252 or Nat.Heath@newcastle.edu.au

Interviews for mid-year undergraduate programs will be held in June.

DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



4 Quote



'It's time for **Australia to turn** over a new leaf and move forward'

> - Former Young Australian of the Year Tania Major speaking about GenerationOne

See page 12 and 13

Unquote 7

Not welcome here, Tuckey

he past fortnight's hullabaloo over welcomes to and

acknowledgements of Aboriginal traditional country has thrown up some interesting discussions.

Fortunately, we had Liberal backbencher Wilson Tuckey to add his two cents worth and make everyone else with a view look sensible and dignified.

We think it was Joe Hockey who remarked that his ageing party colleague was like everyone's (presumably least favourite) uncle. Good for a laugh on the odd occasion but more likely than not the silly old bugger who sits in his recliner during family Christmases, devising nasty insults to spit at anyone who begrudges him the last serve of

While we won't deign to comment on Mr Tuckey's own physique, we will say the weight of a belief that anyone really cares what he thinks.

Our own view is that welcomes to and acknowledgments of country - if conducted in a meaningful, genuine and thoughtful way - are the least we should be able to expect from visitors to our land. Much like the non-apology uttered by former Prime Minister John Howard, however, if they're begrudging or mealymouthed we'll let them lie were they fall.

We also think it is worth making the distinction between the two protocols. Acknowledgements of country and traditional owners are something that



decent non-Indigenous people give, not because they feel pushed into it but because they believe it is the right thing to do. Welcomes, on the other hand, are what traditional owners give - if they so desire. There should be no expectation or demand for this to be the case.

The original welcome mat was hastily rolled up when massacres began and strychnine turned up in flour etc. Of course, we don't hold today's generation responsible for anything other than the own actions. But, as CLC Director David Ross observed, denial of something doesn't make it untrue.

We wonder if welcomes to country could usefully be re-badged as 'expressions of country'. By this, we mean a traditional owner might provide an overview of their country and the values and aspirations of their people, and ask visitors to respect and support them as much as they can.

Beyond that, a simple 'have a good one' might even suffice - depending on who is giving the welcome. Hey, it's their country after all.

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A Yarn



CRAIG ASHBY

Australian Indigenous Education Foundation Ambassador

Sydney/Walgett, NSW

Favourite bush tucker? Porcupine.

Favourite other food? Anything in the fridge.

Favourite drink? Water.

What are you reading? I'm flicking through the Gamilaroi Dictionary at the moment.

What are you watching? 30 Rock.

Favourite holiday destination?

Favourite sport/leisure? Rugby Union. Go the Waratahs!

What do you like in life? Working with young people and in our communities.

What don't you like? Not working.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?

My Nan, Jimmy Little and Warren H Williams.

What is the greatest highlight of your life?

The chance to work with our young people.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Indigenous people?

I'd promote education far more make sure our kids get a good education and go on to university.

Future-writer

By KEN BOASE in Perth

ATASHA MOORE was destined to be involved in political struggle - by virtue of her Australian and Aboriginal heritage as well as her personal vision.

Natasha was not born into a political family. She was born in Melbourne in 1984 to a white father and a Nyoongar/Yamatji mother through the Councillor

Natasha's memory of her transient early life, spent mainly in Brisbane with short stints in Perth, is one of conflict and domestic violence in the family home.

Natasha, her parents and her four younger siblings - two sisters and two brothers – moved to Slacks Creek in Brisbane in the late 1980s. The kids' schooling there was interrupted by two stints in Perth when her mother left Natasha's father and moved back to be with family.

Natasha's memory of her father is that of a very strict man, who didn't spare the belt - or the soap. One day Natasha heard her father say the 'f' word in the back yard of their house, but when he heard her say the word he washed her mouth out with soap.

It was while she was in Year 6 that Natasha had her first taste of

The class was receiving a history lesson on the settlement of Australia, three years after the High Court decision in the famous Mabo case.

Natasha, however, was unaware of Aboriginal politics and even her own Aboriginality was never discussed in the family

"And we started talking about European settlement in class and they started talking about Aborigines," she said.
"We hardly talked about it at

home and I suppose I knew I was Aboriginal but it wasn't part of our life, like we didn't attend NAIDOC week or anything like that.

"But then I remember this boy in class calling me a boong, and I remember crying and walking out of the class and all of my friends came out with me and they all supported me.

. This boy was on his own and he ended up apologising because nobody wanted to be his friend

because he called me a boong." Natasha didn't tell her parents about the incident.

In 1995, her mother won custody of Natasha and her four siblings after three years of separation from their father, and the family returned to Perth permanently, settling in Carrawarra where they were surrounded by family.

"I met all of mum's family and I realised I had lots of cousins and some of them were black and I thought 'wow', and it made me proud of who I was," she said.

"We had heaps of cousins and heaps of Aboriginal friends and us girls all used to hang around in a group - just ourselves, no white kids. I was pretty smart in maths and English but when I got to high

Natasha Moore, above, and (inset) speaking at a rally ...
"I met all of mum's
family and I realised I
had lots of cousins and some of them

school, everything changed."

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who I was.

It was during her high school years in 1998 and 1999 that Natasha kept company with a group of Aboriginal classmates who talked about the political issues of the day and discussed what they were learning about the Aboriginal history of the colonial

"I became rebellious," Natasha conceded. "I was in this group of girls and it was a whole new world. I just felt really good knowing I was in this group and I was Aboriginal, but mum and I never talked about

it. When I was in high school I thought all white people were racist and I didn't talk to any of the other students. I hated the teachers because they were white and they didn't help me with my

"Then we'd start hearing about the past - you know, Aboriginal history - and Mum used to tell us about how the police beat up some of her cousins when they were in jail.

"So you just build up these conceptions of non-Aboriginal people and I guess I placed them in one category and I just thought the world sucked."

By the time Natasha left high school in 2000 at the age of 16, she was hungry to know more about the Indigenous history of Australia and Aboriginal politics, but studying keyboard for a year at Abmusic was not enough to satisfy

However, it was there that she met her partner Murray Collard. The couple have one child, 12-month-old Tristin.

In 2001, Natasha attended the Centre for Aboriginal Studies at

Curtin University and studied the Aboriginal Bridging Course, going on to study for a degree in social

work, graduating in 2006. The more she learned about what had been hidden from her all of her life - the truth about colonial settlement - the more restless she became about her own future.

The political activist within her began to stir, and she put her hand up to be the Indigenous representative for the Curtin Student Guild, connecting her with a range of Aboriginal organisations outside campus.

"I started to feel angry and frustrated about what I'd learned and I wanted to do more. It was towards the end of the third year of my social work degree that I heard about this activism group and I thought 'you beauty'."

The group was the Socialist Alliance (SA), which had a branch office at Curtin University, and Natasha immersed herself so completely in their activities that she was asked to speak at a rally, which went against her own feeling of inadequacy.
She had spoken only once

publicly, at a Student Guild barbecue that she'd organised for all Indigenous students on campus and she was obliged to speak briefly to explain the services that the Guild offered.

"I was really shy. I didn't talk to people much and I even developed a stutter when I was younger, but when I spoke at the barbecue I just thought 'what the hell, I have to say it, and it felt good to speak like that.

"I was the first Indigenous person to join the SA and they started to mobilise me and they wanted me to help organise a rally for the National Day of Action (NDA) and also speak at the rally, and that was really liberating

"I spoke about our rights and our men getting incarcerated and I spoke about myself and how important education is to us and for young people to stay in school and improve their own quality of life.'

Natasha's first public rally was in November 2007, and since then she has spoken at a series of NDA rallies against the Northern Territory Intervention and the Federal Government's income management policies.

Through the National Indigenous Cadetship Program, she secured employment in 2007 as a social worker with the Commonwealth Rehabilitation Service (CSR), but she is still restless and would like to work as a family counsellor more directly with the Aboriginal community of Perth.

Natasha is a great admirer of the activists who came before her, and despite feeling disheartened that she's part of a battle that's been going on for decades, she is determined to keep pushing for a better future for her son.

"I want a place for him to feel safe," she said.

"We are the writers of our own future.

Notification & registration of interest-Aboriginal stakeholders-preparation of archaeological research design and application under Part 6 of the *National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974*. Bambara Road, Kariong, NSW (DA 34498/2008).

As per the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's Interim Community Consultation Requirements for Applicants (2004), Aboriginal groups or individuals are invited with respect to register their interest in this project in writing by 7 April 2010 at the following address:

> **Aboriginal Heritage Unit** Godden Mackay Logan 78 George St., REDFERN NSW 2010



SEQ Catchments is calling for tenders to provide training in Aboriginal Cultural Awareness.

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Ordinary Members

About the organisation

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation will identify and support healing initiatives; conduct healing promotion and public education activities in relation to healing and contribute to an evidence base for healing through community-driven and culturally-appropriate research and

About the vacancies

Board Members will be appointed on a part-time basis for a four-year term and will be paid sitting fees for meetings attended. The filling of these vacancies is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 and so applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

How to apply

For an application kit, selection criteria or further information please call (02) 6273 0722, email info@healingfoundation.org.au or visit www.healingfoundation.org.au Applications are due by close of business on 7 April 2010.

Who's that flying the flag?

OVER the past few months I have been trying to get healthy and lose some poundage. To assist in this I've been going to a local gym. I'm not planning on turning into a gym bunny or Muscle Mary, so I just stick to two classes a week. Don't wanna overdo it and lose my lovely lady lumps!

At the gym the other day I was wandering from the changing room to my class when I saw this fulla wearing one of the Indigenous Dreamtime training shirts. My eye's pricked up at the sight! A blackfulla within 50 metres of me! I casually walked past and did the internationally recognised sign you give



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another blackfulla you pass: the head nod. So with the clothes and head nod, I was sure that he was a blackfulla. Later that night, after sweating myself off in class, I was thinking that maybe he was just a white fulla who was wearing a blackfulla shirt? It's hard to tell if someone is a blackfulla or just flying the flag!

I see a lot of people these days wearing Indigenous clothes. Conference t-shirts and carry bags with Aboriginal art are particularly popular, especially Aboriginal education t-shirts and bags. I see them everywhere!

Back in the day if you would see a few black t-shirts with the Aboriginal flag on them that was a special day, but nowadays you can see

people wearing hoodies, t-shirts and caps all accompanied with Aboriginal flag keyrings, watches and even phone screen savers.

It's good to see Aboriginal flags and art around town, but it makes it hard to tell who's black and who's not when everyone is wearing them!

I suppose I will just have to go and introduce myself to that fulla next time I'm at the gym. Even if he's not a blackfulla, at least he's flying the flag.

Aboriginal flags on t-shirts, hats and screensavers what do you have in your wardrobe? Give Ms Koori Love some fashion tips at www.mskoorilove.com.au

Tribunal surveys views of clients

boriginal representative bodies, land councils, community organisations, mining companies, local governments, pastoralists, the fishing industry ... these are some of the diverse groups of people serviced by the National Native Title Tribunal.

Our responsibility is to provide services to groups and individuals involved in the process of determining native title and access for activities on land where native title may exist.

This diverse range of clients requires broad expertise, which we provide in our professional teams in specialist business areas.

To help ensure our ongoing ability to provide high level service, we regularly survey our clients for their satisfaction.

This month we began a client satisfaction survey of our level of service in 2009 and I encourage all clients with an interest in native title to take part.

We're keen to hear what you think about how we do business so we can continue to improve the delivery of our

The Tribunal's role is outlined in the Native Title Act and it explains that we are required to carry out our functions in a fair, just, economical, informal and prompt way.

These functions are to assist parties and others in the native title process, provide registration-testing of native title applications, maintain native title registers, mediate native title claimant applications, mediate and arbitrate future acts, assist in the negotiation of indigenous land use agreements and conduct reviews and inquiries into native title matters.

Good communication between parties promotes positive native title outcomes. To assist this, the Tribunal takes a significant role in facilitating appropriate communication with and between clients and stakeholders.

Our mission is 'facilitating the achievement of timely and effective outcomes', an undertaking which emphasises the Tribunal's enabling and supporting role in the native title system.

One of our key responsibilities is to facilitate a collaborative approach by parties to the mediation process, and to support the parties in that process.

More information about our goals is provided in the Strategic Plan 2009-11, accessible on the Tribunal's website at www.nntt.gov.au

The plan identifies eight strategic



NATIVE TITLE AND YOU

With National Native Title Tribunal Workplace Planning and **Communications Manager TIM EVANS**

priorities for 2009-2011 and applies a 'balanced scorecard' strategic management tool to ensure that clear identified strategies and targets will achieve those priorities.

This client satisfaction survey is one way we can meet our priority to provide clients with a service that best meets

Your participation in the survey is one significant way you can feed back to us how we can improve and tell us what we are doing well or not so well.

The survey has been designed to be effective while not taking up too much of your time – it shouldn't take longer than 20 minutes - and you can take part by phone or online.

People who want to take part must first read and agree to the privacy notice, accessible on our website at

www.nntt.gov.au, then complete and submit the online consent form.

Alternatively, email your consent to publicaffairs@nntt.gov.au or telephone Kezia Jacobs-Smith on (08) 9268 7285 to discuss how you can take part in

Once you give us your permission you may be contacted by GA Research, who will ask you to take part in a telephone interview, at a time that suits you.

GA Research is conducting the research so that your responses will not be identified and the privacy and integrity of people who respond will be maintained.

Your participation in this research provides an opportunity for you to make a difference to the quality of the Tribunal's services.



Call for Movement POETRY

I WRITE to you as the mover of the current 'Aboriginal Political Party' movement with the news that a number of people are coming forward and paying their gold coin to become a registered member of the movement.

As we are operating under a temporary name only, we have asked members to think about a new name for our political movement.

Here are some names put

- Aboriginal Islander Australian Party (AIAP)
- Australian Native Affairs Political Movement (ANAPM)
- Australian Peoples

Political Movement (APPM).

As we have no funds to establish this Aboriginal movement, current members seek the full support of all Aborigines, Torres Strait Islanders and all naturalised Aussies to join us in becoming a gold coin member.

That's all it costs to those 18 years and over to become a member. And membership is open to all Australians of any background.

And when you join up, take part in the naming of this new

I suggest other readers send name suggestions to The Koori

Mail so that they can accompany the three appearing here.

If you want to know how to become a paid-up and registered member and give a donation, here's all you have to do.

Purchase one or two postage stamps valued to \$2 or \$1; attach either of the stamps to a piece of paper with your full name, address, phone number etc (this is an Australian Electoral Commission requirement)

Because we do not have a contact person in other States or Territories at the moment, I suggest that people post the above details to me at: Les Ridgeway, PO Box 116,

Bonny Hills, NSW, 2445.

When I receive members' fees and personal details, their name and details will be registered and a cash receipt forwarded.

Remember, this movement aims to give all Aboriginal Australians and others a national, united voice.

So join with us to make this a reality as we hope to have candidates at the Federal poll scheduled for 2013.

Folks, join us. We need numbers to become a registered movement.

> LES RIDGEWAY **Bonny Hills, NSW**

Like a star

You're the light of my life, a star in the sky

The moment I see you, I'll just want to cry

Together we are... and forever we'll

I ceased my search, when you gave your heart to me.

Countless are the times when I think of you

The distance is killing me, it makes me feel blue

My life has no meaning, if you are not there

Tears have fallen, on your picture I

Love is special... just as you are My love for you burns bright, much What's the point of love if it's not

both ways The first time I saw you, I stood in

Endless thoughts of you pour into my heart every day They will not depart... forever thev'll stav

Things will turn out, just wait and We'll be together... for eternity

TROY BRICKELL (Yorta Yorta) Glenroy, Vic

Autumn

I rise from my slumber and promptly submit to the dogs' demands, as I let them out I walk in the yard and can feel a change within the

Droplets of dew lace the leaves of trees upon the lawn a whisper of wind caresses my neck as the day is about to dawn.

I sharply inhale this morning air it makes me feel alive, its invigorating inner chill confirms that Autumn has arrived.

> **JONATHAN HILL Old Erowal Bay, NSW**

The listed servitude of roots

Sonny it's wrong, to steal that car, but it's all right to steal a whole country to drive on.

Sonny it's wrong, to steal that car, but it's all right to steal all the oil

Sonny it's wrong to steal that car, and it's right for the Rum Corps to pursue you to death.

> **CURLY (Poet in a paper bag)** Qld (Via email)

Acknowledgement is right thing to do

IN raising the legitimacy of acknowledging the Indigenous people of Australia at events, (Federal Opposition Leader) Tony Abbott has provided an opportunity for all Australians to examine ourselves as a nation.

Whether we acknowledge our origins should not be a matter for debate.

It is a matter of fact that this nation was home to a thriving, independent population prior to the arrival of non-Indigenous people.

The existence of human beings on our soil began around 50,000 BC. It would diminish Australia as a nation today if we did not acknowledge this country's first people - past, present and future.

Australians embrace our

Indigenous people on the sports fields and in artistic endeavours. We acknowledge it in names of places throughout the country. We promote the Australian identity as one that has its beginnings in the time of the Dreaming and encourage the world to see first-hand our unique and ancient culture. Given this, it is a small thing we do in acknowledging the traditional owners at events. But it is a very important

It says to the world, and more importantly to ourselves, that we accept the fact we are in a place that has a history and story far beyond 220 years. It says to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander fellow Australians that we are all in the future journey of our country together.

Our nation is now at the end of the first decade of the 21st century. On the Indigenous front, we have come so far, yet have so far to go. We cannot allow ourselves to go backwards. Those who say we should not acknowledge traditional owners would seemingly have us do this.

I will always pay my respects to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander custodians of the land where I stand because it is an acknowledgement of fact and simply the right thing.

> **RICHARD WYNNE Minister for Aboriginal** Affairs, Victoria

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RICHARD WYNNE

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

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Close the racism gap



PHILL MONCRIEFF

THIS is an open letter to Prime Minister Kevin Rudd.

I invite you, Prime Minister, to close your own people's gap; the one called

I invite you to talk earnestly. sincerely and effectively to them and tell them that the racial divide in our country of Australia must and will come to an end.

I invite you to discuss with them the nonsense of my people, like the Indigenous peoples the world over. having to suffer the stigmatisation from their colonial oppressors from day one to now and seemingly forever.

I invite you to talk with Australia about how we as a nation can overcome racism and make a

better future for all our children.

I invite you to sit down on the red earth of this wide brown land and consult with my people about the best way forward towards closing the gap of racism so that we can truly sing together 'We are the lucky country'.

> **PHILL MONCRIEFF** Western Australia

Vic report praised as vital guide

AS a person who has been keenly interested in Indigenous affairs for more than 60 years, I find that the Victorian Government Indigenous affairs Report 2008-09, presented in an easy-to-read format along with beautiful art work, contains most useful information.

After reading so many negative, alienating stories about Indigenous life over the decades, it is heartening that this report, when offering a profile of the 33,000 Indigenous people living in Victoria, affirms that 'Indigenous culture and heritage is a fundamental part of Victoria's identity' and calls on all Victorians to 'recognise, respect and celebrate' Indigenous contributions. In times when populism can adversely influence governments and obfuscation becomes a defence mechanism, it is refreshing to read a report that is frank, honest and free of false, unrealistic promises.

The report details what is widely known; that life is not so good for an Indigenous person living in Victoria (or, for that matter, anywhere else in Australia). For Indigenous Victorian males, life expectancy is 67 years – 12 years less than non-Indigenous males. For females the ratio is 73 to 83 years.

Amongst other things, it reports on mothers and babies, police interaction, repeat offenders, home ownership, life expectancy and unemployment.

Surprising

Space considerations must limit such a report from covering such a wide range of issues, but it is surprising there is little mention of the justice system and the sentencing alternatives to imprisonment, which should be firmly acknowledged as a sanction of last resort.

The progress being made with the Indigenous Restorative Justice Scheme, community-based orders and suspended sentences, for example, would enable readers of this report to learn how effective these much less costly to the taxpayer alternatives to prison have been in protecting the community and rehabilitating offenders.

Self-determination has been sought by many leaders of Australia's First Peoples over the decades, as they struggled to break free of the missions and reserves and fought through the courts to claim land rights. In this regard, the report tells of the distinct Indigenous communities in Victoria, with 38 Indigenous networks now in place and with eight regional Indigenous councils

A notable achievement is the operation of 200 Indigenous community-run organisations covering health, culture, sport, justice and legal advocacy.

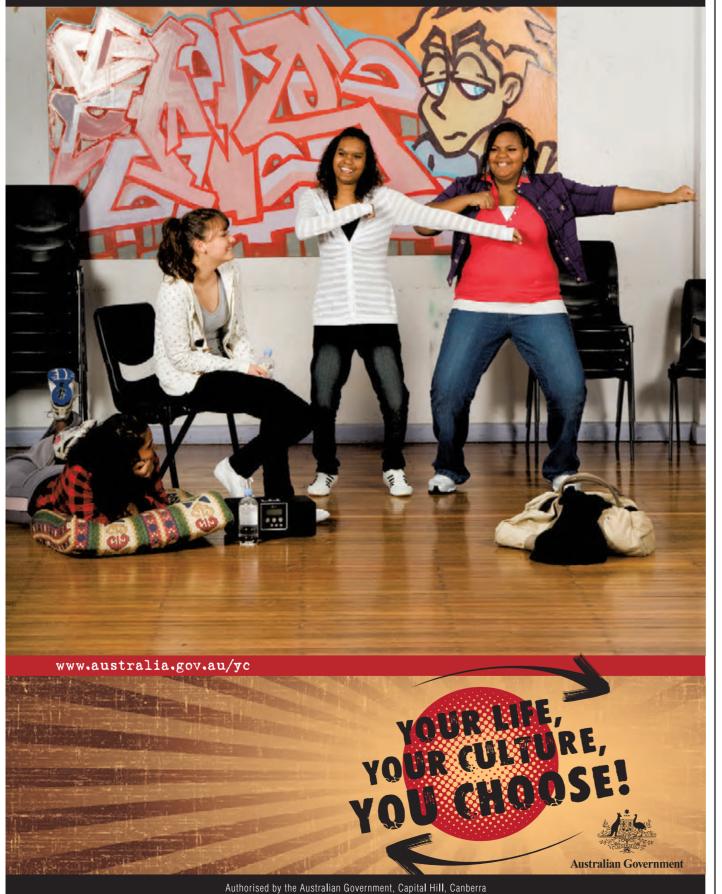
As Deputy Premier Rob Hulls states in the report's preface, 'We are still working towards our goal of closing the considerable gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians... we are making progress... it is up to all Victorians, however, to help provide the opportunity for

current and future Indigenous generations'. This report offers a guide to what me must all

> **KEITH McEWAN Member of Civil Liberties Australia** Bendigo, Victoria

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Drinking too much alcohol is a problem for many young people. We have to look after ourselves. We have to look after each other.



Humphries accused Snakey snakes of sideline sniping



PAUL LYNCH

I AM prompted to respond to the letter to The Koori Mail ('Two Ways Apart', TKM, 10 March) by the Member for Barwon, Kevin Humphries MP.

Correspondence of this calibre exhibits rhetoric over substance

Sniping from the sidelines is no substitute for good public policy which is proudly articulated by the Keneally Government.

Mr Humphries' muscular approach to Aboriginal affairs is remarkably similar to the boots-and-all solutions previously foisted on Aboriginal men, women and children by his political ally, Mal Brough.

The Koori Mail regularly reports on the positive achievements of Aboriginal men and women from around Australia.

It also chronicles the ongoing problems faced by Aboriginal people living in Australian cities and remote and rural communities which for decades were represented by a political party which studiously and deliberately ignored their every need.

Mr Humphries would be better advised to actually articulate some positive policies and programs.

> **PAUL LYNCH MP NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs** Sydney, NSW

THERE have been a number of reports lately of people being bitten by snakes. The 'experts' say there are more snakes getting about now due to the hot and wet weather.



I am an 84-yearold Aboriginal man and when I was a kid the Elders told us always to be careful of snakes and to keep away from them, particularly during the months of February and March as that is their mating season. They said snakes were

timid creatures and only became aggressive if threatened in any way.

Aren't we all inclined to become aggressive if interrupted whilst mating?

HAROLD HUNT St Mary's, NSW

Leadership and what happened to Koompahtoo

I RECALL NSW Aboriginal Land Council's Cr Roy Ah See writing in The Koori Mail last year that he was proud to be part of a new leadership coming through the land rights movement in NSW and elsewhere.

I ask all your readers to check out the Koompahtoo Local Aboriginal Land Council Support Group site and to see first-hand what this new leadership offered Koompahtoo

As many people may be aware, NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch has dissolved our local Aboriginal land council Koompahtoo.

The Koompahtoo LALC was placed under administration by the Minister and, supported by NSWALC, head of Lawler and Partners Terry Lawler was appointed as administrator.

Late last year, the community had a meeting with Roy Ah See and the manager of the complaints unit within NSWALC because the community and members of Koompahtoo had a number of serious complaints to raise about Terry Lawler's administration.

It was just before this meeting that members became aware that Mr Lawler had, in his report to the Minister, recommended dissolution of our land council.

As would be known, these reports and recommendations are also sent to NSWALC for Roy Ah See and the councillors to consider.

We provided Mr Ah See with a list of major concerns that we considered serious. To this day, we have not heard a word or any kind of response from him.

If this is Roy Ah See's idea of the new leadership, I don't want anything to do with it. He simply wiped his hands and turned his back on the very people he says he represents.

Supporting Mr Ah See is Chris Graham, chief editor of the National Indiaenous Times bundles of which NSWALC supplies to land councils through NSW - and now NSWALC's manager of media and marketing.

Mr Graham set up a web site 'Dreaming of a New Koompahtoo' but, when I and other members raised our concerns, he blocked us from the site

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Tribute



Aunty Nora Murray (nee Nicholls). This photo appears with permission from Aunty Nora's family.

A woman of poise, grace and elegance

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Nora Murray (nee Nicholls)

15 January 1928 - 27 February 2010

WOULD like to pay a special salute to Aunty Nora Murray, who died recently in Victoria.

She would undoubtedly have a

special place in the Dreamtime.

I grew up in Adelaide, and Aunty Nora's father was the late Sir Douglas Nicholls, an Aboriginal leader who was the Governor of South Australia in the 1970s.

Going to a mainly non-Indigenous Catholic school in the 1970s, I used to brag to the other kids that then SA Premier Don Dunstan appointed an

Aboriginal man to be Governor. To a young, impressionable Aboriginal lad, Adelaide was a very

special place to be in those days Aunty Nora's mother was Lady Gladys Nicholls, who was equally

as stunning. Aunty Nora's son Gary Murray is someone who I have regarded as a second father, and the generosity and love he has always shown me is something that helped me complete a journalism degree at RMIT in Melbourne in the mid-1990s and launch a career in the media including as host of the NITV program Yeyekerte.

This was when I first met Aunty

Nora and I was immediately struck by her grace and beauty.

Her daughter Diane is also a very close friend to me and is the mother of the brilliant artist and actor Jida Gulpilil. All of her children have that extra touch of class, which she passed on.

Aunty Nora was always beautiful with everyone and there will never be anvone with as much poise, grace and elegance.

My thoughts are with Aunty Nora's children and many grandchildren.

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> **PASCOE BRAUN** Adelaide, SA



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FRSA concern over 'unhappy' letter

FAMILY Relationship Services Australia (FRSA) was very concerned to read the letter 'Unhappy with Govt agency's service' from P Lynch (Your Say, TKM, 10 February).

FRSA is the peak body for family and relationship services across Australia including the 65 Family Relationship Centres (FRCs) referred to in that article.

Family Relationship Centres are funded by the Federal Government but operated by non-profit organisations with

strong connections to their local communities. Collectively the FRCs are committed to being culturally sensitive. They provide a gateway to both family support and family law services in which everyone should feel safe, welcome and listened to.

FRCs provide an alternative way for families to resolve dispute over children's care arrangements after separation. An alternative to adversarial legal processes or working it out on your own.

Safety is a primary concern and

some families cannot be assisted at an FRC because they need the protection of the legal system to be safe from violence or abuse.

The Australian Institute of Family Studies report referred to by P Lynch is actually very positive about FRCs, finding 'the 2006 reforms to the family law system have had a positive impact and that 'overall, clients of post-separation services provided favourable ratings'.

More than 70 per cent of Family Relationship Centre and Family

Dispute Resolution clients said that the service treated everyone fairly, and over half said that the services provided them with the help they needed.

The number and proportion of people identifying as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders who use family and relationship services has increased since the introduction of Family Relationship Centres and we are not aware of any widespread difficulties with cultural competency in these

However, we don't want anyone to feel dissatisfied with an FRC. If there has been a failure in this instance we want to take appropriate steps to address it and ensure that all centres learn

If P Lynch and anyone else with concerns contact us on (02) 6162 1811 or exec@frsa.org.au, we will do all that we can to investigate and address the issues raised.

> **SAMANTHA PAGE Executive Director, FRSA**



THIS photograph which appeared in our Mardi Gras coverage in the previous edition was incorrectly captioned. The correct caption should have read Lawrence Shearer and Susanne Williams, not Chris Bonney and Karlia Rocco. Apologies to all for the mistake.

Please explain call on nuclear waste

THIS is an open letter to Gareth Evans, Co-Chair of the International Commission on Non-proliferation and Disarmament...

Please explain to me why you are actively supporting a large nuclear waste facility in our country? How does making our country a toxic nuclear waste dump benefit us?

This enormous repository will put our country at great risk. The risk of terrorist attack or seismic activity is real and will require extreme safety and security measures forever. How can this be guaranteed and how would it be funded?

How long is this nuclear waste to be stored? Is it safe after 240,000 years? Can you put a time frame on it? It's this sort of legacy that my generation will leave for our children, great grand children and for the generations of Australians to come. I just can't ignore that fact.

I'm horrified. This so reminds me of the Menzies era. It seems unimaginable to me that a government of this country actually invited another country to explode atomic bombs on our soil. Maralinga is a disgraceful episode in our history.

Do you applaud it and it's messy clean-up? This acceptance of massive amounts of waste from other countries is just the same sort of insane act.

Maralinga has been sacrificed. Are you aware that thousands of people have died and suffered as a result of those tests? How many

Aboriginal people were exposed, displaced, removed? No doubt the repository will be on Aboriginal land, in the outback, and the people there will suffer the same fate as the Tjarutja

Why don't you visit the site at Maralinga and test how safe it is? You can't see or smell radiation - what testing methods would you

Australia being so far away from Britain, Europe and America makes us a safe option for them. In the event of an accident or attack the damage is contained far away.

Why don't those countries' governments build large repositories on their own land to store their own wastes? What are the reasons that they do not want their own wastes stored in their own countries? This really needs to be

After all, the waste facilities are deep underground, so space is not the issue. They are wealthy countries, they do have stable government and they do have stable geological formations - and it's their waste.

This issue is of major concern to all Australians and we need to know about it.

I am shocked that you as a (former) Labor politician would support such a demented, dangerous, demoralising, unethical proposal... it's so very depressing.

> **ROBERT WIRTH** Barkers Vale, NSW

Attack is far from welcome

THE attack by several Federal Liberal Party figures last week on the 'Welcome to Country' and the acknowledgement of traditional owners at government events is another sorry chapter in the Australian political landscape.

A Welcome to Country is about Aboriginal people acknowledging the past, and looking to the future.

It is often delivered by an Aboriginal person who has themselves been the victim of government policies.

Our Elders do the Welcome to Country as an act of generosity. These are the same people who have had their

children taken away, or been removed themselves. They're the same people who had their wages stolen by successive governments. They're the same people who had ancestors remains raided by grave robbers. They're the same people who were disposed from their lands and forced on to missions and reserves.

And yet despite all of these terrible events - despite the horrendous treatment by so many parliaments - these very same people are

still prepared to say 'welcome' to the very people who in some cases have presided over the oppression.

I think that shows a generosity of spirit, and a willingness to move forward.

I think it shows a determination by our old people to heal the past and create a better future for our children.

And I find it extraordinary that anyone can oppose or belittle this.

It begs a few important questions of Tony Abbott, Wilson Tuckey and others. What does an acknowledgement of traditional owners cost them personally?

How does it harm Australia? Why do

they oppose it? When is appropriate to be disrespectful to Aboriginal people? And why have they picked this fight

I believe most right-thinking Australians will see this attack from Abbott and Tuckey for what it is headline hunting. Indeed some Australians already have.

It's encouraging to see some church groups condemning this behaviour, particularly given Mr Abbott's claims to have a strong sense of Christianity and spirituality.

I'm not sure what religion promotes

this kind of divisive conduct and promotion of ignorance, but I'll leave that to Mr Abbott to rationalise.

As for the broader Australian community, I hope they understand that this attack hasn't come at the expense of Aboriginal people. The ones damaged in this ridiculous debate have been Tony Abbott and Wilson Tuckey. And the Liberal Party, of course.

And on that front, you might also view their conduct as providing some positives. Under John Howard Liberal Party

racism was a lot harder to put your finger on. It was more sophisticated, more

Under Abbott, it's in your face. It's

That may be infuriating, but it can also be liberating. At least now we all really know what the Liberal Party of Australia stands for - racism and division.

The deafening silence from Mr Abbott's colleagues confirms that.

> **BEV MANTON** Chairperson, NSWALC



BEV MANTON

Yabun winners named



THE winners of the 2010 Yabun Awards received their gongs at a ceremony recently

Established by the Gadigal Information Service, the home of Koori Radio, the awards recognise valuable contributions made by Indigenous people living within the Koori Radio footprint.

About 50 people attended the ceremony, which was held on the rooftop of the station's new premises in Cope Street, Redfern. The 2010 recipients were:

Person of the Year:

Constance Chatfield - Aboriginal Liaison Officer with the Local Government and Shires Association, in acknowledgement of her commitment and contribution to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community through her work with the Local Government and Shires Association.

Young Person of the Year: Jack Manning Bancroft - Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience, in acknowledgement of his support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth through his commitment and contribution to the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience.



At the Yabun Awards, from left, Jack Manning Bancroft, Constance Chatfield, Nancia Guivarra and daughter Jasmin Guivarra, Tim Bishop, Cathy Craigie, Anita Heiss, Sue Pickham and Merle May.

Elder of the Year: Dulcie Flower - in acknowledgement of her tireless support of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community through her commitment and contribution to the continued success and operation of the Redfern

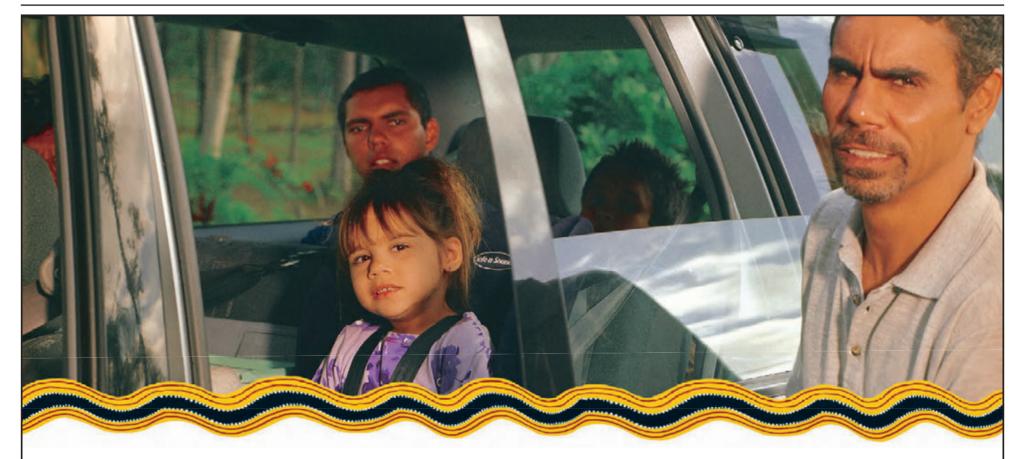
Aboriginal Medical Service.

Artist of the Year: Dr Anita Heiss, author - in acknowledgement of her contribution and success in the field of Indigenous literature.

Broadcaster of the Year: Leo Tanoi - Koori Radio volunteei

broadcaster presenting the 'Black President Show' and also founder of Samoan Dreaming, in acknowledgement of his commitment and contribution to Gadigal Information Services and the Koori Radio broadcasting program.

Outstanding Contribution of the Year: Cathy Craigie - in acknowledgement of her continued commitment and contribution to the development and success of Gadigal Information Service, Koori Radio and the Yabun Festival.



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Apprentices power on



TEN Indigenous apprentices will play a role in upgrading the NSW electricity network, joining another 141 'bright sparks' as first-year apprentices with EnergyAustralia.

The group completed pre-apprenticeships with the energy company, whose apprenticeship program started 100 years ago this year.

With more than 600 apprentices now in training, EnergyAustralia is the largest single employer of apprentices in NSW.

The class of 2010 was selected from 3000 applicants to help EnergyAustralia deliver its record \$8 billion investment in the electricity network.

EnergyAustralia Managing Director George Maltabarow welcomed the 151 new apprentices to the program.

Talented

"These talented individuals follow in the footsteps of some 4000 apprentices who have trained and worked with EnergyAustralia over the past 100 years," Mr Maltabarow said.

"We're proud to offer these new recruits world-class learning facilities and industry-best training.

"Each of our new apprentices will play a role in helping EnergyAustralia deliver the biggest investment our electricity network has ever seen.

"They will be employed on the frontline working to serve local communities in Sydney, the Central Coast and the Hunter during storms and on major electricity projects.'

EnergyAustralia has recruited more than 1000 apprentices since 2003.

Apprentices are trained at EnergyAustralia facilities in Silverwater, Meadowbank, Wallsend and Muswellbrook and study at TAFE schools in Sydney, Newcastle, Central Coast and the Hunter Valley.



EnergyAustralia former Indigenous pre-apprentices Cameron Richardson, Blake Smith, Mathew Ferris, Raygan Hermes, Mathew Lyons, Shane Lyons, Craig Jeffery and David Harrison have recently started apprenticeships with EnergyAustralia.

Crime prevention boost



A COMMUNITY justice group has received funding for another staff member to help with rehabilitation and crime prevention

efforts at the Mossman Gorge community in Queensland's

Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle said a one-off grant of \$15,000 had been made to the Bamanga Bubu Ngadimunku Inc (BBNI) justice group.

"The group works closely with the Family Responsibilities Commission and the Mossman Court to ensure clients receive the support they need," she said.

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WOMADelaide 2010



Members of the Kurruru Dance Ensemble performing in Adelaide.

Crowd flocks to SA festival

Photos by NATHAN PARKER and JACK GRIEVE



FROM sitar virtuoso Ravi Shankar to ancient ceremonial songs from Arnhem Land, there was something for everyone at this year's WOMADelaide festival. Thousands of world

music fans braved sometimes stormy conditions to attend the event in Adelaide's Botanic Park from 5-8 March.

The festival began with a welcome to country by Elders of the Kaurna people,

traditional owners of the Adelaide Plains.

Collaboration and exchange were key to many of the Aboriginal performances and visual arts.

Pitjantjatjara singer and songwriter Frank Yamma performed solo as well as alongside the likes of non-Indigenous musicians David Bridie and Helen Mountfort in an all-star gala.

Darwin-based Shellie Morris, dubbed by some as the 'Janis Joplin of Jingili', unfurled a chilled-out blend of folk and

The Young Wägilak Group, from Ngukurr in south-east Arnhem Land, performed a moving seven-song cycle of 'manikay' or ceremony, while the aerial exhibition 'Kungkarangkalpa in the Sky' marked a cultural exchange between 20 artists from South Australia's remote Anangu Pitjantjatajara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands and British flag artist Angus Watt.

Twenty flag 'canvases' told the creation stories of the Seven Sisters dreaming and were exhibited alongside 150 of Watt's colourful flags throughout the festival grounds. The APY artists painted on-site nearby, taking part in a workshop and performing 'inma' or ceremony.



The Kaurna welcome to country, carried out by Karl Telfer and Elders Joan Lamont, Georgina Williams and Josie Agius.



The Nguru Wiru Winkiku Dancers performing Kungkarangkalpa In the Sky.



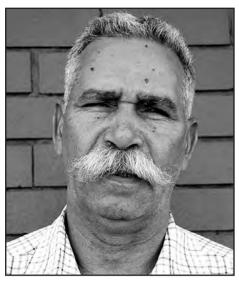
Shellie Morris performs.



Raquel and Kaylene Kerdel enjoyed the vibe at WOMADelaide this year.



Janet Inyika, Angela McMillan with baby Samuel, Derek Lynch and Robert Forrest were at the festival.



Ampilatwatja Walk-Off spokesman **Richard Downs**

Protest house almost bui

By KERRI-LEE HEGARTY



CONSTRUCTION of the Ampilatwatja 'protest house', which began in January, is now virtually complete.

The project was borne out of some Alyawarr people's frustration about the ongoing

Northern Territory Emergency Response (the NT Intervention) and chronically poor housing in their prescribed community, 300kms north-east of Alice Springs.

They walked off Ampilatwatja and joined forces with the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) and other unions to build the pre-fabricated protest house at nearby Honeymoon Bore before houses were completed under the joint Federal and NT Strategic Indigenous Housing Implementation Program (SIHIP) to illustrate the extent of delays.

Launched in 2008 and encompassing plans to build new houses and refurbish others in NT communities, SIHIP has delivered just two new houses to date - in the Top End community of Wadeye.

Last week, Ampilatwatja Walk-Off spokesman Richard Downs spoke at Melbourne's Trades Hall. He thanked CFMEU and other union members for lending their support and gave an update of the project and current situation at Ampilatwatja.

Mr Downs told The Koori Mail that the Alywarr people had linked with and received support from other Aboriginal groups in Yuendumu and South Australia.

'Our plan now is for all these language groups to come together in July at Uluru,"

"We need a peoples' movement. It is time to move now. The time for sitting back and analysing and trying to find out about what's happening in the NT – that's over. Now it's time for action. People have had enough.

"You've got the Lajamanu people, you've got Hermannsburg groups, the Yankunytjatjara/Pitjantjatjara people, and the Anangu people are all saying they've had enough."

Mr Downs said the Intervention, including its income management measure, was forcing people to move into town centres away from their homelands.

Gooda on road trip to hear issues



MICK Gooda has a lot of kilometres ahead of him. He has begun a trip which will take him around the country over coming months, visiting Indigenous

communities.

As the new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Mr Gooda is in the process of gathering first-hand information on the most pressing concerns facing indigenous people. He is also hoping to hear the most innovative solutions being developed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

To do that, he is meeting with key organisations and community leaders around Australia.

The trip began in Queensland last week. He visited Cape York and met with the Cape York Land Council, Cape York Health Council and the Cape York Family Violence Prevention Unit in Cairns.

He also met with the Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council and key community organisations.

Mr Gooda's journeys will continue until June, and he will meet with communities, organisations, government, parliamentary, community, academic and private sector stakeholders.

"I am really excited about this trip because it will give me first-hand information at the beginning of my term as commissioner on what human rights issues Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities think need to be given specific priority," he said.

"The trip has been organised so that I can work with people on the ground to identify new or emerging issues and

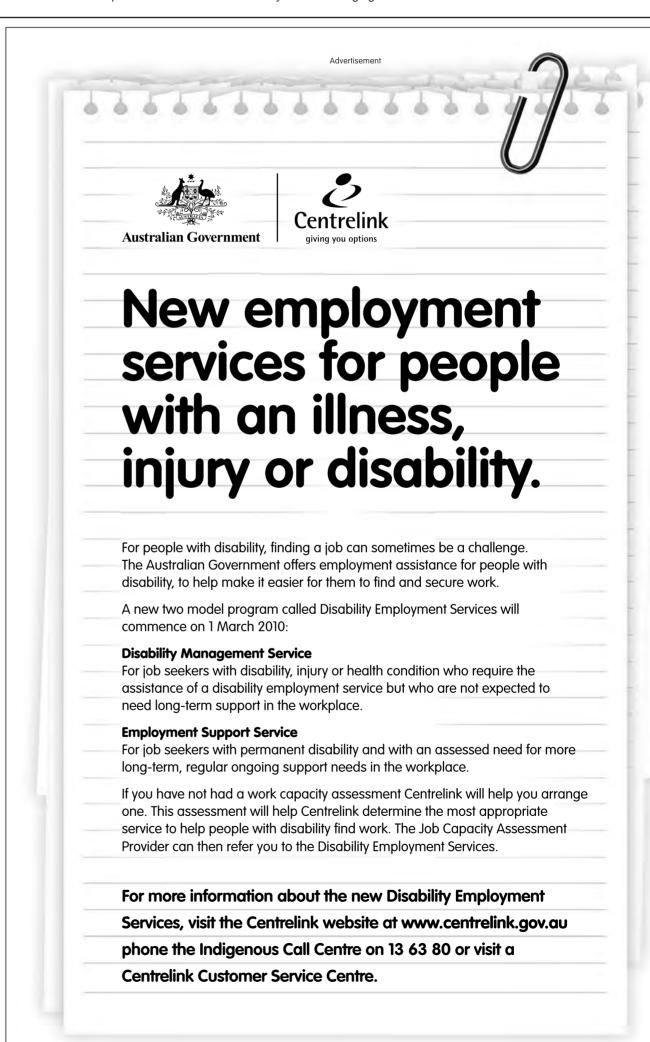
gather up-to-date information and case studies to inform my work.

"I will be connecting widely with a range of people and building strong relationships with Indigenous leaders and others.

"These, and future, visits will ensure I have the most up to date information on the state of the nation in terms of the human rights and needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and will steer the course for my term as Social Justice Commissioner.'

Mr Gooda will also visit a range of metropolitan, regional and remote locations in Townsville, Palm Island, the Torres Strait Islands and Darwin in the coming month.

He will also meet with key stakeholders in Brisbane, Perth, Sydney and Canberra.



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Social Development Committee **Call for Submissions**

Inquiry into addressing cannabis-related harm in Queensland

The Social Development Committee is undertaking an inquiry that will consider: the risks associated with cannabis use, particularly for young people; and strategies to reduce the level of cannabis use in Oueensland.

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Ms Lindy Nelson-Carr MP Chair





Aboriginal Heritage RICHMOND RD UPGRADE

In the North West Growth Centre developers are planning to upgrade Richmond Road between Bells Creek and Grange Ave, Marsden Park.

As part of the planning process for the proposed upgrade, the RTA is seeking the registration of Aboriginal groups and/or Aboriginal people who wish to be consulted on Aboriginal cultural heritage matters relating to the Richmond Road upgrade.

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 7 April 2010.

To register your interest, please contact: Barry Gunther, RTA Aboriginal Culture & Heritage Advisor

PO Box 973 Parramatta CBD NSW 2124 Ph- 02 8849 2006 Fax- 02 8849 2886.

Anderson calls for 'welfare camp'



NEW South Wales Aboriginal activist Michael Anderson has called on

Aboriginal and other welfare recipients to set up a 'welfare camp' in Canberra.

Mr Anderson condemned as 'cowardly' Federal Government plans to roll out NT Intervention-style compulsory welfare quarantining across the country, and encouraged welfare recipients to picket the offices of their

local MPs over the issue.

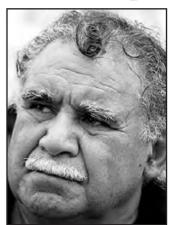
"We cannot have any government attack the poor because of their life circumstances. It is a cowardly act of very irresponsible people," he said in a statement last week.

Mr Anderson, who convened the 'New Way Summit' in Canberra, said politicians needed to know well in advance of the next Federal election people's displeasure at how they were being governed.

"This Government and anyone else who is thinking of trying to win government needs to understand that the poor and working class do vote and the numbers of welfare recipients need to show their faces," he said, predicting the Labor Party's electoral 'decimation'.

"The working class and the poor need to show all the major parties that we won't stand for their 'BS' any more, and what better way than to vote for independents?"

Mr Anderson said the welfare camp should be established around mid-April before the cold sets in.



MICHAEL ANDERSON

WA support to teach our languages

By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



ABOUT 400,000 West Australians support calls for Indigenous languages to be a formal part of the WA school curriculum, according to the findings of an online newspaper and

television survey in Perth.

The survey, involving 3400 respondents, found that 20 per cent supported the inclusion of Indigenous languages as part of the school curriculum, while more than half supported the Mandarin Chinese language as the preferred foreign

The WA school curriculum currently includes three Asian languages, but there is no formal inclusion of Indigenous languages, which are taught by agreement between individual schools and Indigenous language teachers or speakers.

However, as far as actual numbers go, Indigenous languages are proving more popular than Mandarin, with 6400 WA students studying an Indigenous language and about 4000 learning Mandarin.

Nyoongar Elder and language teacher Janet Hayden said she was not surprised by the survey results, as she had seen the popularity of Indigenous languages grow amongst WA students since she began teaching in 1995.

Ms Hayden said she was delighted that so far many wadjela (non-Aboriginal) children were learning the Nyoongar language, as she discovered during a recent teaching tour of schools in the WA south-west, near Bunbury.

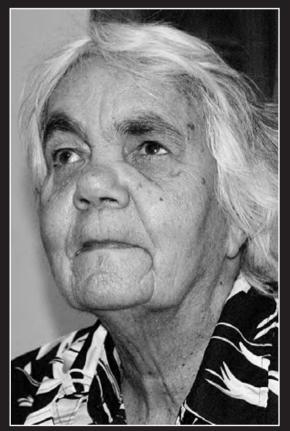
"We did six schools in a whole week, and there was only one little Aboriginal boy amongst about 400 children in those schools," she said.

"And they were just so hungry for the Nyoongar language we taught in school. We taught them the whole program and they just loved it.

They wanted more and more, and when we left the teachers all said 'please

'They were just so hungry for the **Nyoongar** language we taught in school'

> - Nyoongar Elder and language teacher Janet Hayden



come back, don't forget about us', and that was in a white community."

Ms Hayden said teaching Nyoongar language in a school setting often affected the families of the students.

Opened eyes

"One very distinguished gentleman came up to me and he had tears in his eyes and said I had opened his eyes to Aboriginal culture and what Aboriginal people were all about.

"He said 'I'll never forget what you've done', and he said his little girl had taught him so much because of what I taught her."

WA Education Department spokesman Andrew Thompson said the teaching of Indigenous languages in

schools was important for several reasons, including the maintenance of language and to give students a meaningful cultural experience.

"The 2005 national Indigenous language survey report did show that about 145 Indigenous languages are still spoken in Australia," he said.

"But of those, 110 are critically endangered, so we see the teaching of languages in schools as being critical to the maintenance of Indigenous languages and to the maintenance of our overall cultural identity as Australians."

The Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority will release a discussion paper later this year on the formal adoption of Indigenous languages in all Australian schools.

Tackling violence

Footy club joins the battle to stamp out domestic abuse

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



ABORIGINAL men are getting serious about domestic violence, and are not afraid to speak out against it in their

communities. That's the message from Grantley Creighton, of the Northern United Rugby League Club.

The Indigenous football club has just signed on to the 'Tackling Violence' campaign, which players believe will help raise awareness of the subject.

NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney launched the new season of Tackling Violence on 6 March in Redfern, and was joined by rugby league legends David Peachey and Ricky Walford and former Origin Greats Max Krillich and Phil Sigsworth along with Australian Rugby League CEO Geoff Carr and former Souths Rabbitohs player Joe Williams.

Mr Creighton said the idea of the joining the campaign came from coach Chris Binge, who had a background in community services and thought the team would be well placed to take on a leadership role in the community on domestic violence issues.

"We want to show we're a club that's community-minded," Mr Creighton said.

"It's our chance to tackle a subject that affects everybody in some way and we thought this was our chance to make a difference in our community.

"From a Koori male perspective, there's been a lot of negative stereotypes about Aboriginal men. We want to do whatever we can to make our communities safe. Most of our supporters are women and children."

For that reason, a ban on alcohol sales at all home games has been in place since the club's inception last year.



The Tackling Violence launch in Sydney on 6 March. NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney (front centre) is joined by Aaron Sweeney and David Tangata-Toa from Windsor Wolves, Northern United's Willie Hammond and Ryan Walker of Windsor Wolves.

"The males in the community can be a stepping stone in making our communities safer. Our main aim is to look after the welfare of our supporters and our community," Mr Creighton said.

Minister Burney said the success of last year's anti-violence campaign, held in partnership with regional rugby league clubs, had grown from six clubs in 2009 to 14 this year.

'Tackling Violence is about rugby league players taking the lead and being role models, especially to boys and young men, by standing up and saying domestic violence is unacceptable," she said.

"These new teams asked to be involved with the program because they recognised that domestic violence is a major problem in their communities and they want to be involved in the education and prevention campaign.

Local campaigns

The NSW Government has kicked in an additional \$410,000 to expand the program, with \$5000 sponsorship for each participating team to run local campaigns aimed at reducing domestic and alcohol-related violence and raising awareness on the issues.

As part of the sponsorship deal, each club will agree to a code of conduct with enforceable penalties should a player

commit a domestic violence-related offence.

Tackling Violence Ambassador David Peachey said that the program had a particular focus on communities with a high Aboriginal population.

"Many of these teams have a large number of Aboriginal players. We know Aboriginal women are nearly six times more likely to be victims of domestic violence than non-Aboriginal women, and Aboriginal children and young people are three times more likely to be victims of domestic violence," Mr Peachey

"So as Aboriginal footy players, we can play a big part.'

"League is in the blood of Koori people. Kids look up to us as role models, the whole community looks up to us. We must use our popularity to get the message across that domestic violence is a serious crime.'

On a national level, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin recently announced a host of community domestic violence programs would soon be rolled out in 14 Indigenous communities across the country, with an \$860,000 funding

One of the programs has taken the anti-violence message to the stage, while another uses Indigenous stories to

engage young Indigenous people, the Minister said.

One of the Indigenous groups involved, the Alice Springs-based Akeyulerre Inc, will support senior Indigenous men to mentor and educate young people, including bush activities that promote respect between men and

Cultural workshops

Another, Link-Up NSW Aboriginal Corporation in the Blue Mountains, will hold weekly cultural workshops to develop self-esteem and respect, as well as sexual health education information sessions. The project is targeted at young men in the Penrith Adolescent Centre within Blaxland High School.

The Australian Red Cross, with \$150,000 funding, will deliver RespectED, a violence-prevention and education program in Maningrida and in and around Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory.

"Each of these innovative projects help to educate communities about the choices they have in their day-to-day lives to reject violence," Ms Macklin said.

'If we are to succeed in creating a safer community, we need all Australians to stand together and say no to violence and abuse in our communities.'



ABORIGINAL people living at Santa Teresa in the Northern Territory are investigating options such

as creating an incorporated body to give them a greater say over their futures.

Central Land Council Director David Ross said more communities could follow the community's lead, as locals feel frustrated and disenfranchised since the Northern Territory

Government scrapped community councils.

Mr Ross said the replacement of the councils with shires had taken away the voice of Aboriginal people.

"The impact of the shires, combined with the Northern Territory Emergency Response, has meant that people feel they don't have a voice in how things are run in their communities," he

"They don't have a local council that represents their community, their interests. Decisions that affect their lives are taken from a distance.

"It limits the amount of people who get a chance to speak up for their community and has created a governance gap."

Fully consulted

Mr Ross said if the incorporated body was set up in the right way with its goals and role clearly laid out and community members, organisations and traditional

owners were fully consulted and involved, the new institution could be useful in providing people with an independent voice.

"With resourcing and support, these bodies could play a key role in representing communities with governments of all levels, not just local government," he said.

"This sort of step might be a positive move for communities to take by enabling them to get their concerns and problems heard and restoring some self-determination over their day-to-day lives."



CLC Director David Ross



Nathan Ahboo

Notification & registration of interest for Aboriginal stakeholders-Aboriginal heritage assessment at 88 Spinks Road, Glossodia, NSW.

As per the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's Interim Community Consultation Requirements for Applicants (2004) covering Part 6 Approvals of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 Aboriginal groups or individuals are invited with respect to register their interest in this project in writing by 7 April 2010 at the following address:

> EG Property Group C-/ Aboriginal Heritage Unit Godden Mackay Logan 78 George St., REDFERN NSW 2010

National Indigenous Knowledge Centre Project

Have your say

Have your say on a National Indigenous Knowledge Centre. What could a national centre do, and what could it look like? Email submissions can be sent to nikc@slq.qld.gov.au . Postal submissions can be sent to PO Box 3488, South Brisbane, Queensland 4101. Closing date for submissions is April 30

To see more information including an issues paper with key questions go to www.slq.qld.gov.au/about/ppp/initiatives/nikcproject



Planning and

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST are invited for the **Gippsland Rural Women Leading Change Reference Group**

The Rural Women Leading Change Program 2009-2011 provides opportunities for regional and rural women's leadership and participation to build stronger and more resilient communities.

The Gippsland Rural Women Leading Change Reference Group will advise and support the program. Meetings will be held quarterly. Membership is voluntary and reimbursement of some out-of-pocket expenses will be considered

For more information and to request an information pack and application form, call Jeanette White, Department of Planning and Community Development Gippsland regional office in Traralgon on (03) 5174 7308 or email jeanette.white@dpcd.vic.gov.au. Applications close on 16 April 2010 at 5.00pm.

Expressions of Interest

Public Art Design, Consultation and Commission

Woodlark Street, Lismore City Streetscape Enhancement Public Art Project

Lismore City Council is calling for Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified artists to undertake a public art project (including a community consultative process) as part of the Woodlark Street Streetscape Enhancement Project. The Expressions of Interest package is available at www.lismoregallery.org

Artists should supply the following material to register an

- Artist's curriculum vitae (no more than two pages)
- documentation of previously conceived like projects (no more
- · current or relevant work (no more than 15 images).
- proposed ideas for Woodlark Street Public Art Project including drawings/plans and materials used
- well considered budget
- completed Schedule 1 and 2 of the Expressions of Interest

This information will assist the Public Art Reference Group (PARG), convened by the Director, Lismore Regional Gallery to select an appropriate artist/s to submit final design ideas. The PARG will consider artists on the basis of existing and relevant work, their professional track record and experience in design delivery informed by community consultation.

Expressions of interest are to be addressed to Brett Adlington, Director, Lismore Regional Gallery, PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480 and are to be received by 4.00pm Friday 23 April 2010. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Enquires can be made to Brett Adlington on phone: 02 6622 2209 or email: artgallery@lismore.nsw.gov.au

Climbing NAB's ladder



NATHAN Ahboo has a knack for making hard work sound easy. Thirteen years of perseverance at the National Australia Bank (NAB) paid off recently when the young

Torres Strait Islander was appointed Insurance Business Development Manager with the bank's wealth management division, MLC Sales.

Now, Mr Ahboo is encouraging other Indigenous people to apply for NAB traineeships.

'The biggest hurdle is building up the confidence to apply, but once the application is in, the hardest part is over," he said.

But Brisbane-raised Ahboo has not rested on his laurels since being offered a position in the bank's Trainee Banker Program and gaining experience in Lending Services, Business and Retail Banking.

Since graduating from the trainee

program, he has worked in consumer lending and most recently as a Senior Manager Financial Planning with NAB Private Wealth.

He also completed a Bachelor of Business in Banking and Finance from Queensland University of Technology and an Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning from Tribeca Learning Corporation through NAB's Study Assistance Program.

Passionate

Mr Ahboo is passionate about ensuring more Australians take out personal insurance cover.

"Since starting my working career at NAB, I have had an all-round education and experience in banking," he said.

"Completing my studies while working was hard, but well worth the reward. Being in a large organisation like NAB, there are plenty of opportunities to develop your career."

To help other young Indigenous

people start their careers in banking, NAB is offering Associate Business Banker Full-time Indigenous Traineeships in Queensland and Western Australia.

NAB Indigenous Employment Program Manager Darryl Monaghan says the traineeships will offer valuable on-the-job experience and the chance

"The trainees will have the security of a full-time job as well as the support of NAB to undertake a Certificate IV in Business Administration," he said.

"They'll have the opportunity to enhance their skills in customer service, sales, analytical and administrative support."

NAB is offering the Associate Business Banker Full-time Traineeships under its second Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), which can be found online www.nab.com.au/indigenous

Report calls for a fair go

By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



INDIGENOUS contractors in West Australia's Pilbara region have called on the State and Federal governments to do more to assist Aboriginal people in the region to develop their own companies and businesses to service the growing resources sector.

The Pilbara Aboriginal Contractors Association (PACA) has released a 40-page report pointing out the historic lack of business opportunities for Aboriginal people in the mining sector, which has been operating for more than 40 years.

The report, 'Review of Contractual Arrangements Between Australian Aboriginal Enterprises and the Resource Industry,' says the Pilbara Aboriginal population of 7100 represents more than 15 per cent of the total population, and yet business representation is less than

The report also says that Aboriginal unemployment in the region remains at over 50 per cent despite the thousands of jobs on offer in the resources sector.

"Despite the long lasting and highly profitable nature of the resource sector, Aboriginal people and in particular Aboriginal contractors have not reaped any of the benefits that one would have expected to flow to the local community, especially in more recent times when governments and business have accepted and adopted a corporate social responsibility, and not just an economic responsibility," the report said.

It also notes that 'the Commonwealth Government recognised that improving the long-term economic participation and wealth creation by Aboriginal individuals and communities is one way to close the gap on Aboriginal disadvantage'.

The report argues that developing sustainable Indigenous contracting businesses will also help solve the growing challenges faced by the resources sector, including labour shortages and the expensive and logistically difficult practise of fly in-fly out workforces.

PACA General Manager Tony Wiltshire said Aboriginal people in the Pilbara were still living in squalid conditions because of the lack of business opportunities in the resources sector and other industries.

"It's similar to third world cities, and inside those cities you've got millions and millions of people and on the outer fringes you've got all the people living in rubbish tips because of the various reasons in their countries," Mr

"That will give you some idea of what it's like in the



PACA General Manager Tony Wiltshire

Pilbara for Aboriginal communities and people.

"Because they have been excluded in business predominantly over those years, it's resulted in no opportunities and the Aboriginal businesses that are around now basically only formed in the last 10 years."

Mr Wiltshire said the Indigenous businesses that had become operational were proving their worth in terms of stability and retaining employees, and governments should offer assistance to create more opportunities.

He said industry and government needed to do more than simply recruit and absorb Aboriginal workers into their own workforces.

"With employment, Aboriginal people recruit, retain and train more Aboriginal people than any other business group or sector in the country," he said.

"So Aboriginal businesses are the best recruiter and trainers of Aboriginal people because they understand the cultural requirements and obligations and conditions and circumstances of Aboriginal people in the Pilbara far better than any of these resources companies operating in the Pilbara.'

The report concludes that if Aboriginal businesses were able to get a fair share of resource contracts in the Pilbara over the next 20 years, it would dramatically improve the social and economic fabric of every Aboriginal person in the region.



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Upgrade for store on Palm Island



Story and photos by **ALF WILSON**



AN upgraded Palm Island Retail Store officially opened for business when Queensland Aboriginal and **Torres Strait**

Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle visited the north Queensland Aboriginal community earlier this month.

Renovations worth about \$1.4 million, including a new roof and deli, have been carried out on the old store. They were described by locals and visitors as being at least the equal of many established big-name supermarkets in nearby Townsville or Cairns.

Ms Boyle said it was a wonderful store, which she hoped would be an asset for Palm Islanders.

"Serving the community for 50 years already, this extensive upgrade has really given the retail store a new lease on life," she said

"With extra shade out the front, better seating on the ocean side of the building and places for displays, it can also serve the community as a place to meet and catch up.'

Ms Boyle said the renovation had also included a significant upgrade to store refrigeration, new internal wall linings and ceiling, new floor covering. shelving, an upgrade to the







In the new store are, from left, worker Clint Barry near the large range of bananas; Minister Desley Boyle inspecting the aisles with Palm Island Deputy Mayor Raymond Sibley; and store worker Steven Sariman with a watermelon in the fruit section.

takeaway facilities and replacement of external walls, roof and windows

Store management worked with the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council during the construction phase to ensure the facility was as pleasant and welcoming as possible.

'They've certainly achieved that," the Minister said.

Ms Boyle said the store was one of a handful of State Government retail stores operating in Aboriginal communities to provide fresh

food and other essentials. Such stores also operate in Doomadgee, Kowanyama, Lockhart River, Pormpuraaw and Woorabinda.

Accompanying the Minister on Palm Island for the celebrations was Member for Townsville Mandy Johnstone.

Subsidised

"This store sells a range of food including bread, milk and fresh fruit and vegetables, as well as other products to local residents. Importantly, the

healthy items are subsidised to keep prices in line as much as possible with the rest of the State," she said.

"The refurbishment has helped ensure that the Palm Island community is serviced by a modern industry-standard store that better meets its needs.

Staff took 30 minutes off while Ms Boyle, Ms Johnstone, Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey and **Deputy Mayor Raymond Sibley** unveiled a plaque to mark the opening. Locals then enjoyed a free barbecue under a tent

outside the retail store.

Mayor Lacey said the area around the store was a meeting place for many Palm Islanders.

Ms Boyle promised to look into concerns by some residents that some food prices on non-subsidised items were very high when compared with the mainland, even when taking into account freight costs.

Residents who spoke to *The* Koori Mail said they enjoyed the wide aisles and the covered areas outside where they could chat to family and friends.

Groups win funding



THE Federal Government says it will spend \$4.7 million to help regional West Australian families including those subject to welfare quarantining to balance their budgets, manage debt and

plan for future financial security. Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin says the funds will go to money management organisations in the Kimberley region and in and around Geraldton for services delivered, wherever possible, by local Aboriginal staff.

Workshops on budgeting, savings goals, managing debt, credit, loans and accessing banking products will be offered along with one-on-one sessions.

"Linking welfare payments to people taking responsibility for themselves and the health and welfare of their families is central to our reforms to the welfare system to foster individual responsibility and to give people the support they need to move up and out of welfare," Ms Macklin said.

Income management gives the WA Department of Child Protection the power to recommend to Centrelink that income support and family payments are quarantined to ensure welfare is spent in the interests of children. People can also voluntarily participate in income management.

As at 12 February, the number of West Australians referred for income management under the child protection

measure was 206. A further 322 people had signed up for voluntary management.

Ms Macklin said one Kimberley family had asked for advice when they were thinking about applying for a credit card and a personal loan to buy a car.

"After three sessions with money management staff, the family opted to save for a car rather than go into debt," she said.

Recover

"And in another case in the Kimberley, a money management adviser helped clients recover \$50,000 in lost superannuation funds as part of the development of retirement strategies."

The organisations to be funded under the Minister's announcement are:

- \$470,000 for the Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation in Kununurra
- \$620,000 for the Winun Ngari Aboriginal Corporation in Derby
- \$650,000 for the Kullarri Employment Services in Fitzroy Crossing
- \$600,000 for the Broome CIRCLE in Broome
- \$550,000 for the Jungarni Jutiya Alcohol Action Council in Halls Creek
- \$720,000 for the Geraldton Resource Centre, servicing Geraldton, Meekatharra, Mullewa, Morawa, Dongara and Northampton
- \$1.05 million to provide Financial Management Resource Support Unit services to these organisations.

Enquiry examines jailing of juveniles

By MARGARET SMITH



THE Federal Parliament has been holding hearings around Australia into the high imprisonment

levels of young Aboriginal people in the justice system.

The House of Representatives Committee recently sat in Melbourne, Sydney and Dubbo. In Sydney, a roundtable discussion drew directors from the Aboriginal Legal Service of NSW, the Department of Corrective

Services, the Police, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Drug and Alcohol Court, and community groups such as Tribal Warrior, Gamarada Men's Group, and the Koori Communication and Training group.

Inquiry Chairman MP Bob Debus set the agenda by first requesting information on the percentage of

Indigenous youth incarcerated in New South Wales.

BOB DEBUS

Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Corrective Services Luke Grant said 48 per cent of inmates were Aboriginal, and a large proportion went on to adult jails. The rate of re-offending was much higher than amongst non-Indigenous inmates.

The focus then shifted to the huge amount of money spent annually on NSW prisons. Mr Grant suggested that some of the \$I billion involved could be shifted to preventative programs. A figure of 10 per cent was put forward by other participants.

Rachel Martin, principal solicitor at the Wirringa Baiya Aboriginal Women's Legal Centre, revealed 70 per cent of youth in prison had been sexually assaulted as children, and that 40 per cent of young girls in prison have harmed themselves.

Queensland ALS chief Shane Duffy said more remote communities were often sent young police officers who had limited community knowledge, and arrested Aboriginal youth for relatively minor offences. He said the ALS had set up agreements with police about how they should

treat Aboriginal juveniles, including telling them about the option of circle sentencing, but these were often ignored at the ground level.

Chief Executive of Juvenile Justice in NSW Peter Muir said 48 per cent of Aboriginal juveniles ended up in court, compared with 28 per cent of non-Indigenous people, who were often given the option

of diversionary programs. Mr Muir said the department now had Aboriginal staff working on a drug and alcohol program for young people.

Magistrate Hillary Harriman noted the Drug and Alcohol Court was still a pilot program after 10 years, even though it had achieved good outcomes for Aboriginal people.

Trauma lines

The struggle for recognition of community-based programs remained evident. Ken Zulumovski, from the Gamarada Aboriginal Men's Healing and Life



Skills Program, said songlines that once linked Aboriginal communities had been replaced by 'trauma lines'.

He spoke about the need for healing in Aboriginal communities.

"Education, housing and health are human rights. Cultural renewal and healing in communities is also essential because we have a large group of young people exposed to domestic violence and abuse," he said.

Peter Cooley, from Koori Communication and Training, agreed, explaining how they took young people fishing, sailing and surfing, and became an extended family for youths whose family were not providing them with activities. "We also try and build respect for Elders, and help Elders respect their young people," he said.

Shane Phillips, from the Tribal Warrior, told the committee that his organisation was mentoring young people to give them a sense of belonging.

"And we're doing this in conjunction with the police, without government funding," he said

Work ethic

"We're teaching kids a school and work ethic, and have been successful with several teenagers. There has been reduced crime and the indicators in Redfern are better than they've ever been".

Mr Phillips called for the Government to stop the 'talkfest' and start acting.

New Federal Human Rights Commissioner Mick Gooda told the committee that, in his experience of working with

government, 'the only place where co-ordination happens is at the community level because government is so dysfunctional'.

"Until governments become accountable nothing will change," he said. "We should be supporting programs initiated by Aboriginal people."

It was agreed at the close of the meeting that too much government money was going to church groups and other NGOs to administer programs for Aboriginal people, rather than to Aboriginal organisations themselves.

In his closing remarks, Mr Debus said it was time for the Federal Government to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous rates of imprisonment. This would form part of his recommendation.

Kimberley people to prepare for employment



Mary Tarran and Wayne Barker, two traditional owners engaged in devising the Work Readiness program.



KIMBERLEY Aboriginal people will soon have access to a program that promises to help them find jobs.

The Kimberley Land Council (KLC) has been successful with a funding application aimed at

ensuring Aboriginal people are prepared to make a major contribution to the economic future of the Kimberley.

The Commonwealth's Innovation Funding will enable the KLC to devise a job-readiness program targeting numeracy, literacy and social issues that affect people's ability to enter the workforce.

Employment adviser and Jabirr Jabirr traditional owner Wayne Barker said the program would ultimately work with existing employment service providers and training organisations to identify and overcome barriers preventing Indigenous people from getting mainstream employment.

"As the saying goes, you've got to walk before you can run, and the Work Readiness Program is about acknowledging that whilst potentially there'll be hundreds of new job opportunities for our people in the near future,

we've got to ensure we have the capacity to meaningfully engage in these opportunities."

"We'll be taking a long, hard look at what has and hasn't worked, and how we can build on the good practice of existing employment service operators."

KLC Executive Director Wayne Bergmann said the Work Readiness Program would build on other successful KLC programs, such as Reading Recovery; an early intervention literacy program targeting first year primary school children.

'Through the gas hub negotiations we've been at the table with the highest level of government and industry, working on ways to address the social disadvantage of our people," he said.

"We have to learn from past policy failures. Only by having traditional owners participating in the real economy can we close the gap between Indigenous people and mainstream

In the coming months, the Work Readiness Program will be trialled in the Kimberley, with the final program implementation expected next vear.

Freeman steps up for health drive



OLYMPIC legends Cathy Freeman and Herb Elliott have teamed up to promote healthy living to Australian

children. They are encouraging youngsters to take 15,000 steps a day in an effort to change their long-term health, well-being and physical fitness.

Launched last Wednesday, and running for 50 days from September, the inaugural Global Children's Challenge aims to play a critical role in changing the behaviour and attitudes of young Australians by presenting physical activity as fun, stimulating and worthwhile.

Children will wear a pedometer every day and log their steps into an interactive website which takes them on a virtual journey around the world.

One quarter of Australian children are overweight or obese. If weight gain continues on its current trend, 80 per cent of all Australian adults and a third of Australian children will be overweight or obese by 2020.

The health of our future generations is at serious risk and it is our responsibility as individuals, as parents, teachers, businesses and organisations to do our bit in educating today's youth," Ms Freeman said.

"A number of studies indicate that Australian children today are ranked as one the most inactive of all developed countries.



Herb Elliott and Cathy Freeman in Sydney with school children from suburban Bronte and their pedometers.

"As these habits track into adulthood it increases the future chance of bad heart health, increased metabolic risk and even cancer. The Global Children's Challenge aims to overturn these unhealthy patterns and reverse the long-term implications and risks associated with inactivity in childhood.'

Mr Elliott, who is the Global Corporate Challenge chairman, said Australian companies could now help to improve the health of future generations.

"In 2010, for every company which enrolls a participant in the Global Corporate Challenge, a child in the community will be sponsored in the Global Children's Challenge at no cost

to the school, or to parents," he

This year, Global Corporate Challenge is aiming to sign up 50,000 Australian participants, (120,000 worldwide) so that means 50,000 Australian children will have the opportunity to take part in this program.

"Australian companies can now make a difference not

only to the health, mental well-being, fitness and productivity of their workforce, but also make a significant impact on the fitness habits of Australian youth."

For more information on the Global Children's Challenge, or to register for the Global Corporate Challenge, go to www.gettheworldmoving.com.au

Stronger voice for women bid

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THERE is hope that a new national alliance made up of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women from around the country will give a stronger voice to some of the issues

facing Indigenous women today. Announced recently by Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, the alliance will join five others including those with a focus on economic security, equality rights, violence against women, immigrant and refugee women and rural women.

Along with Dot Henry, South Australian woman Sandy Miller was one of the group's original supporters and has been pushing for change in Indigenous women's affairs for many years. She is on the alliance's interim executive and said that while they were at the very early stages, it was clear the alliance would be made up of Indigenous women dedicated to the betterment of families and

"We felt we needed a national voice, one that could question the Government and raise issues that were important," Ms Miller said.

"Women make up 50 per cent of the voting public and yet we felt that Indigenous women's point of view wasn't being heard, and our issues weren't really getting through to Government."

Ms Miller said the interim executive was

made up of a representative from each state and territory, and was being auspiced by the

"We are still in the very early stages but we hope to meet again in May as a full group, along with other women from each state who have played a significant role," she said.

"We are hoping to have our voice heard at all levels of Government."

Minister Macklin said the alliance would be funded under the Office for Women's

'We are hoping to have our voice heard at all levels of Government'

National Women's Alliances program.

"The alliance of Indigenous women and their organisations from across the country will enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to bring forward the concerns and issues from their communities, in their own words, with their own agendas, and their own solutions," she said.

Ms Macklin said the alliance was an important instrument for Indigenous women around the country to speak out on issues like violence, drug and alcohol abuse and social and emotional problems that affect families and communities.

"So far it includes strong women and their organisations from Adelaide to the Torres Strait, Sydney and Melbourne to the NPY lands. In coming months it will be reaching out to Indigenous women right across Australia for support, including other impressive Indigenous women leaders who made applications under this program.

"Over the next year we expect it will grow significantly in membership, in skills and strength. It will be made stronger with rigorous debate and diversity in its ranks."

Announced at the Oxfam Straight Talk Summit, spokesperson Sabina Curatolo welcomed the move, saying Indigenous women were the backbone of their communities and families.

"We're awaiting further detail, but if this alliance puts women in the driver's seat of bringing forward their concerns, setting the agenda and forming solutions, then it will be a big step forward

from where we are now," she said. Ms Curatolo also welcomed the Minister's acknowledgment that the alliance would be made stronger by diversity in its ranks.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are not one homogenous group, so the new alliance should allow their different voices to be heard," she said.

"Their concerns, ideas and strategies to bring about change can be vastly different, and it's this difference and diversity that needs to be captured if the new alliance is to be truly representative and successful."

Three win recognition for their hard work



THREE Aboriginal women were recognised at the 2010 NSW Woman of the Year

awards for their work in health and community development.

The winner, announced on International Women's Day, 8 March. was non-Indigenous woman Christine Weston, who pioneered a low-rent scheme to attract visitors and new residents to the town of Cumnock in central-western NSW.

However, an Aboriginal midwife, a Redfern Elder, and an Indigenous regional women's resource worker were amongst the ten finalists for

Sister Alison Bush, the first Aboriginal midwife to be based at a major maternity hospital in NSW, was recognised for her 40 years working with Aboriginal mothers and babies.

Elder Millie Ingram was honoured for her ongoing work in community leadership through Redfern and Waterloo land council organisations as well as women's community

And Yaegl woman Glenda MacPhail was named a finalist for her efforts in helping to set up the Lower Clarence Aboriginal Women's Resource Centre at Maclean, near Grafton on the state's north coast. - with AAP

Brisbane to host inaugural **Excellence in Health Awards**

THE inaugural Excellence in Health Awards are coming up, with a host of worthy and dedicated Indigenous organisations up for the honours. The awards aim to

provide an opportunity to celebrate innovation, success and resilience in Indigenous service delivery.

They'll recognise, on a national level, success stories of service providers, communities and individuals working to make a difference in Indigenous health - including Indigenous organisations working on closing the gap.

The winners will be announced during the Awards Gala Dinner on 30 March at the Mercure Hotel in Brisbane. The dinner theme will be celebrating Indigenous culture throughout the generations.

The finalists across the three award categories are:

Primary Health Care: Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service; Inala Indigenous Health Service; Unity of the First People of Australia; Freco Street Doctor; Suncare Community Services and Hunter New England Health Service.

Child and Maternal Health: Cunnamulla Aboriginal Corporation for Health; Ngunytju Tjitji Pirni; NPY Women's

Environmental Health: Health Habitat; NSW Department of Health and The Royal Life Saving Society.

Associate Professor Noel Hayman, of the Inala Indigenous Health Service, said the cornerstone of any successful health venture with a community was

building trust and mutual respect.

When Dr Hayman first came on board the Brisbane service in 1995, there were 12 Indigenous clients on the books. Now there are more than 4500.

"One of the main things is persistence and never giving up," he said.

"You also need to be enthusiastic about what you do and show strong leadership.

The award judges are Professor Ken Wyatt (WA), Lenore Dembski (Darwin), Barb Flick (Cape York Partnerships) and Sarah Doherty (Urapuntja Service, NT).



Pastor Peter Walker thanks Opposition Leader Tony Abbott for his party's position on the Greens bill to change the definition of marriage.

Marriage on agenda



NEW South Aboriginal pastor Peter Walker was amongst a

delegation of Indigenous and other church and community representatives who discussed marriage and other issues with politicians in Canberra late last month.

On 25 February, the Senate rejected a bid by the Australian Greens to end what the party says is discrimination against same-sex couples.

The Federal Marriage Act currently defines marriage as 'the union of man and woman to the exclusion of all others, voluntarily entered into

The Greens had sought to have the definition changed to 'the union of two people, regardless of their sex, sexuality, or gender identity, voluntarily entered into for life'.

When introducing the bill in 2008, Greens senator Kerry Nettle said freedom of sexual orientation and gender identity were fundamental human rights. "Denial of relationship equality must not be used as a tool to pander to homophobic and fundamentalist interests." she said.

The 'marriage delegation' said its members were pleased that the Government, Opposition and Family First had voted to reject the bill, but the fact that one-third of senators did not show up for the vote has been read by some as a conscience vote of sorts.

While in Canberra, the marriage delegation also presented politicians with a manifesto they said would strengthen marriage, including teaching the benefits of marriage as part of the national curriculum, tax deductions for marriage preparation and parenting programs, and stronger pornography controls.

They also called on the Federal Government to reject a NSW Government proposal for same-sex relationship registration.

"All such schemes undermine marriage and rob children of their biological birthright to a mother and a father," said spokesman Gerard Calilhann.

The Greens have pledged to reintroduce their bill after the next Federal election.





The NSW Government's Environmental Trust invites applications to the **Protecting our Places Aboriginal Grants Program**

This program supports Aboriginal community groups and organisations to protect land that is significant to Aboriginal people and run education projects about the environment and its importance in Aboriginal life.

> Grants of between \$2,000 and \$35,000 are available. (Total program \$500,000)

Applications open on 20 March 2010 and close at 5pm on 4 June 2010

Information Workshops will be held to help applicants prepare a quality grant application and provide information on managing projects

The information workshops will be in: Sydney - Rooty Hill (8 April) Bourke (13 April) Dubbo (14 April) Lithgow (15 April) Albury (20 April) Wagga Wagga (21 April) Queanbeyan (22 April) Wollongong (28 April)

Bega (29 April) Tamworth (5 May) Narrabri (6 May) Ballina (12 May) Coffs Harbour (13 May) Taree (14 May) Griffith (18 May)

To register for workshops phone Trust Administration on (02) 8837 6093. For more information about the program and support with filling out your application contact the Aboriginal Programs Officer on (02) 8837 6399 or Tami Partridge on 8837 6093.

Guidelines and application forms are available on the Trust website:



Australian Government

Department of Families, Housing, **Community Services and Indigenous Affairs**

INTERNATIONAL REPATRIATION -HAVE YOUR SAY

An eight-member Indigenous International Repatriation Advisory Committee is reviewing the policy and processes for the repatriation of Indigenous human remains from international institutions. This includes reviewing current policy with a view to ensuring that it is more inclusive of Indigenous aspirations with a focus on the priorities of local Indigenous communities, and to advise the Minister Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FAHCSIA), the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, on ways make international repatriation

The members of the committee are: Chrissy Grant (co-chair), Phil Gordon (co-chair) Olivia Robinson, Bob Weatherall, Neil Carter, Henry Atkinson, Jeanette Crew, and Chris Wilson.

The Committee has prepared and released a public discussion paper, and is encouraging comment and input from Indigenous people, communities, museums and other interested parties.

The discussion paper and review will help inform the Government's future

How to Provide comments on the Discussion Paper

The discussion paper is available on the FaHCSIA website at www.fahcsia.gov.au, and electronic responses are encouraged.

Please provide feedback on the discussion paper through the comments form available on the website. This can be filled out electronically and returned by email. People without easy access to the internet may obtain a hard copy of the paper by calling the Committee Secretariat at FaHCSIA on (02) 6121 4911. For those who may prefer to submit written comments via the post, there is a mailing address listed at the end of the paper.

The closing date for comments is Monday 3 May 2010.

www.fahcsia.gov.au

Guide to assist communities with infrastructure



Government has launched a new resource aimed at assisting remote Indigenous

communities to better manage essential infrastructure services like water and waste.

The National Indigenous Infrastructure Guide will focus on energy, waste, water, and storm

water, telecommunications and transport services.

"According to the latest statistics, there are more than 1000 Indigenous communities located in very remote areas and many are not connected to town services including water, electricity, sewerage and telecommunications," said Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said as she launched

the guide in Alice Springs.

Ms Macklin said the guide also emphasised the importance of working with local people on the ground to ensure the guidelines were appropriate for each community.

"The guide covers a wide range of infrastructure challenges faced in remote communities," she said. "From choosing the appropriate wastewater system

and reducing energy use and costs to identifying the best place to install community phones and designing and constructing safe and affordable access roads."

Ms Macklin said the guide would provide the relevant information at the right time, helping communities to select the infrastructure system that was right for them, further backed up with information on ongoing

management and maintenance.

The guide was developed by the Centre for Appropriate Technology (CAT) and is supported by the relevant national codes and standards, resources and research.

It will be distributed to relevant Indigenous communities and stakeholders. For a copy go to www.icat.org.au/niig or call 1800



The Kimberley Land Council (KLC) is a recognised Native Title Representative Body for the Kimberley Region and pursuant to its notification functions gives notice of the following meeting:

MEETING BETWEEN KLC AND GOOLARABOOLOO / **JABIRR JABIRR PEOPLE**

Notice of Authorisation Meeting A Claimant Meeting for the Goolarabooloo / Jabirr Jabirr Native Title Claim Group WAD 6002 of 1998

> **WHERE: Cable Beach Club (Sam Male Room)** WHEN: 7th April 2010 START: 8:00am FINISH: 5:00pm

The meeting is for all members of the Native Title claim group being those persons who are the descendants of the following named apical ancestors:

Bornal; Appolonia; Wallai William; Nelagumia Mary (Maudie); Keleregardo, Milare, Frank Dixon, Nyobing Babere, Chimbere Sitocay and Paddy Roe BUT NOT INCLUDING Louisa Grey; Barry Grey; Donald Grey Junior; Doreen Grey; Pauline Grey; Lorraine Grey; Thomas Grey; Regina Grey and James Grey.

> The meeting is for the Goolarabooloo / Jabirr Jabirr native title claim group to consider and make decisions about the following

- 1. Discontinuing the Goolarabooloo / Jabirr Jabirr native title claim WAD 6002 of 1998 in the Federal Court of Australia.
- 2. Directing the applicant to discontinue the claim.
- 3. If one or more persons who compromise the applicant are unwilling to discontinue the native title claim, direct that those person(s) be replaced as an applicant.
- 4. Authorise other members of the claim group to be the applicant to deal with the matters arising in relation to native title application WAD 6002 of 1998.
- 5. Directing the replaced applicant to discontinue the native title application WAD 6002 of 1998 in the Federal

For fuel, transport and any other queries please call **Tiffany Labuc** or **Chad Creighton** at the Broome KLC Office on (08) 9191 8000.

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Kimberley Land Council Native Title Native title is of fundamental importance to Aboriginal people. Native Title rejects the notion of terra nullius and recognises Indigenous people as the rightful purpose of their traditional lends.

Indigenous people as the rightful owners of their traditional lands.

Native title can be a complicated process and often involves complex legal issues. The law of native title has been subject to significant change and interpretation in the relatively short period since it was first recognised in the Mabo case in 1992.

So what does native title mean and how do Aboriginal people get it?

The Kimberley Land Council is accredited by the Federal Government as the Native Title Representative Body for the Kimberley region. The KLC has statutory responsibility to work with Aboriginal people who claim traditional rights and interests in land, to

KLC Acting CEO Nolan Hunter said native title is a legal process governed by the Native Title Act 1993.

"Native title is a long process. In the past it has taken some cultural groups more than a decade to prove native title rights, but it is a process we are committed to," he said.

"Native title runs deep in the hearts of Aboriginal people - it is very important to us, as it recognises in Australian law that Aboriginal people have rights and interests in their land based on their traditional laws, customs and connection to country."

The native title claim process begins when a cultural group lodges an application with the Federal Court. Before a claim is lodged, the native title claim group must nominate some of their group to be the "named applicants" in the claim. The role of the named applicants is to progress the native title claim on behalf of all members of the native title claim group.

Mr Hunter said the role of the KLC, as the Native Title Representative Body, was to facilitate and provide assistance to native title claimants. He said this often involved the KLC being the legal representative of the native title claimants

"A significant step in a native title claim is proving 'connection' to the country covered by the claim," Mr Hunter said.

"The onus of proof is on the native title claim group to prove their ancestors were the people who held or 'belonged to' that country in 1829 - the year Western Australia was colonised - and that their descendents have maintained a traditional connection to that country

"Many different pieces of evidence need to be collected and this can be very difficult and confronting for members of a native title claim group. It is a distressing process, particularly for our elders because they have to prove who they are as a person and where they are connected to a particular society and a specific place. Could you imagine the angst this would create if the rest of society

Mr Hunter said native title could be pursued through litigation or mediation. In recent years there has been a push towards consent determinations, which involve all parties attending mediation with the aim of reaching an agreed outcome.

To proceed to a consent determination, the State must accept that the native title claimants have an on-going connection to country, although this process can take months or years.

"Consent determinations result in a much speedier and less costly resolution process in comparison to litigation, which can be lengthy and extremely costly." Mr Hunter said.

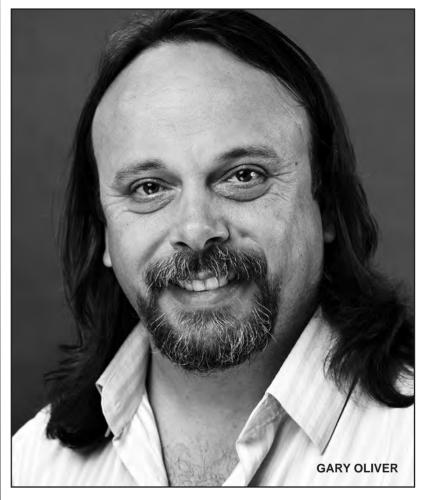
The Federal Court must formally approve a native title outcome whether it has been determined through consent or argued

Mr Hunter said the Federal Court usually delivered native title determinations "on country" within the native title claim area.

"Determinations are highly emotional. They represent the culmination of many years of hard work and resolve. Native title is a powerful symbol but it also provides real outcomes for our people," he said.

"Native title determinations empower Aboriginal people to make decisions about their country, which includes the ability to make decisions about development and whether to enter into agreements with outside parties. Getting native title can be a long and difficult process. But in the end, if it recognises our rights to land, it is worth it."

New boss for legal service







GARY OLIVER, from Coffs Harbour, has been elected as the new Chairperson of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Board. In his current role as the Regional Manager of **Aboriginal Affairs**

NSW, Department of Human Services, Mr Oliver is the Chairperson of the Two Ways Together (TWT) Regional **Engagement Group in the Hunter** and North Coast NSW.

Of Kuku Yalangi decent from Cape York in Queensland, he spent 21 years in the Public Service in a variety of jobs including the Australian Army and the Australian Law Reform Commission.

In 2006, Mr Oliver won a NSW Premier's award as a team member for the Aboriginal Community Development Program.

Over the past 12 years, Mr Oliver has been actively involved in community organisations in

positions of governance.

ALS NSW/ACT Chief Executive Officer Gerry Moore said Mr Oliver knew the Aboriginal Legal Service played a vital role in alleviating disparity.

"He has a track record working with and for Aboriginal people and communities. We believe he will be an effective leader and we welcome him to the Board, Mr Moore said.

Mr Oliver will be Chairperson of the Aboriginal Legal Service Board for the remainder of the term allocated in the Aboriginal Legal Service constitution, until 30 June

Established in Redfern in 1970 for the purpose of reducing incarceration rates of Aboriginal people, the service was Australia's first free legal service and conceived, established and controlled by Aboriginal people created the model for mainstream community legal aid.

By 1974 there was an Aboriginal Legal Service in every State and Territory throughout the country.

Lifeline for Kimberley child centre



THE Kimberley's only licensed remote community childcare centre will continue to operate. The West Australian centre had been facing closure after changes

in Government funding meant adequate support was no longer available to keep the service running.

But a partnership between the Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation and Australian children's rights body Save the Children will ensure the centre stays open and provides culturally appropriate early childhood

initiatives for little ones aged up to five.

A major funding boost will provide training opportunities for additional staff, technical support and additional resources to improve and expand programs.

The centre was recently re-launched as Djarindjin Quality Early Childhood Learning Centre and aims to provide services for the 14 children now enrolled along with plans to further expand. This includes proposals for a mobile playgroup servicing outstations and parenting education

Program co-ordinator Jill Cottle said the

centre had been instrumental in the early education of hundreds of Djarindjin children over the years.

"Many of these children come from homes where there are no books, no pencils or any of the resources which are so important to prepare children for school," she said.

"Poor literacy and a lack of education can contribute to all sorts of developmental problems in a child's future.

"We're trying to break that cycle through education.

"If we can help improve literacy in the

important first five years of life, then these children have a much better chance of achieving their true potential."

Save the Children WA Program Manager Jaun Larranga said the organisation would provide a fitting partnership because of its early learning experience in the Kimberley communities of Warmun. Kununurra and Wyndham.

"This presents us with a great chance to work hand-in-hand with the Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation to give local children the best start in life we can," Jaun Larranga



Geraldine Puruntatameri plays with her daughter Marie as part of the Let's Start program.



A group of children and parents play together as part of the Let's Start Program held in Pirlangimpi on the Tiwi Islands.



Mother Geraldine Puruntatameri taking part in the program.

Let's Start program expanding



A NORTHERN Territory early intervention education program that improves child behaviour and

school performance by increasing parents' confidence is being expanded.

Research by Menzies School of Health Research has shown that the Let's Start program helps to reduced aggression, shyness, withdrawn and anti-social behaviour amongst

participating children.

Parents use play and collaborative learning to engage with their child, cope with the child's behaviour, manage conflicts and stress in the family and teaches the child social skills.

At Parliament House in Darwin last Wednesday, Menzies launched the final evaluation report of Let's Start in front of families involved in the

program from the Tiwi Islands. Darwin and Palmerston, school principals and education and health workers.

The program was originally run for primary school children on the Tiwi Islands as part of a suicide prevention program following a high rate of suicides and increased family violence.

Since 2006, more than 250 Indigenous and non-Indigenous children aged four to six have been referred to the Let's Start program from 40 urban and eight remote Territory schools.

The program has been run in Darwin and Palmerston, Palumpa, Jabiru and the Tiwi Island communities of Nguiu, Pirlangimpi and Milikapiti.

For two hours over a 10-week period, Let's Start's trained leaders brought parents and children together for activities to help parents learn how to support their child in developing key emotional, social and communication skills while gaining confidence in managing difficult behaviour and establishing healthy



Sherry Puruntatameri and Robert Junior ngatopi during Let's Start acti

boundaries. Let's Start program project leader Gary Robinson said the program had significantly reduced aggressive and anti-social behaviour in participating children and parents showed much less psychological distress, depression and feeling of hopelessness as well as increased confidence and assertiveness with their child.

"For the parents there was increased capacity to deal with their own personal, emotional and mental health issues," he

said. "We had reports from parents and teachers that the children were less aggressive."

Lisa Moreen, from Milikapiti on the Tiwi Islands, went through the Let's Start program with her five-year-old daughter.

"They would come out and do different kinds of things making posters, doing drawings, reading books and telling stories," she said.

"We've been talking about how they react at school and how they react at home. do they listen to us at home, and

what they do at school differently than at home."

Millner mother Michelle Parker's son was referred to the Let's Start program by his pre-school teacher at Driver Primary School because of his angry behaviour.

"The program taught me that there were tools you can use to help change and cope with your child's behaviour," Ms Parker said.

"They helped transform him from an out-of-control kid to a calm, loving and well-behaved little boy."

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the program worked because it strengthened families from the inside - 'by helping parents to support their child's development of key social, emotional and communication skills, in the most appropriate and sensitive ways'.

Two special lives celebrated

By MARGARET SMITH

AN audience of well-wishers and colleagues attended the recent Sydney launch of two major works celebrating the lives of Gordon Briscoe and Joy Janaka Wiradjuri Williams.

Racial Folly: A Twentieth Century Aboriginal Family, by Prof Briscoe, spans several decades of the author's life and some of the many major events in Indigenous history he was involved in, from the Aboriginal Progressive Association, the founding of the first Aboriginal legal service and the first Aboriginal medical service, the Tent Embassy, the Fred Hollows Foundation, and the study of Indigenous culture in universities and schools, through his books and lectureship at the Australian National University (ANU).

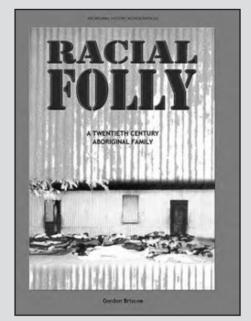
Tripping Over Feathers: Scenes in the Life of Joy Janaka Wiradjuri Williams, by Peter Read, retells the story of a true

Despite Joy Williams' removal from her family under Stolen Generations policies, her incredibly harsh treatment and long years of separation, Joy Williams became a renowned poet and campaigner for her people.

Her daughter, Julie-Anne Williams, attended the launch, sitting on a panel with the author.

In launching the books, Federal Member of Parliament Bob Debus told the audience that Prof Briscoe was taken from his Manduntjara mother when he was 11 and sent to St Francis Home in Adelaide, where he met Charles **Perkins**

He said Prof Briscoe was awarded the Order of Australia in 2004, and what he had achieved was 'an astonishing



The cover of Gordon Briscoe's book Racial Folly: A Twentieth Century Aboriginal Family.

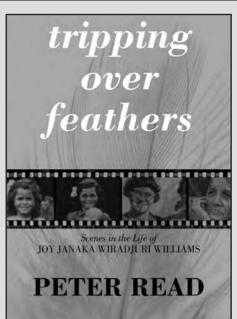
triumph and a great beacon for the way the world can change'.

Prof Briscoe talked about the theme of his book, declaring that 'racism is part of the raison d'être of colonialism and the people who came to Australia to build a convict settlement'.

Racism

"It's not just about police bashings but about how racism becomes part of a culture." he said.

He added it was important to understand more about the history of violence and incarceration in looking at the cause and effect on Aboriginal



The cover of Peter Read's book Tripping Over Feathers on the life of Joy Janaka Wiradjuri Williams.

Prof Briscoe recalled campaigns he worked on with Charles Perkins.

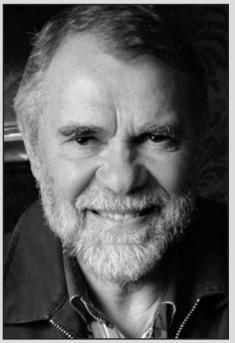
"I was not given Australian citizenship till 1969," he said.

Prof Briscoe also expressed delight at seeing so many people in the audience whom he had met on his journey, including the Bostock family and Charles

Perkins' widow Eileen. Indigenous academic Jackie Huggins launched Peter Reid's book, and confessed that, as an author, she had been greatly moved by Joy Williams' bravery and Julie-Anne's presence.

"Joy's poems conveyed a resilient and strong woman," Dr Huggins said.

"I became in awe of Joy, in the way



Professor Gordon Briscoe

she rose above the life that had been dished out for her. She was a beautiful poet who used her poems as a great tool for her people's survival."

Peter Read, who co-founded the Link-Up service to unite Aboriginal families, said he had been honoured to write the book.

'We're still living in grief for the families that were removed," he said.

After the launch, poet Gerry Bostock reminded The Koori Mail that it was Peter Read who first used the term 'stolen generations'.

Racial Folly is published by ANU Press, and Tripping over Feathers by Uni of WA Publishing.

Checklist aimed at keeping kids safe



THE NSW Government says it has developed a checklist and

guidelines to help agencies assess the impact of the 'Keep Them Safe' child protection reforms on Aboriginal children, young people, families and communities.

Community Services Minister Linda Burney said last week that Aboriginal self-determination, respect for local differences and practices, genuine consultation and community capacity building would underpin the new Aboriginal Impact Statement.

She said the statement was introduced amid growing concerns of the over-representation of Aboriginal children in care.

"This initiative is ultimately about making sure that Aboriginal people have a voice in the child

protection policy process," she said.

"Sadly, Aboriginal children are overrepresented in the State's out-of-home care system. About 40 per cent of children in care are Aboriginal.

"Many of the Government's 'Keep Them Safe' reforms to the NSW child protection system are aimed at improving outcomes for Aboriginal families and reducing the number of children and young people entering care.

"The Aboriginal Impact Statement was developed to assess the impact these reforms will have on Aboriginal children, young people, families and communities."

The Minister said the statement was developed in consultation with Aboriginal people and was a 'living document' that would change over time, as



NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney

assessing the impact of reform was an ongoing process

Ms Burney also joined **Deputy Premier Carmel** Tebbutt in announcing three organisations awarded

tenders to pilot a family referral Service in Dubbo, Newcastle and Mt Druitt as part of 'Keep Them Safe'.

The initiative highlights the approach towards child and family well-being

advocated by James Wood in his Special Commission of Inquiry into Child Protection in the state, known as the Wood Inquiry.

Ms Tebbutt said the Government had committed \$38 million over five years for the staged implementation of the program, with \$3.6 million allocated to pilot the three family referral services.

"Family Referral Services aim to link vulnerable children, young people in need of assistance and their families with appropriate Commonwealth, state or local government-funded support services so they receive appropriate help to address their individual circumstances close to home," Ms Tebbutt said.

"This new service will assist families who fall below the threshold for statutory child protection intervention, yet would

benefit from accessing support services to address their current circumstances and prevent escalation."

Ms Burney added that evidence suggested the overwhelming number of reports received by Community Services meant families in less serious categories did not always receive the attention and support they needed.

"Serious cases will still be dealt with by Community Services, but these new family referral services are part of a strong partnership with the non-government sector to get less urgent cases referred to community-based services that can provide support," she said.

The organisations awarded the tender are Uniting Care (Dubbo), The Benevolent Society (Newcastle) and Relationships Australia (Mt Druitt).

Mellor named on arts board





ARTS Minister Peter Garrett has named Indigenous artist Danie Mellor, pictured, to the

Visual Arts Board of the Australia Council of the Arts. He will join ceramics artist Angela Valamanesh for a three-year appointment.

"Dr Mellor is a lecturer in Theories of Art Practice at the Sydney College of the Arts and is a member of the University of Sydney Indigenous Education Advisory Group," Mr Garrett said.

"He is a practising artist and his work is exhibited extensively throughout Australia in a number of significant exhibitions including 'Culture Warriors'.

"Dr Mellor was the 2009 Telstra Art Award winner and he will bring his in-depth knowledge of Indigenous theory and practice to the board.

"Each appointment is for a period of three years and each appointee will bring a wealth of knowledge and practical experience to the Australia Council's Visual Arts

The Australia Council for the Arts is the Australian Government's principal arts funding body and supports the arts industry through funding and development opportunities.

Each year the Australia Council provides more than \$158 million in funding for arts organisations and individual

Cooktown hosts award



INDIGENOUS artists are being encouraged to enter the Cooktown School of Art Society's upcoming 32nd Annual Art Exhibition 2010.

The exhibition has an Indigenous art award category with a \$400 first prize as well as other sections with a total prize pool of more than \$5000 that are open to all artists.

For details of categories, conditions and entry forms,

see the art society's website at www.cooktownart.com.au



Dolly Jerome in front of an artwork titled 'Sand Dreaming' by Karla McGrady, of Toowoomba in

Artists benefit om display



ABORIGINAL artists across far northern NSW are benefiting from a move to

display works at the Tenterfieldbased Moombahlene Local Aboriginal Land Council offices.

More than 40 pieces by a range of mainly Gamilaroi and Bundjalung artists are on display as part of an art trail project stretching from Queensland's southern Granite Belt region into northern NSW.

Several pieces already have been sold and there are hopes more will be snapped up by the many tourists now visiting galleries on the trail.

Tenterfield local Dolly Jerome says the trail project has been a winner for Indigenous artists.

Helping

"It's the first time we've taken part in such a project and it's really helping our local people," the Gamilaroi woman said.

"The community has gotten

behind this and it's an opportunity to showcase some of the talent we have in our area.

"Our display continues until early May at the Moombahlene office and we're hoping for even more sales.

"The really good part is that some of our kids are also displaying works, giving them something to aim for in the

For more information on the display, call the Moombahlene office on (02) 6736 3219.

Outback film tour



THE Wakakirri Outback Program is seeking talented and experienced film workshop facilitators to join this year's tour. The tour will visit Broken Hill

and Wilcannia in New South Wales from 31 May to 4 June.

It will then move to the South Australian towns of Ceduna, Koonibba, and Yalata from 21 to 25 June. In the Northern Territory, the tour will visit Barunga, Minyerri and Wugularr from

9 to 13 August The program gives young Indigenous and non-Indigenous students living in remote communities the opportunity to take part in a national arts festival.

Facilitators run four days of film-making workshops with students to produce a short film.

The film is then screened on the fifth day at a festival day.

Facilitators also conduct professional development workshops for young adults and teachers.

Applications can be made for any or all of the above festival locations. Successful applicants must be available for a comprehensive induction workshop and pre-production phone conferences.

The positions available include director/editor - responsible for overseeing the production of the film; and camera operator/editor - responsible for all technical aspects involved in the making of the film.

Applications to take part in the program close on 1 April. For information, contact Anna Bowring at anna@wakakirri.com, or by phone on 02 9557 8807, freecall 1800 650 979.

Yunupingu wins award



YOLNGU musician and educator Mandawuy Yunupingu has, pictured, been named a joint recipient of the 2009 Sidney Myer Performing Arts Award Facilitator's Award.

The Yothu Yindi lead singer will share the \$15,000 prize with the Footscray Community Arts Centre (FCAC).

The Sidney Myer Fund initiated the awards in 1984 to mark the 50th anniversary of the passing of

Sidney Myer and commemorate his life and his love for the arts.

They primarily intend to enhance the status Australia and recognise outstanding achievements in dance, drama, comedy, music, opera, circus and puppetry.

Past winners include Geoffrey Rush, Paul Grabowsky, Neil Armfield, Archie Roach and the late Ruby Hunter.

The 2009 award was announced at the National Aboriginal Cultural Institute – Tandanya in Adelaide on 5 March.

FCAC Director and CEO Jennifer Barry accepted the award on the Centre's behalf, saying it was 'a true honour' to share it with Mr Yunupingu. She said the Centre would use the money to support its Sunday Arvo Music Series winter

Facilitators Weaving class wanted for an inspiration



La Perouse weaving workshop participants show off their handiwork.



JOANNE SELFE was looking forward to taking part in the 'Traditional Aboriginal Weaving' workshop at La

Perouse, but she was not anticipating it would evoke such a strong spiritual response.

Sponsored by the Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Management Authority, the workshops have been

drawing praise for their simple vet strong link between art, culture and environment.

"Apart from giving birth, the workshop was one of

the happiest days of my life," Ms Selfe

"Living in Sydney, in an urban environment we can forget we are always living on Aboriginal land.

"The basket weaving reconnected me to land, to community, to culture in a really powerful way."

Ms Selfe said that even though the premise was a simple one, the workshop had created a reconnection back to land and country that continued

to give back. "Since the workshop I have been scanning the environment and really noticing grasses and reeds in different localities and assessing how suitable they would be for weaving," she said.

"The women who conducted the workshop were so nurturing and provided such a calming presence. At the end of the day we all had such big smiles on our faces. We were all so

conducted the workshop, with Phyllis Stewart leading the demonstrations.

In the Biripi language 'Boolarng' means together and 'Nangamai' is dreaming in the Sydney Dhawarral language group.

The Boolarng Nangamai artists come from different Aboriginal communities across New South Wales and Queensland.

The Sydney Metropolitan

Catchment Management Authority (CMA) supported the workshop with funding from the Australian Government's 'Caring For Our Country' program.

CMA Chairman Philip Sansom said the workshops had proved so successful they were looking into how to conduct others down the track.

'Our Aboriginal landcare and schools program is one of the ways we seek to engage with Aboriginal communities within our region," he said. "The traditional weaving workshop was really appreciated by all the participants and thoroughly justifies

Workshop participants reconnect with country

proud, strong, black and deadly."

praised the workshop.

Local participant John Leha also

"I completed the day with a great

sense of pride in the fish I managed to

"It was a great day. I would like to

Members of the Boolarng Nangamai

weave. My family was also proud of

see more people to come along and

connect to culture at events like this."

Aboriginal Art and Culture Studio

what I accomplished," he said.

the effort from our Aboriginal staff."

Indigenous art code of conduct to set new standards



REGISTRATION is now open for art dealers, agents, gallery owners and art centres to register as

signatories to the Indigenous Australian Art Commercial Code of Conduct.

Arts Minister Peter Garrett congratulated the Code Administration Committee on their progress, and said it would

ultimately ensure a national set of standards for transactions between agents, artists and dealers in the Indigenous visual arts industry for the first time.

"Opening a process for dealers to register their interest is an important first step in meeting the aims of the code," Mr Garrett said.
"The code will ultimately help

Indigenous artists negotiate fair deals for their work and give buyers greater certainty of an

artwork's origin and the way in which it was purchased."

The recently formed code administration committee is a voluntary, independent industry body that will administer the code, deal with complaints and promote the benefits of the code.

It is comprised of representatives from across the industry including Indigenous artists, dealers, artist resource organisations and independent

professionals. "This is an industry code that will be owned and driven by the Indigenous visual arts sector and I am extremely pleased with the calibre and strength of the committee who have volunteered their services to this important task," Mr Garrett said.

The Minister also commended the work of the committee, in particular the recently elected Chair Ron Merkel, QC, and

Deputy Chair Richard England.

He said the Government strongly supported the Code and would provide \$600,000 over three years to assist with implementation.

Implementation of a code of conduct was a key recommendation of a 2007 Senate Inquiry report into the Indigenous visual arts and craft sector. For more information go to www.indigenousartcode.org

US album deal for Gurrumul



NT music label Skinnyfish Music has struck a deal with a New York-based company to release award-winning musician Geoffrey 'Gurrumul' Yunupingu's self-titled debut solo album in the United

The platinum selling album topped world music charts after release in the UK and Europe, and Skinnyfish is hoping strong promotion of the blind singer in the US will build on that success.

The former Yothu Yindi and Saltwater Band member Gurrumul sings almost exclusively in his Indigenous language on his self-titled album. With no written word in his Yolngu culture, Gurrumul takes the role of storyteller, recounting stories that are 50,000 years old.

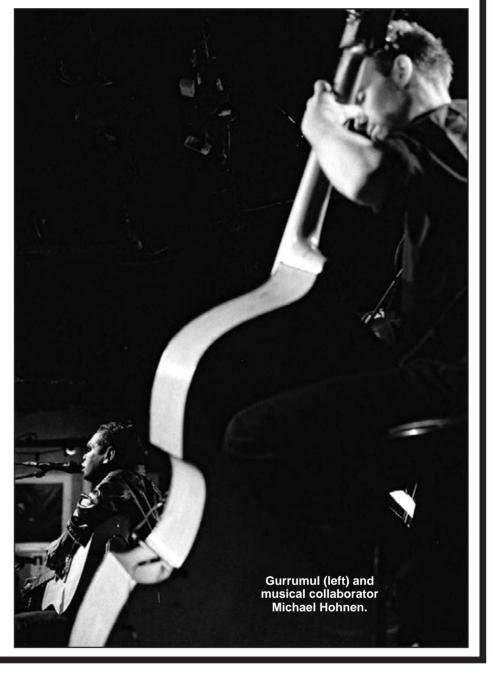
Skinnyfish Music, to which Gurrumul is

signed, forged the deal with New York-based record company Dramatico, and Skinnyfish director Mark T Grose said it was a significant step forward for both Skinnyfish and Gurrumul.

Following the album's release in Australia, Gurrumul picked up a string of awards in 2008 including the ARIA Award for 'Best Independent Release', Limelight Award for 'Emerging Artist Of The Year' and 3 AIR (Australian Independent Record) Awards.

In June 2009 an APRA Award followed for 'Breakthrough Songwriter Of The Year'.

Dramatico US Operations president Josh Zieman said the plan was to introduce Gurrumul to US press outlets and consumers through a tour that would include New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington DC, Toronto, Chicago, Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles.



Sam is Dreaming of another great festival



SAM COOK

By DARREN COYNE



SAM Cook has 'hit the ground running' as the new programming director of The Dreaming festival. When she began

three-and-a-half weeks ago, she experienced something of a baptism of fire.

With flooding throughout Queensland, and widespread internet failure, Ms Cook and her team had to resort to the old-fashioned way of doing things - brainstorming on a whiteboard - to get the program in place in time.

"We made the deadline and it was a blessing in disguise really because it brought us all closer together," she said.

Despite the difficulties, she was confident this year's festival would be a winner, with a new

kids' festival planned along with youth spaces, and close to 300 acts booked from all over Australia and the world.

The Dreaming will be held from the 11-14 June at the Woodford site, an hour north of Brisbane.

Ms Cook told The Koori Mail that the line-up of talent was looking 'pretty awesome', although it would not be revealed until next month.

The program includes ceremony, theatre, dance, music, comedy, cabaret, film, debate, discussion and workshops.

Ms Cook should feel right at home in her new role. Raised in Western Australia in the Kimberley region, she grew up surrounding by art, and has had a full career involving music, theatre, literature and arts management.

Now at the helm of The Dreaming, she said she wanted to offer audiences the opportunity to experience 'an integration of people, environment and culture in a contemporary context'.

But it's not all about performances.

"Education, health, economic development and employment have an intrinsic role in The Dreaming festival," Ms Cook said.

"Art and Culture were never separated out in traditional Indigenous societies.

Global talent

"I want this to be the space where Indigenous and non-Indigenous can come together to celebrate the many and varied talents within our global community.

"A space where the remote artist has as much engagement and opportunity as the urban artist, where language barriers are overcome by the common language of humanity, all of this coming together for what stands to be a significant and unique experience for audiences and practitioners alike.'

Ms Cook said she also wanted to get as many Indigenous people involved in the festival as possible, and urged those who couldn't afford a ticket to consider volunteering.

"The more our mob feel ownership over stuff, the more they will come," she said.

Queensland Folk Federation executive director Bill Hauritz welcomed her appointment.

"Sam will do a wonderful job putting together a program that draws from a community of artists and presenters that continue to punch way above their weight in the world of cultural expression."

Early Bird tickets are available through the website www.thedreamingfestival.com or by calling the Queensland Folk Federation on (07) 5496 1066.

Eye health still lags



THE situation has improved, but many Indigenous Australians are still going blind from preventable causes.

A study of eye health across 30 Aboriginal communities has found an improvement in vision loss and blindness compared with 30 years ago. However, Professor Hugh Taylor said it also showed how Indigenous Australians continued to trail the rest of the country in the prevention and treatment of eye disease.

The research found most Indigenous vision loss was caused by unoperated cataracts, diabetes, uncorrected refractive errors or trachoma.

"Vision loss in Indigenous adults is predominantly from preventable or treatable causes," said Prof Taylor, who is the chair of Indigenous eye health at the University of Melbourne.

"Adequate provision of accessible eye care services is required to redress this inequality and close the gap for vision loss in Australia."

The study took in almost 3000 Indigenous people and it found 9.4 per cent of adults had low vision, while among these 1.9 per cent were blind.

This was a major improvement on a study in 1980, which found 8.2 per cent of Indigenous people aged over 40 were blind.

Despite the improvement, vision loss remained 'much more frequent in

Indigenous adults than in mainstream Australian adults'.

The study showed, overall, an Indigenous adult was six times more likely than a non-Indigenous adult to be blind, and three time more likely to have low vision.

"Cataract-related blindness in adult Indigenous Australians is about 12 times higher than in the mainstream," Prof Taylor said.

"Diabetes-related blindness is over 14 times higher and blindness due to uncorrected refractive error is over five times higher ... each of these causes of vision loss is readily treatable and preventable."

There was a positive aspect to the study, as seen in the eye health of Indigenous children.

It found 1.5 per cent of Indigenous children had vision loss, while just 0.2 per cent were blind.

An Indigenous child was five times less likely to have low vision than a non-Indigenous child, and about half as likely to be blind.

"The good vision of Indigenous children can be accounted for by the relative infrequency of myopia (short sightedness)," Prof Taylor said.

The research was also conducted by Professor Jill Keeffe, program manager of vision care delivery at the Vision Co-operative Research Centre in Sydney.

The paper is published in the *Medical Journal of Australia. – AAP*



KAMILAROI breast cancer survivor Helen Duroux holding a picture of her late mother Lavinia and the book in which she tells her story.

Survivor shares her breast cancer story



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BACK in 2001, Helen Duroux discovered a lump in one of

her breasts. Then aged in her mid-40s, the Kamilaroi woman didn't hesitate to seek expert medical advice – a move that almost certainly saved her life

Now the mother of four and grandmother of six has joined with 22 other women to tell her story of surviving breast cancer.

She features in the book Telling It Like It Is: 23 Breast Cancer Journeys, written by journalist AnneMarie White and supported by the Breast Cancer Foundation.

Ms Duroux hopes that sharing her story will give hope to others facing breast cancer and also encourage more women – especially Indigenous women – to ensure they undertake regular checks for cancer.

Speaking with *The Koori Mail* in her home town of Tenterfield, far northern NSW, Ms Duroux said cancer had taken a heavy toll on her family

"I had to go to the Royal Brisbane Hospital for regular treatment and it was not easy," she said. "But it certainly saved my life, which I'm now enjoying to the full.

"My mother passed away at age 73 from cancer so I'm very aware, and very keen to ensure all our people know of the dangers and know that they can do something to help themselves.

"Regular checks worked for me, and they can work for others – that's my message in the book."

Copies of *Telling It Like It Is: 23 Breast Cancer Journeys* are available at major bookshops.



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Cancer the focus for Vic art award



INDIGENOUS artists of all ages and abilities are being encouraged to share their cancer

experience creatively by entering the Cancer Council Victoria Art Awards.

Organisers say the Indigenous Visual Art awards category has attracted high-quality entries including paintings, photographs, video works, craft and sculpture since it was introduced five years ago. Artworks can represent an artist's own experience with cancer, or that of a loved one.

Last year's Indigenous category winner, Anjee-Lee Solomon, described her winning painting 'Strong Heart, Strong Soul, Strong Black Woman' as being about a strong black woman named Elizabeth Von Roehl whose fight with cancer lasted over ten years before ending in 2008.

"Liz's passing was sad but she lived to see her daughter get married and that's all she wanted," said Ms Solomon. "She was a proud black woman and celebrated her culture through art. My painting is about Liz and other strong black women fighting

"In my painting, Liz holds her breast



Anjee-Lee Solomon, the winner of the Indigenous category of last year's Cancer Council Victoria Art Awards, with her artwork.

Photo by TIZIA MAY

where the cancer started. Her wings are her support and in the end carried her to heaven and the background is about her journey and the fight for

The awards were recently selected as the 2009 winner of the Visual Arts and Exhibitions Award category of The Ability Media International Awards for their creative excellence and social

Cancer Council spokesperson Deb

Stringer encouraged Indigenous artists from across Australia to enter the awards, which she said brought together people who had been touched by cancer, while also raising awareness of the support services and resources available to Indigenous people at Cancer Council Victoria. These included the 131 120 help line.

"Cancer affects many people in the Indigenous community, so raising awareness about how to prevent and detect cancer is vital," Ms Stringer said.

Yorta Yorta woman and Indigenous artist Lee Darroch returns to judge the Indigenous Visual Art Award in 2010.

This year's theme is 'Lost and Found' and entries are open to all Australians who have experienced cancer, either directly or indirectly.

In addition to the \$1000 cash prize for the outstanding entry in the Indigenous Visual Art category, a range of works will be displayed in a touring exhibition that begins in Melbourne and travels throughout regional Victoria.

Entries close on Wednesday 7 April. For more information, visit www.artsawards.com.au or call 1300 656 585

Women to help mums, babies



IN what is believed to be an Australian first, Aboriginal women from Port Augusta and Whyalla in South Australia are working side by side with midwives to provide improved services and support for Aboriginal women and their babies.

Project officer for the Aboriginal Birthing Program Anna Caponi said the initiative was part of Country Health SA's Aboriginal Family Birthing Program and had been created to help improve the health of Aboriginal mothers and their new-born infants.

"The training program is about creating a partnership between midwives and Aboriginal health workers so they can support Aboriginal women and their babies in the community," she said.

"The most important part of this new program is that we want to help Aboriginal women gain the skills they need to support Aboriginal mothers during their pregnancy and birthing process.

Ms Caponi said Aboriginal women from the newly established Aboriginal Maternal Infant Care work force (AMIC) would complete a certificate IV in Aboriginal maternal infant care training.

"The 18-month training course will involve one day of theory a week, with the rest of the time spent doing on-the-job training at the Port Augusta and Whyalla hospitals," she said.

"The training program was developed by local Aboriginal women in consultation with clinicians, midwives, country health staff and local Aboriginal communities and the Aboriginal Health Council's Registered Training Organisation.'

The training course is expected to build on the success of the Anangu Bibi and Tjurni Miminis birthing programs in Pt Augusta and Whyalla, which have been instrumental in helping to improve health outcomes for the local Aboriginal community.

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Cousins' uni coup



Tahlemah Togo and Alice Pettit with Eric Clarke, Indigenous Liaison and Education Officer with RMIT's Ngarara Willim Centre. Picture by Steven Rhall



TWO Victorian cousins have won special \$20,000-a-year scholarships to

help them with their university

education Alice Pettit, 17, and Tahlemah Togo, 18, have started degrees at RMIT University in Melbourne with the help of the Rotary Club of Balwyn.

The young women, who grew up across the road from each other outside Robinvale in north-west Victoria, said the scholarships would make a huge difference.

Ms Togo, who will study social

work, said they both were involved in the Aboriginal community in Robinvale. "We're in the dance group and also part of the Dreamettes, an Aboriginal girls' club," she said.

"We had to do an interview with Rotary and we told them how we were among the few Aboriginal kids in Year 12 and how we'd overcome hardships."

Ms Pettit, who will study legal studies, said she was hoping for a career in law, dealing with children, and to return to help her community.

Ms Togo said she was motivated to do social work because of personal experience. She, too, aims to go back to work with local people.

The cousins thanked the Rotary Club of Balwyn for its support.

We'll be using the money to pay fees, books and living expenses and travel back to our families," Ms Pettit said.

Life changing

Bob Batrouney, vice-chair of the Balwyn club's scholarship committee, said the scholarships were awarded by an advisory committee on the basis of being a life-changing experience for the students. "We hope that they will become future role models

and leaders in the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal community," he said.

Stuart McFarlane, manager of the Ngarara Willim Centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples at RMIT, congratulated the two women.

"They will add to what is a growing cohort of Aboriginal students at Ngarara Willim and I'm confident they will make a great contribution to RMIT and their community over the coming years.

"This is a great start for Alice and Tahlemah as they aspire to attain their goals and dreams through education.

"These young women are the future leaders of our people. They will make a great difference not only to their own lives, but also to their families and communities and their contribution will lay the foundations for other young Aboriginal students seeking education pathways into RMIT."

The two students had a message for other Aboriginal young people.

"Follow your dreams, no matter what," Ms Pettit said.

"Don't give up," Ms Togo added. "Set your goals high and don't worry about discrimination - look at us!"

Young scholars off to study at Oxford



TWO Indigenous scholars are off to study at Oxford University in England as the inaugural winners of scholarships established in the memory of Aboriginal

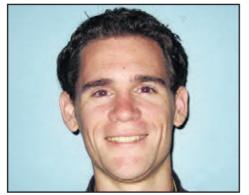
leader and activist Charles Perkins. Paul Gray, a Wiradjuri man from New

South Wales, and Christian Thompson, a Bidiara man from south-west Queensland. were awarded the scholarships by the Charlie Perkins Trust for Children and Students.

Paul Gray will use his scholarship to research the neurobiological processes in children who had experienced traumatic events early in life.

He hopes to develop ways to support such children to prevent them developing mental health problems.

Christian Thompson plans to undertake doctoral studies in Fine Arts, including



PAUL GRAY

research into Indigenous Australian artefacts, as well as exploring museum curatorship and contemporary research.

The scholarship winners were announced at a gathering in Canberra attended by Indigenous Affairs Minister



CHRISTIAN THOMPSON

Jenny Macklin and Hetty Perkins, the daughter of Charlie Perkins.

Ms Perkins said studying at Oxford was not an unattainable dream for Indigenous students until the scholarships were offered.

"With the Perkins scholarships, these two talented Indigenous scholars can make

the dream a reality," she said.

The Charlie Perkins Trust for Children and Students was established to improve Indigenous health, education and welfare and over the years has helped fund a dialysis unit in Kintore and swimming pools in Kintore and Maningrida in the Northern

It has also established prizes for Indigenous students and an annual oration at Sydney University.

The scholarships, covering living expenses, airfares and tuition fees for up to three years, are supported jointly by the Australian Government, through the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, the British Government and Rio Tinto, with Qantas supporting the program as official airline sponsor.

FEDERAL Education Minister Julia Gillard has encouraged prospective Indigenous teachers to apply for the 2010 Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarship program.

The program supports one Indigenous student in every state and territory to obtain a teaching degree. Applicants must be enrolled in, or accepted into, a full-time undergraduate teaching degree, with the scholarships providing \$25,000 a year for the duration of the degree, or up to four years.

Scholarship recipients will also have the opportunity to be supported by an accomplished teacher or teacher educator as a mentor throughout their studies.

Ms Gillard said the scholarship awards formed part of the Government's commitment to closing the gap in education between Indigenous and other Australians.

She said the Government was committed to improving the quality of teaching in schools, investing \$550 million through the Smarter Schools National Partnership to Improve Teacher Quality to attract and retain great teachers and school leaders.

Applications for the scholarships close on

Application forms and guidelines for the scholarships are available through www.deewr.gov.au or email GovGenScholarhsips@deewr.gov.au

Scholarship program is now open is Arizona-bound

BORIGINAL woman Tammy Broom is amongst 25 Australians recognised recently as a Fulbright Scholar for 2010. The Macquarie University PhD candidate in human geography will be the only Fulbright Indigenous Scholar this year.

Ms Broom plans to use her scholarship, supported by the Department of Education, **Employment and Workplace Relations** (DEEWR), to examine Indigenous community economic development in the south-west of the United States as part of her PhD research. She'll be based at the University of Arizona for 12 months

Having already earned a Bachelor of Community Management and Honours in Human Geography from Macquarie University, Ms Broom's current research is looking at the public policy processes and the underlying economic, cultural and social issues affecting the lives of Indigenous people.

"Sustainable community-scale development of economic capacity, and employment, education and economic opportunities for people in indigenous communities, is an enormously challenging public policy issue in both the US and Australia," she said.

In the US, Ms Broom will draw on a framework developed by the Harvard



TAMMY BROOM

Project on American Indian Economic Development.

"This work will directly inform the development of my thesis framework and its wider international relevance and standing. It will provide critically important data to allow comparison of my Australian field studies with US experience.

Ms Broom plans to start her Australian case study research before going to the

US, and then return to her Australian field sites after her fieldwork to extend her investigations in the light of lessons learnt in Native American communities.

The data will provide not only information for her PhD but will also develop a framework for considering public policy challenges in sustainable community economic development and responses of both community-level organisations and public agencies.

The Fulbright program is the largest educational scholarship of its kind, created in 1946. In Australia, the scholarships are funded by the Australian and US governments and corporate partners and are administered by the Australian-American Fulbright Commission in Canberra.

The Fulbright Indigenous Scholarship was established to support and recognise young Indigenous leaders' commitment to achieving excellence, while seeking an international perspective and collaboration through their studies. It is open to an Indigenous postgraduate or postdoctoral scholar to undertake a research or study program in the US, and is available in any field of study.

Applications for Fulbright Scholarships in 2011 open on 1 June.

Indigenous Arts Management.

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Artists, arts workers, managers, Indigenous cultural workers and interested members of the public with enthusiasm for Indigenous arts are encouraged to apply. A relevant post-secondary arts/cultural qualification and/or at least three years work experience in Indigenous arts or community-based cultural work is required.

Delivered through the Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts and Cultural Development, the course involves four one-week intensives between July and December 2010. Study areas include Indigenous Arts and Cultural Identity; Industry and Marketing; Protocol, Policy and Law; and Arts and Project Management.

Applications close 30 April 2010. Details and forms are available online at www.vcam.unimelb.edu.au/indigenous_students.html or phone (03) 9685 9327.



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National

Until 19 May: GenerationOne launch. GenerationOne is a partnership for all Australians to participate in and a place for all to release their passion in three main areas: Education, jobs and job-ready training. Meeting with grassroots supporters and leaders. Stage performances. Details: Shaun Edwards (02) 9660 9400 or email shaun@generationone.org.au or visit www.generationone.org.au Dates and locations: 24 March at Dubbo, NSW 25 March at Canberra, ACT 26 March at Shepparton, Vic 29 March at Melbourne, Vic 30 March at Horsham, Vic 31 March at Adelaide, SA 1 April at Port Augusta, SA 22 April at Alice Springs, NT 23 April at Coober Pedy, SA 26 April at Kalgoorlie, WA 29 April at Perth, WA 30 April at Geraldton, WA 3 May at Broome, WA 6 May at Kununarra, WA 7 May at Darwin, NT 10 May at Mt Isa, Qld 11 May at Charters Towers, Qld

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14 May at Townsville, Qld

18 May at Rockhampton, Qld

17 May at Mackay, Qld

19 May at Brisbane, Qld

Until 20 May: Thinking Outside The Square: A Retrospective (1972-2010) photo exhibition. The exhibition showcases more than 200 black and white and colour photographs and typifies those in the images who often find themselves on the fringe of society. Alcohol and drug-free event. All welcome. Held at the Uniting Church, 56a Raglan Street, Waterloo. Details: Elaine Pelot-Syron on (0411) 725 981 after 2pm.

29 March: STICS public forum. Welfare quarantining and the Racial Discrimination Act what will Macklin's new Intervention laws mean? Speakers include Senator Rachel Siewert, Alastair Nicholson and more. All welcome. Held at the Teachers Club, Ground Floor, Teachers Federation, 22-33 Mary St, Surry Hills, from 6pm onwards. Details: Sabine on (0449) 539 131 or Jean on (0449) 646 593 or email stoptheintervention@gmail.com or visit www.stoptheintervention.org

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, The 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.

28 April: Worimi Kids DVD launch. The DVD contains two music clips performed by the Worimi kids of Karuah and Raymond Terrace. The songs Walang, Wagal, Gaalal Djina and How Do You Say are to help teach the use of the local Koori language (Kattang) from the Port Stephens area in NSW. Some of these groups include Port Stephens Family Support Service, Worimi Aboriginal Lands Council and the University of Newcastle. Free and all welcome. Held at the Primary School Hall, Swan Street, Raymond Terrace, from 4-6pm. Details: Sue Pollock on (02) 4987 4674 or email sue@psfss.org.au or visit www. psfss.org.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@criterion conferences.com or visit www.indighouses.

9-12 July: Broken Hill bush camp. This is an Indigenous bush camp for youth that's organised by East Coast Christian Indigenous Youth Network. Cost, \$130 per person. All welcome. Held at Penrose Park, Silverton. Details: (02) 4393 6965 or (0404) 233 603 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 Ocktobar Lounge, 911 High St, Northcote, NSW from 8pm onwards. Details: (0402) 354 382 or visit www.lastkinection.com

Northern Territory

8-11 April: International Indigenous Solidarity Gathering. The gathering will take the form of workshops, forums, cultural events and art shows and will bring together Indigenous activists from all over Australia and the world to discuss their common struggles. It also provides an opportunity for non-indigenous activists to learn about these struggles and how best to respectfully support them. All welcome. Held in Alice Springs. Details: Michael on (0438) 496 433 or visit www.latinlasnet.org

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

Queensland

Until 10 April: 'Girringun Yunggil' One Together art exhibition of paintings, unique lawer cane weaving and Bagu ceramics from Cardwell, Qld. All welcome. Held at the Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Australian Indigenous Art, 93 James St, New Farm. Details: (07) 33585811 or (0400) 920 022 or email suzanne@suzanneoconnell.com or visit www.suzanneoconnell.com

Until 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. 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.indigenoushealth awards.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

27 May: Equity and Diversity Awards

Interactive Panel Discussion. The awards recognise and reward the achievements of staff and students in furthering equity and diversity throughout UQ and the community. Panel discussion topic: Our Global Community - Reflections and Predictions. All welcome. Held at UQ Centre, Union Road, St Lucia. Details: (07) 3365 3374 or email diversityweek@ug.edu.au or visit www.ug.edu.au/diversity-week

27 May: Reconciliation Business Forum 2010 'Master Business'. The forum will consist of a series of workshops where you can learn to produce a winning business case in a challenging and competitive business team environment, Breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea provided. Free and all welcome. RSVP by 30 April. Held at The Mercure Hotel, North Quay, Brisbane, from 8.30am-4.30pm. Details: (07) 3225 2682 or email Christy. Anderson@ deedi.qld.gov.au or visit www.indigenous. business.qld.gov.au

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, Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

6-7 November: Rainforest Cup Indigenous Cricket Carnival. This is an annual drug and alcohol-free carnival run by a group of individuals from the Indigenous communities of Jumbun, Tully, Innisfail, and the Atherton Tablelands. Team submissions closing date 8 October. All welcome. Held at the Tully Cricket Grounds. Details: (07) 4066 8300 or Stan Lenoy on (0437) 635 124 or email rainforestcup@gmail.com or visit www.members.westnet.com.au

South Australia

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. 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

24-28 May: Out of the Glass Case Road Show. A series of workshops and participatory teaching sessions for school groups concluding with a community day involving local artists, crafts people and musicians. Free and all welcome. Held at Umuwa, APY Lands. Details: Sue Mikkelsen on (08) 8272 3080 or (0412) 697 016 or visit www.samuseum.sa.gov.au/ events/roadshows

Victoria

Until 16 April: Indigenous Arts Grants 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, from 10am-3pm. Free and all welcome. Details: Robyn Simpson on (03) 9658 8549 or email Robyn.Simpson@melbourne.vic.gov.au

Until 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. Details: (03) 9521 2324 or (0417) 184 260 or email artplace@iinet.net.au visit www.artplace.com.au

Until 17 April: Black Sheep; Glorious Baastards. Tickets \$10-\$20 pp. All welcome. Held at the Powder Room, Melbourne Town Hall from 6pm onwards. Details: 1300 660 013 or (03) 9329 9097 or visit www.ilbijerri.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. 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. All welcome. Held in Melbourne. 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 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 3 April: Bindjareb Rinjarra, comedy and a very tragic play about the Pinjarra massacre that occurred in 1834 between the Nyoongahs and the police. Created and performed by Isaac Drandic, Geoff Kelso, Sam Longley, Franklin Nannup, Kelton Pell and Phil Thomson. All welcome. Held at Victoria Hall, 179 High Street, Fremantle. Details: (08) 9430 4771 or visit www.deckchairtheatre.com.au or www.pinjarramassacresite.com

Until 25 April: Graham Badari's first solo exhibition. This exhibition is from one of Western Arnhem Land's most innovative and exciting contemporary artist, Graham Badari. All welcome. Held at Mossenson Galleries, 115 Hay Street, Subiaco. Details: (08) 9388 2899 or email art@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au

Until 10 April: 100 Climbs in 100 Days. A number of rock climbers have been challenging 00 Climbs in 100 Days since the 1 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

27 March: Harmony in Halls Creek film screening. This is a story of how 29 singers share their talents and energy with the townspeople to bridge the gap and help build a positive future out of a troubled past. MC by Deborah Cheetham. Speakers Doreen Green and Mat De Koning. Performances by Gina Williams, Guy Ghouse, George and Shakara Walley and Sermsah Bin Saad. All welcome. Held at Community Centre, Anderson Rd, Forrestfield. Details: Jo Randell on (0409) 116 460 or email pjrandell@bigpond. com or visit www.madjitilmoorna.org.au

Employment INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

He loves the Navy

■ ARRABAH (north Queensland) man Alan Patterson joined the Royal Australian Navy for adventure and life skills ... and that is exactly what he is getting.

Before Christmas, his ship completed a South-East Asian tour which took in Singapore, Malaysia and Cambodia.

"That has been the highlight of my Navy career so far," the newly promoted Able Seaman Patterson

"It's such a big thing for me to go overseas. I had never done anything like that until I was in the Navy. I love what I am doing.'

The Gordonvale High student enlisted in the Navy just two years

After initial training near Melbourne he was posted to Australia's Federation Guard in Canberra.

His next move was to a shore job in Sydney, then to his current ship, HMAS Darwin, also based in Sydney.

But now he's a lot closer to home.

Exercises

Able Seaman Patterson and his shipmates are currently completing exercises off the eastern Australian seaboard with other Navy ships, training for disaster relief operations and actual conflict.

He has specialised as a bosun's mate, which means on-deck seamanship and looking after the ship's pistols, rifles and machine-guns.

He also does his turn at the helm steering the 4100-tonne vessel, and keeps watches as lifebuoy sentry and lookout for the bridge team.

"I'm learning on the job now and I am busy completing my competency log that I have to submit to be fully qualified," he said.

Able Seaman Patterson reckons that when he goes home he will have a lot of stories to tell the young people.

"They will enjoy my stories, I am sure," he said.

"Once I have served my time in the Sydney area, I am keen to work on patrol boats, which are based near Cairns and much nearer home."



Able Seaman Alan Patterson, a proud member of the Royal Australian Navy.

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OUT OF HOME CARE SERVICES

OUT OF HOME CARE FOSTERING SERVICES PRACTITIONERS

Professional 1 (\$51,680- \$63,754)/ Professional 2 (\$66,100 - \$80,137) salary range

(Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$64,000) Professional 1

(Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$84,000) Professional 2

This includes professional allowance, superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus NT Families and Children - Various locations

We are seeking foster care practitioners with degree level qualifications in social work or psychology who are committed to providing excellent standards in foster care recruitment, training and support to foster carers in Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs areas. Several permanent and temporary positions are available.

Selection will be made at P1 or P2 level depending on the experience of the successful applicant.

Quote vacancy number: 200307

CHILD PROTECTION

MANAGER MOBILE CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES Professional 3 (\$83,450 - \$87,916) salary range (Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$108,000)

This includes market allowance, professional allowance, superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus

NT Families and Children - Darwin **Permanent**

In partnership with the Federal Government, the Northern Territory has established a specialist Mobile Child Protection Team. The team is based in Darwin, but works across the whole of the NT to conduct child protection investigations. We are seeking an experienced manager to oversee the program and be responsible for the management and delivery of statutory and non-statutory welfare services to individuals, groups and communities under the NTFC program. Applicants must have a relevant degree level qualification.

This is a readvertised vacancy and previous applicants are encouraged to reapply.

Quote vacancy number: 26507

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We are seeking Child Protection Practitioners with a degree level qualification in Social Work, Psychology or Community Welfare Studies who are dedicated to providing excellent child protection practice. Several permanent and temporary positions are available in various locations including Darwin, Nhulunbuy, Darwin Remote and Alice Springs.

Positions are also available in the Central Intake Team which is based in Darwin and receives and assesses reports of child abuse and neglect for the whole of the Northern Territory. Selection will be made at the P1 or P2 level depending on the experience of the successful applicant.

Quote vacancy number: 200304

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Experience parts of the Territory that are not on the tourist trail by light aircraft and four wheel drive while contributing to a dynamic child protection system at a time when significant investments are being made to improve services to children and families in remote communities.

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Quote vacancy number: 200305

ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY WORKERS

Administrative Officer 4 (\$52,367 - \$60,116) salary

(Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$63,000)

This includes superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus

NT Families and Children - Various locations Several permanent and temporary vacancies are

As a member of a team, and under professional supervision, plan and deliver family support, out of home care and protective services to Aboriginal and Islander children, young people and their families, using casework, group work and community work methods aimed at reducing the risk of harm to children. Several permanent and temporary positions are available in the NTFC Darwin Remote team and other locations

Quote vacancy number: 200306

REMUNERATION

- Generous salaries and conditions
- Superannuation at 9% of gross salary per annum • 6 weeks annual leave with 17.5% leave loading
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For further information please contact Workforce Development on (08) 8922 7472 or email facsrecruitment@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 2 April 2010

APPLICATION INFORMATION

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Indigenous Outreach Workers Indigenous Health

WentWest is a provider of education, training and support services for General Practitioners in Western Sydney.

We have two exciting roles for a Indigenous Outreach Worker to work with Indigenous communities and service providers to improve Indigenous access to mainstream primary care, foster collaboration between care providers and to support general practice to deliver culturally sensitive primary care

This full time role requires someone with a sound understanding of Indigenous health issues, excellent communication and interpersonal skills and be able to influence people in a stimulating environment.

Applicants will have to be achievement oriented, have experience in working with Indigenous populations and the ability to work with minimal supervision and as part of a team

If you have the ability to deliver and the credentials, please send your C.V along with a covering letter to recruitment@wentwest.com.au or call Jamie Matthews on



Legal Support Officer

Aboriginal Identified, Clerk Grade 1/2, Legal Services Division, Wagga Wagga Regional Office, Recruitment Action: RA10/035 (Permanent Full-time)

Provide quality secretarial, clerical and administrative services to Legal Officers and clients across the key program areas in Legal Aid NSW's legal practices.

Applicants must obtain an information package for full position details and selection criteria.

Inquiries: Lee Robbins (02) 6921 6588

Information packages: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au or contact Lee Robbins

Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

Indigenous Health & Wellbeing **Program Coordinator**

We need your strong project management and relationship building skills to lead the implementation and management of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing program.

Your understanding of the issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing and experience of working with Indigenous communities will make you the ideal candidate.

Please visit www.oxfam.org.au/jobs for application details. Salary \$60,171 plus benefits and access to packaging schemes. Closes 6 April. We promote diversity and practice equity. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are particularly encouraged to apply.

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FAMILY AND INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT SERVICES

The positions within the Mobile Outreach Service (MOS) Plus team provide truly unique opportunities to work with children and families and to help make a real and positive difference in remote communities in the Territory.

These roles are responsible for providing a unique therapeutic service to children living in remote Aboriginal communities. Each day will be different as we deliver therapeutic services in geographically widespread locations assisting remote communities prevent and heal from child abuse and neglect. Flexibility and stamina is a must as overnight stays and travel in 4 wheel drive vehicles and/or light aircraft is required.

This is a great opportunity for those seeking career development while undertaking meaningful work or practice with communities at different stages of recognition of the impact of child abuse and neglect.

COUNSELLORS – 4 VACANCIES AVAILABLE Professional 2 (\$66,100 - \$80,137) salary range (Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$84,000)

This includes, professional allowance, superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus Mobile Outreach Service Plus - Darwin and Alice Springs

2 vacancies to 30 June 2012 are available in Darwin Quote vacancy number: 28332

2 vacancies to 30 June 2012 are available in Alice Springs Quote vacancy number: 28334

Provide therapeutic counselling services to children in remote communities who have experienced trauma as a result of child abuse and neglect and provide information. education, training, and capacity building to families and communities. This is a great opportunity for those seeking a more holistic role working in partnership with and serving remote communities.

Applicants must have a relevant degree level qualification.

ABORIGINAL THERAPEUTIC RESOURCE OFFICERS -**4 VACANCIES AVAILABLE**

Administrative Officer 5 (\$62,094 - \$65,328) salary range (Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$73,000)

This includes superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus Mobile Outreach Service Plus - Darwin, Alice Springs,

Tennant Creek 2 vacancies to 30 June 2012 are available in Darwin

Quote vacancy number: 28306 2 vacancies to 30 June 2012 are available, one in Alice

Springs and one in Tennant Creek Quote vacancy number: 28304

Provide support, information and education to remote Aboriginal communities with a particular focus on children who have experienced trauma due to abuse and neglect. This includes engaging with the communities to address and respond to these issues.

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Closing date: 2 April 2010

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Qantas Graduate Development Program

Bring your culture on board

Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander university student in your final year of study? Would you like to work for an iconic Australian company with an outstanding graduate program?

Are you interested in working with an organisation which supports the Indigenous community and its Indigenous staff through the Qantas Reconciliation Action Plan?

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Department of Human Services National Graduate Program (DHS NGP)

The Department of Human Services National Graduate Program incorporates the Department of Human Services—including the Child Support Agency and CRS Australia—and the Human Services agencies Centrelink, Medicare Australia and Australian Hearing.

Together we work to improve government social and health-related services for all Australians

We are one of the largest Australian Government organisations with a workforce of 41,000 across Australia, leading to exciting career opportunities. This also means that, although most positions are located in Canberra, there may be a possibility to stay in your hometown or work in a new and exciting location.

To broaden and expand our graduate program, Centrelink has recently joined forces with the Department of Human Services and Medicare Australia to develop the new Department of Human Services National Graduate Program. The new program will provide you with greater experience and networking potential through offering rotations within other agencies across the portfolio and shared learning and development experiences.

About the Program

Our 12-month graduate program begins in August 2010 and January/February 2011 and gives graduates the opportunity to develop both personally and professionally. By joining the DHS National Graduate Program you will have the chance to select which of the three Portfolio Agencies you would like to begin your experience with. You will only need to submit one application.

You can expect a range of benefits including:

- a generous remuneration package with a starting salary range of \$47,421—\$52,849 per annum and up to 15.4 per cent superannuation
- fast-tracked career progression/advancement upon successful completion of the program
- contemporary employment conditions, including access to generous leave and flexible working arrangements
- variety in the work you undertake, with opportunities for work rotations in interesting and challenging roles throughout the organisation and Department of Human Services



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- the opportunity to work on projects to improve the health and well-being of Australians
- the preference to begin in one of two intakes (Aug 2010 or Jan/Feb 2011)
- assistance with interstate relocation costs (if
- applicable) a customised learning and development program with accreditation in Diploma of Government
- · a dedicated senior mentor and buddy.

The majority of our graduate positions are based in Canberra, as it houses our National Support Office, with some positions potentially being offered interstate. Therefore, a willingness to relocate is desirable as the majority of our graduates do relocate to take up positions in our program. If you select 'no' to willingness to relocate on your application then you may be limiting the job opportunities we are able to offer you should you be successful.

We are seeking highly motivated and dynamic individuals with the potential to become future leaders within the Australian Public Service (APS). If you are innovative and results driven, customer focused, a team player with strong communication and analytical skills, enthusiastic and committed to the APS values—we want you.

We are committed to workplace diversity and encourage applications from Indigenous Australians, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and people with a disability

To be eligible for our graduate program you need to:

- · be an Australian Citizen at time of commencement
- have completed a minimum of an Australian recognised undergraduate degree within the specified time frame noted on our website.
- · have achieved credit average or above



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If you are someone who enjoys a challenge, has great life skills, and is fair-minded, you could become a Prison Officer. You will not only be responsible for the security of prisoners, but will contribute to their rehabilitation. It's a role that's both challenging and fulfilling. Contact Corrections Victoria today and make a change for the better.

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Project Manager, **Regional Aboriginal Health Plan**

Full Time, Fixed Term 12 months \$74,018 to \$89,556 (+ Superannuation)

A 'Closing the Health Gap' strategy has been developed in the Loddon Mallee Region to address Aboriginal disadvantage. The position is required to drive the implementation of this plan across the region. Specific attributes required are

- A demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture and community needs.
- Respect within the Aboriginal community.
- High level interpersonal skills, including the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- An interest in Aboriginal health issues.
- Demonstrated project management experience and capability

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Ann-Maree Conners

Please quote reference no DH/LOD/1003

Closing date for applications is Thursday 1st April 2010.

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DH recruitment practices.



To apply online and view the job description, visit www.careers.vic.gov.au and click on Vacancies.



Therapy Assistant

Northern Region New England, Far North Coast, & Mid North Coast Permanent Full-Time & Part-Time (Various positions)

Position No: 10/ADHC 0414

Total remuneration package valued up to \$52,400 per annum (Salary: \$42,615 pa -\$47,485 pa). Full-Time salary quoted includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Hourly rate: \$23.33 ph - \$26.00 ph. Job Description:

Provide support to therapists with developing and preparing activities and materials, and supporting therapy interventions.

Selection Criteria:

- Capacity to work with people with a disability, their families and carers.
- Relevant work experience and willingness to obtain a relevant Certificate III or IV. Ability to assist and support therapists in developing resources (e.g. sewing material to
- cover foam structures), and implementing an intervention plan in reaching the person with
- · Demonstrated good written and verbal communication skills and an ability to work in a
- Ability to collect clinical and performance data following instruction.
- Good conceptual, analytical and problem solving skills.
- · Competency in keyboard skills and the ability to utilise standard computer software.
- A current Driver's Licence and a willingness to drive.

Job Notes: There are various Permanent Full-Time and Part-Time positions available in New England, Far North Coast & Mid North Coast, with locations negotiable. Further information about these positions is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

There may be an opportunity for the successful applicant to obtain a Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance.

Inquiries: Karin North (02) 6763 0531

Information Packages and to apply visit: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or contact 1800 185 466

Closing date: Friday 2 April 2010



Project Officer, Homelessness Strategy

Clerk Grade 7/8 **Northern NSW Housing Services Division Hunter Area, Newcastle Temporary Full-Time**

Position No: 10/HNSW 0236

Total remuneration package 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:

Responsible for the development and implementation of the "This Way Home" Homelessness project. The position is critical in the development of partnerships and operating agreements associated with the project. This position also coordinates with Housing NSW Assets and external stakeholders to ensure the delivery of an effective housing solution for the project. The position will also have a key role in developing and supporting other stakeholders to ensure they are fully engaged in the delivery of the project.

Selection Criteria:

- High level planning and project management skills.
- · Experience in delivering high quality services in a human services environment.
- Demonstrated organisational skills.
- Excellent interpersonal, negotiation and conflict management skills
- · Strong written communication skills and ability to prepare program and project documentation.
- · Proven leadership skills and ability to influence others. • Commitment to working with non-government organisations as partners in achieving community outcomes
- · Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a re-advertised position & previous applicants are welcome to re-apply. This is a temporary position for a period of up to 12 months with possible $\hbox{extension under the terms of the Public Sector Employment}\\$ & Management Act 2002. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Anna Zycki on (02) 4925 6362

Information Packages and to apply visit:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 4925 0035 or post to: NSW Businesslink, PO Box 2160, Dangar NSW 2309.

Closing Date: Friday 2 April 2010



East Kimberley Family Violence Hub, Country Services

This exciting new initiative has been established following community consultation and will be shaped by action research. The key features of the service will include direct service delivery via a men's and women's family violence worker, community education/awareness raising and funding for the contracting of professional and specialist services to meet identified community needs.

Family Violence Worker (Men)

Web Search No: 007880 Level/Salary: Level 5, \$66,752 - \$73,775 pa

Community Education Worker Web Search No: 007881

Level/Salary: Level 5, \$66,752 - \$73,775 pa

Family Violence Worker (Women) Web Search No: 007879

Level/Salary: Level 5, \$66,752 - \$73,775 pa

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed ar information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Fiona Fischer on 9168 0333.

Special Notice: (Suitable applicants for this position may be considered for future similar vacancies that arise in the next

Location: Kununurra

Closing Date: Monday 29 March 2010 at 5.00pm.

Careers @ Justice

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Eastern Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee, Box Hill

\$74,018 - \$89,556

Position No : DJ4091

We are seeking to appoint an Executive Officer for the Eastern Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee (RAJAC). This position plays a major role in the ongoing operation of the respective RAJAC, including the development and maintenance of supportive linkages between justice agencies and community organisations, providing policy advice, implementing the Regional Action Justice Plan, providing secretariat services to the RAJAC as well as promotion of all AJA initiatives within the region.

The successful candidate will need to have an understanding of the Koori community and the issues impacting on it, and the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with the Koori community and stakeholders.

This is a two-year fixed term appointment (until April 2012) and is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Position policy.

The Department encourages applications from Koories and other Indigenous Australians.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 7 April 2010

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Indigenous

Information Officer

- Wilsons Promontory National Park Tidal River
- Full time ongoing role Salary \$40,973pa plus 9% Super

Parks Victoria is committed to maintaining the health of the natural environment of our parks and reserves while providing a range of excellent visitor services - so that all Victorians can visit them to relax or exercise their bodies and minds - Healthy Parks Healthy People.

We have a great opportunity for a person to work as an Indigenous Information Officer at Wilsons Promontory National Park – Tidal River. The role is to provide high level visitor service at the Wilsons Promontory Visitor Centre and Park Entrance Office, through the delivery of high quality services and information to visitors. The successful applicant will also assist with the efficient operation and management of the reservations and bookings process for accommodation/camping and other related services at Wilsons Promontory National Park.

The successful applicant will have:

- Demonstrated work experience in a similar role, preferably within the hospitality or nature tourism industry.
- Sound knowledge and commitment to customer service and customer satisfaction.
- Sound knowledge and understanding of nature tourism. Computer literacy, especially Microsoft systems and booking/accommodation systems.
- Proven record of achievement and self management. Must be well presented and possess highly developed written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to work as a member of a team and be able to
- prioritise duties to meet deadlines. A current Victorian driver's license.
- A relevant Technical Certificate or Associate Diploma or equivalent qualifications are preferred

To find out more about this position, please obtain a copy of the position description by visiting www.parkweb.vic.gov.au under 'employment'.

Parks Victoria holds an exemption from the Equal Opportunity Board to enable the recruitment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders only to identified positions (Nos: A127 of 2007).

For further information please contact Lucy Nicholson by calling Parks Victoria on 13 1963. To apply, please e-mail your application, addressing the selection criteria including a resume to applications@parks.vic.gov.au.

Applications close Friday 9 April 2010.

Parks Victoria is an Equal Opportunity Employer, with a commitment to merit, equity and diversity in the workplace

Thursday Island

Assistant

Houseparent

Canon Boggo Pilot Hostel APS Level 3

\$44,987 - \$47,742 pa, plus superannuation

Duties

- 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

Want to know more?

Contact Lency Pedro on 07 4090 3246.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Sandra Callope on 07 4051 4588.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 1143, Cairns QLD 4870 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm 2 April 2010.

This is a Secondary Education hostel.

Domestic

Melbourne

William T Onus Hostel **APS Level 1** \$578.64 - \$614.06 per week, plus superannuation

Duties

- Part time 35 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

Want to know more?

Contact Rita Stewart on 03 9642 2775.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Brooke Drady on 03 9642 2775.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 486G, Melbourne VIC 3001 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm 2 April 2010.

This is a Transient hostel.

Assistant Hostel Manager

Melbourne

George Wright Shelter APS Level 2 \$312.44 - \$331.55 per week, plus superannuation

Duties

- Part time 15.2 hours per week
- Operation of the hostel
- Provide a quality service to our residents
- Supervise staff Manage a budget
- Provide reports to Regional Manager
- Want to know more? Contact Robert Rudnew on 03 9419 8648.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Emma Gamble on 03 9642 2775.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 486G, Melbourne VIC 3001 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm 2 April 2010.

This is a Homeless (men only) hostel.

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.

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Facilities Co-ordinator

Corporate Services \$56,802 to \$60,230 Ongoing

The Facilities Co-ordinator will be required to manage the Institute's building and facilities, assets and asset system and security system. The successful applicant will also be responsible for negotiating and managing contracts and stakeholder relationships relating to the Institutes facilities.

Please consult the AIATSIS website www.aiatsis.gov.au to obtain the selection documentation for this position. For those without access to the internet, selection documentation can be obtained from the HR Team on (02) 6246 1128 or email hrteam@aiatsis.gov.au

If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact the Finance Manager, Penny Fitzpatrick on 02 6246 1101.

Applications together with an application cover sheet and the names and telephone numbers of 2 recent referees should be forwarded to:

The Recruitment Officer

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies GPO Box 553

Canberra ACT 2601

Closing Date: COB 9th April 2010.

Applications may also be forwarded by e-mail: recruitment@aiatsis.gov.au

Applicants must address the selection criteria which includes the ability to demonstrate knowledge and an understanding of Indigenous cultures and the issues affecting Indigenous Australians today and an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The Institute values a skilled and diverse workforce to meet the needs of the organisation in the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



Centrelink is part of the Human Services Portfolio and aims to serve Australia by assisting people to become self-sufficient and support those in need. Merit based selections ensure a talented and diverse workforce. Applicants must be Australian citizens.

Indigenous and Remote Servicing Division

Various Opportunities for Customer Service Advisers and Social Workers

APS 3 - APS4 | \$47,421 - \$58,949*

Professionals (PROF1/APS5-6) | \$59,337 - \$73,351*

Various locations in Northern Territory and the Kimberley in Western Australia

Job Reference: ON510

Contact: Rae-Anne Holloway 08 89363163 or 0418 862 931, Annette Hiscox 08 8952 6637 or 0439 877 462

or 0439 877 462 Closing Date: 1 April 2010

- Excellent career opportunities
- Various opportunities in various locations available
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- Permanent and temporary positions on offer

Are you keen to join a supportive team providing high quality customer service in a fast paced environment and have a genuine interest in meeting the needs of customers?

We are offering various opportunities for Customer Service Advisers and Social Workers across Area North Australia, encompassing the Northern Territory and Kimberley region of Western Australia.

We require people who meet the following criteria:

- A customer focused attitude
- Experience in providing culturally appropriate services to Indigenous customers
- Excellent communication skills
- Strong team skills

Comprehensive training will be provided, however basic computer knowledge is assumed.

A current driver's licence would be an advantage.

Applicants must be Australian citizens

We are particularly keen to receive applications from Indigenous Australians. Commencement dates can be negotiated.

* Salary may be negotiated based on skills, experience and knowledge

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YOUTH WORKER Flinders Island - Expression of Interest

Exciting, people-focused position contributing to the health, well being and the advancement of Aboriginal youth!

Flinders Island Aboriginal Association is taking expressions of interest for a Full Time Youth Worker to be based on the amazing location of Flinders Island, Bass Strait. Just a short flight from Melbourne or Launceston, this is a chance to bring your passion for improving the quality of life for young people to a challenging and fulfilling community setting! You will be rewarded with competitive remuneration plus benefits, including salary sacrifice options and great opportunities for professional development.



ApplyNow.com.au/Job16800 Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573

NSW@HEALTH HUNTER NEW ENGLAND

Applications can be lodged on line at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment
Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4926 7626.

Administration Assistant

Staff Development, Education and Resource Centre, Taree Perm Part Time, 20 hpw Position No: 66571 This position has been advertised externally for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. In the event that there are no Aboriginal applicants, then the mainstream internal applications from this advertisement will be utilised. Mainstream internal applicants include: permanent employees and temporary employees who have been employed for more than 12 months and who have been employed as part of a merit selection process. Please note that this process is a Government approved strategy and falls under the Affirmative Action Plan for Employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

and Torres Strait Islander people. Enquiries: Kathy Barnett, (02) 6592 9232, kathy.barnett@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

Administration Trainee

Organisational Capability and Learning, Newcastle
Temp Full Time
Position No: 66717
This position has been advertised for Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait Islander people to apply. In the event that
there are no Aboriginal applicants, then the mainstream
applications from this advertisement will be utilised.
Please note that this process is a Government approved
strategy and falls under the Affirmative Action Plan for
Employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

people.
Please confirm your Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
Origin by providing:

- Origin by providing:
 a) a confirmation with a common seal on it from an Aboriginal organisation; or
- b) a reference letter stating that the person is Aboriginal and accepted by community. (The letter must be supplied by an Aboriginal organisation). Enquiries: Frances Bernard, (02) 4985 3230. Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

Medical Secretary

Paediatric Brain Injury Rehabilitation Team, Newcastle
Perm Part Time, 20 hpw
Position No: 66738
This position has been advertised externally for Aboriginal
and/or Torres Strait Islander people only to apply.
In the event that there are no Aboriginal applicants,
then the mainstream internal applications from this
advertisement will be utilised. Mainstream internal
applicants include: permanent employees and temporary
employees who have been employed for more than
12 months and who have been employed as part of a
merit selection process. Please note that this process is
a Government approved strategy and falls under the
Affirmative Action Plan for Employment of Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander people.

Enquiries: Karen Dixon, (02) 4921 3671, karen.dixon@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au Closing Date: 2 April 2010.

Staff Specialist Secretary

Manning Rural Referral Hospital, Taree

Perm Part Time, 20 hpw
Position No: 66581
This position has been advertised externally for
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only to
apply. In the event that there are no Aboriginal
applicants, then the mainstream internal applications
from this advertisement will be utilised. Mainstream
internal applicants include: permanent employees and
temporary employees who have been employed for more
than 12 months and who have been employed as part of
a merit selection process. Please note that this process is a
Government approved strategy and falls under the
Affirmative Action Plan for Employment of Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander people.

Enquiries: Diane Nix, (02) 6592 9907, diane.nix@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

Aboriginal Maternal & Infant Health Strategy Registered Midwife

Maternity & Gynaecology, Wallsend

Perm Part Time, 24 hpw Position No: 66613 Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp, Full/ Part Time and Casual positions. Enquiries: Jennifer McDermott, (02) 4985 5201.

Enquiries: Jennifer McDermott, (02) 4985 57 Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage & Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



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 enthusiastic and committed person to fill the following position in our Out of Home Care Program in the Southern Region.

Kinship/Extended Care Caseworker

(Position based at our Dandenong office)

We are looking for someone to:

- Provide support to Aboriginal children and young people,
 A sound understanding and working knowledge of the is
- A sound understanding and working knowledge of the issues related to Aboriginal child and family welfare.
- A sound knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture and society and the ability to effectively communicate with Aboriginal people
- A proven ability to advocate on behalf of children and young people

For a copy of the job description and key selection criteria, which applicants must address, please contact Jill Owen on (03) 9706 6383.

Applications close: 31st March 2010

NSW@HEALTH SYDNEY SOUTH WEST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Closing Date: 9 April 2010.

ALLIED HEALTH

Aboriginal Liaison Officer – Female (HEO) Ref: 61043. Salary: \$41,956-\$71,594 pa. F/T at RPAH.

Enq: Nadine Meredith, (02) 9515 9461. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination

Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under Section 31(2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Senior Clinician Social Worker – Level 3

(Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander New Directions Early Childhood Sustained Home Visiting Service) Ref: 60157. Salary: \$39.10–\$40.41 ph. P/T 20 hpw at Child and Family Services, Community Health Services. Enq: Helen Poole, 0438 171 459.

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.

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice



CRIME PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Policy and Research Officer (ATSI Identified)

JAG10/0294

Departmental Professional Officer Grade III Parramatta, Temporary Full Time up to 31 December 2011

Salary range: \$80,608 - \$88,058 Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$97,172

The Policy & Research Officer is required to provide research support to the Aboriginal Programs Unit (APU) to assist the Unit to achieve its aims and objectives and fulfill its functions. This includes: undertaking legal research as directed; analysis of policy issues; preparing draft report on the APU's current programs and policies; contact with key stakeholders and associated administrative duties.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Proven ability to research and critically analyse legal and social policy issues, formulate and develop policy and undertake research projects;
- Well developed oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills, including the ability to consult and liaise at a senior level;
- Sound knowledge of Commonwealth and State law, government functions and the legislative process;
- Demonstrated ability to manage conflicting priorities, prepare advice within strict time frames and make sound judgements in high-pressure situations;
- A willingness to accept responsibility and take initiative and a commitment to maintaining high standards of professional conduct;
- Tertiary qualifications or extensive experience in criminal justice or social science fields.

Job Notes:

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) means a person who:

(a) is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and (b) identifies as an Aboriginal person, and

(c) is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Please include JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries: George Blacklaws (02) 8688 8043 george_blacklaws@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 9 April 2010

Aboriginal person

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Field Worker 50d

Country Services

Web Search No: 003660

Level/Salary: Level 1 SC. Level 2/4 \$47.082 - \$70.748 pa

Aboriginality is a genuine qualification for this position as per section 50d of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984

The Field Worker (50d) will work in the areas of child protection and children in care and is responsible for engaging, building and maintaining relationships with families

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. 00360 or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Fran Purvis on

Special Notice: Subsidised Housing available and District Allowance Applicable

Location: Meekatharra

Closing Date: Monday 29 March 2010 at 5.00pm.





Careers with Queensland Health

Generalist Health Worker or Trainee Health Worker (Men's Business)

Central Highlands Community and Primary Health Service, Emerald, Central Queensland Health Service District. Salary between \$43 008 – \$45 312 p.a. (003) or Salary between \$39 050 - \$42 909 p.a. (002) (Applications will remain curren for 12 months) JAR: H10CH0358. **Duties/Abilities:** Work with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community providing a holistic culturally appropriate primary health care service that seeks to build capacity for self determination in health and well-being. Applicants without Certificate III qualification will be employed (temporary full time) at 002 classification and required to complete a Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care. Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquires: Janette Dillon (07) 4983 9700. **Application Kit:** (07) 4920 7000 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus Closing Date: Tuesday, 6 April 2010.

You can apply online at www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



The Victoria Daly Shire Council is a young and innovative Local Government covering an area approximately twice the size of Tasmania.

Council's aim is to strengthen its communities with people delivering shire services to their own communities with the skills and knowledge of their own culture, community and people.

Council is currently recruiting people in Katherine and Daguragu who share their vision. Positions exist for:

- Team Leader (Community **Devt Employment Projects)**
- Mentor Programme **Coordinator & Trainee**
- Cultural Liaison Officer

Victoria Daly Shire Council offers a family friendly workplace and a competitive salary with great conditions including:

- 38 hour working week (Monday Friday, generally 8am-4:30pm);
- 6 wks annual leave + 17.5% loading;
- 10 days personal leave:
- **Relocation assistance** up to \$5,000 (neg);
- Salary sacrifice options; and
- Ongoing professional training.



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Re-advertised

YOUTH WORKER

Awabakal Co-op requires an Aboriginal person for this full-time position to provide services, social programs and activities to youth and young people across the Newcastle & Lake Macquarie region. The successful applicant should be in possession of a current LR licence, or be willing to obtain same. Computer literacy is essential for this position

YOUTH SUPPORT WORKER

(SAAP) 2 years

Awabakal Co-op has a new full-time 2 year position supporting Aboriginal Youth who are or at risk of being homeless. This position will work in the Newcastle LGA, and will casework up to 20 clients aged 15-21. Qualifications and or experience in youth or social work/case-management, current drivers licence, computer literacy essential.

All positions are subject to Working with Children Checks. It is unlawful for anyone convicted of a serious sex offence or other related offences against children to apply.

These positions are Aboriginal identified positions, authorised by s14d Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

All information packages can be obtained from Awabaka Admin, 02 49 69 4711

Closing date is 5pm, Wed 31st March 2010.



Client Assessment and Referral Consultant (Aboriginal Identified)

Clerk Grade 6/8, **Central Sydney Office (Haymarket)** (Job Reference No.: CA10/036)

Prepare psychosocial reports & comprehensive assessments regarding the socio-legal needs of clients with pending criminal law matters; liaise with external providers across NSW to ensure service provision for legally aided clients; complete allocated projects & initiatives to address the socio-legal needs of clients; specialise in the criminal law program area.

Applicants must obtain an information package for full position details and selection criteria.

Inquiries: Danielle Castles on (02) 9219 5753

Information packages: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 9 April 2010



Administrative Coordinator

Clerk Grade 3/4 **Asset Operations Team** Southern & Western **NSW Housing Services Division** Riverina Murray Area, Wagga Wagga Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_0379

Total remuneration package valued up to \$67,675 per annum (Salary: \$56,009 pa - \$61,328 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

Job Description:

The purpose of this role is to provide a broad range of administrative and project support to the Asset Operations Team/Quality Assurance Team.

Selection Criteria:

High level communication and interpersonal skills.

Analytical and problem-solving skills.

- Extensive skills in Excel and spreadsheet manipulations, word processing, database packages and on-line research tools.
- Sound organisational, administrative and time management skills.
- · Proven ability to work in a team environment and provide support to all team members.
- Ability to manage workloads, strict deadlines and competing priorities, and low-level project management
- · Significant administrative support experience with demonstrated capacity to provide high level support to a professional team in a flexible manner.

Job Notes: Further information about the position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

Inquiries: Ronald Brand (02) 6921 0091

Information Packages and to apply visit:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink (02) 6363 6150 or post to: The Manager, NSW Businesslink Pty Ltd, Western Regional Service Centre, PO Box 2552, Orange NSW 2800.

Closing Date: Friday 2 April 2010

www.dhs.vic.gov.au



Koori Intensive Support Practitioner - CPW 3

Salary:- \$60,143 - \$67,651 + 9% Superannuation

Location:- Shepparton

Details:- Fixed Term to 11/3/2011 - Full time

The Youth Justice Koori Intensive Support Practitioner position has been established as an initiative of Phase Two of the Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA2). This position is a specialist role, acknowledging the over- representation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system and the need to provide a culturally based approach with a commitment to diversion, rehabilitation and re-integration into the community. This position provides intensive and innovative culturally based assessment and case management of young Koori people involved with Youth Justice, particularly those who are being released from custody or subject to bail supervision. There is also a capacity to case manage young people on current Children's Court

- Experienced in providing culturally based services and interventions to young Koori people
- Able to work effectively in the criminal justice system and Koori community to assist young Koori people address their offending behaviour and reducing Koori over-representation

For further details contact Martin Ellemor - Ph 0358321565

Please quote reference no DHS/HUM/117217

Applications close: - 5th April 2010

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DHS recruitment practices. Applicants need to be committed to the DHS Values - DHS is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values Diversity





Casework Manager (Aboriginal), Intensive Family Based Services – Clerk Grade 9

For other Victorian Government opportunities, please visit www.car

10/CS_0389

Hunter & Central Coast Region, Newcastle

Permanent Full-Time

Total remuneration package valued up to \$97,172 per annum (Salary: \$85,650 pa - \$88,058 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

- To manage and lead a team of Caseworkers who provide services to vulnerable children, young people and families.
- Promote the development of best practice casework aligned to CS policies
- Work with other agencies to achieve high quality service delivery for our clients.
- Provide professional support and supervision for staff.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginality, and demonstrated commitment to improving services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- 2. Experience in the field of child protection, social welfare and/or child development, including working with Aboriginal children, families and
- In-depth understanding (or capacity to quickly acquire such understanding) of CS' specific statutory responsibilities, policies, procedures and delegations, including the Children and Young Persons (Care & Protection) Act, 1998.
- Understanding of cultural issues and social equity principals, and skills in developing and building community capacity in Aboriginal communities.
- High level planning and organisational skills to manage workflow, and prioritise allocation of work in a high volume output focussed environment.
- 6. Highly developed written and verbal communication skills with an ability to negotiate complex and often sensitive issues with clients, staff, government agencies, and community partners.
- Ability to lead and manage a team and provide effective professional guidance and supervision to Caseworkers, including debriefings, case practice analysis, and professional mentoring, to deliver effective service outcomes to clients.

- Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria. In this position an applicant's Aboriginality is a genuine qualification authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- It is an offence under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. The Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 and the Commission for Children & Young People Act 1998 require that all recommended candidates are screened for national criminal records, relevant Apprehended Violence Orders (AVOs), and relevant employment proceedings.

Closing Date: Friday 9 April 2010

Information Package

The information package is available online on the Community Services Job Board at www.communitv.nsw.gov.au/careers

For inquiries relating to the progress of your application, please call the NSW Businesslink Recruitment Solutions Team on 1800 149 919. Inquiries

For information about the position, please call Bianca Jarrett on (02) 9716 2225.

APPLY ONLINE



Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care Inc.

SNAICC is the national non-government peak body in Australia representing the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. SNAICC is commencing an exciting new project undertaking workforce development and designing resources to support the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in early childhood (birth As a result, SNAICC seeks highly motivated and qualified people to fill two new positions working closely together

SNAICC Project Officer Social and Emotional Wellbeing

The position will be responsible for planning, developing and designing resources and activities designed to build the capacity of the early childhood sector and staff to support and promote the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

SNAICC Project Officer

Training and Resource Development

The position will be responsible for planning, developing and designing training and related resources to build the capacity of the early childhood sector and staff in the area of supporting and promoting the social and emotional wellbeing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

To apply, obtain selection documentation from the SNAICC website, http://www.snaicc.asn.au/ For further information about the positions contact SNAICC Coordinator, Social and Emotional Wellbeing Projects by telephone 03 9489 8099 or email mark@snaicc.asn.au

The positions are fixed term roles until April 2011, with possible extension subject to funding. Both positions are available on a full time or four day per week basis, negotiable. The positions are based in Melbourne and interstate travel will be required.

> SNAICC encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and non-Indigenous people to apply.

Applications close on Tuesday 6 April 2010.



Administrative Assistant

REF: 10081 The successful applicant will provide routine clerical and administrative support to the Director, Human Resources and members of the Human Resources Division team across a range of human resource and administrative matters.

- **Human Resources Division**
- Available immediately on a fixed-term, full-time basis for a period of 12 months
- Salary (HEO3): \$41 814 to \$45 397 pa
- Plus 9% employer superannuation
- Applications close: 11.00 am, Tuesday 6 April 2010

Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment

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Courts Administration Authority

The Courts Administration Authority is a diverse service organisation responsible for providing facilities and administrative services for the Supreme, District, Magistrates, Youth, Environment, Resources and Development Court and the Coroner's Court of South Australia.

Aboriginal Youth Justice Officer

\$56,348 - \$58,952 pa + superannuation and option to salary sacrifice **Ongoing**

CBD location & Youth Court

The Aboriginal Youth Justice Officer, Youth Court provides a culturally sensitive service to Aboriginal Youth, families and the Aboriginal Community. This role is responsible for providing a range of services and information to Aboriginal young people appearing before the Youth Court. The Aboriginal Youth Justice Officer also contributes to the education of Aboriginal young people about the operation of the court and criminal justice system. It is expected that the successful applicant will have highly developed interpersonal skills, communication, enthusiasm and initiative for working with Aboriginal Youth. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

You will have:

- Extensive experience and knowledge of youth networks with working within a community environment offering services and programs for young Aborginal people.
- Ability and experience providing effective outcomes for Aboriginal youth and the community. including sound negotiation skills and resolving conflict.
- Sound knowledge and understanding of the experiences and issues affecting Aboriginal youth and
- their families who appear before the Youth Court. Experience in establishing and maintaining cooperative working relationships with Aboriginal communities, young people and families, including the ability to liaise, consult and engage in a

Special Conditions: The successful applicant will be required to undertake a criminal history check prior to engagement.

Enquiries: Please contact Mr Tom Clarkson, Manager Youth Court, telephone 8204 0330 or email tom.clarkson@courts.sa.gov.au

Applicants must obtain a copy of the Guide for Applicants for information about the application process and the selection criteria to be addressed.

A copy of the relevant job and person profile, the guide for applicants, an information kit and other necessary documents about the application process can be accessed at www.courts.sa.gov.au/community/jobs/index.html

Applications close 5.00pm on Tuesday, 6 April 2010.

Central Sydney GP Network (CSGPN) PROJECT OFFICER

INDIGENOUS HEALTH

CSGPN, based at Ashfield, is a progressive membership organisation providing support, resources and training to GPs and their staff in over 350 practices in Sydney's inner west and

We are seeking a full-time Project Officer working under the Closing the Gap - Improving Indigenous Access to Mainstream Primary Care Program. The role of the position will be to contribute to closing the gap in life expectancy by improving access to culturally sensitive primary care services for Indigenous Australians.

An attractive remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful applicant. For more information contact Peter Wood on 9799 0933 or pwood@csgpn.com.au

> Applications close: 5pm Friday April 9, 2010.

GREATER WESTERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE **NSW@HEALTH**

Closing Date for all positions: 9 April 2010

ALLIED HEALTH

Broken Hill

Sexual Assault Counsellor PFT (jobshare considered), **Salary:** As per relevant skills & qualifications, **Recruitment No:** GW61825, **Enquiries &** Application Kit: Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or

sue.burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au

 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.

Aboriginal Family Health Worker

TFT (jobshare considered), up to 29/02/12, **Salary:** Aboriginal Health Education Officer (Non-Graduate/Graduate): \$804.06— \$1381.48 pw, Recruitment No: GW61826, Enquiries & Application Kit: Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or sue.burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au

- •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*.

Sexual Assualt Counsellor

PFT (jobshare considered), **Salary:** As per relevant skills & qualifications, **Recruitment No:** GW61830, **Enquiries &** Application Kit: Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or sue.burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au

 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.



Program Manager Aboriginal Studies

Governance Departments

Based in the inner Sydney suburb of Glebe, Tranby is Australia's oldest Indigenous education provider and has played an important role in the struggle for the achievement of social justice for Indigenous people.

This is an exciting opportunity for an Indigenous education professional to be involved with a national icon. An attractive salary package is being offered to the successful applicant, who will be a dynamic, community focused person with an understanding of the crucial role that education plays in the realisation of social justice for Indigenous people. The successful applicant will have a relevant degree or diploma in Aboriginal studies and/or business related field and Certificate IV in Assessment and Workplace Training.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the delivery of the Diploma of Business (Governance) and the Diploma of Applied Aboriginal Studies to Indigenous students from across Australia, who will undertake study on a Block Release program.

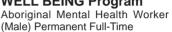
Under Section 14 of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification.

Applications close 5pm 9th April 2010.

For more information, please contact Tranby Aboriginal College on 1800 601 988 or e-mail admin@tranby.edu.au. The position description can be found at www.tranby.edu.au.

POSITIONS VACANT

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL WELL BEING Program





MUMS & BABIES Program

Child & Family Health Nurse Permanent Full-Time

AMSWS is offering challenging employment opportunities for community minded Aboriginal people communication skills, a good listener, prepared to become part of a holistic health team committed to the delivery of primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community of Western Sydney from our centre at Mt Druitt. Established in October 1986 we have been providing primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community since August 1987. AMSWS is a vibrant non-government community run organization with Public Benevolent Institution status, our main source of income comes from federal and state government grants.

All applications will be assessed against a selection criterion that includes essential and desirable qualifying factors. Relevant criminal record checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment or

Notes: In these positions an applicants' race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

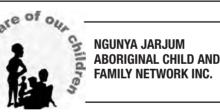
Enquiries: Joanne Delaney on 02 9832 1356 or email Joanne@amsws.org.au

Information Packages: Jean Blair on 02 9832 1356 or email Jean@amsws.org.au

Website: www.amsws.org.au

Written applications: The Chairperson, Aboriginal Medical Service Western Sydney PO Box 3160 Mt Druitt Village

Closing date: Friday, 30th April 2010 by 4:30pm



Ngunya Jarjum is the first Aboriginal, Out of Home Care Service in NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Office of the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anyone with the skills and dedication to join our case management team. We are a dynamic service in the process of increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional care placements for our children, families and communities. Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ the following Aboriginal workers for our Out-of-Home Care and Kinship Care programs.

ATSI Caseworker-Generalist

two full time positions, (these are 6 months temporary positions with opportunity for permanent appointment)

> ATSI Caseworker-Kinship Care two full time permanent positions

Salaries: A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

In this position an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination

Location: Casino

Contact: Lenore Marlowe – General Manager 02 66 628044 Information Session and Packages: To assist applicants for the

above positions Ngunya Jarjum will be holding an Information Session from 10:00am on Friday 9th April at our office at 38 Johnston St Casino to outline the position requirements and to provide applicants with Information Packages. Information Packages must be obtained prior to completion of the application and are also available on request by phoning the Office on 02 66 628044.

A "Working with Children Check" is a requirement of this position Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 646 Casino, NSW 2470

Closing Date: Friday, 23rd April 2010



Police Citizens Youth Club **Indigenous Community Sport** and Recreation Officer (6 CAPE & GULF Positions)

• Full-Time Fixed-Term role (until December 2011) • Up to \$21.89 per hour based on experience and qualifications

Our Indigenous Business Unit requires highly motivated, enthusiastic and reliable persons to develop and deliver sport and recreational programs within the following locations.

- Pormpuraaw
- Lockhart River Coen
- Wujal Wujal
- Normanton

Napranam This responsible role will require:-

- Consulting with the community and stakeholders to develop a range of suitable sports and recreation programs – under the "Strength for Life" priority areas: Self, Family and Community;
- Delivering sport and recreation programs to community members; Working flexible hours to meet local sporting and recreational
- demands You should have prior experience and/or relevant academic or industry qualifications in sport and recreation. Strong communication skills,

experience in planning and delivering sporting and recreation programs, good organisational skills and the ability to prioritise and self-manage are required attributes. Eliqibility to hold a Blue Card is mandatory and you must also have a strong commitment to working in and with the Indigenous community.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People are strongly encourage to A Position Description is available at www.pcyc.org.au --> Job Vacancies -> Indigenous Community Sport and Recreation Officer,

Send your resume and covering letter (mandatory) to

vacancies@pcyc.org.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: FRIDAY 26th MARCH 2010 For further information phone Sgt David Bird on 0400 047 594.

Police-Citizen Youth Clubs **Enhancing Communities Through Youth Development** FUNDED BY STATE GOVERNMENT Department of Communities - Sport and Recreation Services

2 POSITIONS VACANT

Sexual Assault/Family Violence Counsellor

(Part-time 28hrs/wk, job-share optional)

 Community Legal Educator (Full-time)

Both positions are based in Forbes, Central West NSW and outreach to rural communities in Binaal Billa region. Above award rates and additional benefits on offer. Phone the Program Coordinator -Courtney Hodges on (02) 6851 5011 or email bbfvls@bigpond.net.au for an Application Package.

Position closes on Friday 2nd April 2010.

Australian Indigenous (Koori) **Traineeships**

- Great entry level role no qualifications required
- Full time, 12-18 month traineeships
- National Training Wage Rates apply

PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST BE OF INDIGENOUS DESCENT TO **APPLY FOR THESE POSITIONS**

Equal Opportunity Act Exemption No: A139/2007

The Gunung-Willam-Balluk Learning Centre is seeking applications from suitable Indigenous people interested in undertaking traineeship programs in different areas within the Institute such as office administration, customer service, childcare and Hospitality (Apprenticeship).

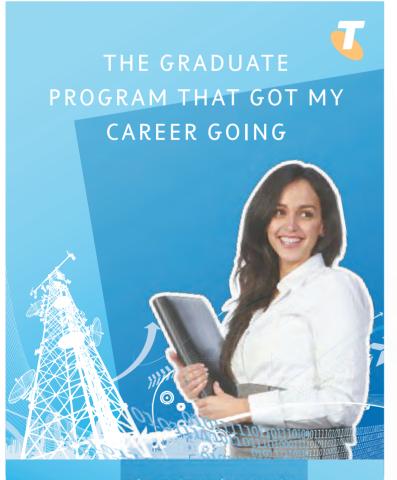
There are no formal qualifications or experience required for these traineeships but ideally you will possess: a commitment to completing training in your selected career area, work readiness skills and attitudes, good personal time management and organisation skills, an ability to communicate and work with a variety of people and the ability to work as part of a team.

If you are interested in this position please visit www.kangan.edu.au/jobs to apply online or please send your Resume along with a covering letter to Tanya Douglas, Kangan Institute, Private Bag 299, Somerton Vic 3047

> For further information about these to positions contact Tanya via email on tdouglas@kangan.edu.au o 03 9279 2357, or call into the Indigenous Education Centre, Broadmeadows Campus

> > Applications close: Wednesday, 31st March

2010 at 9.00am.



We're now looking for graduates from a variety of disciplines for the 2011 Graduate Program, and encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to apply.

You'll be supported through your program by a mentor, learning and development opportunities, the graduate network, your assigned buddy and of course your manager. Applications close 6th April 2010.

TO APPLY VISIT CAREERS.TELSTRA.COM/GRADUATES



Government of Western Australia **Department of the Attorney General**

Aboriginal Justice Agreement

The Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) is a partnership between Government and Aboriginal Communities. The AJA program engages Aboriginal people at local, regional and state levels in developing strategies to improve justice outcomes for Aboriginal people. A number of positions may become available in the next 12 months:

Project Officer

Web Search No: Pool 010659

Level/Salary: L5 PSGA \$70,037 - \$77,405 pa

Senior Policy Officer

Web Search No: Pool 010661

Level/Salary: L6 PSGA \$81,501 - \$90,249 pa

Senior Project Officer Web Search No: Pool 010662

Level/Salary: L6 PSGA \$81,501 - \$90,249 pa

Regional Coordinator

Web Search No: Pool 009721 Level/Salary: L6 PSGA \$81,501 - \$90,249 pa

Team Leader

Web Search No: Pool 010660

Level/Salary: L7 PSGA \$95,301 - \$102,144 pa

Visit: jobs.wa.gov.au and key the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: 9264 1562 to be mailed an

For Specific Job Related Information: Please contact Steve Robbins on Ph: (08) 9264 6128.

Closing Date: Tues 6 April 2010 at 4.30pm. WST

Regional Manager Central Australia

- Manage the activities of Red Cross in the **Central Australia region**
- Alice Springs based
- Excellent salary packaging available

Are you passionate about using your experience to make a difference?

Red Cross is currently seeking an experienced manager to take on the role of Regional Manager Central Australia. This is an exciting opportunity to use your leadership, financial and administration management skills to make a difference to the most vulnerable.

For further information and a copy of the position description, visit our careers page at

www.redcross.org.au

or contact Sharon Mulholland on 08 8924 3900.

Applications close Monday 5 April 2010.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



Australian Red Cross

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Relief in times of crisis, be it big or small, care when it's needed most and commitment when others turn away. Red Cross is there for people in need, no matter who you are, no matter where you live.



CENTRE FOR INDIGENOUS **EDUCATION AND RESEARCH**



Centre For Indigenous Education and Research

Australian Catholic 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 Centre's activities, under the coordination of the Director, CIER, are provided from our Indigenous Higher Education Units located across our national network

- Yalbalinga (Place of Learning) covering our MacKillop and Mount St Mary campuses in
- Weemala (Distant View) at the McAuley Campus in Queensland;
- Jim-baa-yer (To Learn) covering our St Patrick's and Aquinas campuses in Victoria; and
- Dhara Daramoolan (Earth, Spirit) at the Signadou campus in the Australian Capital Territory

Each Indigenous Higher Education Unit provides education programs and appropriate cultural, personal and academic support in an environment which promotes positive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identity.

We are seeking two qualified, passionate individuals who would like to be part of the Centre's growing team of academic, research and support staff.

Academic Coordinator

Dhara Daramoolan — Higher Education Unit

This role based at our Canberra Campus provides leadership through University policy, strategy and programs for the successful operation of CIER. This role will be responsible for the effective ongoing management of the relevant Indigenous Education Unit, including responsibility of the Unit's annual budget, the provision of advice and support to staff and students, overseeing quality assurance in the Unit's activities and management of the end to end process of all programs for the Unit.

Administrative Assistant

Jim-baa-yer — Higher Education Unit

This role based at our Melbourne Campus provides administrative assistance and reception services to the Academic Coordinator and staff of the Indigenous Higher Education Unit. This role will be responsible for assisting the Coordinator and staff of the Unit through the provision of effective, efficient and timely administrative, reception and secretarial assistance.

Application close: 7th April 2010

HOW TO APPLY:

Obtain further information, including the position description and selection criteria from the ACU 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

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory of Australia

Notification day: 7 April 2010



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1806, Darwin, NT, 0801 on or before 6 July 2010. After 6 July 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: DC09/2 Brunette Downs

Federal Court File No: NTD18/2009

Date filed in Federal Court: 3 September 2009

 $\textbf{Registration test status:} \ \text{The Native Title Registrar has} \ \textit{not accepted} \ \text{this}$ application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, it may still proceed to mediation and/or determination in the Federal Court.

Description of application area: The area subject to this application covers about 2,825km², located approximately 170km north-east of Tennant Creek in the vicinity of Brunette Downs as shown on the locality map.

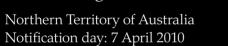
This application falls within the Barkly Shire Local Government Authority.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by National Native Title Tribunal

For assistance and further information contact Tony Shelley on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements







DI2010/001 Kalkarindji (Lot 87) Agreement

 $\textbf{Description of the agreement area:} \ The area of the agreement covers Lot 87, an area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown a shown of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, an area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, an area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, an area of approximately 910 km², located in the town of Kalkarindji, as shown area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, an area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, and area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, and area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, and area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, and area of approximately 910 km². The agreement covers Lot 87, and area of a covers Lot 87, and a covers$

The area of the agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Victoria - Daly Shire

The parties to agreement and their contact addresses are:

Northern Territory of Australia Department of Lands and Planning Level 1. Alice Plaza ALICE SPRINGS NT 0870

Bernard Pontiari Japalyi C/- Central Land Council PO Box 3321 ALICE SPRINGS NT 0870

Central Land Council PO Box 3321 ALICE SPRINGS NT 0871

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 3.1(b)

The Right to Negotiate is not intended to apply to any of the future acts described in Clause 4 or 5.

Clause 4.1

The native title party surrenders for extinguishment any native title rights it has over Lot 87.

Clause 5.1

The Native Title Party consents to the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold to the Katherine West Health Board Aboriginal Corporation, substantially in the form set out in Attachment C [containing the terms and conditions of the lease], over Lot 87.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Central Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Darwin, NT 0801 by 7 July 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 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 Tony Shelley on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

MANAGER - ALICE SPRINGS

- RESULTS ORIENTATED
- **LEADERSHIP SKILLS**
- **ACCOUNTABLE**
- MOTIVATED TO SUCCEED

The person we are seeking will possess all of the above, and a high level of conceptual skills to assist in developing corporation's polices and ensure accountable delivery of services. As you will be required to present reports to a Board of Directors, a high level of written and oral communication skills is essential. Part of this role will be to represent CASG & FAC's Management Committee at formal meetings, conferences and seminars.

We are seeking a manager who can get results, be accountable, manage staff effectively and have a passion to succeed and exceed expectations. The office of Stolen Generation and Families Aboriginal Corporation is a Not for Profit Organisation located in Alice Springs and is looking for a dynamic person to oversee the Link Up Service program. It is essential that you have knowledge of and understanding of the Stolen Generation movement in Northern Territory and are aware of the issues still affecting families today.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply

Contact:

Lynne on 08 8952 7448 - send resume to admin@recruitmentnt.com

Careers @ Justice



KOORI DISPUTE ASSESSMENT OFFICER

Dispute Settlement Centre of Victoria, Mildura

Fixed Term until June 2012

The Dispute Settlement Centre Loddon Mallee Region is seeking to fill a Dispute Assessment Officer position in its new 'dispute assessment team' - based at the Mildura Justice Service Centre, as part of the Department of Justice (DOJ)'s regionalisation and delivery of justice services to the Koori Community. This is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

The DSCV is the leading government agency in the DOJ for the provision of a wide range of dispute resolution services to the Victorian community.

The key focus of this position is to provide dispute resolution advice and assess suitability of cases for mediation (including those referred from Court), as part of the DSCV services in Mildura and surrounding districts. The main focus of the role is to respond to enquiries (both face to face and telephone) and to provide authoritative information on appropriate dispute resolution and mediation options.

For specific enquiries call David Leonard, Policy & Project Officer DSCV -(03) 9603 8379 (for selection criteria information) or Rudolph Kirby, Manager, Justice Services, Northern Loddon Mallee – (03) 5021 6100 (for operational aspects of the role).

> To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 6 April 2010.

www.justice.vic.gov.au

Our Values: Community - Together - Integrity - Respect - Happen @ One Justice



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Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

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The Department brings together the core elements of the Government's productivity and participation agenda from early childhood, through schools, trade training, wider vocational education, universities and employment participation.

DEEWR has a particular focus on Closing the Gap in Indigenous disadvantage, and works across a range of jurisdictions to improve policy, programs, services and outcomes for Indigenous Australians.

DELIVERY AND NETWORK GROUP, BRISBANE OR TOWNSVILLE

Contract Managers

APS 4 | \$54,630-\$58,400 | Ref no: 10/0390

Identified position

We are seeking applicants who have interest and experience in providing administrative support across a range of DEEWR programs in a contract management environment. You will be experienced in managing relationships with service providers and stakeholders, and work well in a team.

Indigenous Australians and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

Contact Officer: Gaye Withanage (07) 3223 1421

How to Apply

Applications Close: 1 April 2010.

Position descriptions and applicant kits including eligibility information, are available on our website at www.deewr.gov.au/jobs

www.deewr.gov.au



Empowering youth to overcome drugs

We invite applications with experience in drug and alcohol counselling to provide counselling, case management and/or brokerage services for vulnerable Indigenous young people aged eighteen years or younger who are experiencing harm as a result of their alcohol and other drug use.

We are looking for:

Full time Indigenous Adolescent and Family Counsellor

This position is based in Mt Druitt, NSW.

You will conduct full assessments, develop appropriate care plans, and provide individual, group and family counselling.

For an Information Pack, please refer to our web site: www.noffs.org.au or phone Shahida Arabi, HR Assistant on (02) 93056619 or Email: arabis@noffs.org.au

Only indigenous people are encouraged to apply

Application closes on Friday 2nd April, 2010.

We are an equal opportunity employer promoting a smoke free workplace.





Come and join the arts

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts division is looking for an

Indigenous Administration officer

You will be communicating with artists, arts organisations and communities to assist them to claim, control and enhance their cultural inheritance through arts projects from music, dance, theatre, literature, visual arts and craft, community cultural development and international activity. You will be attending events and engaging with artists and communities.

You will be responsible for providing general administration services, database management for our Grants Management System and booking travel arrangements.

You will assist the Divisional Administrator with accounts payable and receivable and with budget tracking for projects and events. You will have good communication skills, both written and verbal and have a good eye for detail. You will demonstrate excellent time management skills and be able to manage many tasks with competing deadlines. You will be working in an enjoyable team environment.

Commencement salary of \$40,897 per annum, plus superannuation. Location: Central Sydney office.

More information

http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/employment **Applications close**

Friday, 30 April 2010 by 5.00pm Any questions just contact:

Sigrid Langker, Divisional Administrator, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts.

Tel: (02) 9215 9144 or toll free on 1800226912

Email: s.langker@australiacouncil.gov.au

LIVING STRONG CULTURE



CRIME PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS Senior Aboriginal Programs Officer (ATSI Identified) - Clerk Grade 9-10

JAG10/0295 Parramatta, Permanent Full Time Salary range: \$85,650 - \$94,384 Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$104,153

To assist the Program Manager, Aboriginal Programs Unit, (APU) in the development, coordination, implementation and evaluation of the Unit's Aboriginal crime prevention and justice programs, (including Aboriginal Community Justice Groups, Circle Sentencing, Aboriginal Client Service Specialist and other targeted Aboriginal crime prevention programs), as well as co-ordinating and supporting crime prevention planning in areas with significant Aboriginal populations

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- A good knowledge of crime prevention theory and practice;
- High level writing and communication skills;
- High-level project management skills, including experience in the development of project performance measures and evaluation frameworks;
- Demonstrated capacity to effectively supervise and support staff;
- Superior interpersonal skills, experience in community engagement, consultation and the negotiation of community participation;
- Solid understanding of Aboriginal community culture; social and community representative structures; protocols; and networks;
- · Knowledge of the criminal justice system as well as NSW crime prevention. early intervention, and human service agencies.

Job Notes:

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) means a person

(a) is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and

(b) identifies as an Aboriginal person, and

(c) is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Aboriginal person

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Please include JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries: Liz West (02) 8688 7179 liz_west@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 16 April 2010

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
24/4478-81	Barry George Fry	583.03ha	51km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°25' Long 121°04'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
25/2122	Westex Resources Pty Ltd	117.53ha	36km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°55' Long 121°51'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
25/2123	Bulong Mining Pty Ltd	52.73ha	30km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°42' Long 121°46'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/3733	Edward Irwin Nybo	142.23ha	33km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°03' Long 121°58'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/3755	Paddick Investments Pty Ltd	188.44ha	14km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°30'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/3757-8	Heron Resources Ltd	363.59ha	10km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°41' Long 121°33'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
27/2017	Pioneer Resources Limited	50.5ha	48km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°18' Long 121°30'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
29/2151	Westex Resources Pty Ltd	182.26ha	2km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°40' Long 121°01'	Menzies
29/2157	Vicki Noeline Hooper	9.36ha	70km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°13' Long 120°32'	Menzies
38/3893	South Boulder Mines Ltd	47.78ha	74km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°39'Long 122°14'	Laverton
38/3894	JML Resources Pty Ltd	60.83ha	85km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°40' Long 122°06'	Laverton
45/2746	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	145.92ha	22km NE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 20°59' Long 119°50'	East Pilbara
45/2747	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	9.7ha	19km NE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°00' Long 119°49'	East Pilbara
46/1632-3,	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	624.04ha	38km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°47' Long 120°27'	East Pilbara
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46/1636	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	347.96ha	42km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°45' Long 120°29'	East Pilbara
46/1638	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	126.62ha	3km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°51' Long 120°07'	East Pilbara
46/1665	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	122.69ha	41km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°42' Long 120°27'	East Pilbara
46/1666	Talga Mining Pty Ltd	43.7ha	19km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°52' Long 120°17'	East Pilbara
46/1667	Talga Mining Ptv Ltd	197.98ha	40km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°46' Long 120°29'	East Pilbara

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Notification day: 24 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 24 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. 24 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.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland Notification day: 7 April 2010



QI2010/001 Wooroonooran ILUA

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 167km², located approximately 9km south-west of Gordonvale and east of Yungaburra as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authorities of Cairns Regional Council & Tablelands Regional Council.

The parties to agreement and their contact addresses are:

State of Queensland C/- Kristy Snape State Law Building GPO Box 5521 BRISBANE QLD 4001 Mr Len Royee and Ms Lorraine Muckan on their own behalf and on behalf of the Combined Dulabed and Malanbarra Yidinji People C/- Principal Legal Officer North Queensland Land Council Aboriginal Corporation NORTH CAIRNS QLD 4870

Dulabed and Malanbarra and Yidinji Corporation C/- Principal Legal Officer North Queensland Land Council Aboriginal Corporation PO Box 679N NORTH CAIRNS QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

8.1 The Parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts

9.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts.

["Agreed Acts" means all acts necessary to give effect to this Agreement, and the Conservation Agreement, including:

- entering into the Conservation Agreement;
- the declaration of land (ALA Area and Quarry Areas 1 and 2) as transferable land and the grant of that land to the Prescribed Body Corporate under the Aboriginal Land Act;
- under the Land Act.
 - the dedication, use and management of: roads; and of a recreation reserve and a cultural reserve under the trusteeship of the Cairns Regional Council;
 - issuing of Permits to Occupy over the Recreation Reserve, Road Area and Quarry Areas 1-4;
- under the Nature Conservation Act:
 - the declaration, use and management of a nature refuge;
 - and the grant or renewal of one or more commercial activity permits within the National Park Area;
- and all acts necessary to give effect to those acts.]

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Cairns QLD 4870 by 7 July 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 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 Gary Lui on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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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
26/826	Lawrence Alfred Mills	5.92ha	4km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°44' Long 121°30'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City

Nature Of The Act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years

Notification Day: 24 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 24 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. 24 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



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
16/337	Davyhurst Gold Pty Ltd	333007	11.82ha	69km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°28' Long 120°40'	Coolgardie
		333008	16.92ha	72km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°28' Long 120°40'	Coolgardie
16/343	Leviathan Reources Ltd	333148	20.87ha	72km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°27' Long 120°39'	Coolgardie
38/2130	Crescent Gold Ltd	329258	23.88ha	37km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°47' Long 122°43'	Laverton
40/232	FMR Investments Pty Ltd	341116	14.27ha	51km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°19' Long 121°27'	Menzies
	Kookynie Resources Pty Ltd	341117	9.21ha	51km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°19' Long 121°26'	Menzies
47/754	North Mining Ltd	335339	96.52ha	92km W'ly of Newman	Lat 23°24' Long 118°50'	East Pilbara
	Robe River Mining Co. Pty Ltd					Meekatharra
	Pannawonica Iron Associates					
	Cape Lambert Iron Associates					
	Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty	Ltd				
	North Mining Ltd					
47/778	Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd	333070	59.75ha	97km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°28' Long 116°43'	Ashburton
47/781	Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd	337693	23.40ha	110km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°43' Long 116°43'	Ashburton
		336130	100.75ha	111km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°45' Long 116°42'	Ashburton
47/1784	Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd	333064	250ha	103km SE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°28' Long 116°43'	Ashburton
59/1574	Silver Lake Resources Limited	341355	122.82ha	79km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°17' Long 116°52'	Perenjori
77/1591	Bronze View Pty Ltd	336420	166.88ha	106km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°55' Long 119°06'	Yilgarn

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 24 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 24 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. 24 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 F39395



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

LAND DESCRIPTION: Whole Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 64539 Volume 0000 Folio 000 Area: 812 square metres. PLAN/ DIAGRAM: Deposited Plan 64539. LAND SITUATED IN: Shire of York NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights or interests) in the land under the heading 'Description of Land' other than interests of the Crown. PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: Sale. PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT: Sale to adjoining landowner. REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: Land is suitable for sale to adjoining landowner DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: 01 August, 2010 DPI FILE: 50197-2006-01RO DPI REF.: 080557 PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Martiensen, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08) 9347 5053.

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 07 July, 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 07 April, 2010. NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 07 July, 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 21 February 2010.

> HON BRENDON GRYLLS MLA MINISTER FOR LANDS

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- 2. We aim to enhance your professional reputation
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- 4. We encourage local teams to share, communicate and support each other

Salary: SACS Category 4, \$48,519 - \$52,801. Salary packaging is available to staff at Carers NSW which allows the payment of a portion of salary tax free.

The Position Description is available to assist with your application and can be found on our website www.carersnsw.asn.au under Jobs at Carers.

Applicants must address the essential and desirable qualities in the job application, Please forward your application to Gary Thomas 2/222 Harbour Drive Coffs Harbour NSW 2450 or garyt@carersnsw.asn.au

Applications close Wednesday, 31st March 2010.

For more information please call Karen Wynn on (02) 6650 0512 or email karenw@carersnsw.asn.au

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Project Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 7/8

Greater Western Sydney Housing Services Division Greater Western Sydney Region Community Regeneration Temporary Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_0380

Total remuneration package 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:

Project management of key projects as determined by the Service Improvement Unit.

Selection Criteria:

- Current Driver's Licence. Sound program/project management skills.
- · Sound written and verbal communication skills
- Superior organisational skills and ability to prioritise work.
- High level of computer skills, word processing, spreadsheet applications and database management
- Capacity to problem solve, resolve issues and make decisions in accordance with policies and frameworks
- Understanding of the workings of a client service team.

Job Notes: This is an Identified position that is Temporary 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 discuss your suitability for this role, please feel free to contact Desmond Smith, Senior Project Officer. Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full Selection Criteria

Inquiries: Desmond Smith (02) 9891 8250 or mobile: 0413 788 098

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Closing Date: Friday 2 April 2010

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Closing Date: 8 April 2010



SERVICE

Position 1:

Programs Coordinator

Position 2:

Registered Nurse

Tullawon Health Service Inc is based in the remote Aboriginal community of Yalata 28km from the coast and is located 200 kms west of Ceduna along the Eyre

THS currently has two vacancies within the health service one being for a Programs Coordinator and the other an experienced remote area Registered Nurse level 1.

Both these positions are full-time, the Programs Coordinator (2 r contract) & the Registered Nurse (1 yr contract) and come with very attractive salary packages. As the Programs Coordinator you would demonstrate a comprehensive nursing and or health background with sound management skills and have worked within a remote cross cultural aboriginal community. This role is specifically responsible for directly managing all the health programs including Aged Care/Disabilities.

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For further information contact Duane Edwards (Anangu Programs Director) or Darrell Brock (CEO) on (08) 86256237 0428256237 or 0447805856.

To obtain a copy of the Job & Person specification, please contact Trish Laccos on (08) 86256255 or 0427618262

Closing date for applications is 6th April 2010



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:

04/1938	Faurex Pty Ltd	652.48km²	LOCALITY 108km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°41' Long 124°42'	SHIRE Derby - West Kimberley
	Michael Morawa Dane Peder Evan	72.2km²	106km N'ly of Derby	Lat 16°24' Long 123°58'	Derby - West Kimberley
U7/ LUUU	Sorenson Investmet Limited Paul Winston Askins	84.58km²	82km S'ly of Derby	Lat 18°02' Long 123°46'	Derby - West Kimberley
08/2038-9	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	1046.39km ²	64km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°21' Long 117°04'	Ashburton
08/2048 08/2073	Shaw River Resources Ltd Reedy Lagoon Corporation Ltd	230.8km ² 216.74km ²	122km SE'ly of Onslow 174km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 22°36' Long 115°40' Lat 23°30' Long 115°27'	Ashburton Ashburton/Carnarvon
09/1655 09/1698	Eastern Goldfields Exploration Pty Ltd Robert Ward	518.42km ² 31.25km ²	158km NE ¹ ly of Gascoyne Junction 157km NE ¹ ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°11' Long 116°26' Lat 24°08' Long 116°23'	Upper Gascoyne Upper Gascoyne
09/1723	Alexander Mears	46.63km ²	113km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°47' Long 116°17'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1734 09/1735	Afmeco Mining and Exploration Pty Ltd Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	216.96km ² 182.49km ²	42km SE'ly of Gascoyne Junction 134km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°14' Long 115°34' Lat 25°25' Long 116°28'	Upper Gascoyne Upper Gascoyne
09/1736	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	188.67km ² 14.61km ²	160km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°25' Long 116°44'	Upper Gascoyne
15/1166 15/1172	Living Waters Mining (Australia) Pty Ltd Mount Finnerty Pty Ltd	11.78km ²	60km E'ly of Widgiemooltha 64km E'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 31°33' Long 122°12' Lat 30°54' Long 120°11'	Coolgardie Coolgardie
15/1183 15/1184	Avoca Resources Ltd Avoca Resources Ltd	11.65km² 2.92km²	38km N'ly of Norseman 22km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°51' Long 121°45' Lat 31°31' Long 121°48'	Coolgardie Coolgardie
15/1186	Ryan Higgins	11.72km ²	18km N'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°20' Long 121°32'	Coolgardie
25/435 25/436	Roger Michael Lindsay Raven Resources Pty Ltd	14.71km² 106.04km²	48km NE'ly of Kambalda 53km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°53' Long 122°00' Lat 30°48' Long 122°01'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
27/422 28/2034	Pioneer Resources Limited Heron Resources Ltd	17.76km² 50.25km²	45km N'ly of Kalgoorlie 66km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°20' Long 121°30' Lat 30°26' Long 122°03'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/2035	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	52.45km ² 208.2km ²	77km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°49' Long 122°28'	Dundas
29/756 29/759	Siburan Resources Limited Vale Australia EA Pty Ltd	208.2km² 209.85km²	32km SE'ly of Menzies 113km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°51' Long 121°18' Lat 29°11' Long 120°01'	Menzies Menzies
29/760 30/414	Vale Australia EA Pty Ltd Central West Resources Pty Ltd	17.95km² 92.52km²	94km W'ly of Menzies 85km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°23' Long 120°08' Lat 29°38' Long 120°09'	Menzies Menzies
31/893	St Barbara Ltd	44.6km ²	108km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°50' Long 122°08'	Menzies
31/915 31/919	Lynton James Downe Gryphon Minerals Ltd	2.98km ² 41.61km ²	83km E'ly of Menzies 143km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°31' Long 121°52' Lat 29°53' Long 122°40'	Menzies Menzies
36/715 36/720	Echo Resources Ltd Bruce Robert Legendre	106.47km² 106.27km²	51km NE'ly of Leinster 63km W'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°30' Long 120°56' Lat 27°49' Long 120°04'	Leonora Sandstone
00/120	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	100.27 NII	COMIT WITY OF EDITISTOR	Eat 27 43 Long 120 04	Gariastorio
37/1050	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd Uranium Australia Ltd	36.53km²	95km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°22' Long 121°26'	Leonora
37/1051 37/1052	Uranium Australia Ltd Uranium Australia Ltd	15.21km ² 6.08km ²	91km NE'ly of Leinster 95km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°27' Long 121°27' Lat 27°29' Long 121°31'	Leonora Leonora
38/2288	JML Resources Pty Ltd	203.92km ²	89km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°24' Long 122°17'	Laverton
38/2366-7 38/2404	White Cliff Nickel Ltd Shaun Christopher Busby	234.19km² 12.18km²	41km SE'ly of Laverton 51km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°47' Long 122°47' Lat 28°02' Long 122°23'	Laverton Laverton
39/1509 45/2572	Heron Resources Ltd	6.02km ² 224.24km ²	22km NW'ly of Laverton 44km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 28°30' Long 122°13' Lat 20°41' Long 118°28'	Laverton
45/2843	Croydon Gold Pty Ltd FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	155.82km ²	69km NE'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°50' Long 118°50'	Port Hedland Town Port Hedland Town
45/3562	AMCI (IO) Pty Ltd Aquila Steel Pty Ltd	31.84km²	84km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°00' Long 119°18'	East Pilbara
45/3570 45/3578	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd Croydon Gold Pty Ltd	76.61km² 620.01km²	104km W'ly of Marble Bar 57km NE'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°15' Long 118°45' Lat 21°49' Long 118°39'	Port Hedland Town Ashburton/East Pilbara Port Hedland Town
45/3580	Mallina Exploration Pty Ltd	9.56km ²	61km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°15' Lat 21°02' Long 120°47'	East Pilbara
45/3584 45/3611	Great Sandy Pty Ltd FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	159.92km² 112.66km²	89km SE'ly of Shay Gap 32km N'ly of Shay Gap	Lat 20°15' Long 120°01'	East Pilbara East Pilbara
46/872 46/882	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	223.51km² 75.88km²	92km E'ly of Nullagine 33km NW'ly of Newman	Lat 21°44' Long 120°59' Lat 22°55' Long 120°15'	East Pilbara East Pilbara
51/1394	Everett Smith & Co Pty Ltd	116.93km ²	53km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°07' Long 118°38'	Meekatharra
51/1415 51/1421	Bell Bay Investments Pty Ltd Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd	39.71km² 6.14km²	49km SE'ly of Meekatharra 82km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°59' Long 118°43' Lat 26°16' Long 117°45'	Meekatharra Meekatharra
52/2435 52/2461	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	600.08km² 131.7km²	38km SW'ly of Newman 61km S'ly of Newman	Lat 23°37' Long 119°30' Lat 23°53' Long 119°35'	Meekatharra Meekatharra
52/2517	Drew Griffin Money	6.21km ²	155km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°12' Long 120°09'	Meekatharra/Wiluna
53/1520 53/1529-31	Echo Resources Ltd Chandling Pty Ltd	39.88km² 645.17km²	68km SE'ly of Wiluna 152km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°50' Long 120°51' Lat 26°17' Long 121°42'	Wiluna Wiluna
53/1538 57/811	JML Resources Pty Ltd Bruce Robert Legendre	174.11km² 48.76km²	92km SE'ly of Meekatharra 74km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°02' Long 119°16' Lat 27°19' Long 119°22'	Meekatharra Sandstone
57/814	Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	69.46km ²	67km SE'ly of Sanstone	Lat 28°23' Long 119°48'	Sandstone
57/819 57/820	Australian Vanadium Exploration Pty Ltd Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	217.4km² 45.61km²	39km N'ly of Sandstone 50km NE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°38' Long 119°13' Lat 27°36' Long 119°34'	Sandstone Sandstone
57/822 58/385	Golden Mile South Pty Ltd Michael Ashlev Giles	209.84km ² 60.65km ²	125km E'ly of Paynes Find 35km S'ly of Cue	Lat 29°05' Long 118°57' Lat 27°44' Long 117°51'	Sandstone Cue/Mount Magnet
59/1617	Amiable Holdings Pty Ltd	617.6km ²	166km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 26°55' Long 116°07'	Murchison
59/1627 59/1649	Karara Mining Limited Ralph Alexander McNab	122.66km² 2.98km²	57km E'ly of Morawa 4km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°13' Long 116°36' Lat 29°17' Long 117°39'	Perenjori Yalgoo
63/1202 63/1273-6 &	Lignite Pty Ltd Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	166.22km² 1188.96km²	38km N'Iy of Esperance 65km SE'Iy of Norseman	Lat 33°21' Long 121°50' Lat 32°28' Long 122°23'	Esperance Dundas
63/1301-2			•	•	
63/1336 63/1337	White Cliff Nickel Ltd Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	37.76km ² 40.56km ²	127km W'ly of Norseman 78km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°14' Long 120°26' Lat 32°21' Long 122°35'	Dundas Dundas
63/1360 69/2693	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd Encounter Resources Ltd	316.44km ² 624.1km ²	93km E'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°59' Long 122°38'	Esperance Meekatharra/Wiluna
69/2692 &94	Encounter Resources Ltd	944.72km ²	141km S'ly of Newman 155km SE'ly of Newman	Lat 24°35' Long 120°04' Lat 24°38' Long 120°21'	Wiluna
69/2702-4 69/2705	Fraserx Pty Ltd Fraserx Pty Ltd	1745.22km² 581.13km²	58km NW'ly of Balladonia 43km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat 32°02' Long 123°29' Lat 32°05' Long 124°00'	Dundas Dundas
69/2708	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd NBX Pty Ltd	597.66km ²	173km N'ly of Rawlinna 22km SW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 29°32' Long 125°42'	Menzies Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
69/2709 69/2710	NBX Pty Ltd NBX Pty Ltd	587.1km² 585.36km²	56km S'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 31°12' Long 125°05' Lat 31°33' Long 125°13'	Dundas
69/2711-20	NBX Pty Ltd	5313.89km²	107km W'ly of Cocklebiddy	Lat 32°12' Long 124°59'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City Dundas
69/2721	NBX Pty Ltd	576.77km ²	63km SE'ly of Balladonia	Lat 32°50' Long 124°21'	Dundas/Esperance
70/3265 70/3612	Ausquest Ltd Image Resources NL	434.65km ² 20.45km ²	108km N'ly of Mullewa 29km S'ly of Gingin	Lat 27°34' Long 115°20' Lat 31°35' Long 116°00'	Murchison/Northampton Chittering/Swan
77/1462 77/1508	Heron Resources Ltd Julian Matthew Unkovich	207.81km² 62.45km²	83km N'ly of Koolyanobbing 98km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°07' Long 119°13' Lat 29°57' Long 119°20'	Yilgarn Menzies/Yilgarn
77/1509	Julian Matthew Unkovich	29.73km ²	99km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°57' Long 119°14'	Yilgarn
77/1614 77/1646	Atriplex Ltd Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd	136.13km² 9.08km²	40km N'ly of Koolyanobbing 71km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°28' Long 119°25' Lat 30°11' Long 119°21'	Yilgarn Yilgarn
77/1705 77/1708	HR Forrestania Pty Ltd Fleet Street Holdings Pty Ltd	29.1km ² 41.14km ²	72km NE'ly of Hyden 51km NE'ly of Merredin	Lat 32°02' Long 119°30' Lat 31°03' Long 118°30'	Yilgarn Nungarin/Westonia
	Bildex Holdings Pty Ltd		•	Ţ.	
77/1709-10 77/1711	Mindax Energy Pty Ltd Equipment Finance Pty Ltd	414.22km² 62.94km²	76km NW'ly of Bullfinch 144km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 30°27' Long 118°37' Lat 29°22' Long 119°09'	Westonia/Yilgarn Menzies
77/1712	Equipment Finance Pty Ltd Equipment Finance Pty Ltd	2.98km ² 50.78km ²	139km E'ly of Paynes Find 144km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°33' Long 119°04' Lat 29°27' Long 119°09'	Menzies Menzies
/ //1 /12	Equipment Finance Pty Ltd	2.98km ²	136km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°26' Long 119°04'	Menzies
	HR Forrestania Pty Ltd Brenton Anthony Parry	148.75km² 2.94km²	77km S'ly of Southern Cross 14km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 31°55' Long 119°27' Lat 30°53' Long 119°00'	Yilgarn Yilgarn
77/1713 77/1714 77/1719 77/1720		5.89km ²	7km S'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°53' Long 119°31' Lat 30°16' Long 119°20'	Yilgarn
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Nature of the act: Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 24 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 24 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. 24 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.

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
EPM16987 This Application consists of seven	Part 1: Approx. 9 km SSW from Duchess Centred at approximate	Area of Part 1: 38 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	Mt Dockerell Mining Pty Ltd
separate parts.	Lat.21°26'S Long.139°50'E	Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks	009 242 997
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	1175 r, w 1246 o, t, u 1247 b, f, g, l, m, q, r	
	Part 2: Approx. 11 km NNE from Duchess Centred at approximate	Area of Part 2: 25 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	
	Lat.21°16'S Long.139°54'E	Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks	
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	1031 s, t, u, z 1103 e, k, p, u	
	Part 3: Approx. 7 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate	Area of Part 3: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	
	Lat.21°18'S Long.139°52'E	Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks	
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	1103 m, n, r	
	Part 4: Approx. 3 km W from Duchess	Area of Part 4: 6 km ²	
	Centred at approximate	Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Lat.21°21'S Long.139°51'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 1175 a, f	
	Part 5: Approx. 7 km SW from Duchess Centred at approximate	Area of Part 5: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	
	Lat.21°24'S Long.139°49'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1174 y, z	
	Part 6: Approx. 5 km WSW from Duchess	Area of Part 6: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	
	Centred at approximate Lat.21°22'S Long.139°50'E	Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 1174 p	
	Part 7: Approx. 7 km ESE from Duchess	Area of Part 7: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry	
	Centred at approximate Lat.21°22'S Long.139°56'E	Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Block Number Sub-blocks	
EPM18208	Approx. 36 km E from Duchess	Area: 319 km ²	Isa Tenements
	Centred at approximate Lat.21°20'S Long.140°13'E	Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1 lat.x 1 long.)	Pty Ltd
	Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Block Number Sub-blocks	131 350 760
		1035 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1036 l, m, q, r, s, v, w, x	
		1107 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	
		1108 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w 1179 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	
		1180 a, b 1250 d, e, j 1251 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s	

* 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

EPM16987 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

Queensland Government

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,

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,

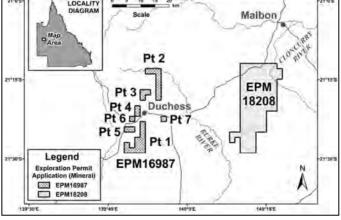
239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501. Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

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: 14 April 2010

Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.



Central Sydney GP Network (CSGPN) PROJECT OFFICER

INDIGENOUS HEALTH

CSGPN, based at Ashfield, is a progressive membership organisation providing support, resources and training to GPs and their staff in over 350 practices in Sydney's inner west and Canterbury LGA.

We are seeking a full-time Project Officer working under the Closing the Gap - Improving Indigenous Access to Mainstream Primary Care Program. The role of the position will be to contribute to closing the gap in life expectancy by improving access to culturally sensitive primary care services for Indigenous Australians.

An attractive remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful applicant. For more information contact Peter Wood on 9799 0933 or pwood@csgpn.com.au

> Applications close: 5pm Friday April 9, 2010.

Family Intervention Services

Team Leaders – UCA P&A Level 6

• Positions are available in Mackay (P/T.5 EFT), Rockhampton (P/T .7 EFT) and Gladstone (P/T .5 EFT)

This role is responsible for managing the day to day direct service operation, supervision and development of staff, and liaising with the Department. You will have demonstrated knowledge of Child Protection, and previous Team Leader experience is desirable.

Family Counsellors – UCA P&A Level 5

• Multiple positions in the following location; Sunshine Coast, Mackay, Rockhampton, Gladstone and Emerald

These roles will contribute to quality client service delivery by working collaboratively to provide therapeutic and practical support to families to achieve reunification, and to assist families whose children are at risk of being removed by the Department of Communities (Child Safety Services). Successful candidates will have demonstrated experience working in the community sector and tertiary qualifications in a

To apply for any of the above positions, 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, Tuesday 6th April 2010.

SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY

Community Agent Indigenous Programs

Department: Centre for Lifelong Learning **Appointment Duration: 9 months** Campus: Croydon Applications Close: 15 April 2010

Position Number: 28113 Join a dynamic team with one of Australia's most innovative universities.

The Centre for Lifelong Learning requires a Community Agent to support the training delivery of Indigenous Programs.

Applicants are required to have experience in providing support services for Indigenous people in post compulsory education and training, as well as demonstrated hands on experience in facilitating and maintaining community partnerships and developing strong relationships.

The position requires an understanding of Indigenous cultural issues and other appropriate approaches for effectively working with Indigenous community/people.

The successful applicant must provide a Working with Children Check, or provide evidence of application/exemption.

For position information and to apply online go to www.swin.edu.au/jobs Please note applications should be made online, with a cover letter and CV documents detailing experience, qualifications and availability attached as Word documents. Responses to the key selection criteria must be provided.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

For further information contact:

Helen Boettcher on telephone (03) 9726 1752 Please do not email or send paper applications

SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY

TAFE Teacher – Indigenous Programs

Department: Centre for Lifelong Learning **Appointment Duration: 9 months** Applications Close: 15 April 2010

Position Number: 26134

Join a dynamic team with one of Australia's most innovative universities. The Centre for Lifelong Learning requires a TAFE Teacher able to teach in the Indigenous Programs area at a variety of campuses.

Applicants are required to have relevant industry experience, as well as the ificate IV in Training and Assessment A o teaching in one of the following fields are required:

- Business
- TAA
- Community Development Child Care

The position requires:

a) An understanding of Indigenous cultural issues and other appropriate approaches for effectively working with Indigenous community/people. b) Experience in providing training to Indigenous people in post compulsory education and training.

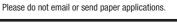
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For further information contact: Fiona Knowles on telephone (03) 9726 1521



Indigenous Team of the Decade

KOORI MAIL columnist Peter Argent takes a look back on the Australian Football League in the 2000-2009 decade and comes up with his Indigenous **Team of the Decade**



OVER the first decade of the 21st century, Indigenous footballers had an amazing impact

on Australian rules football, adding a dynamic and intuitive edge to every team in the Australian Football League (AFL) competition.

The 'noughties' has seen rapid development of Aboriginal players in the AFL and at the start of the second decade, no less than 86 players are on AFL senior or rookie lists.

They have added a spectacular approach to the game, bringing patrons through the gate and in many cases giving their respective clubs that intangible X-factor, which can change the course of a game.

As always, selecting teams of any era are subjective and people have individual preferences.

This team has been picked, referencing players' performances in all matches, but with a special emphases on footballers who could step up in important games, along with considering awards won at club and league and international

Brownlow Medallists

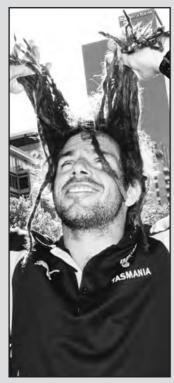
Among this auspicious group are 22 premiership medallions, a dual Brownlow Medallist, seven club best-and-fairest awards and eight club leading goal-kicker trophies.

Lance 'Buddy' Franklin became the first Indigenous player to kick 100 goals in a season. He achieved it in the Hawks' 2008 premiership season, while Gavin Wanganeen became the first player to reach the 300-AFL game landmark in the 2000-2009 decade.

Adelaide's back-to-back Norm Smith Medallist and the recently retired Sydney Swan Michael O'Loughlin has joined Wanganeen in this special club.

The Koori Mail columnist and 2005 Swans major premiership player was an expected choice at full forward.

While Peter Burgoyne, O'Loughlin, Wanganeen, Pickett, David Wirrpanda, Jeff Farmer, along with triple premiership duo from the Lions' defence - Chris Johnson and Darryl White - have retired and Goodes, McLeod and Davis have had long and distinguished careers, the likes of



Hawthorn star Chance Bateman makes Peter Argent's Indigenous Team of the Decade as a centre.

Cyril Rioli, Patty Rider and the freakish Daniel Motlop are players who could feature in the next Indigenous team of the

Peter Argent's Indigenous Team of the Decade 2000-2009:

Forwards – Mark Williams (Haw), Michael O'Loughlin (Syd), Cyril Rioli (Haw).

Half forwards - Leon Davis (Coll), Lance Franklin (Haw), Jeff Farmer (Melb/Frem).

Centre - Chance Bateman (Haw), Andrew McLeod (Adel), Daniel Wells (Kang).

Half back - Graham Johncock (Adel), Adam Goodes (Syd), Peter Burgoyne (Port).

Back - Chris Johnson (Bris), Darryl White (Bris), Antoni Grover

1st Ruck - Patty Pyder (Ess), Shaun Burgoyne (Port), Aaron Davey (Melb).

Interchange - David Wirrpanda (WC), Gavin Wanganeen (Port), Byron Pickett (Nth, Port, Melb) Daniel Motlop (Port).

A number of other players, including Ashley McGrath and Xavier Clarke (Brisbane), Michael Johnson, Roger Hayden and Des Headland (Fremantle), Philip Matera (West Coast), Danyle Pearce (Port Adelaide), Eddie Betts (Carlton), along with Matthew Whelan (Melbourne) and even Travis Varcoe (Geelong) and Jarred Harbrow (Western Bulldogs) had claims and could feel aggrieved that they didn't make this side.



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
29/79	Jupiter Mines Ltd	6884.98ha	75km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°17' Long 120°24'	Menzies

Nature of act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right

Notification day: 24 March 2010

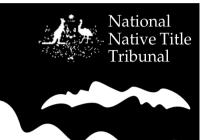
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Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 24 July 2010), a native title 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.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Northern Territory of Australia Notification day: 7 April 2010



LOCALITY MAP D12010/002 KATHERINE

DI2010/002 Katherine Regional Cultural Precinct Agreement

Description of the agreement area: The area of the agreement is approximately 3.2 hectares covering Lot 3238, located in the town of Katherine, shown on the locality map.

The area of the agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of

The parties to agreement and their contact addresses are:

The registered native title claimants in NTD6002 of 1999, being Jessie Brown, Ivy Brumby, Marie Dowling, Gary Manbulloo, Amy Marrapunyah on behalf of the Dragoman People and Sally Mumbin, Denise Williams, Bill Harney Snr on behalf of the Wardaman and Jawoyn People, C/- Northern Land Council GPO Box 1222, DARWIN NT 0801

Northern Land Council

Northern Territory of Australia Department of Lands and Planning, 1st Floor, Government Centre, First Street, KATHERINE NT 0850

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Subdivision P, Part 2 of Division 3 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Future Act described in Clause 5.

Subject to this Clause and Clause 6 and 7, the Native Title Party consents to:

the grant of the Lease by the Northern Territory, over the Land to the Lessee for a term of seventy five (75) years, and the doing of any actions by the Northern Territory for the purpose of, or in anticipation of the grant of the Lease, and in accordance with the Lease Purpose, and in accordance with the conditions of this Agreement, at any time after this Agreement has been executed by the Native Title Party. [the remainder of Clause 5 sets out conditions of the grant of the Lease; clauses 6 relates to 'The non-extinguishment principle and compensation' and clause 7 relates to 'Management of cultural precinct']

Interpretation

"Land" means Lot 3238 in the Town of Katherine.

"Lease" means a standard crown lease granted to the Lessee for 75 years over the Land with the conditions set out at Attachment B to the Agreement, including any variations that may be agreed between all the Parties.

"Lease Purpose" shall be for a Regional Cultural Precinct and related purposes.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Northern Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Darwin, NT 0801 by 7 July 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 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, call Tony Shelley on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit

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Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1320 This Application consists of ten	Part 1: Approx. 29 km SW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°45'S Long.147°40'E	Area of Part 1: 35 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	North Coal Pty Ltd 131 335 950
separate parts.	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 620 k, p, u, z 621 f, l 692 e, k, p 693 l, q	
	Part 2: Approx. 35 km SSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°51'S Long.147°45'E	Area of Part 2: 26 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 693 p, u, z 765 e, k, p, u, z	
	Part 3: Approx. 49 km SSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°57'S Long.147°39'E	Area of Part 3: 19 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 836 e, k, o, p, t, y	
	Part 4: Approx. 46 km SSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°57'S Long.147°44'E	Area of Part 4: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1 lat.x 1 long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 837 d, j, o, t, y	
	Part 5: Approx. 16 km SW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°38'S Long.147°43'E	Area of Part 5: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 549 n, o, s, t	
	Part 6: Approx. 52 km S from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.21°01'S Long.147°49'E	Area of Part 6: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 910 h, j, k	
	Part 7: Approx. 40 km SSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°52'S Long.147°41'E	Area of Part 7: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 765 f, l, q	
	Part 8: Approx. 20 km SSW from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°44'S Long.147°48'E	Area of Part 8: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 622 s, x	
	Part 9: Approx. 20 km S from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°44'S Long.147°50'E	Area of Part 9: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks 694 e, k	
	Part 10: Approx. 5 km S from Collinsville Centred at approximate Lat.20°37'S Long.147°49'E	Area of Part 10: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	
	Local Government Area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Block Number Sub-blocks	

* 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* (Old) 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 (Old) by the Oueensland 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: 14 April 2010



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Sport

A 'lean' year for players

OR the first time in three seasons, no Australian Football League (AFL) player earned more than \$1 million in a year. The \$1 million barrier was first cracked in 2007, with two players earning seven-digit sums in 2008, but AFL figures show no player's income reached those heights in 2009.

But the salary divide between an elite few and the bulk of the competition remains. Of the 547 men who played at least one AFL match last season, all but 29 of them earned less than \$500,000, with most of those – 307 players – earning between \$100,000 and \$300,000.

Seven players were paid more than \$700,000, with two of those topping the \$900,000 mark.

The salary figures include club payments to players for marketing services - Additional Service Agreements (ASA) – which are capped, but do not include independent third party deals.

The fall in income of the game's best-paid players makes an interesting contrast to that of AFL chief executive Andrew Demetriou.

The league announced earlier last week that Demetriou was paid \$1.8 million last year, a \$200,000 rise, including superannuation and performance-based bonuses. - AAP



THARAWAL **ABORIGINAL** CORPORATION

Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation runs a thriving health and community service facility based in Airds. Due to ongoing expansion and growth within the service, we currently have a number of fulltime, permanent positions that we looking to fill.

This is a great opportunity to join a winning team. Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation was winner of the RACGP Medical Practice of the Year in 2008, and has some excellent career opportunities for Aboriginal people in 2010

The Brighter Futures Program focuses on targeted support and assistance to families and young children in the local area and the following positions are required

Case Workers – 2 positions

Staff will be engaged under the SACS Award and will require at least three years experience in working with families and children. Certificate 3 qualifications in a related field will be a minimum

Early Childhood Facilitator

This is a role requiring experience and skills in early childhood development and working with families in a variety of settings. Engagement will be under the SACS Award

Receptionist

Engaged under the Clerical Award you will be required to be a well organised "all-rounder" able to support all aspects of the Teams

Community Services Program:

Money Management Educator

This is a brand new role and has initially been funded till June 2011. Staff will be required to utilise the existing programs and networks, including the Emergency Relief program, to facilitate the delivery of information, guidance and training to the community in financial literacy and general personal money management skills

Experience and skills in effective communication and relationship building will be required. Training in practical financial knowledge will

Health Services Program:

Health Worker – OTITIS Media

Engaged under the Health Services Award, this role will require an experienced health worker able to address the needs of the community in this area.

Indigenous Outreach Worker

Engaged under the Health Services Award, this will require an experienced health worker to take an active role in assisting local Indigenous people to access health care services, follow up treatment in order to improve the prevention, early identification and management of health conditions, particularly chronic diseases.

All positions are Aboriginal Identified, exemption sought under Section

14D of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Successful Applicants will need to undertake Mandatory Working with Children and Police Checks prior to appointment.

For further information and application kits including selection criteria call (02) 46264837 or email boerambaldini@tacams.com.au

Closing date: Wednesday 7th April 2010

AFL holds its ground



AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) chief executive Andrew Demetriou has warned that the League will not take a back step to soccer if Australia hosts soccer's World Cup.

In a speech at Thursday night's official AFL season launch, Demetriou made it clear that the AFL would not let soccer dictate terms if the bid to host the Cup was successful.

Earlier last week, Demetriou told a meeting with Australia's other football codes and the Federal Government that Etihad Stadium was off limits for the World Cup bid.

"Over the coming years we'll also have to confront a changing sporting landscape in Australia, we have to be ready for the possibility of the World Cup," he said.

"The AFL has always said we are happy to accommodate major sporting events, we have a track record to prove it.

"But we do not - and will not - accept second place for Australian football.

"We welcome other sports and major events, but we won't allow seven million fans to be deprived of Australia's indigenous game, nor put

at risk the jobs of so many associated with our game.'

Demetriou also said the league was not obsessed with how much money it would earn from the upcoming television rights agreement, but was more concerned with what it could do with the expected financial bonanza.

The AFL will probably earn at least \$1 billion from the



ANDREW DEMETRIOU

next five-year agreement, which will start in

"This new agreement, when it's finalised, will underpin the future of the competition and be invested back into the game and the generations to come," Demetriou said.

This is a critical point that sometimes gets overlooked by those fascinated by dollar signs.

"As a community organisation, the AFL is not driven by the money generated by broadcast rights.

"What drives us is the impact this revenue can have when re-invested in our clubs, supporters, facilities, volunteers and better career paths and opportunities to attract the best athletes.'

Demetriou also defended his hefty \$1.8

"It has a bonus component where I have to achieve certain requirements - if I don't... I don't earn that," he said.

"I think that's fair, ultimately I'm judged by the remuneration committee and I can't ask for a fairer process than that." - AAP

Australia to tour Ireland again



AUSTRALIA will send an International Rules team to Ireland this October for the first time since 2006.

The AFL has announced Tests at Limerick on 23

October and in Dublin on 30 October. Ireland was scheduled to host the series last year, but it was postponed because of the global financial crisis.

Australia last played away in 2006 and a succession of on-field clashes meant the Gaelic Athletic Association nearly abandoned the concept.

But it resumed in Australia two years ago, with Ireland winning the series two Tests to nil. - AAP

Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

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 addition of excluded land to Authorities to Prospect 999 and 1008 (shown below) under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Old). The Authority to Prospect currently excludes land subject to native title ("the Excluded Land"). The Current Holder has applied under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Old) to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect. Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:

Authority to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect (Refer to Diagram)	Prospect Prospect		Current Applicant	
EPP999	Approx 75km West North West from Longreach Centred at approximately	Area: 6182 km² Block Identification Maj Number of Sub-blocks:		Longreach Number 2 Pty Ltd	
	Lat.23°13'43"'S Long.143°31'35"E Local Government Area: Longreach Regional Council Winton Shire Council	Block Number 2367 2368 2439 2440 2444 to 2446 (inclusive) 2512 to 2518 (inclusive) 2585 to 2590 (inclusive) 2657 to 2662 (inclusive) 2728 to 2734 (Inclusive) 2800 to 2806 (inclusive) 2872 to 2878 (inclusive) 2943 to 2950 (inclusive) 3015 to 3022 (inclusive) 3087 to 3094 (inclusive) 3159 to 3166 (inclusive)	Sub-blocks c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z All c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z All All	135 893 793	
EPP1008	Approx 50km South West from Aramac Centred at approximately Lat.23*22'11"S Long.145*01'28"E Local Government Area: Barcaldine Regional Council Longreach Regional Council	Area: 4656 km² Block Identification Map Number of Sub-blocks: Block Number 2741 to 2746 (inclusive) 2763 2813 to 2818 (inclusive) 2821 to 2833 (inclusive) 2834 2835 2885 to 2888 (inclusive) 2889 2893 to 2897 (inclusive) 2957 to 2969 (inclusive) 3032 to 3040 (inclusive)	1480 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks All d,e,j,k,o,p,t,u,y,z All All a, b, c, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z c, d, e, f, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z All All All All	Longreach Number 2 Pty Ltd 135 893 793	

Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-blocks (the Sub-block Code) the application covers. The 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

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: It is proposed to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas

(Production & Safety) Act 2004 (Qld). On the granting of the application the Excluded Land is included in the existing Authority to Prospect. This authorises the holder to explore for petroleum on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Authority to Prospect. Under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Old) a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

It should be noted that this land will not be granted over a National Park (Scientific), National Park, National Park (Aboriginal Land), National Park (Torres Strait Islander Land), National Park (Cape York Peninsular Aboriginal Land), National Park (Recovery) or Conservation Park that are in existence on the date of effect of the tenure (or of the approval of the application of the excluded land).

Name and address of person doing acts: The application to add Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) will be granted by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

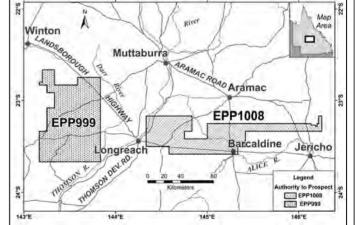
Further Information: Further information about the proposed future acts, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3729.

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 application for the addition of excluded land in the Authority to Prospect. 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.

Notification Day: 14 April 2010



AFL plan to freeze out drug cheats

Blood and urine samples stored for eight years



TANKING has a new meaning in the Australian Football League (AFL) after it announced plans to store players' blood and urine samples long-term among upgraded measures to deter

drug cheats.

Samples will be kept on ice for eight years in the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) deep freeze facility, known as The Tank, to allow for repeated testing as technology advances.

AFL football operations manager Adrian Anderson said it raised the possibility of individuals being retrospectively stripped of awards, such as the Brownlow Medal, or a team being stripped of a premiership, if they were later found to have used banned substances.

The AFL will also be the first Australian sporting code to blood test its athletes for the performance-enhancing drugs Human Growth Hormone (HGH) and Continuous Erythropoiesis Receptor Activator (CERA).

CERA is a new synthetic variant of the blood-boosting drug erythropoietin (EPO)

ASADA acting chief executive Richard Ings said the AFL's new program, which would cost about \$500,000 a year, contained every element his agency wanted and set the example for other Australian sporting bodies.

"ASADA considers the AFL 2010 anti-doping program to be the gold standard of anti-doping programs in Australian sport," Ings said.

Almost 1000 tests will be conducted this year, including target-testing where warranted.

While the AFL has had only one player test positive to performance-enhancing drugs - former Richmond and Footscray ruckman Justin Charles in 20 years of testing, Anderson said they needed to be pro-active.

"Performance-enhancing drugs are a massive threat worldwide to different sports and their integrity," he said.

"We're determined to stay ahead of the game, that's why we're entering into this agreement.

"We don't want... the integrity of our sport threatened by performance-enhancing drugs, we're determined to take every step we can to prevent that happening.'

Anderson said the freezing of samples, together with ASADA powers to uncover violations through investigative methods other than testing, meant that even if drug cheats could beat current testing technology, they were not safe.

"We're more likely to catch someone using performance-enhancing drugs than any other (Australian) sport," he said.

"And even if you get away with something now, your sample is frozen for eight years and you're a strong chance of being caught and exposed in the future."

He said the league would 'absolutely' remove a Brownlow from a player who was later found to have been a drug cheat at the time and a similar stance could apply towards clubs.

"God forbid, may it never happen because of what we're doing here," he said.

"But if you had a case of any systematic cheating, you would think about taking a premiership away, absolutely." - AAP

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
EPC1778	Approx. 127 km SSW from Blackall Centred at approximate Lat.25°30'S Long.145°03'E Local Government Area: Quilpie Shire Council and Blackall Tambo Regional Council	Area: 928 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1164 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 1166 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 1236 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 1237 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 1238 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 1308 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 1309 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 1310 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 1380 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 1381 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 1382 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	Holloman Minerals Pty Ltd 120 314 016
EPC1779	Approx. 112 km S from Blackall Centred at approximate Lat.25°25'S Long.145°18'E Local Government Area: Quilpie Shire Council and Blackall Tambo Regional Council	Area: 928 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1095	Holloman Minerals Pty Ltd 120 314 016
EPC1780	Approx. 66 km SW from Blackall Centred at approximate Lat.24°50'S Long.145°0'E Local Government Area: Blackall Tambo Regional Council and Quilpie Shire Council	Area: 882 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 284 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 587 n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 590 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 660 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 661 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 662 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 732 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 733 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 734 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 805 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 806 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 806 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 806 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	Holloman Minerals Pty Ltd 120 314 016
EPC1782	Approx. 74 km SE from Blackall Centred at approximate Lat.24°57'S Long.145°53'E Local Government Area: Blackall Tambo Regional Council	Area: 932 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 741	Holloman Minerals Pty Ltd 120 314 016
EPC1783	Approx. 119 km SSW from Blackall Centred at approximate Lat.25°20'S Long.144°50'E Local Government Area: Quilpie Shire Council and Blackall Tambo Regional Council	Area: 928 km² Block Identification Maps: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1018	Holloman Minerals Pty Ltd 120 314 016

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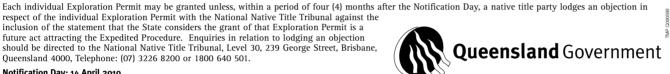
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EPM18005	Approx. 56 km WSW from Eulo Centred at approximate Lat.28°15'S Long.144°28'E Local Government Area: Bulloo Shire Council	Area: 12 km² Block Identification Maps: Bourke Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 150 y 222 d, h, j	Geosensor Pty Ltd 125 341 844

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Sport

Kookaburras cast eyes to Olympic gold



Charlesworth has told his men they will need to get 30 per cent better if they are to follow up their World Cup gold with similar success at the

2012 London Olympics.

The Kookaburras beat Germany 2-1 in the 14 March final in India to claim their first World Cup in 24 years.

But Charlesworth, who has overseen a big turnover of players since taking the reins 17 months ago, said his fledgling squad could ill afford to rest on their laurels with the Olympics just over two years away.

'Unless we can improve by 30 per cent, you can't be confident about what's going to happen in two years' time," Charlesworth said in Perth after returning home from India.

"It's a very competitive environment.

"We understand that there's lots of little areas that need attention and you can't think you have everything covered.

"We can be much better than we are now and we will need to be.

"If you look at the time between the Champions Trophy (which Australia won in Melbourne last year) and this tournament, I think Germany probably improved more than us so it's important for us to recognise that.

The skeleton (for success) is there, but you've got to put some detail in there.'

Team has purpose

Charlesworth said the World Cup triumph gave the team belief about the direction they were heading.

"This was the short-term goal... and we've made a good start," he said.

'This result gives us the credibility to keep experimenting... because we have to keep doing that if we are going to do better.

"Olympics is the long-term goal, my contract goes through until the Olympics... and that's where we've got our sights set.

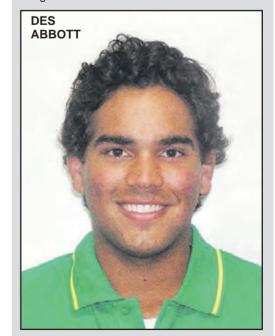
"I hoped that we could win at this tournament, but I wasn't convinced because I didn't think we were solid enough yet.

"We've had 15 players debut in the past year and half of them were in this team, so that means we had a lot of inexperienced players at this level.

"But they showed they were ready and the only way you could find out was by putting them in the cauldron.

The Kookaburras' next big test will arrive at the 31 July-8 August 8 Champions Trophy in Germany, where the host nation will be hell bent on revenge after losing the World Cup, Champions Trophy and Hamburg Masters to Australia all in the past year.

One of the heroes for Australian throughout their World Cup campaign was Indigenous Darwin striker Des Abbott. - AAP



AFL to look at finals format



THE Australian Football League (AFL) is considering a nine or ten-team finals format for when the competition expands to 18 teams in 2012, according

to chief executive Andrew Demetriou.

He also said the pre-season competition was here to stay despite former Essendon forward Matthew Lloyd calling for its

Demetriou confirmed the AFL was exploring the merits of expanding the homeand-away season to 23 or 24 rounds once Gold Coast (2011) and Greater Western Sydney (2012) joined the competition.

He hinted the League was leaning towards creating a nine-team finals format, although the merits of 10 teams making the finals was also being discussed.

"We're actually doing a huge body of work on 17 and 18 teams," Demetriou said

"As you know, there'll be a bye next year (and) we're doing work around whether it'll be a 22 or 23 or 24-round season when we go to 18 teams.

"They're all options that we're looking at. "Our guys are doing a mountain of work with a sub-committee that involves clubs on what the structure of the competition will look like (so) hopefully by mid-year, probably towards August-September, we'll have a better feel."

Change is likely

The AFL has used a top-eight finals format since 1994, but Demetriou hinted that was likely to change in 2012.

"What do the finals look like? Do we still have a final eight? That's being done at the moment," Demetriou said.

"We have a top eight with 16 teams, which is 50 per cent of the competition. When you go to 18 teams, someone could run the argument 'why haven't we got a

'There's no reason why we can't have a top nine. Someone sent me a proposal the other day suggesting a top ten.

"We'll look at all those things and we'd be remiss in our duties if we weren't looking at and canvassing all the options."

Lloyd said the pre-season competition was unnecessary and called for a longer home-and-away season instead.

But Demetriou confirmed the pre-season competition would remain.

"Matthew is entitled to his opinion, but every club tells us they need preparation to get these elite athletes ready for the season," he said.

"I can assure you that... if we didn't have a NAB Cup competition, particularly a NAB Regional Challenge, it would be to the detriment of the preparation of the players.

"We get to showcase the game, we allow people around the country to touch their players and connect to their teams that they wouldn't normally see.

"Not having a NAB Cup or Regional Challenge would provide four or five weeks of no football coverage.'

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EPM18172 This Application consists of six separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 48 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°17'S Long.140°44'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 142 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 44 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 177	Isa Tenements Pty Ltd 131 350 760
	Part 2: Approx. 35 km E from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°22'S Long.140°37'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 2: 32 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 10 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 320 d, h, j, l, m, n, q, r, s, x	
	Part 3: Approx. 31 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°18'S Long.140°35'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 3: 26 km ² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 247 j, o, t, u, y, z 248 q, v	
	Part 4: Approx. 55 km E from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°21'S Long.140°49'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 4: 13 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 250 y 322 d, j, o	
	Part 5: Approx. 38 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°18'S Long.140°38'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 5: 10 km ² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks	
	Part 6: Approx. 22 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'S Long.140°30'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	248 s, t, u Area of Part 6: 3 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 318 e	
EPM18174 This Application consists of five separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 44 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°15'S Long.140°41'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 10 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 177 v, w 249 a	Isa Tenements Pty Ltd 131 350 760
	Part 2: Approx. 39 km E from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'S Long.140°40'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 2: 10 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 248 z 320 e, k	
	Part 3: Approx. 19 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'S Long.140°28'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 3: 6 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 318 c, d	
	Part 4: Approx. 30 km E from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°21'S Long.140°35'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 4: 6 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 319 e, k	
	Part 5: Approx. 36 km ENE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°20'S Long.140°38'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 5: 6 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 248 x 320 c	

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Hawks out to avenge



THE way Hawthorn finished the Australian Football League (AFL) 2009 season suggests coach Alastair Clarkson didn't wait long before

he slammed closed the book on a wretched campaign.

Yet six months after he stormed off the

Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), seething after Essendon won a spiteful clash and ensured the Hawks missed the finals, Clarkson has found plenty from last year to use to his side's advantage in 2010

Last year's inglorious ninth made Hawthorn the first side to have won a premiership and missed the finals the following season since Adelaide's freefall to 13th in 1999.

"Anyone who's involved with our club would know that we fell below the standards we set for ourselves, certainly our on-field outcomes, and we're pretty keen to make amends," Clarkson said.

"We think we'll be able to do that just based on getting really good preparation

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and getting the bulk of our more talented players out there on a more regular basis."

Injuries cruelled Hawthorn's 2009.

Centre half-back Trent Croad was forced into retirement after missing the entire season, while several other members of the 2008 flag side Stephen Gilham, Mark Williams, Stuart Dew and Clinton Young – all missed large chunks.

The defence was badly hit, and Clarkson was often forced to patch together a backline of players out of position, or newcomers such as Ryan Schoenmakers and Brendan Whitecross.

They showed good signs, but the Hawks' defence overall ranked 12th in the league for

points conceded. and not even their forward potency could cover defensive deficiencies.

However, most of Hawthorn's best players were regulars in 2009.

Captain Sam Mitchell played every game, Lance Franklin missed just one and Luke Hodge. Jarryd Roughead and Cyril Rioli all played 19 of 22



Among the ten highest finishers in the 2008 best and fairest count, half-forward Michael Osborne missed the most games in 2009 - five, through a hamstring problem.

Some star Hawks played hurt last year, but 13 defeats for the season and only two victories over eventual finalists, clearly showed Hawthorn's rivals closed the gap

Clarkson admits aside from injuries, other plans went awry.

He cites the examples of getting more bulk into Franklin and Hodge – the side's two most damaging players – as decisions that backfired, as they lacked the spark of the previous year.

"There's no point hiding away from the fact we made some errors and that in hindsight it's easy to see the error of our ways now," Clarkson says.

"Hodge showed he could cover for Croad's loss through injury and with Buddy (Franklin), we thought 'Gee, if he can retain his athleticism and be able to take pack marks with added bulk to his frame ... '

"It turned out those things didn't work for us. "There's a whole heap of other (decisions) as well, they're just illustrations of how 2009 will be a great learning year for our footy club.'

Streamlined Franklin

Hawthorn fans will be pleased to see Franklin is more streamlined and at 23, capable of again electrifying the forward line following his Coleman Medal win in 2008.

Clarkson hopes to use Hodge more in the forward half of the ground, even though he won his 2008 Norm Smith Medal from half-back.

"He's a goal-kicking midfielder who regularly kicks one or two goals a game and that's a great weapon to have in your club and we want to try to utilise that a little bit more," the coach said.

Add the big-marking Roughead, emerging star Cyril Rioli and support in Osborne, Jordan Lewis and Campbell Brown and the Hawks boast an enviable depth of talent in attack, even though Williams was traded to Essendon.

The recruitment of Josh Gibson from North Melbourne and Gilham's recovery from knee troubles will add steel to the defence, although Croad retired in the off-season through constant foot problems.

Then there is the signing of Shaun Burgoyne, a skilful utility who brings class and suggests Hawthorn's off-season recruiting was based around climbing to the top quickly.

"The way the game's going flexibility is really important, particularly if they're elite players like Hodge, Mitchell and Burgoyne," Clarkson says.

"That's going to be so valuable for us in 2010 and beyond." - AAP

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EPM18268 This Application consists of three separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 47 km NE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°08'S Long.140°40'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 43 km NE from	Area of Part 1: 29 km² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 104 m, n, r, s, t, u, x, y, z 105 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u Area of Part 2: 10 km²	Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd 108 925 284
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EPM18283 This Application consists of two separate parts	Part 1: Approx. 59 km NE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°05'S Long.140°46'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 35 km² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 33 u 34 q, v, w 106 a, b, c, g, h,m, n	Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd 108 925 284
	Part 2: Approx. 56 km NE from Quamby Centred at approximate Lat.20°09'S Long.140°47'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Btlock Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 106 w	

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Sport

Cricket tribute to Allan Wanganeen

 ORMER Test cricketer Jason Gillespie will make a guest appearance at an Adelaide cricket match dedicated to the memory of Allan Wanganeen Snr.

The match will be played on 11 April from 10.30am at the Adelaide University Graduate Oval.

It will be between an Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc XI (ALRM) and Adelaide law firm Johnston Withers.

Gillespie, regarded as Australia's first Indigenous Test cricketer, will play for

the ALRM team. The match is in honour of the late Allan Wanganeen Snr, who made a huge contribution to the Aboriginal community of South Australia.

He worked at ALRM for nearly 22 years, first as a field officer then as the manager, field operations before becoming a member of the senior management team.

"Allan was loyal to his work colleagues and always demonstrated a caring attitude and approach for our community and for Aboriginal people generally. He was

undeterred in ensuring Aboriginal people were catered for and he cared passionately about ALRM and what the organisation stood for," said ALRM CEO Neil Gillespie, the father of Jason Gillespie.

"Allan's involvement in sport, with kids and his precious Kaurna Eagles Football Club truly made him stand out from the

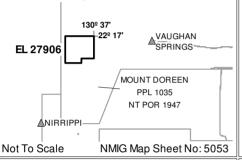
"He was held in high regard for his devotion to community activities and for being a positive role model."

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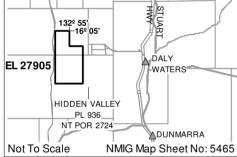
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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.

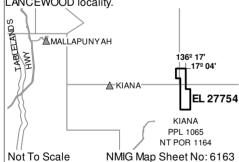
Applications to which this notice applies: Exploration Licence 27906 sought by ABM RESOURCES NL, ACN 009 127 020 over an area of 39 Blocks (124 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



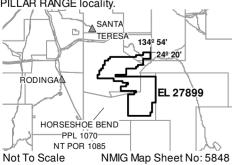
Exploration Licence 27905 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 155 Blocks (511 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MIDDLE CREEK locality.



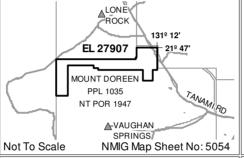
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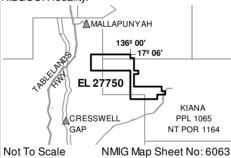
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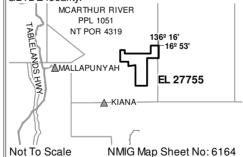
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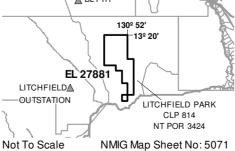
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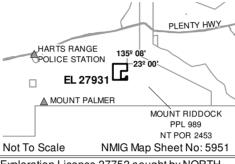
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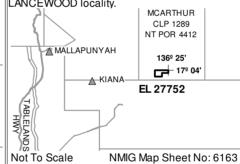
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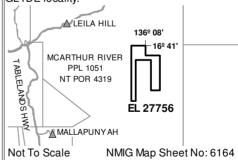
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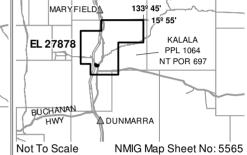
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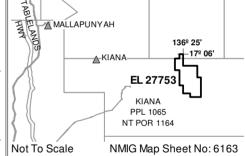
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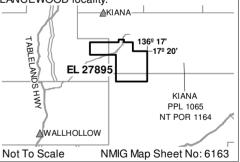
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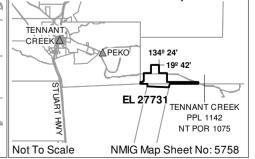
Exploration Licence 27753 sought by NORTH AUSTRALIAN DIAMONDS LTD, ACN 009 153 119 over an area of 46 Blocks (151 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



Exploration Licence 27895 sought by NORTH AUSTRALIAN DIAMONDS LTD, ACN 009 153 119 over an area of 166 Blocks (544 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



Substitution Exploration Licence 27731 sought by TRUSCOTT MINING CORPORATION LTD, ACN 116 420 378 over an area of 12 Blocks (22 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 4 years. within the TENNANT CREEK locality.



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 for exploration licences and 4 years for substitution exploration licences and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the exploration licence/s referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

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: 24 March 2010

Baseball's Redfern pitch

BASEBALL is set to become a sport of choice for Indigenous people in the Sydney suburb of Redfern. According to a mission statement by a group of people

behind the formation of the Redfern Red Sox, they want to offer baseball as another sporting outlet mainly for Redfern's large Indigenous

The mission statement says they hope to have four Redfern Red Sox teams in the 2010-11 Ryde Hornsby Junior Baseball League season in September.

The Red Sox won't be exclusively for Indigenous people, but the focus will be on the Indigenous community.

The mission statement says that until now, baseball has only been available as a senior winter sport in the older established suburbs of Sydney.

"We believe that sport should be available to all and so we seek to provide baseball free of charge to our players," the mission statement

"However, we realise that this may be difficult to accomplish. If we do need to charge our players, we intend to discount fees for families with multiple children and those families that are most needy.

The Red Sox have secured a home ground (Alexandria Park Community School) and are canvassing established baseball clubs for unwanted equipment.

Boys' mixed teams

They say their teams will be open to girls who will be in mixed teams where the boys could be 12 months younger than the girls.

Their plan includes running a design competition for their uniform.

Included in their early plans are to participate in the Marrickville Council Youth Week Sport and Recreation Day in April, and to run the in-school program for NASCA from 31 May to 30 June, with a school yardball carnival on the day at the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence.

The Red Sox also plan to hold baseball introductory days in early July in schools, including Darlington, Green Square, Mr Carmel and St Marys.

They are planning a 'fun with baseball' registration day in late July and run training sessions in August.

Their mission statement says they will hold a gala Day on 4 September - one week before the season start on 11 September.

Their goal is to have teams in all age groups within three years.

Long term, they hope to have Aboriginal kids offered scholarships at American collages 'and the Aboriginal presence in AFL and NRL is mirrored in Australian baseball'.

They list having Jimmy Little as their patron as one of their early milestones.

They have secured umpire and scorers training courses and have secured sponsorship for part payment of player registration and insurance costs for two years.

Koori Radio and NITV have agreed to help

Corporate Australia 'missing in action'

USTRALIAN Commonwealth Games Aboss Perry Crosswhite has made a plea for corporate Australia to finally get behind the national team for the 2010 Games in New Delhi.

With little more than six months until the opening ceremony on 3 October, the Australian Commonwealth Games Association (ACGA) has nailed down just 35 per cent of its sponsorship budget.

The total cost of sending an Australian team of more than 600 athletes and officials to India is \$13.5 million.

The ACGA has budgeted for \$7 million of the total to come from sponsorship, with the balance made up by fundraising and interest from investments. - AAP

promote the Red Sox uniform design competition.

 Contact details: Gary Fishburn, Redfern Red Sox, PO Box 1, Annandale, NSW, 2038. Phone 0447 426 086. Email gary.fishburn@gmail.com

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

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Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1677	Approx. 114 km NE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.19°55'S Long.141°13'E	Area: 965 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry and Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)	Vale Coal Exploration Pty Ltd
	Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Block Number Sub-blocks Cloncurry 37	108 568 725
EPC1927	Approx. 211 km NNE from Cloncurry Centred at approximate Lat.18°52'S Long.141°04'E Local Government Area: Carpentaria Shire Council	Area: 919 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 284 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2340 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 2341 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 2412 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 2413 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 2484 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 2485 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 2556 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 2557 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2559 c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2628 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	Jurassic Energy Pty Limited 096 778 291

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Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits

subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Old) 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, 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

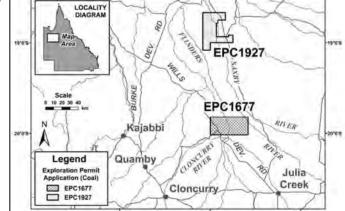
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119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane 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: 14 April 2010



Queensland Government

Part of Bulldogs' history

By PETER ARGENT

N the Australian Football League (AFL) NAB Cup pre-season grand final, Aboriginal footballers Jarred Harbrow and Josh Hill etched themselves into

Western Bulldogs history. They were a part of their club's first premiership at any level for four decades.

They also became the first Aboriginal footballers to play in any of the six pre-season or major premiership victories

collected by Western Bulldogs in their 85-year VFL/AFL history.

The Bulldogs (formerly called Footscray) last collected a pre-season/night series title back in 1970, and it is now 56 years since their one and only September (grand final) glory in 1954.

The club's other pre-season/night series glories were in 1963, 1964 and 1967.

On the back of a seven-goal haul from Barry Hall, the Western Bulldogs won 2.13.8 (104) to St. Kilda's 0.9.10 (64) in front of 42,381 patrons at Etihad Stadium on Saturday evening 13 March.

The winners had engineered a 22-point lead at the first break, and although the contest got close during the middle of the game, where at one stage just two points separated them, the Doggies were still 21 points ahead at lemons before a last-quarter blitz ensured a commanding 40-point victory.

Harbrow, playing his customary sweeping role across half back, could have easily been mentioned among the best players, finished with 20 possessions, including 17 kicks.

Hill was a little less effective, but did collect eight disposals.

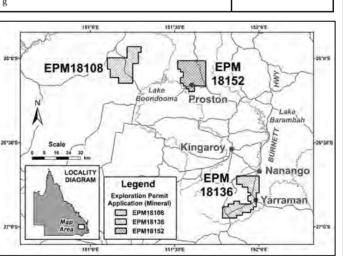
Debuted in 2007

A Cairns junior, Harbrow debuted back in 2007 and should play his 50th AFL game, barring injury, in round two against Richmond.

From the Claremont Football Club in Western Australia, Hill also played his first senior football in 2007 and is eight games away from the 50-game milestone.

Both still just 21, they are expected to be integral parts of the Bulldogs' structure for the best part of this decade and develop quickly into young leaders at the club.

With Geelong taking the pre-season crown and AFL premiership Cup double in 2009, many now believe the Western Bulldogs can do the same this year.



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EPM18108	Approx. 84 km WNW from Kingaroy Centred at approximate Lat.26°02'S Long.151°12'E Local Government Area:North Burnett Regional Council, South Burnett Regional Council and Western Downs Regional Council	Area: 283 km² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 92 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1671	Ridge Exploration Pty Ltd 127 215 132
EPM18136	Approx. 34 km SSE from Kingaroy Centred at approximate Lat.26°48'S Long.151°52'E Local Government Area: South Burnett Regional Council and Toowoomba Regional Council	Area: 284 km² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 93 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2327 n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2328 l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2399 e 2400 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, w, x, y 2470 p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2471 g, h, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2472 b, c, d, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w 2542 c, d, e, h, j, k 2543 a, b, c, d, f, g	Volcan Australia Corporation Pty Ltd 131 553 341
EPM18152	Approx. 52 km NNW from Kingaroy Centred at approximate Lat.26°06'S Long.151°36'E Local Government Area: South Burnett Regional Council	Area: 265 km² Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 86 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1747 g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, x, y, z 1748 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1749 f, l, q, v 1819 d, e, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, y, z 1820 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 1821 a, f, l, q, v 1891 e 1892 a, b, f, g	Volcan Australia Corporation Pty Ltd 131 553 341

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subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Old) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions

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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Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.





Palm's rugby league history recorded in pictorial collection



LEFT: Vince Thimble, left, and **Robert Blackley** with some of the old pictures that will be in the rugby league museum.

By ALF WILSON



THE Palm Island Aboriginal Community has produced many champion rugby league footballers dating back to the 1920s - and their efforts are about to be recognised for future generations.

To ensure these players are never forgotten, former player and administrator Vince Thimble has collected 130 historical photos that are destined for a museum in the CBD precinct of Palm Island.

Thimble and another top former player, Robert Blackley, are enthusiastic about the collection.

The Koori Mail was in the Palm Island town centre in March when Thimble produced some of the pictures.

"They are all about the history of Palm Island football and date back to 1928 when a side from here defeated a Brisbane representative team in the State capital as a curtain-raiser to a Great Britain game," Mr Thimble said.

Thimble was president of the Palm Island Rugby League from 1995 to 2003 and has team shots of great sides of the

"I have a team picture of the Barracudas which were kicked out of the Townsville comp in 1988. I got them back into it in 2000," he said.

Blackley said Palm Island rugby league had a great history and the museum would encourage youngsters to reach the heights of many of the great players from the past.

Thimble said the Barracudas' name came about when the committee voted for it in 1980 and his mate Blackley recalled that the late Algon Walsh Snr had been amongst the prime movers.

"Anyone who has old pics who could give them to us for the museum that would

be greatly appreciated," Mr Thimble said. During World War II, Australian Navy sides from ships anchored near Palm Island played against Palm Island teams

Thimble and Blackley are proud of the fact that Palm Islanders are amongst the most fanatical rugby league supporters in the country

They reckon the museum will be a 'must'

All-weather cover for **Carrara stadium**

APERMANENT roof is to be built on the southern grandstand at Gold Coast Stadium after the Queensland Government and Gold Coast City Council announced extra funding for its redevelopment.

The redevelopment will include more than 6000 extra permanent seats, with in excess of 75 per cent of spectators now able to sit under cover.

Australian Football League (AFL) chief operating officer Gillon McLachlan said it was great news for the competition and for Gold Coast, which would enter the AFL in 2011.

"The permanent roof for the southern stand enhances the great design for the new Gold Coast Stadium," he said.

"The redevelopment of the stadium is on time and on budget. It's a great result for the local community to be able to include environmental outcomes and enhanced facilities for spectators."

Gold Coast chairman John Witheriff said supporters would be proud to call the new stadium home.

"This is a great result for the Gold Coast,"

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EPM18093	Approx. 41 km SE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°34'S Long.143°47'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 201 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 62 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2228	Copper Strike Ltd 108 398 983
EPM18168	Approx. 23 km W from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°16'S Long.143°20'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 36 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2008 c, d, e, h, j, k, p 2009 a, b, c, f	Pepinnini Minerals Limited 101 714 989
EPM18177	Approx. 68 km SSE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°53'S Long.143°25'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 249 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 77 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2440	ACN Mining Pty Ltd 122 190 872
EPM18181	Approx. 15 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°09'S Long.143°35'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 7 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1867 u, z	MKY Resources Limited 099 247 408

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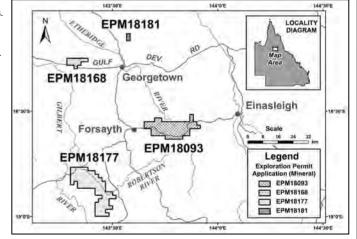
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Queensland Government

Final hurdle pain



AUSTRALIAN rules fans on the Tiwi Islands - and that includes just about everyone - were quick to overcome the disappointment of their beloved Tiwi Bombers'

grand final loss in the Northern Territory Football League.

The Bombers went down to Darwin

Tiwi Bombers' grand final defeat

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team St Marys 11.8(74) to 9.10 (64) at TIO Stadium on 13 March.

The next day, fans packed the tiny airstrip at Nguiu, on Bathurst Island, as they made their way home for the Tiwi Island grand final.

In pouring rain before 3000 spectators, the Tapalinga Superstars, wearing the colours of the Hawthorn Hawks, retained the Maurice Rioli Cup, beating the black and gold Imalu Tigers, from neighbouring Melville Island, 9.15 (69) to 4.6 (30).

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LOCALITY

Aussie rules is more than a sport for Tiwi Islanders... it's a way of life.

Their participation rate in Aussie rules (40 per cent) is the highest in Australia.

So it is not surprising that the Tiwis have produced some of Australia's finest players, including Norm Smith Medallists Maurice Rioli (Richmond 1982) and Essendon's Michael Long (1993).

"It's like a religion for us," said Tiwi Land Council's Matthew Wonaeamirri, whose son Austin plays for Melbourne in the AFL.

"We've got to get more kids playing footy, to stop them taking drugs and alcohol."

Kevin Sheedy, who is the coach of the AFL's newest franchise, Greater Western Sydney, was an interested spectator, running the rule over the local talent.

Sheedy first visited the Tiwis in 1974 and knows better than just about anyone the skills of Indigenous footballers.

Essendon managing director lan Robson also watched the Tiwi grand final and it gave him the opportunity to see how the Bombers' 20-year affiliation with the Tiwis, which includes \$75,000 in annual sponsorship, helped combat social dysfunction.

"Football has been invaluable here in giving focus to a batch of young men who might otherwise be aimless and lost," Robson said.

But the pain of Saturday night's NTFL loss at TIO Stadium lingered.

The Tiwi Bombers were outclassed by St Mary's, who clinched their third consecutive grand final.

Bombers coach Karl Gundersen was philosophical.

"It's a massive positive for the Tiwis," he said. "With so many negatives like drugs and alcohol, these guys are all role models."

16-game run

The Bombers had a smooth passage in the run-up to finals football. They easily won the NTFL minor premiership, having strung together an impressive undefeated 16-game run after losing their first two games of the season.

They lost their way in the major semi-final against St Marys, but turned things around in the preliminary final, beating Waratahs 17.9 (111) to 12.8 (80).

But the Bombers stumbled again in the all-important grand final against St Marys.

"Close, but no cigar," was how coach Gundersen summarised the grand final.

It was the final curtain call for a Tiwi Bombers outfit that broke all the boundaries in season 2009/10, Gundersen wrote on the Bombers' website.

"The Tiwi Bombers exited beaten but not disgraced, he said.

"In front of a crowd at TIO stadium worthy of a heavyweight title fight, the Bombers players punched well above our weight in a classic

"The ten-point margin left the Bombers questioning what might have been as we surged forward late in the game.

"Samson Mungatopi's goal brought the contest to its peak when he brought his brothers in red and black to within four points of the defending champions.

"But alas, the final siren was to beat the men whose spiritual home is the Tiwi Islands, leaving grown men, including our own twin towers Courtney Johns and Jordan Doering, reduced to

"I thought players such as Edward Darcy, Wayne Pilauki and Freddy Puruntatameri were good in defence, while Tony Van Rooyen and Jordan Doering were very good in the mid-field.

"While our forwards were restricted to one of their lowest scores for the season, Roy Kantila, Courtney Johns and young gun Anthony Tipungwuti never stopped trying to contribute to the cause."

Gundersen said that all in all, the experience that everyone gained from the club participating in its first grand final 'will hand us all valuable lessons for the years to come'.

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EPC1802	Approx. 108 km WSW from Mount Coolon Centred at approximate Lat.21°44'S Long.146°23'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council and Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 414 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 130 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1396	Owen Reginald Wellington
EPM17846	Approx. 99 km W from Mount Coolon Centred at approximate Lat.21°25'S Long.146°23'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 112 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 35 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1181 c, d, e, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1253 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z	Pepinnini Minerals Limited 101 714 989

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Bombers induct Michael Long

By PETER ARGENT



IT'S official. Australian rules legend Michael Long is an Essendon legend.

He is the club's 19th legend. The induction was made at the Bombers' launch of the 2010

Australian Football League season.

Also inducted was long-serving administrator Wally Crichton.

Busts of Long and Crichton were unveiled at the event and they will be permanently housed in the Windy Hill 'Hall of Fame'.

An emotive Long said playing at Essendon had significantly changed his life and that he was overwhelmed by joining people like Simon Madden as a club legend.

Inducted into the AFL Hall of Fame in 2007, Long arrived at Windy Hill in 1989 and spent the next 13 years at the club. He played 190 senior matches in the black and red, including the 1993 and 2000 premiership wins.

Throughout his time at the Bombers, Long was coached by another legend - Kevin Sheedy.

Memorable victory

Playing Carlton and going in as underdogs, Long was inspiring in the 44-point 1993 Bombers victory. Along with kicking two of his team's 20 goals, Long followed another Northern Territory boy, Maurice Rioli, and became the second Aboriginal Norm Smith Medallist (as the best player on the ground in the AFL grand final).

He also captained the club in 1999. Among a huge list of accolades, he was also a member of the Essendon and the Indigenous team of the century, along with All-Australia selection when he played for the Northern Territory in 1988 and with the Bombers in 1995.

Before he ventured on to the VFL/AFL landscape, Long came down from Darwin in 1988 and spent a year with the now amalgamated West Torrens Football Club in the South Australian National Football League (SANFL), where he collected a best and fairest award. He also played four State of Origin games, kicking seven goals.

Noted for his speed and skill on the field, Long was also a strong leader and untiring activist for his people during his

Lovett saga could distract Saints if talks fail: Demetriou



AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) chief Andrew Demetriou says St Kilda risk the Andrew Lovett saga becoming a distraction unless they can resolve it

through mediation. The sacked Saint and his legal team spent Friday 12 March with representatives of St Kilda and the AFL in a mediation session chaired by an independent lawyer.

Lovett is seeking a payout after his three-year contract worth more than \$1 million was terminated by the club last month. He was traded from Essendon last October, but sacked by the Saints without playing a game.

Dismissal came a day after he was charged with rape, although the club did not cite that charge as a reason.

Lovett had already launched a grievance process against the Saints after they suspended him indefinitely on Christmas Eve, soon after it emerged that he was under police investigation.

playing days and since his retirement. His charity The Long Walk helped recognise the issues of

Long said been lucky and blessed because Essendon is a strong club with a strong culture and that made a big difference to his life.

He also confirmed all the things he learned from the coach he calls the 'great man' (Kevin Sheedy) things he's still using in life now.

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EPC1681	Approx. 34 km SE from Glenden Centred at approximate Lat.21°38'S Long.148°22'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area: 10 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1421 n, r, s	Vale Coal Exploration Pty Ltd 108 568 725
EPC1686	Approx. 30 km SSW from Glenden Centred at approximate Lat.21°35'S Long.147°59'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1416 d	BHP Coal Pty Ltd 010 595 721

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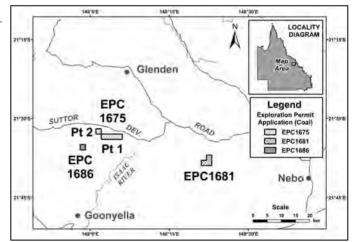
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Michael Long and the Michael Long bust at Windy Hill.

New northern competition for **Australian football teams**

News.

NORTHERN Territory Thunder will be part of a ten-team Northern States Football League from 2012, says The Northern Territory

It reported on 16 March that reserves sides from AFL clubs Brisbane, Sydney and new franchises Gold Coast and Greater Western Sydney would be included in the elite competition.

It said a representative team from Canberra's ACTAFL and four premier club sides from the present QAFL competition would also be involved.

"The northern league is part of the AFL's expansion plans on the eastern seaboard where surveys have shown a major population shift will occur in the next 20 to 30 years," The NT News said.

"The 18-round home and away season will mean away games in Canberra, Sydney, Brisbane and the Gold Coast and home games in Darwin and Alice Springs.

The exact number of home games is still being negotiated between the AFL, AFLNT and other interstate leagues.

"Plans are also in place to introduce a northern and southern conference, where teams from Victoria and NSW will be added to the southern conference.'

The NT News reported that in other news, Territory Thunder would have a reserves side from this season.

"The competition kicks off on 9 April with a game against Bathurst Island at TIO Stadium acting as the curtain-raiser to the Thunder-Brisbane Lions round one clash in the QAFL," it

"Wadeye is the next opponent on May 8, followed by Maningrida a week later and Victoria River (Katherine) on July 10.

"The Barkly and Gove leagues will play Thunder in a tri-series from July 15-19 at TIO Stadium before Groote-Galiwinku on August 14 and Melville Island on August

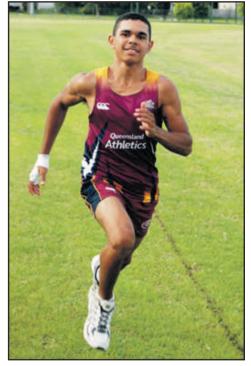
"Plans are also in place for the reserves to play a TEAFA side on May 29 and NTFL premiers St Marys on June 25.

LOCALITY

St Lawrence

Legend

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Sherome Sailor at his Townsville training

A Sailor who can run like the wind

By ALF WILSON



RISING young North Queensland sprinter Sherome Sailor returned to Townsville from the Australian junior athletics championships in Sydney with a gold medal and two silvers.

The 14-year-old took gold in the under-15 200m sprint and a silver in the 100m.

He is regarded as one of north Queensland's finest sprinters.

Sherome went up an age group and was part of the team which won silver in the under-16 4x100m relay.

The championships were at Sydnev's Olympic Park from 11-14 March and Sherome spoke to The Koori Mail on the track at the North Star Athletics Club, where he is a member.

"I grew up in Cloncurry and I think that is where I got my speed from because I used to do a lot of walking and running out there," he

Listing his heroes as Cathy Freeman and Patrick Johnson, Sherome is in Year 9 at Townsville's Pimlico High School.

"My fastest time for 100m is 11.85s and for 200m is 23.45s - both at Sydney," he said.

Sherome now hopes to gain selection for e Oceania Games to be held at Singapore in August.

Last July at the zone titles at the Townsville Sports Reserve, he starred and then was selected to go to Hobart in October for the national schools titles and finished with a bronze medal in the 200m.

A natural athlete, Sherome said he intended spending more time on the track this year in a bid to further his ambitions to be a top runner.

He has the right pedigree to be a quality athlete. His mother Linda Oliver was a champion north Queensland runner at the zone championships about two decades ago.

His grandmother – Linda's mum Rosalind Sailor – was a top sprinter and middle-distance runner around Cloncurry in the 1970s.

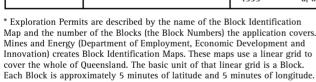
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EPM17138	Approx. 39 km WNW from St Lawrence Centred at approximate Lat.22°11'S Long.149°12'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area: 29 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1934 e 1935 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j	Drummond West Pty Ltd 112 104 668



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Manton joins calls to sideline Howard



NSW Aboriginal Land Council boss Bev Manton has joined calls for the International Cricket Council to refuse former Prime Minister John Howard's nomination to its executive.

Ms Manton backed the call by South Australian Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement CEO Neil Gillespie - father of Jason Gillespie, the only Aboriginal person to play at the Test level in the modern history of the game. Mr Gillespie recently wrote to the ICC urging them to

refuse John Howard's nomination.

"I commend Mr Gillespie on his stance and assure him that the NSW Aboriginal land rights movement stands right behind him," Ms Manton said.

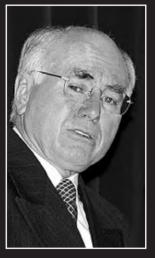
"I too was bowled over to hear that a man with John Howard's past could be appointed to a body like the International Cricket Council.

"History has shown John Howard to be opposed to the rights and interests of Aboriginal people.

"During his time as Prime Minister he took away many of our powers. and tried to assassinate our rights. He set out to destroy many of our organisations



BEV MANTON



JOHN HOWARD

and representative bodies. We thought we were rid of John Howard, but he's popped up again.

"My enduring memory of John Howard will be a red-faced man bashing his hands on the lectern and screaming at the audience during the 1997 Reconciliation Convention.

"That is the same John Howard that the International Cricket Council may soon have in its batting line-up."

Going backwards

Ms Manton noted that while other sports were moving forward, cricket appeared to be taking a large step backwards.

The timing of his nomination is particularly unfortunate for the sport of cricket, given the outstanding work done recently by the National Rugby League in promoting an Indigenous All-Stars game," she said.

"It was a wonderful event, and an exercise in reconciliation and promoting harmony between black and white players.

"The NRL is looking to the future, but it seems international cricket is looking to the past."

Ms Manton predicted trouble for the Cricket Council beyond the borders of Australia if it

proceeded with the appointment of Mr Howard.

"John Howard remains the most divisive figure in our recent history, and not just for his appalling attacks on Aboriginal people and their basic human rights," she said. "Many Australians indeed many people around the world will never forget his support for Pauline Hanson and his vocal opposition to Asian immigration.

"For that reason, I'd question his

appointment to a council which oversees a game whose largest fan base is in

"I wish the ICC luck in maintaining harmonious relationships with people of

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EPM17836	Approx. 49 km SSE from Weipa Centred at approximate Lat.13°02'S Long.142°03'E Local Government Area: Aurukun Shire Council and Cook Shire Council	Area: 200 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 60 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 841	MKY Corporation Limited 099 247 408
EPM17843	Approx. 29 km NE from Weipa Centred at approximate Lat.12°30'S Long.142°07'E Local Government Area: Napranum Shire Council, Cook Shire Council and Aurukun Shire Council	Area: 190 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 57 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 409 h, j, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 410 l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 411 l, q, r, v, w 481 c, d, e, g, h, k, p 482 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m 483 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r	MKY Corporation Limited 099 247 408

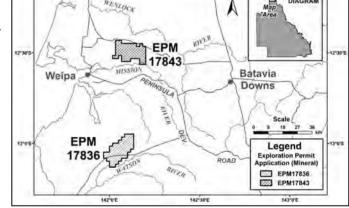
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Sport



Stingers a part of campaign

LEFT: The **Normanton** Stingers. Their anti-violence message is being copied around the country. Picture: ALF WILSON



A COMMUNITY-based project which is helping reduce domestic violence in a remote Indigenous community in Queensland, will receive funding from the Australian Government to expand into other communities.

The Domestic Violence - it's not our game project in Normanton is run by the Carpentaria Shire to continue working in conjunction with the local Normanton Stingers rugby league team.

The \$195,000 in government funding will allow the project to expand to include rugby league teams from Doomadgee, Richmond, Hughenden, Cloncurry and Julia Creek.

Since it began in Normanton, police have reported a significant decrease in domestic violence incidents and a drop in the number of breaches of domestic violence orders.

As part of the project, local rugby league teams, whose players pledge not to commit actions of domestic violence, receive sponsorship. The penalty for breaching the agreement is immediate suspension and ultimately exclusion from their team.

Role models

The Stingers players are used as positive role models backed up by advertising, media campaigns and workshops to drive home the message that domestic violence is unacceptable.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the success of the project was testament to the commitment of the Carpentaria Shire, the Stingers footy team and the people of Normanton to take responsibility for taking positive steps to tackle domestic violence.

"Through the project, the Normanton community is clearly saying that domestic and family violence is neither normal nor acceptable behaviour," she said.

The project has won two awards at the 2009 National Awards for Local Government and they were the overall winner of the 2008 National Crime and Violence Prevention Award.

It has been replicated by four rugby teams in NSW and one in New Zealand, along with an Australian rules team in Victoria and one in the Northern Territory.

AAMI Park is the name of new stadium



AUSTRALIAN insurance company AAMI has signed an eight-year deal to secure naming rights for Melbourne's new rectangular sports stadium.

The 30,000-capacity venue, which will be the new home of soccer, rugby league and rugby union in Victoria, will be known as AAMI Park.

The stadium opens for business on 7 May for the rugby league Test between Australia and New Zealand.

AAMI also has naming rights to Adelaide's main Australian Football League (AFL) venue, AAMI Stadium.

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EPM13577	Approx. 39 km NNW from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°42'S Long.139°55'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 23 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3191 e, k, p, u 3192 f, l, q	Matrix Metals Limited 082 593 235
EPM13600	Approx. 32 km NNW from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°45'S Long.139°58'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 13 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3192 s, x 3264 c, h	Matrix Metals Limited 082 593 235

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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.

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Qld search begins



QUEENSLAND Cricket is about to set out on its annual Indigenous talent identification search as part of its Eddie Gilbert Cricket Program.

The search takes Queensland Cricket specialist development

program co-ordinator Nev Paulsen and game development officer Joe Marsh throughout Queensland, starting at Biloela on 15 March and ending in Brisbane on 5 December.

It is a feature of Queensland Cricket's search to unearth Indigenous talent.

Queensland has a fine history in the all-Indigenous Imparja Cup interstate championships in Alice Springs each February, although this year the Maroons failed to reach the final after winning back-to-back titles in 2008 and 2009, and winning five of the previous

Younger players identified during the talent identification program may be selected to attend the Queensland Cricket Emerging Players training sessions.

Senior players must attend to be evaluated for inclusion in the Imparja Cup squad for the 2010-11 season or be considered for coaching and umpiring programs.

Region by region

The visits by talent scouts are broken into regions.

South Burnett-Central Queensland:

Biloela, Cricket Oval, Ian Healy Drive, Monday 15 March, 3.30pm.

Woorabinda, State School, Tuesday 16

Rockhampton, Juds Park, Tuesday 16 March, 3.30pm.

Moura, Recreation Reserve, Gillespie St,

Wednesday 17 March, 3.30pm. Murgon, Showground (Cricket Oval)

Thursday 18 March, 3.30pm.

Metropolitan:

Metropolitan East, Redlands Sports Club (Wellington Pt) Monday 12 April, 3pm.

Sunshine Coast, Caloundra CC, Monday 19 April, 3pm

Metropolitan North Northern Suburbs DCC (Shaw Rd) Monday, 26 April, 3pm.

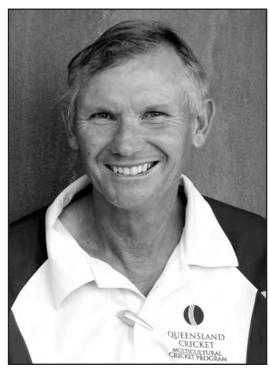
Metropolitan West, Western Suburbs DCC (Oxley Rd) Monday 3 May, 3pm. South Coast, Dolphins CC (Robina) Monday

10 May, 3pm. East Coast trip to Far North Queensland:

Gympie, One Mile Fields, Monday 28 June, 3pm. Bundaberg, Salter Oval, Tuesday 29 June,

Rockhampton, Juds Park, Wednesday 30

Mackay, Harrop Park, Thursday 1 July, 3pm.



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Townsville, Brothers CC, Kirwan, Friday 2 July, 3pm.

Cairns, Endeavour Park, Saturday 3

Chillagoe, Cricket Oval, Sunday, 4 July, noon.

Innisfail, TAFE Oval, Monday 5 July, 10am.

Ingham, Butler Park, Monday, 5 July, 3pm.

Charters Towers, Mossman Park, Tuesday 6 July, 3pm.

Clermont, Sports/Cricket Oval, Wednesday, 7 July, 3pm.

Gladstone, Yarrala Sports Fields, Thursday, 8 July, 3pm.

Maryborough, Cricket Ground (Adriane St) Friday 9 July, 3pm

Wide Bay-Central Queensland: Chinchilla, Cricket Ground, Monday 13

September, 3.30pm. Murgon, Cricket Oval (Showground),

Tuesday 14 September, 3.30pm. Biloela, Cricket Oval, Ian Healy Drive, Wednesday, 15 September, 3.30pm Woorabinda, School, Thursday 16 September, 10am.

Inland trip/South and Central/ North-West:

Warwick, Slade Park, Monday 4 October, 3.30pm.

Goondiwindi, Cricket Oval, Tuesday, 5

October, 3.30pm. Roma, Cricket Ground, Wednesday 6

October, 3.30pm. Blackall, Cricket Oval, Thursday 7

October, 3.30pm.

Winton, State School, Friday 8 October, 3.30pm.

Mt Isa, Sunset Park, Saturday 9

October, 3.30pm.

Barcaldine, Cricket Oval, Monday 11 October, 3.30pm.

Charleville, High School, Tuesday 12 October, 3.30pm.

Cunnamulia, State School, Wednesday 13 October, 11am. Mitchell, State School, Thursday 14

October, 3.30pm.

Darling Downs:

Toowoomba, Heritage Oval, Wednesday 27 October, 3.30pm.

Chinchilla, Cricket Ground, Thursday 28 October, 3.30pm.

St George, St Patrick's School, Friday

29 October, 3.30pm. St George, Cricket Ground, Saturdav

30 October, 10am.

Metropolitan: Brisbane, WSDCC, Graceville Memorial Park, Sunday 28 November,

Brisbane, Queensland Cricket HQ, Allan Border Field, Sunday 5 December,

 Queensland Cricket says sessions may be cancelled if no attendees are confirmed. Players should contact Nev Paulsen (0419 725 828 or 07 3281 2300) to confirm availability or be told of venue changes.

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EPC1859	Approx. 46 km E from Blackwater Centred at approximate Lat.23°38'S Long.149°20'E Local Government Area: Central Highlands Regional Council	Area: 22 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3160 p, t, u, z 3161 l, q, v	Area Coal Pty Ltd 132 643 193
EPC1876	Approx. 44 km N from Blackwater Centred at approximate Lat.23°11'S Long.148°52'E Local Government Area: Isaac Regional Council	Area: 54 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 17 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2723 r, s, v, w, x 2795 a, b, c, g, h, m, n, o, r, s, t, w	New Hope Exploration Pty Ltd o6o 579 624

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DIAGRAM

Jetta's super goal benefits junior club

By PETER ARGENT



LEWIS Jetta's super goal in the Swans win of opening round of the Australian Football League (AFL) NAB Cup has already benefited his junior club.

The Carey Park Football Club, in Bunbury, a few hours south of Perth, will receive 12 new Sherrin footballs thanks to the super goal Lewis Jetta kicked in the fixture against Carlton at Blacktown's Olympic Park.

The NAB grassroots initiative has seen footballs donated to an AFL player's nominated junior club when they kick a super goal, (a goal kicked from outside the 50-metre line) during the 2010 NAB Cup campaign.

The massive kick not only adds nine points to the scoreboard, but ensures that a junior club will receive Sherrins that will benefit all age groups - six size five and six size three footballs.

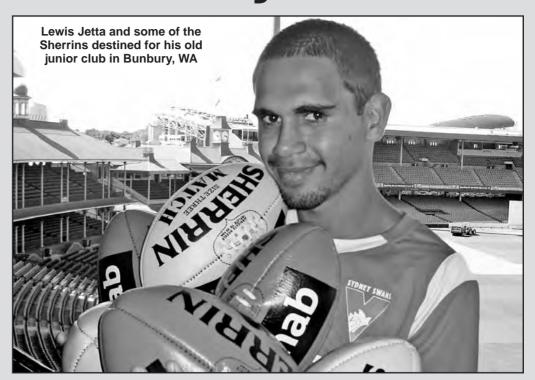
Known as the Panthers, the Carey Park Football Club is noted as a strong family club that has a reputation of hard-working volunteers and a great social atmosphere.

After strong performances for Swan Districts and the West Australian senior State team last year, the 20-year-old Jetta was recruited to the Sydney Swans with selection 14 in the 2009 NAB AFL Draft.

Notable in this first match with the Swans, their first win in NAB Cup under the tutelage of Paul Roos, Lewis was regarded as Sydney's best player in the contest, and along with his super goal, he also slotted through another six-pointer in the 12-point

Jetta said he was pleased that his junior club, Carey Park, had gained from his performance at the elite

"Junior footy at the grassroots level is the foundation of the game – it's where you learn to play the game and develop a love for the sport," he said.



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EPC1291	Approx. 76 km NNE from Aramac Centred at approximate Lat.22°25'S Long.145°40'E Local Government Area: Barcaldine Regional Council	Area: 950 km² Block Identification Maps: Clermont Number of Sub-blocks: 300 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1892	South Queensland Thermal Coal Pty Ltd 130 485 817

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Queensland Government

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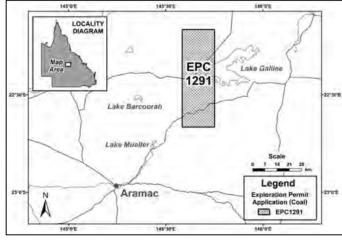
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Cox in Opals squad



LAUREN Jackson and Penny Taylor headline a 24-strong initial Australian Opals squad that also includes Indigenous star Rohanee Cox (pictured below) to defend their title at the women's

Basketball World Championship later this year.

The Australian women won their first ever major international gold medal with a stunning performance at the last Worlds in Brazil four years ago and will hope for a repeat effort in the Czech Republic.

Eleven members of the silver medal-winning team from the Beijing Olympics are in the squad, including Cox, Jackson, Taylor, Suzy Batkovic-Brown, Belinda Snell, Kristi Harrower and Tully Bevilaqua.

Exciting teenager Liz Cambage has also been selected by coach Carrie Graf, while Rachael Flanagan and Hanna Zavecz have been named in an Opals squad for the first time.

Australia will have a camp in Dandenong starting on 29 March.

The World Championship runs from 23 September to 3 October. - AAP



Kangaroos engage Victorian Indigenous boys



Melbourne Football Club Indigenous Academy is

up and running and has just hosted its first event.

Thirty-one Years 7 and 8 boys from throughout Victoria and three from NSW and their families attended trials at the Kangaroos' Arden Street headquarters on 14 March.

The Kangaroos also are establishing multi-cultural and girls academies as well as the one for Indigenous boys and the club hopes to climax the program with a match between the Indigenous and Multi-Cultural academies as a curtain-raiser to one of the Kangaroos' Australian Football League (AFL)

North Melbourne also was planning to invite the boys and their families to an AFL game - possibly during the 8 May round against the

Collingwood Magpies.

North Melbourne spokesman Sash Herceg told The Koori Mail that Daniel Wells had agreed to be the Indigenous Academy's ambassador.

He said there would be five engagements in school holidays during the year involving the Indigenous boys and their families.

The focus would be on football skills, Indigenous culture, leadership, positive education, health, nutrition and fitness.

While the boys were being skilled at the academy, their parents would be encouraged to be involved in umpiring and coaching, Herceg said.

"We want this to be a family affair," he said.

Partners in the program include the Melbourne Aboriginal Youth Sport and Recreation and AFL Victoria, through Leon Egan, the Indigenous programs co-ordinator.



The boys – and a one girl – who attended the first day of the North Melbourne Football Club Indigenous Academy.

Wow that's the key



AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) coaching legend David Parkin calls it the 'wow factor'.

With Geelong's two premierships in three years leading the way, the game is set

to place more reliance on players who can take risks and open up play.

Parkin attended the AFL's national coaching conference in Adelaide in late January and was impressed by speeches from Port Adelaide coach Mark Williams, his assistant Michael Broadbridge and Crows coach Neil Craig.

The four-time premiership coach said Broadbridge and Craig, in particular, were predicting that the AFL would keep putting far more emphasis on attack.

The Cats' 2007 and 2009 flags were notable for fast movement of the ball out of defence and free scoring, in strong contrast to the zone defence and flooding strategies that had dominated the League for the previous decade.

"It's going to be the risk now to score, the game has gone through this defensive (stage), making it difficult, no room to work in, etcetera Parkin said.

"The 'wow' factor, if you like - the person who has something very special ... (is) going to be terribly important.

"They can construct something out of nothing, that is going to be the evolutionary stage, the next stage, of footy.

Parkin was impressed by the conference, where more than 500 coaches from all levels of Australian rules football gathered for a weekend of seminars and forums.

"It was the best football conference or participation thing I've been in, ever," Parkin said.

The former Hawthorn and Carlton coaching great is particularly impressed that people in football are more prepared to share ideas.

"I think we've just reached a new maturity in our game, I was so excited about where we've gotten to," he said.

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EPM18027	Approx. 26 km NW from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°06'S Long.143°24'E Local Government Area: Etheridge Shire Council	Area: 124 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 38 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1793	MKY Resources Limited 099 247 408

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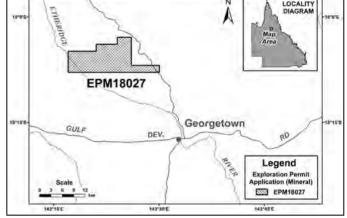
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Queensland Government

Sport

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," said Norman.

Connors was pleased 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."

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EPM16984	Approx. 40 km NW from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19'44'S Long.139'50'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 45 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 14 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3190 j, o, t, u, y, z 3191 q, r, v, w 3262 e 3263 a, b, g	Kabiri Resources Pty Ltd 118 563 652
EPM17688 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 39 km NNW from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°42'S Long.139°55'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 32 km NNW from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°45'S Long.139°58'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 23 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3191 e, k, p, u 3192 f, l, q Area of Part 2: 13 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3192 s, x 3264 c, h	Matrix Metals Limited 082 593 235
EPM18294	Approx. 54 km N from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°33'S Long.140°01'E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council and Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 26 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 3048 k 3049 f, l, m, q, r, v, w	Paradigm Queensland Pty Ltd 099 477 737
EPM18315	Approx. 62 km NNE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°30'S Long.140°14'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 87 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 27 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 2979 c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, t, u, y, z 2980 v 3051 d, e, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y 3052 a	Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd 108 925 284

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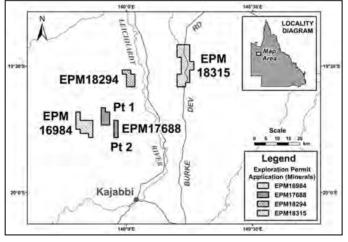
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Cats' aura fades



GEELONG'S aura is fading, with rival captains rating St Kilda and the Western Bulldogs as more likely AFL grand finalists than the reigning premiers.

The Cats have won two of the past three flags, with a grand final loss in between.

But in the league's annual pre-season poll, they received only three of a possible 15 votes from rival skippers as the opponents they most expect to meet if they made the grand final.

Last year's runners-up St Kilda and beaten preliminary finalists the Western Bulldogs each polled six votes, while the other member of last season's top four, Collingwood, snared one.

The Saints and the Bulldogs played off in the NAB Cup final, won by a Barry Hall-inspired Dogs.

One undisclosed skipper even tipped Geelong to follow Hawthorn's path from last season and miss the finals altogether a year after claiming the premiership.

Maximum votes

The Saints, Bulldogs and Magpies all received a maximum 15 votes as expected finalists, with the Cats level with Brisbane on 14 and Adelaide (13) and the Hawks (12) the other fancies

That suggests the battle for eighth spot is wide open, with no other club receiving more than five votes and two of last year's finalists, Essendon (two votes) and Carlton (one), widely expected to fall.

Three clubs - Richmond, Melbourne and Fremantle - were overlooked by every rival skipper.

Reigning Coleman Medallist Brendan Fevola's off-season switch from Carlton to Brisbane is not expected to hurt his goal tally, rated the most likely winner of this year's honour with five votes.

Franklin a contender

Hall's strong pre-season form has also made an impression, sharing second place with Hawthorn's Lance Franklin on four votes.

Geelong star Gary Ablett is tipped to go back-to-back as Brownlow Medallist, although opinions are widely split, with Ablett polling just three votes.

Eleven different players received at least one vote to take out the league's top individual honour, including Hall.

West Coast's Nic Naitanui and North Melbourne's Jack Ziebell were the clear captains' favourites for the Rising Star award, with five votes apiece. - AAP





'Can't wait' to get back home

By ALF WILSON



WEST Australian Imparja Cup bowling star Willy Nona is proud of his Torres Strait Islander heritage and is looking forward to visiting family and friends on Badu Island later this year.

Nona played a leading role as a bowler for Western Australia, which easily won the grand final of the prestigious national Indigenous cricket competition in Alice Springs

His proud mother Marie said that Willy's heritage was Badu Island, although he was born in Karratha and lives at Tom Price.

Marie is the sister of the late Badu Island chairman Jack Ahmat, who was a tireless worker for the community and rugby league in the Torres

Such was his input into the sport that the winner of Queensland's biggest All Blacks rugby league carnival in Cairns during October won the prestigious Jack Ahmat Trophy.

The Nona family is one of the biggest on Badu and has members living around the Torres Strait

"William has a trade background, and is employed by Rio Tinto. He's been involved in sports from a very young age and was very good at it and still is," Marie Nona said.

"In a town like Tom Price, a mining town, most people are working in the mine, and for recreation play sports whenever they can. Sport in this town is so popular that most people play basketball, netball, baseball, touch football, AFL football and cricket.

"William has done this every year from the age of 11, and is a very good sportsmen and dedicated in his local AFL, touch football and cricket club. He's represented Tom Price, attending Country Week cricket in Perth and has finally been noticed by a member of WA Aboriginal Cricket Association," Marie told The Torres News

Speaking from his WA home on 19 February, Willy said he was delighted with the win by his side at the Imparja Cup.

"Both my parents have Badu heritage - my dad is William Nona and mum Marie was an Ahmat. I am going back to Badu later in the year for a family reunion and was up there last year. We have lots of family there," he told The Koori

Willy said he was the third oldest player in the WA team, which had lots of players under 20.

"This was my first time at Imparja Cup and I was happy the way I bowled and just missed out on the Merit All Stars side. But I only batted twice because we had such a strong batting side."

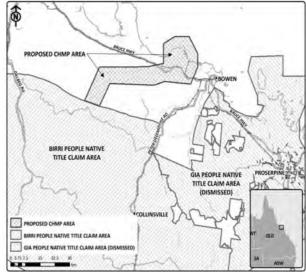
PUBLIC NOTICE

CULTURAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 **Aboriginal Party**

Intention to develop a Cultural Heritage Management Plan

Hancock Coal Pty Ltd (Hancock) intends to develop a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) for its Alpha Coal Project (**Project**) pursuant to Part 7 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003* (Qld) (**ACHA**) for that part of the Project that is shown on the map below (**CHMP Area**).



The CHMP Area does not include any area subject to the Birri People's registered native title claim (QUD9244/98, QC98/12) or the dismissed Gia People's registered native title claim (QUD6023/99,

Hancock has identified that there is no Aboriginal cultural heritage body or native title party as defined by the ACHA for the CHMP Area.

The purpose of this notice is to inform all persons who consider themselves to be an Aboriginal party (as described in section 35(7) of the ACHA) in respect of the CHMP Area, that Hancock intends to develop a CHMP for the CHMP Area.

Description of the Project

The Project consists of the development of thermal coal deposits in the Galilee Basin, a 495km mine to port railway to transport coal to a export terminal at Abbot Point and the development of port facilities. Activities that Hancock intends to conduct on the CHMP Area include the construction and operation of coal loading facilities, port infrastructure, rail infrastructure, dredging and other necessary infrastructure.

Details of Sponsor

The sponsor of the CHMP is Hancock Coal Ptv Ltd ABN 36 130 249 973.

Contact details and address for service of Sponsor

Nathan Cammerman Hancock Coal Pty Ltd GPO Box 963, BRISBANE QLD 4001 Fax number: 07 3229 4788

Further information on the Project can be obtained by contacting Hancock directly via the contact details provided above.

Responding to this Notice

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For the purposes of this Notice the Notice Day is Wednesday 24 March 2010.

If you are an Aboriginal party (as defined by Part 4 of the ACHA) for the CHMP Area and you wish to take part in the development of the CHMP, you must give a written notice to Hancock advising that you wish to take part by Wednesday 28 April 2010

Hancock may elect not to endorse any Aboriginal party if Hancock is not advised in writing within the required time

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Legend

EPM16755

eague trials begin



Members of the 2009 Torres/Cape side which reached the grand final of the Foley Shield in Townsville. Who will be in the 2010 team?

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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).

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EPM13841	Approx. 23 km SSW from Chillagoe Centred at approximate Lat.17*20'S Long.144*26'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area: 20 km² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1085 z 1086 v, w 1157 e 1158 a, b	Wayne Kernaghan

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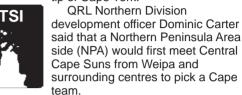
period not exceeding five (5) years.



By ALF WILSON



SELECTION trials for the Torres/Cape side to contest the 2010 Foley Shield rugby league competition will be held on Saturday at the Yusia Ginau Memorial Oval at Bamaga, near the tip of Cape York.



"Then Kaiwaligal Rugby League side from Thursday Island will play against the Outer Island Rugby League (OIRL) team to pick a Torres Strait team," Carter said.

"In the evening the Cape team will play the Torres Strait team for selection of the Cape/Torres Foley Shield team.

"On the Sunday the Foley Shield squad will meet and train together for the first time."

Champion Torres/Cape forward Garreth Smith has been appointed coach of the Central Cape Suns, but may not be lining up for the team in the trials, even though he has been named in the 20.

"I may not be playing as I have a wedding on the weekend of the trial games, so I may not be eligible for selection for the Foley Shield side," he said.

Smith was one of the stars for Torres/Cape which finished second in the 2009 Foley Shield competition at Townsville.

In the qualifying matches, Torres/Cape beat Cairns, a combined Mount Isa/Mid West and then Townsville before losing the final 32-22 to the strong Innisfail/Eacham outfit.

This year Torres Cape will play a qualifying game in Cooktown against Cairns in late April.

The remaining matches and final will be played at the Townsville Sports Reserve over the May Day weekend. Last year/ the entire carnival was played at the venue over Easter.

All interest will be on the make-up of the Torres/Cape team, especially with the formation of an outer island competition in the Torres Strait.

Six selected

Last year six Cape York players – Garreth Smith, Jimmy Baira, Teleke Kofe, Andrew Sampson, Jason Nixon and David Westley were in the side, with the remainder from the TSI.

Despite such a great showing last year, no Torres/Cape players gained North Queensland Marlins selection and supporters hope that changes this time around.

Meanwhile, trials for the Central Cape Suns representative side were held in the new wet season competition based at Weipa.

The first game saw the Weipa Crusaders and the Mapoon Magpies locked in a see-saw battle, with the Crusaders winning 32-30.

The second game between the Carpentaria Raiders and Napranum Brothers was a tight affair, with the Raiders winning 24-8.

The following players were selected to represent the Central Cape Suns to play the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) on Saturday at Bamaga:

1 Teleke Kofe (Carpentaria Raiders), 2 Maratha Ropeyarn (Carpentaria Raiders), 3 Sai Sanimo (Weipa Crusaders), 4 Alistair Bowie (Lockhart River), 5 Kareem Tabuai (Mapoon Magpies), 6 Patrick Ropeyarn (Weipa Crusaders), 7 Jack Sagigi (Carpentaria Raiders), 8 Wilfred Jackonia (Napranum Brothers). 9 Dickie Wapau (Napranum Brothers), 10 Albert Bond (Weipa Crusaders), 11 Joey Sagigi (Weipa Crusaders), 12 Rod Wawrzyniak (Carpentaria Raiders), 13 Justin Barba (Carpentaria Raiders), 14 Carl Mitton (Carpentaria Raiders), 15 Leon Bally (Pormpuraaw), 16 Leon Bond (Napranum Brothers), 17 Maurice Burke (Kowanyama), 18 James Baira (Weipa Crusaders), 19 Garreth Smith (Carpentaria Raiders), 20 Leslie Hall (Mapoon Magpies).

Demons' horror injury run, but Bruce says...

Round one 'winnable'



MELBOURNE veteran Cameron Bruce is confident of a strong performance in the Australian Football League (AFL) season-opener against Hawthorn, despite the Demons' shocking

injury run. Melbourne's pre-season injury woes continued during the practice match on 13 March against West Coast when midfielder Colin Sylvia broke his jaw - an injury that will sideline him for four to six weeks.

Livewire forward Austin Wonaeamirri has another hamstring injury after a Victorian Football League (VFL) trial match as he tries to return from a year on the sidelines.

Liam Jurrah (shoulder), Daniel Bell (shoulder) and Cale Morton (knee) have also suffered injuries during the pre-season.

Melbourne expects to lose Jurrah for a huge chunk of the AFL season with a serious shoulder

Jurrah was to have reconstructive surgery on his right shoulder last week and is expected to be sidelined for 16 weeks.

He sustained the injury when he fell awkwardly during the first quarter of the 13 March loss to Adelaide.

"This is disappointing news to learn of the severity of Liam's injury," Demons football manager Chris Connolly said.

"As a club, we will work closely with Liam in what will be a difficult time throughout his rehabilitation.

"We will aim to get him back playing football during the second half of the season.'

Bright light

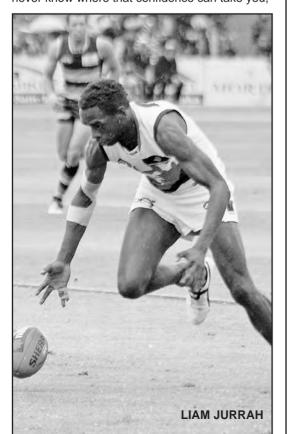
The athletic Indigenous forward's debut season was one of the brightest lights for the Demons as they collected a second straight wooden spoon last year.

Despite not making his debut until round 12, he was third on the club's goal-kicking list with 20 goals in nine games and developed a cult following with some stunning displays

Hawthorn smashed Melbourne by 104 points two years ago, the last time they met in round one, but Bruce is confident the Demons will start the season much better this time against the

The two teams will clash at the MCG on Saturday.

"The confidence and momentum that comes from a good start, you can get on a run and you never know where that confidence can take you,"



Bruce said. "We see it as a very winnable game and we'll be doing our utmost to go out and make sure we get off to a really good start.

"I'm pretty confident we're going to be a much more improved side this year."

Speaking at the club's family day on 14 March, Bruce said most of the injuries in the past few weeks had been due to shocking luck.

Terrible run

"It's been a terrible run with injuries, some of those injuries have been a bit freakish and you can't really avoid," he said. "We'll keep our chins up, get out there in round one and hopefully have a big impact.'

Wonaeamirri had a stunning debut

season in 2008, but hamstring and knee injuries meant he never returned to the AFL last year.

Bruce said he should be out of action this time for about three weeks.

"The 'good' one (hamstring) has given way this time, hopefully when he comes back that will be it for him and he can have a good run, because he needs a change in luck," Bruce said.

The Demons are determined to stop rebuilding this year and start moving up the ladder.

Bruce said they have shown some promise in the pre-season, but need more consistency.

"Hopefully the injury run is over, we'll do some work on the training track, work on our structures," he said. - AAP



AUSTIN WONAEAMIRRI

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EPM16539	Approx. 30 km SW from Mount Garnet Centred at approximate Lat.17*48'S Long.144*52'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area: 72 km² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 22 (each 1'lat. x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1522	NQM Exploration Pty Ltd 125 728 154
EPM17357	Approx. 39 km WNW from Mount Garnet Centred at approximate Lat.17°34'S Long.144°46'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area: 173 km² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 53 (each 1' lat. x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1305 c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1306 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1377 c, d, e, h, j, k 1378 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k	Kangaroo Minerals Pty Ltd 120 143 142

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Cathy's crusade



OOKING back with the crystal-clear view afforded by a decade of hindsight, Cathy Freeman acknowledges she should have retired straight after winning the 400m gold medal that defined the Sydney Olympics for millions of Australians.

But as hard as that race was to win especially with the weight of a nation riding on her back – Freeman says the issues that now occupy so much of her time are even more taxing.

Not that she's complaining.

Far from it.

The Catherine Freeman Foundation (CFF) was set up with the stated vision of helping young Indigenous Australians enjoy the same well-being, sense of self-belief and educational opportunities as their peers.

The initial focus of the CFF is Palm Island, in far north Queensland – the birthplace of Freeman's mother.

Speaking in Abu Dhabi ahead of the 2010 Laureus Awards, the 2001 World Sportswoman of the Year said she had benefited from the advice of other Laureus

Academy members such as chairman and former 400m hurdles legend Edwin Moses and tennis star Boris Becker.

"I definitely draw on other people's energies and I definitely need all the strength I can get," she said.

"It's really challenging when you feel so passionately about something, especially with a community like Palm.

"... What I'm a part of now is tougher than anything I've ever done.

"This is actually harder than winning an Olympic gold medal because there are so many other processes and systems to understand - whether it's on a government level or a corporate one.

"It's about selecting the right people with the right principles and values.

"And it's about ensuring the people on Palm Island are comfortable about it, the parents and the Elders.

"It's quite diverse now, more than ever." Freeman is hopeful that in future years, the foundation's work can be replicated in other disadvantaged Indigenous communities around Australia.

Legend

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She has also been involved in

preliminary discussions with Federal Sports Minister Kate Ellis about how she can help push the benefits of health, nutrition, exercise and well-being.

And, in conjunction with the Laureus Academy, Freeman is also lending her support to a new foundation chaired by the wife of the UAE crown prince, aimed at tackling childhood obesity and type-two diabetes.

It's all a long way from running 400m faster than any other woman on the planet.

Natural progression

But for the former Australian and Young Australian of the Year, it's a natural progression.

"Elite performers tend to draw on other sources of inspiration, like what I'm doing now," said Freeman, whose sporting triumphs also include back-to-back 400m world titles in 1997 and 1999, and four Commonwealth Games gold medals.

"So as soon as you are given the opportunity to make that difference, to bring about positive change, you are already on the way before you publicly do it.

"You ask anyone on the academy and they would tell you that staying true to their roots helped them enhance their performances as sportsmen.

Looking back, Freeman can now see how big a deal it was in 2001 to become the first - and still the only - Australian to be voted the Laureus sportswoman or man of the year.

The significance would have been clearer at the time if she had retired upon winning the most celebrated of Australia's 16 gold medals at the Sydney Games, after being given the honour of lighting the Olympic Games cauldron.

To add to the drama, Freeman's long-time rival and defending champion Marie-Jose Perec had fled Sydney on the eve of the event in mysterious circumstances.

So instead of hanging up her running spikes, Freeman took a year-long sabbatical and then returned to track before finally giving athletics away for good in mid-2003.

"My point is that I was a little bit lost," she

"A lot of people predicted I would retire (straight away).

Disappointed

"It wasn't just about the running because I was a little bit disappointed with the performance and a lot of that was hingeing on Perec's non-participation, because I never raced against the clock, I raced against other

"But having said that, when you look at all the other aspects of that win - the meaning, the support, the happiness and the excitement and all the euphoria, I was a little bit in denial. I didn't want to engage and sit back and take a look at the bigger picture, because the big picture was pretty damned big.

"I had to circulate for a little while and get myself back on an even track.'

Freeman, (swimmer) Dawn Fraser and (cricketer) Steve Waugh are the three Australian members of the 46-strong Laureus Academy, all of whom volunteer their time to promote sport as a tool for social change.

Chairman Edwin Moses paid tribute to Freeman for deciding to set up the CFF before also taking on the responsibilities of an academy member.

"When you leave your sport, it's hard to find a replacement," said the two-time Olympic 400m hurdles champion.

"You have to be very careful and I think she took her time and matured as an individual who is not a competitor any more, which is a completely different type of life.

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Surprise

New hierarchy for rugby league



PREDICTIONS that it would be up and running before the National Rugby League (NRL) season began proved wide of the mark, but rugby league's independent

commission was finally agreed to a day before the 2010 campaign kicked off.

The board of the Australian Rugby League agreed in principle to a model proposed by its 50 per cent partner in the NRL, News Limited, for the last fragments of the Super League war of the 1990s to be buried.

The Queensland Rugby League had expressed reservations about the ARL relinquishing its 50 per cent voting rights, but the board - comprising four NSW members, four from Queensland, chief executive Geoff Carr and chairman Colin Love – backed the move on 11 March.

Insisting relationships between NSW

and Queensland 'are fine', Carr said the results of the vote would not be made

The commission, largely the brainchild of Gold Coast chief executive Michael Searle, received near unanimous support from NRL club chairmen, chief executives, coaches and players at a meeting in January.

Composition

An ARL statement on 11 March said it would be a not-for-profit entity that would include the NSW and Queensland Rugby Leagues as well as the 16 NRL clubs.

The eight commissioners would also be members of the not-for-profit entity.

The 16 NRL clubs, NSWRL and QRL each would have one vote in elections for the commissioners.

NRL chief executive David Gallop is expected to retain his position under the

"I think the point is there's a hell of a lot of work to be done and it will be time to celebrate after all that work's done because it's going to be quite complex, the detail of this," Carr said.

"But it certainly was a big step in the right direction.'

Carr said a timeframe was impossible to

"There can't be, everyone wants to get it right. No one wants to be left with a legacy of a failed structure," he said.

"We've agreed in principle on a model, it's very important that it takes us (into) the next hundred years so the detail has to be

The next step, Carr said, would be a continuation of the regular meetings between News Limited and the ARL, who assumed joint control of the NRL when the divided leagues came together again in

"That's a continuation of the current steps," Carr said.

"We've committed to meet with them regularly to keep it moving."

Love said the agreement represented a major step forward.

'Independent'

"The ARL believes that the in-principle agreement will deliver a truly independent commission to run rugby league," he said in the statement.

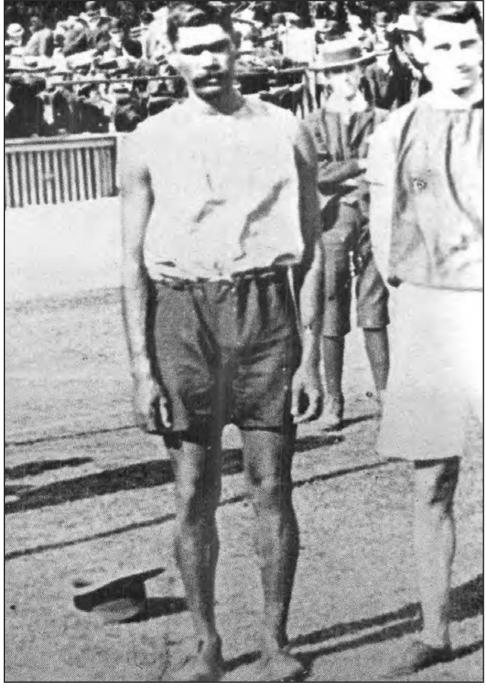
'There is still a huge amount of detail to be worked through but this agreement is a major step in the process.

"Both partners have committed to regular meetings to work through each of the points that will need to be discussed and the complex legal agreements that are involved.

"People need to understand there is still a lot of work ahead." - AAP

Gift celebration

Stawell to mark Aboriginal sprinter's 1910 victory



TOM DANCEY

By PETER ROOKAS



STAWELL, in Victoria, has a rich history a lot like other Australian country towns. Initially it was a 'sheep run', then a gold mining town and

finally the home of one of Australia's greatest sporting events, the Stawell Gift foot race. Stawell is now a prosperous centre of agriculture and local industries, including wool and timber, which have taken the place of the miners and the gold.

However, there is still one link with the past – the sports meeting with its famous race that started 132 years ago.

And this year marks the 100th anniversary of a young Aboriginal man from south-west Queensland who took all before him in winning that prestigious race.

Born in Hebel, Tom Dancey was one of three sons to William and Mary Dancey. His brothers were Harry and Michael

Dirranbandi links

Tom's father moved the family to Dirranbandi, where the boys grew up and started work at a very early age. Tom was a stockman and boundary rider and was a handy amateur runner.

In 1910, Tom went to Stawell where he ran in the Stawell Easter Gift and won, the second Aboriginal man to win the foot race. Just four Aboriginal men who have won the Stawell Easter Gift -B Kinnear (1883), T Dancey (1910), L Cooper (1928), J Ross (2003).

The history and romance of the Stawell Gift is entrenched in Australian folklore, ensuring its status as an icon of Australian sport. The Stawell Gift has been held in all but four years since 1878, and has developed into Australia's, and one of the world's, most famous and prestigious foot races.

Colin Tatz in his publication, Obstacle Race, Aborigines in Sport

In that year he came to Stawell with new trainers, suddenly looking 'tall, lithe, sinewy, every inch a runner'.

J McKinley a 'c.p.' (coloured person) was supposed to be the pea of the Queensland stable.

Dancey, the 'h.c.' (half-caste) had no problems in his heats.

The two Aborigines monopolised the betting with Dancey at 4-1 on and McKinley 4-1 against.

Dancey had no difficulty in silencing the opposition in the final, leading over the last 50 yards and winning comfortably by four yards'.

When Tom won the Stawell Gift in 1910, he earned for his trainers 1000 pounds; he was decorated by the State Governor with his blue ribbon and presented with a silver cup.

The Dancey family was a large and well-known family around Dirranbandi, with many of Tom's cousins and nephews outstanding local

Champion boxer

Tom's cousin, Tommy Chapman, was a champion boxer and was later crowned the Australian featherweight boxing champion in the 1940s.

Tom's nephew Jack Dancey won the Centennial Gift in St George in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

Tom Dancey died in 1957 and is buried in an unmarked grave in the Dirranbandi cemetery.

Sadly, there is no fitting monument to recognise this truly respected and gifted Aboriginal sportsman who paved the way for other Indigenous athletes.

He is still considered by his family and many people in the Dirranbandi community to be one of the town's

A number of family members will make the pilgrimage to Stawell this Easter – as guests of the Stawell Athletic Club – to commemorate Tom's achievement.

The family is also looking for support with a proposal to commemorate Tom's achievement by marking his grave with a descriptive headstone and hopefully construct a statue in his honour, to be located in a public park in Dirranbandi. A Tom Dancey Memorial foot race is also in the planning, to be run as part of the annual Sevens Rugby League tournament in October in Dirranbandi.

Family and friends are seeking support from various areas including the Indigenous community.

People wanting to help with donations or with suggestions of where to seek funds should contact Joe Miller on 0437 236 928.

Doomadgee to line up in two competitions

By ALF WILSON



THE Doomadgee Aboriginal team will face a tough task as they re-enter north Queensland rugby league in the 2010 season when they will be in two competitions.

Doomadgee, Hughenden, Cloncurry and premiers Normanton will compete in the Mid West Queensland competition and also the Northern Outback Extended League (NOEL) with games starting this Saturday (27 March).

The other clubs in the NOEL will be

Black Stars, Isa Bulls, Wanderers and Town, from the Mount Isa competition.

Many of the players will be Indigenous, and Doomadgee last contested the Mid West competition three years ago when they were a powerhouse team.

But Doomadgee withdrew because of financial considerations and the long travel to away games, often facing an 800km one-way journey over rough roads.

Mid West Rugby League secretary Vicki Horton explained the format of the NOEL and Mid West competitions and welcomed Doomadgee.

"What is happening is that the NOEL

competition is its own comp within itself, but whenever Mid West teams play each within that competition, the points will be kept separately for us to then have our own semi-finals for a Mid West grand finalist and Mt Isa will be doing the same thing. It is beaut to have Doomadgee back in," Mrs Horton said.

She said that 2009 Mid West teams Richmond and Julia Creek would not compete this season.

"It's a combination of a lack of players and also lack of committee members," Mrs Horton said.

The season opens of 27 March at

when Doomadgee meets Hughenden, Cloncurry takes on premiers Normanton, Cloncurry versus Doomadgee, Normanton clashes with Hughenden, Normanton and Doomadgee battle it out, and Cloncurry face Hughenden.

Games will start at 3pm with the last match scheduled for 7.50.

The opening day of the NOEL competition will be in Mount Isa on 10 April when Black Stars play Doomadgee, Isa Bulls meet Hughenden, Wanderers will play Cloncurry, and Town will come up against Normanton.

Starter impress THE Jump Start to London under-17 men's



athletics program was out in force recently at the Australian under-age national championships at Olympic Park, Sydney.

This is a competition introduced this year and is designed to be a lead-up to the National open age titles and the Commonwealth Games trials.

The Jump Start program had 25 athletes compete at Olympic Park, and between them they secured 14 medals five gold, three silver and six bronze.

The total number of athletes competing at the meeting exceeded 1400.

The Jump Start program for promising Indigenous athletes also had 12 participants placed in the top eight in a variety of events.

The championships were also the trials for the upcoming World juniors meet and the Olympic Youth Games.

Queenslanders strong

Queensland Jump Start to London athletes were dominant, winning seven of the 14 medals, followed by Western Australia (four), the Northern Territory (two) and South Australia (one).

Among the talented Jump Start athletes was Raheen Williams, from Western Australia.

After a disappointing 110m hurdles finals where he came third, Raheen showed strength of character and with a few words of advice from mentor Kyle Vander-Kuyp, ran a blistering 400m to take out the event in a very smart 52.74secs - almost a second ahead of his nearest rival.

Raheen is the younger brother of Jump Start athlete Ray Williams and looks to be just as talented.

Khaele Bowen (Qld) took out the

long jump, leaping 6.90m - apersonal best.

Joining Raheen and Khaele on the winner's dais was Kertisha Thompson (Qld) under-20 women's triple jump, Anika Gillespie (WA) under-14 women's javelin, and Josh Robbo Robinson (Qld) under-15 men's 400m, also in a personal best of 51.79secs.

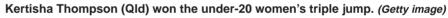
Silver medallist were Dylan Risk (NT) in the under-18 javelin, Cameron Hooker, from Abergowrie College (Qld) under-17 men's triple jump, and Josh Robbo Robinson under-15

Bronze medals went to Kertisha Thompson (Qld) under-20 women's long jump, Wasie Toolis (Qld) under-17 javelin, Kyana Collard (WA) under-16 400m, Dylan Risk (NT) under-20 javelin, Michael Brusnahamn (SA) under-18 200m, and Raheen Williams (WA) under-18 110m hurdles.

Eighteen of the 25 athletes had attended a camp in Canberra at the AIS five weeks before the national championships. They were taken through a variety of educational sessions.

The Jump Start to London program has been running for three years and has uncovered a new generation of talented Indigenous athletes.

Officials said it was good to note the





West Australian Jump Start hurdler Raheen Williams in action. (Getty image)

increase in Indigenous athletes at events such as the under-age nationals, but also more athletes are being invited to compete at major meets.

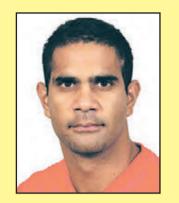
New generation

"The championships proves that we have a new generation of Indigenous athletes willing and able to step into the shoes of Patrick Johnson, Kyle Vander-Kuyp and Cathy Freeman," an Athletics Australia official said.

The next major competition for the Jump Start program will be the national open championships and Commonwealth Games trials in Perth WA. The Jump Start program has 17 athletes who have qualified.

It's all about pride

MAGIG⁹S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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AST week I experienced one of the few twinges of regret since I retired

Don't think I am about to make a comeback though as I still remain totally satisfied with my decision and current roles within the game.

It's just that when I attended the Swans' guernsey presentation last week, I was reminded of what a special organisation I had the privilege to play for.

For many people, tradition is just

At the Swans we lived, breathed and thrived on tradition and all that it meant to be part of 'The Bloods'.

It was a tradition built on uncompromising standards and I was reminded of that when coach Paul Roos addressed the

He may have been speaking to everybody, but his words were directed at the players and the responsibility they carried when they pulled on the jersey.

Roos told the players they had no excuses going into the round one blockbuster against St Kilda at ANZ Stadium on Saturday.

Roos said he had been to about 30 guernsey nights since he began his career at Fitzroy in 1981.

Roos said the game had changed significantly, but the ingredients that made a great footballer, and a great football club, had not changed.

"The one constant in football is that hard work and passion pay off. Players have to embrace the football club and immerse themselves in it," Roos told the gathering of more than 500 people at Sydney's Hilton Hotel.

Thirteen new players were introduced and received their first official Swans guernseys.

Roos said new players brought different attributes to the club.

"We're all excited about the season ahead," he said.

Ready to play

After a solid pre-season, which included gruelling fitness sessions, Roos said they were ready to play.

"We have no excuses going into

the season and into round one and hopefully we can put on a good show," he said.

Club legends Paul Kelly and Steve Wright presented guernseys to the players.

Kelly urged the Swans players to enjoy their time at the club.

"It goes by in a flash. I feel like I could still get out there," he said.

I was then asked to present former Brisbane player Daniel Bradshaw with the number 19 jumper I proudly wore during my time at the

Handing across that jersey had a sense of finality that caused that little twinge.

But I was happy to rish Daniel all the best

However, when club co-captain Brett Kirk donned his guernsey and implored players to wear the red and white with pride and honour, I almost felt like asking for my number back!

Kirk said the players had created a new culture seven years ago - a band of Blood Brothers - and that it would change and evolve, but remain constant and strong.

I was proud that I had played my part in developing this great sporting

Adam Goodes reminded me that my time was over when he tipped a new-look Sydney Swans forward line to stretch opposing defences and said he wasn't concerned about a lack of playing time for new team spearhead Daniel Bradshaw the bloke who's wearing my number!

Revamped

Goodes, who has won Brownlow medals as a ruckman and midfielder, is part of a revamped Sydney forward line given that Barry Hall left the club at the same time I decided to

He is expected to start at centre half forward with Bradshaw and emerging youngster Jesse White providing the other tall targets.

Speedy high draft picks Lewis Jetta and Gary Rohan are expected to push for time up forward, recruited ruckmen Mark Seaby and Shane Mumford are also likely to spend time in attack.

Goodes stressed the Swans would be less reliant on a couple of key forwards for their scoring

"The main thing is there's going to be a number of goal kickers, it's not going to be one or two blokes kicking the majority of goals," he said.

'It's going to be spread evenly across the forward group and with some midfielders chiming in there as well.

"I think we can really stretch people with myself, Jesse White and Daniel Bradshaw all in the same forward line at any one time and we can even chuck a ruckman in down there at the

same time so that gives us a few more different looks.'

Bradshaw is on course to make his Sydney debut in the round one clash with the Saints at ANZ Stadium, despite missing all of the Swans pre-season games with a knee

Meanwhile, Lewis Jetta

displayed a welcome sense of humour. Jetta believed his pace would

be 'handy' against St Kilda and was happy with his pre-season, but down played his prospects of earning selection for round

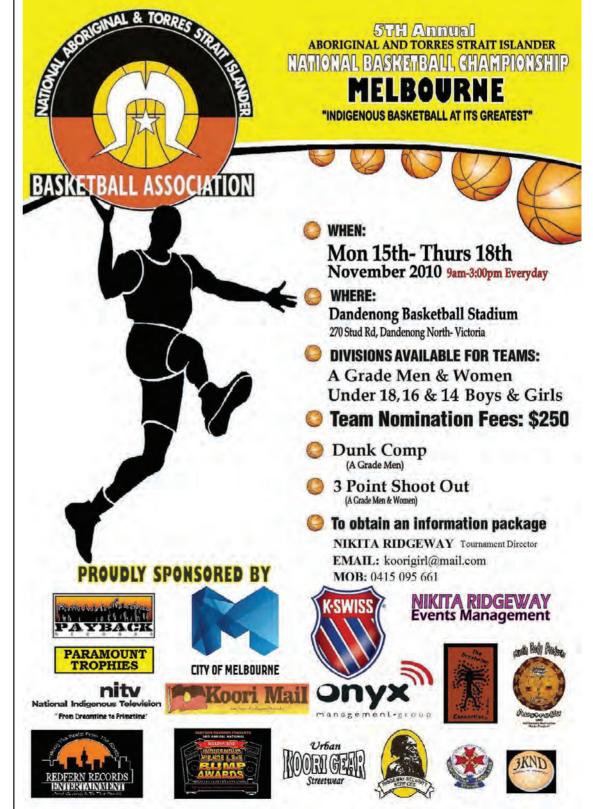
Asked where his speed came from, Jetta joked: "Probably just chasing the kangaroos in the paddock.'

I hope he catches a few over the season!

Until Next Time.... Keep



Sydney Swans AFL player Adam Goodes handballs during a training session in Sydney in the lead-up to the start of the Australian Football season. (AAP image)



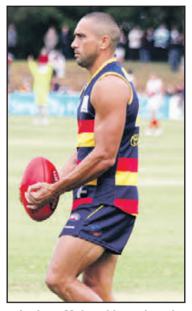
AFL promises a

HE 2010 Australian Football League (AFL) season kicks off this weekend and it promises to be another blockbuster. Here, Koori Mail AFL writer PETER ARGENT takes a look at Indigenous players lining up in 2010 and assesses the prospects of the 16 clubs.

Adelaide (6 Indigenous players)

Tony Armstrong (0 games, 0 goals), Jonathon Griffin (30, 7), Jarrhan Jacky (3, 1), Graham Johncock (169, 91), Andrew McLeod (328, 266), Jared Petrenko (9, 4).

For the Crows, this is an important year as they have real premiership hopes. For ruckman Jonathan Griffin, after being offered as a trade option during the off-season, he needs to stamp his authority in this role.

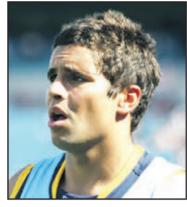


Andrew McLeod has played 328 AFL games and kicked 266 goals. He is set for another big season with the Adelaide

Despite a slight injury hiccup, expect another big season from ageless veteran Andrew McLeod, while the kamikaze commitment of Graham Johncock can never be questioned. He is a critical component to the Crows' run out of defence.

It is an important winter for small forward Jarrhan Jacky, who failed to play a senior game for Adelaide in 2009 after getting a taste the year before.

Tony Armstrong is now in his third year at the West Lakes-based club and has developed nicely in the SANFL. He should see some game time in 2010, while Jared Petrenko is a ready-made replacement for Johncock or McLeod when they decide to hang up their boots.



Jared Petrenko has played just nine AFL games, but looks a ready-made replacement for **Graham Johncock or Andrew** McLeod at the Crows.

Prediction - The Crows are a definite top-four consideration if they are not hindered by injury. They haven't started well on this

Brisbane Lions (4)

Ashley McGrath (137,106), Albert Proud (22, 4), Xavier Clarke (105, 49), Sam Sheldon (19, 1).

Collecting Xavier Clarke among five significant trades suggests second-year coach Michael Voss believes the Lions are a real chance to give the premiership a shake.

He may be a little optimistic, but Clarke, after an injury-riddled couple of years, is looking for a fresh start in the Sunshine State

Ashley McGrath was outstanding for the club last year, finishing among to the top ten in the best-and-fairest count and playing all 24 matches. Now 27 (he's 28 in May), the smooth-moving utility is at the peak of his powers.

Sam Sheldon had a break-out season in 2009, debuting in round six and playing every remaining game. He provides creativity from half back.

Strong tackler Albert Proud is now in his fourth year and needs to cement a place in the side.

Prediction – A definite top-eight side, but may not have the depth to mix it with the big three - Geelong, Western Bulldogs and St Kilda.

Carlton (5)

Chris Yarran (6, 4), Andrew Walker (87, 32), Jeff Garlett (10, 12), Eddie Betts (97,123), Joe Anderson (12, 0).

Chris Yarran and rookie Jeff Garlett displayed enough in their initial year of AFL football to suggest they will be long-term prospects for the Blues, mainly as inventive small forward types.

Eddie Betts' off-field indiscretions haven't helped his preparation for the 2010 season. He needs to be a 40-goal-plus

forward to be effective for

Andrew Walker missed a large chunk of last year with a shoulder problem, only returning in round 18.

A classy footballer, he needs to play more game time to re-consolidate his position in the club's best 22.

Joe Anderson debuted for the Blues in 2007, but has just played 12 senior games in three years. This is an important campaign for the Darwin lad.

Prediction – After an unsettled off-season, expect the Blues, despite the quality of the midfield, to fall out of the eight.

Collingwood (4)

Anthony Corrie (56, 50), Leon Davis (184, 236), Brad Dick (22, 26), Sharrod Wellingham (28, 10).

Coming across from Brisbane, Anthony Corrie played only three games in his first season at the Magpies. After previous injury issues, this is a make-or-break winter in the 25-year-old's AFL

Brad Dick is just starting to grow in his role under Michael Malthouse, but needs to find a little more consistency.

Former rookie Sharrod Wellingham is also in the same category as Dick, but impressed in the pre-season.

Leon Davis is one of the true Indigenous superstars of the competition and with his electrifying pace and great skills, has the capacity to change the



The Magpies' Leon Davis is one of the game's superstars, and another big season looms.



Collingwood's Sharrod Wellingham needs to find a little more consistency, but impressed in pre-season games.

course of a game in very little

Prediction – The Magpies may be the team with the smoking guns, able on their day to knock off any side in the competition.

Essendon (8)

Courtenay Dempsey (30, 10), Jarrod Atkinson (10, 4), Alwyn Davey (39, 34), Leroy Jetta (28, 15), Nathan Lovett-Murray (99. 56), Patrick Ryder (73, 22), Anthony Long (0, 0), Mark Williams (111, 242).

It was a standout year for defender-turned-ruckman Patty Ryder as he elevated his game to another level after the injury to team-mate David Hille. Instantly the athletic ball-winning big man was an even more crucial part of his team's structure.

Courtney Dempsey is another who stood up last year, playing across half back as a running

Nathan Lovett-Murray is progressing into an Indigenous leader at the Bombers, while mature-aged recruit Jarrod Atkinson and outstanding junior talent Leroy Jetta need big seasons.

Alwyn Davey is growing into a specialist half forward with his lightning pace and strong defensive skills.

After the retirement to captain and full forward Matthew Lloyd at Essendon, premiership player with the Hawks Mark Williams has come across to fill a role in

Anthony Long has many of the traits of his uncles, and with good form at Bendigo should get opportunities in the senior team.

Prediction – The Bombers are still a developing group and you would expect a status quo in their result on the premiership

Fremantle (8)

Antoni Grover (167, 24) Roger Hayden (102, 10), Des Headland (161,170) Stephen Hill (22, 9) Michael Johnson (84, 21) Casey Sibosado * (0, 0), Michael Walters (3, 2), Joe **Houghton (0, 0)**

Three members of the Dockers' defence over the past five years - veterans Antonio Grover and Roger Hayden, along with the lissom Michael Johnson - are critical parts of the defence.

The problem was the latter two played only eight and ten games respectively last year. All three need to be down back all season to shore up this area for coach Mark Harvey.

Stephen Hill played all 22 matches in his first season and is quickly developed into a

high-class running on-ball type. Michael Waters got limited opportunities last year, while Casey Sibosado and the rangy Joel Houghton are looked upon

as project footballers.

Prediction – Fremantle must improve on its 14th place for the past two seasons, or another coaching position will go west.

Geelong Cats (6)

Adam Varcoe (0, 0)*, Travis Varcoe (56, 51), Mathew Stokes (71,108), Nathan Djerrkura (3, 0), Steven Motlop (0, 0), Allen Christensen (0, 0).

There is much to like about the Cats' program, except if you're a fringe player not getting opportunities. Nathan Djerrkura fits into this category, having played only three games since his arrival in 2007 - all last

Former Central District footballer Travis Varcoe is poised for a big season after being a part of the premiership victory and celebrations last September.

Allen Christensen showed a lot of ability during the national under-18s campaign last year. He will be fighting with Adam Varcoe and Stephen Motlop to get a chance in the small forwards role.

Prediction - Still one of the premier teams in AFL football, Geelong are more than likely going to be playing on the second last weekend in September.

Hawthorn (7)

Cameron Stokes* (19, 8), Carl Peterson * (0, 0), Cyril Rioli (44, 45), Lance Franklin (102, 305), Chance Bateman (139, 52), Rhan Hooper (48, 49), Shaun Burgoyne (157, 171).

After a premiership hangover in 2009, expect the high-profile players at the Hawks to be focused on strong consistent performances this winter.

Lance Franklin is learning to handle the extra focus he is receiving from opposition defenders and coaches.

New recruit Shaun Burgoyne one of the hest finisher game, adding a special extra dimension to the midfield.

Chance Bateman was fifth in the club's best-and-fairest last year and is now a senior player at the club.

Cyril Rioli is on the verge of being a true champion of the competition after just two seasons at the top level.

Former Lion Rhan Hooper has been given a life-line by Alastair Clarkson, and if he can put his football first, he could be an elite small forward

Cameron Stokes and Carl

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Peterson have been long-term rookies at the Hawks as well.

Prediction - This is a side that has the X-factor and exceptional talents in all areas, except maybe the ruck. Its deficiencies in this area may be the different between a top-four and top-eight finish.

Melbourne (5)

Austin Wonaeamirri (18, 24), Liam Jurrah (9, 20), Neville Jetta (15, 7), Aaron Davey (119,139), Jamie Bennell (16, 2).

In the third year of rebuilding under Dean Bailey, Melbourne need to improve and move up the ladder.

Aaron Davey has matured into one of the most effective and accurate ball users in the AFL, also collecting his first club best-and-fairest award.

The Demons have already been dealt a blow with the four-month injury to Northern Territory sensation Liam Jurrah during the NAB Challenge series.

Austin Wonaeamirri has a hamstring injury that looks set to delay his return to the AFL after missing the whole of 2009.

West Australian 2009 debutants Jamie Bennell and Neville Jetta played three-quarters of last winter, gaining a mountain of experience

Prediction – The Demons must and will improve - but not enough to make the final eight.

North Melbourne

Lindsay Thomas (54, 63), Daniel Wells (130, 70), Cruize Garlett (5, 1), Matt Campbell (47, 53), Warren Benjamin (0, 0).

Daniel Wells, on his day one of the most dynamic footballers in the AFL, missed two-thirds of last year because of injury. A fit and focused North Melbourne number eight dashing down the ground all season will certainly neip the Kangaroos cause

Lindsay Thomas and Matt Campbell are the traditional small forwards who are paid to kick goals. They need to get their yields up to an average of two a game, or getting more of the ball through the middle.

Promoted rookie midfielder Cruize Garlett improved immeasurably last season and will be looked upon as a key member of the midfield rotations.

Warren Benjamin needs to make an impression after spending the second half of last year in the North Ballarat reserves

Prediction – The Kangaroos will certainly be accountable under new coach Brad Scott what that equates to on the premiership table is the question.

Port Adelaide (5)

Nathan Krakouer (33, 7), Daniel Motlop (108, 182), Marlon Motlop (5, 2), Wade Thompson (2, 0), Danyle Pearce (93, 55).

Taking over the role from Peter Burgoyne as a sweeping defender, all indications are it will be a big season for the skilful Nathan Krakouer in his fourth year at Alberton.

Daniel Motlop is a lynchpin in the Power in attack, with the



Port Adelaide's Daniel Motlop is a lynchpin for the Power in attack. He can turn a game upside-down.



It could be a big season for the talented Nathan Krakouer at Port Adelaide.

ability to turn a game in a short period. He was sorely missed for the second half of last year.

Danyle Pearce will be given more responsibility with the departure of the Burgoyne brothers through the middle.

Wade Thompson started brilliantly last year, but faded. Coach Mark Williams will be looking for some consistency from him.

Marlon Motlop is still considered as more of a project player at the Power.

Prediction - It is hard to



Danyle Pearce, a 93-game veteran of the AFL, should get more opportunities following the departure from Port Adelaide of the Burgoyne brothers.

predict how the Power will ao in 2010, but their pre-season form was strong, except for the final game.

Richmond (5)

Shane Edwards (47, 28), Alroy Gilligan *(0, 0), Richard Tambling (95, 58), Troy Taylor (0, 0), Renton Roberts * (0, 0).

Richard Tambling, a first-round draft selection in 2004, is on the verge of his 100-game milestone. He still needs to close the gap between his best and worst performances.

Former South Australian junior Shane Edwards resurrected his career during the second half of last year as a running wingman.

Alice Springs lad Troy Taylor is regarded as an outstanding talent, and there is genuine excitement about this young

Second-year rookie Allov Gilligan played a mixture of football at VFL and VFL reserves for Coburg last year. He needs to cement a place in the senior team this year.

Well-travelled footballer Renton Roberts will be looking to make a mark in the VFL before he can get opportunities on the Tigers' senior list.

Prediction - In what proved to be five unproductive years under Terry Wallace, Damien Hardwick has a huge task in front of him. Expect more pain, before gain at Tiger-land.

St Kilda (3)

Raphael Clarke (57, 6), Andrew Lovell (88, 93), Nick Winmar (0, 0).

The younger of the Clarke siblings, Raph finished up playing 16 games last year, including the 2009 grand final. He debuted back in 2004 and needs a big season this winter.

Nick Winmar is the second cousin of the Saints' champion who shares his name. It is expected he will play a majority of his football in the first year in

Prediction – A definite top-four contender, the Saints are itching for a second flag.

Sydney Swans (3)

Adam Goodes (252, 267), Lewis Jetta (0, 0), Byron Sumner (0, 0).

Dual Brownlow Medallist Goodes is a superstar of the code and it is expected he will continue to dominate the competition.

Lewis Jetta is quick-silver small forward who played senior football for Swan District last year. At 20, expect him to be a part of the new Swans' forward structure in his debut season.

Woodville-West Torrens export Byron Summer is a solidly-built running on-baller who will get his chance as a part of the rotations during the season.

Prediction – This is a transition year for the Swans. They may dip before regaining their momentum in Paul Roos' final year as coach.

West Coast Eagles

Adam Cockie * (7, 3), Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls* (13, 1), Gerrick Weedon (0, 0), Lewis Broome * (0, 0).

Three of the Eagles' Indigenous players are on their rookie list. Adam Cockie had some senior football last year and will hopefully build on his seven games.

The recycled Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls will be looking for a big start to the AWAFL season to press his AFL claims.

Lewis Broome starred in the Claremont Colts' premiership, kicking four goals in a six-minute burst, and he'll be a definite project player for the Eagles.

Gerrick Weedon impressed many during the national under-18s last year as a diligent forward with strong hands, along with being sound defensively. He could break through into AFL company this winter.

Prediction - A team on the improve over the last one-third of 2009. Expect John Worsfold's West Coast Eagles to be competitive this year. A berth in the final eight is a definite

Western Bulldogs (5)

Josh Hill (42, 49), Jarrod Harbrow (48, 20), Brennan Stack (3, 4) Liam Jones (0, 0), Shane Thorne (0, 0).

Jarrod Harbrow has quickly matured into an important defender for the Western Bulldogs, playing the quarterback outlet role. He will be a key to success at the business end of the season

Josh Hill will be helped in his role as a leading forward with the arrival of Barry Hall. Expect big season from both players.

Currently, Brennan Stack is regarded as a second-tier forward on the Doggies' list and will have to impress at VFL to add to his three games last year.

After a first season of full-time football last year, Liam Jones showed enough at VFL level to suggest he could develop into a strong marking forward.

Nicknamed 'Mr Magic', the 23-vear-old Shane Thorne gets his opportunity to break into AFL ranks this year. Freakish and skilful, early strong form in the VFL will help his cause.

Prediction – A true contender in 2010, the Western Bulldogs are eyeing off a second title if injury doesn't interfere, for their long-suffering fans who haven't seen September glory since

Gold Coast (2)

Roland Ah Chee* (0, 0), Liam Patrick (0, 0).

The Gold Coast will not enter the AFL until 2011, but because Liam Patrick and rookie Roland Ah Chee are on their list and will still be there when they enter this competition, they are regarded as AFL-listed footballers.

Liam Patrick is a cousin of Liam Jurrah and was one of the Gold Coast's zone selections from Wanderers in the NTFL.

Rookie listed Ah Chee was the best player for Northern Territory in the national under-18 championships, playing senior football with Norwood last year.

Prediction – It is going to be a tough 18-game season for the Gold Coast in the expended VFL competition.

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RUGBY LEAGUE



With Guest Columnist PRESTON CAMPBELL

HERE are a number of reasons why players put off retirement. At the moment I have two years on my contract with the Gold Coast Titans, but I have promised coach John Cartwright that I will not continue if I feel I am not contributing to the team effort.

Sometimes, the body tries to send my mind signals that I may be approaching

Most of the time this is during pre-season training when we are all getting 'flogged' running up and down the

But I realise training is just getting the necessary work done so that I can perform at my best during the season proper.

Injuries sometimes provide you with another reason to contemplate retirement, and after suffering concussion during our first round win against the New Zealand Warriors, I had an enforced break and sat back to watch the boys scrape home against the Rabbitohs.

Watching the game made me realise why I am not ready to retire yet.

Watching the boys valiantly fight from behind to win the game in golden point time made me understand how important

When we were down to 12 men after Nathan Friend was placed in the sin bin, it was agonising to watch the team fall

It was also inspiring to see some great last-ditch defence stop the



Sydney Rabbitohs at ANZ Stadium, Sydney, last Friday night. The Titans won in extra time. (AAP image)

Rabbitohs from sealing the win.

This allowed the true professional in Scott Prince to take control of those vital last minutes

When he took on the defence with two minutes remaining, I thought he was certain to score.

But then Chris Sandow was penalised and Scott calmly decided to take the shot at goal to put the game into golden point

Many a player would have lost their nerve if they had seen their shot bounce back off the upright to fall over the cross bar to score the vital points.

But Princey shook his head, said a quick thanks to the bloke upstairs and then got his mind back to the job at

After a great run by Mark Minichiello, Princey resisted the opportunity to run the ball to calmly land the winning field goal in the second minute of extra time to complete a see-sawing night for both sides.

mness in the middle of a crisis is what makes him a great leader.

In the end, his leadership brought us home with the victory.

As nerve-wracking as it must have been on the field, that was nothing compared with the emotions I had

to go through in my lounge room!

I know I will be declaring myself fit and begging Carty to find a place for me in the squad.

I am desperate to get back because I am excited about the potential of this

We have acquired some great new talent at the club with Joseph Tomane and Greg Bird the two stand-out recruits.

We also have Clinton Toopi, who could be the competition's real wild card this

I thought Tomane was the best player on the field and he is still only finding his

Greatness

But I must admit that it is the glimpses of greatness that I see In Greg Bird that really makes me confident that we can give the title a shake.

Bird showed us all in the All Stars game that he has lost none of his class and it is his competitiveness that will bring a hard edge to our team.

Speaking of the All Stars match, it is obvious to me that Beau Champion is in for a great season.

Not only did he score two tries against us on Friday night, but he was also punishing in defence.

Champion's greatest asset is his ability to run the right angle every time he hits the ball, which makes him a constant threat to any defence.

My old mate Rhys Wesser also showed signs that he is putting a disappointing injury-plagued season behind him and making the most of a fresh start.

His combination with Nathan Merritt at the back of the field almost brought us undone on a number of occasions.

Which brings me to Chris Sandow. Chris should put the disappointment of his sin-binning to one side and focus on the positives of his own start to the

He is already showing the benefits of playing behind a stronger pack and he is giving the players outside of him plenty of opportunity to show their best.

Once he discovers the best times to take the defence on himself, I am certain he will become one of the dominant players in the competition.

He has certainly worked defence and I am confident he is on the way to fulfilling his potential.

As for myself, I was aiming to be the first at training on Monday.

There is no way I am going to watch the next game from the sideline!

Coach urges the fans to back Blues

SW coach Craig Bellamy has called on Aussie Blues (NSW) fans to turn ANZ Stadium into a blue fortress.

The Harvey Norman State of Origin rugby league is celebrating 30 years in 2010. With two matches in

Sydney, Bellamy said Aussie Blues fans would play an important part in helping NSW win back the Origin shield.

Every advantage counts in Origin and the team would love nothing more than to run out and see ANZ Stadium full of Blues fans," Bellamy said.

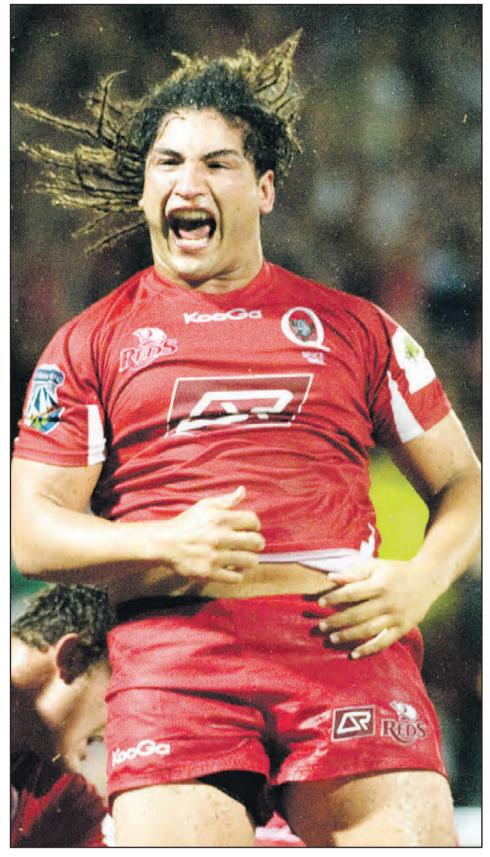
Tickets for the general public will go on sale from 9am on Tuesday 30 March.

All fans will have the opportunity to purchase a combo ticket to games one and three in Sydney,

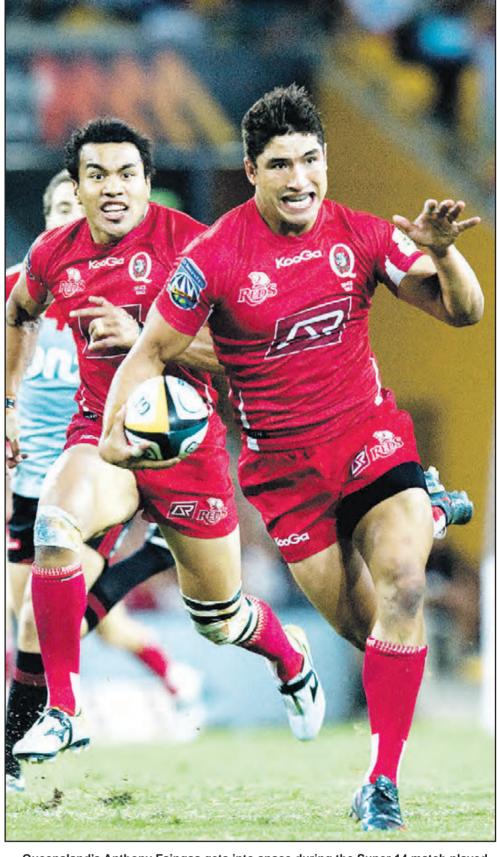
saving up to 20 per cent.

Game one is at Sydney's ANZ Stadium on Wednesday 26 May, game two at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium on Wednesday 16 June, and game three is back at ANZ Stadium on Wednesday

Sport



Saia Faingaa reacts during the Super 14 rugby union match between the Queensland Reds and the Auckland Blues at Ballymore, Brisbane, on 27 February. (AAP image)



Queensland's Anthony Faingaa gets into space during the Super 14 match played against New Zealand side the Canterbury Crusaders at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, on 19 February. (AAP image)

Reds' Super twins



OUR article in the 10 March edition of *The Koori Mail* on Indigenous players who have represented Australia in rugby union has drawn comment from one reader.

Sports writer Chris Pike reported that Western Force star Matt Hodgson was one of three Indigenous players in the Super 14 rugby union competition involving club teams from Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

Pike named Curtley Beale (NSW Warratahs) and Will Chambers (Queensland Reds) as the other two.

But Mark McCullough, of Port Macquarie, NSW, tells us that he has two cousins twins Anthony and Saia Faingaa - playing Super 14 rugby.

Mark says the twins play for the Queensland Reds, and that their mother Cindy is Aboriginal and their father Saia is Tongan. The family comes from Queanbeyan, near Canberra.

Mark also says a younger Faingaa -Colby – is a promising prospect with the Brumbies' reserve grade team, the Runners, while another brother, Vili, plays Queensland Cup rugby league with the Gold Coast Titans' feeder club the Ipswich Jets.

Chris Pike says his information on the number of Indigenous players in the Super 14 competition came from the Australian Rugby Union.

Re-signed for two years

Meanwhile, AAP reported last Wednesday that the Queensland Reds had re-signed the Faingaa twins for the next two Super seasons.

The news agency said hooker Saia Faingaa and inside centre Anthony Faingaa

had been two of the biggest success stories under new coach Ewen McKenzie as the Reds enjoyed a Super 14 resurgence in 2010.

The Canberra-born brothers were among 23 Reds coming off contract this year, leaving Queensland in a vulnerable position with Super 15 expansion franchise Melbourne Rebels looking to poach players.

McKenzie said the Faingaas, bench players in 2009, had made the most of their opportunities on the training paddock in the pre-season and on the field.

"We want to reward performance and both Anthony and Saia are giving us what we want," McKenzie said.

"As a result we were keen for them to be part of our future plans.

"By re-signing through to 2012 they obviously recognise what we have going here and want to be part of it.'

Saia Faingaa, who has replaced veteran Sean Hardman as starting rake, said re-signing was an easy decision, with the Reds promising a fine future.

"The way we're going, it wasn't (a hard decision)," he said.

"Being part of building a new team and a new culture is exciting for us and we want to continue with it."

"We also jumped at the opportunity to be able to stay together. It's a great honour to be able to start in a Super 14 match and for us to be in the starting team together makes it even better."

The Faingaas, captain and vice-captain of the victorious Australian under-19 world championship team, debuted for the Brumbies in 2006 and 2007, but had never started in the same team until the Reds' round-two upset of the Crusaders last

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Thrilling start to National Rugby League season



Johnathan Thurston beats Corey Norman to cross for the late try to equalise the scores during the National Rugby League (NRL) round one match between the Brisbane Broncos and the North Queensland Cowboys at Suncorp Stadium in Brisbane, on Friday 12 March. The Broncos defeated the Cowboys 30-24. Thurston inspired an amazing second-half comeback by the Cowboys after they had trailed 24-0. (AAP image)

t's ball up

Curtain opens on **2010** season



THE 2010 Australian Football League (AFL) competition kicks off tomorrow night and it promises to

be a blockbuster.

The Indigenous presence will be strong, with 86 players on the AFL senior or rookie lists.

Just like rugby league, the Indigenous representation in Aussie rules is disproportionate -Indigenous Australians represent between 2 and 3 per cent of the total population, but in Aussie rules and rugby league, they represent more than ten per cent of players at the elite level.

Players like Sydney Swans recruit Lewis Jetta could electrify the 2010 AFL season.

Swans co-captain Adam Goodes says Jetta's career could be 'anything', based on his pre-season cameos.

There are several young Indigenous stars about to take their first steps on the game's biggest stage.

Jetta, a speedy winger, is a product of West Australian Football League (WAFL) club Swan Districts. Before that, he was a junior with Carey Park (see Page 82)

Goodes had a hand in Jetta coming to Sydney - he lobbied Swans recruiters in the lead-up to the 2009 NAB AFL draft.

The 21-year-old Jetta was a standout in the Swans' first NAB Cup outing against Carlton at Blacktown Olympic Park.

"You saw in that first game what he can do when he does turn his pace on, and he's got great skills as well," Goodes said.

Jetta said he was initially taken aback by the public's excitement about his opening games and his run-and-gun style of play

"It was weird at first. I didn't think I'd be starting off like that. I was just happy to get on the ground and get my first kick," he said. "Back home, playing for Swan Districts in the league, I stepped up another level playing good pretty quickly and I got used to the pace.

"After that, I was chosen to play in the state side and I stepped up again to another level and played pretty good again, so hopefully I can do it in the AFL.'

Other Indigenous players expected to shine this year are Hawthorn's Cyril Rioli and Lance Franklin, 328-game Adelaide veteran Andrew McLeod and young team-mate Jared Petrenko.

The Brisbane Lions' Xavier Clarke is looking to revive his career after switching from St Kilda.

At Carlton, Chris Yarran and Jeff Garlett will be ones to watch. They are relatively inexperienced, but look to have the class.

Leon Davis already is a legend at Collingwood and will be at the vanguard of the Magpies' year.

Essendon have more Indigenous players than any other AFL club. One of them, Anthony Long, has the credentials... his uncle is Michael Long. He is from the famous St Marys club in

Meanwhile, injury will delay the appearance of several Indigenous

Geelong received a blow less than a fortnight out from the main season with news that Travis Varcoe will miss up to two months after breaking a thumb in the club's final practice match.

varcoe had taken his fitness to a new level in 2010 and looked poised to join the Cats' all-star midfield.

Melbourne's torrid pre-season will mean it is missing up to half-a-dozen players for its round-one clash with Hawthorn.

They include Austin Wonaeamirri (leg) and Liam Jurrah (shoulder).

The season starts tomorrow night at the Melbourne Cricket Ground when Richmond take on

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