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A day Pam doubted would ever come

Pam Lynch, left, with NT Minister Karl Hampton and Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin. Photo by MAHALA STROHFELDT



LARAPINTA Valley resident Pam Lynch was ecstatic to receive the keys to her new home, the first house built in an Alice Springs town camp under the Federal and Northern Territory Governments' \$672 million Strategic Indigenous

Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP).

The working grandmother-of-12 had her doubts the day would ever come, given a protracted battle between the Federal Government, the local Tangentyere Council and individual residents over underlying leases in the town camps as well as reports of lengthy delays and high administrative costs under the housing program.

But come it did, last Thursday, when Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin did the honours, also handing Ms Lynch a surprise housewarming gift of an Alkarr (Acacia) tree, which is part of her dreaming. Ms Lynch will move into the house with three of her grandchildren.

Housing and infrastructure upgrades in the town camps are part of the Alice Springs Transformation Plan (ASTP), which aims to improve life outcomes for Aboriginal residents and visitors in Alice Springs. In exchange for 40-year leases over the town camps, the Federal Government has promised about \$138 million in new and refurbished houses, sealed roads, power and sewerage, hostel accommodation for the transient population, drug and alcohol programs and improved security.

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Police 'colluded'

Coroner delivers open finding in Palm Island death case

By AAP, with additional reporting by ALF WILSON



THE family of Mulrunji Doomadgee, whose death on Palm Island in 2004 was last week found to have been caused by a police officer who arrested him, are now pinning their hopes for justice on a Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) report into police handling of the related investigation.

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Lawyer Andrew Boe and Mulrunji Doomadgee's partner Tracey Twaddle talk to media after the inquest.

Union successfully challenged a 2006 finding by Deputy State Coroner Christine Clements.

The lawyer representing the Doomadgee family, Andrew Boe, expressed disappointment at Friday's finding.

He described the judgement as 'a tragedy' which documented an abysmal failure of duty of care and abysmal investigation by police, and said the officers involved should 'hang their heads in shame'.

Mr Doomadgee's long time partner Tracey Twaddle said she was glad the inquest was over but added it was 'just another chapter' in the case.

The long-awaited CMC report on the police investigation was expected to be released by the end of this month but has been delayed for several more weeks, after the CMC was forced to provide aspects of it to the Queensland Police Service in the interests of 'procedural fairness'.

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My FAMILY Katrina Kitson – Alice Springs



Katrina Kitson of Alice Springs with her partner Preston Hargraves and her four-year-old cousin Marcelia.

I'm originally from Yuendumu and that's where I met my partner Preston (Hargraves).

I'm here with my little cousin Marcelia, who is four.

I'm taking her with us to Sydney for a holiday to visit my mum.

I don't have any kids of my own yet, but I'm often looking after cousins and nieces and nephews just to give their parents a break.

Preston and I have been together for seven years.

We met out bush but live in Alice Springs now, like a lot of our mob.

Keeping culture alive – including language – is very important. I'm proud that I speak language.

I grew up in the bush and one of my earliest and best memories is of going hunting with my grandmother for kangaroo.

That's my favourite bush food, along with bush sultanas and damper.

My grandmother taught me the culture and still lives in Yuendumu.

I love being back in the bush.

I come from a big family and that means caring for the little ones.

Family is the most important thing in life.

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OUR CHILDREN



Kain and Nathan Carrol had fun at a Mothers and Kids Camp run by community organisation KARI at Wollondilly, south of Sydney, last month. KARI described the camp as fun, open and a culturally safe environment. The kids made new friends, spent time with Elders and learned important skills such as listening. See page 40 for more.

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From the ring to the red carpet



ON the red carpet at the Sydney Opera House on 6 May were the stars of the documentary film *Boxing for Palm Island*. From left to right, Selwyn Seaton and Dennis Haines Jr, who are both Australian Amateur Boxing League champions in their weight divisions, and Craig De Satge, who won gold at the ABL Qld titles and bronze at the Australian titles. ● See pages 28-30 for more.

When 'Yeah Yeah Yeah' means NO



AN Indigenous consumer body says many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in remote

communities are being sucked into exploitative, unfair arrangements to buy, lease or lay-by products and services they can't afford and don't understand.

The North Queensland-based Indigenous Consumer Assistance Network (ICAN) says much of the problem arises because Indigenous people are often too polite to send unscrupulous traders on their way.

ICAN's new research report 'Unconscionable Conduct and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People' also argues that Indigenous responses to hard-sell tactics are often misinterpreted.

"The report identifies a number of issues involving high-pressure sales practices by telemarketers and rogue door-to-door traders, in particular the role of gratuitous concurrence, coined in the report as the 'yeah yeah yeah' factor," said ICAN Chair and James Cook University law lecturer Heron Loban.

"The research uncovered that while people answered 'yeah' simply to appease the salesperson and politely end the conversation, their 'yeah' was being taken as agreement to buy the product or service. "People often signed up just to get rid of the salesperson."

The 'yeah yeah yeah' factor played out in situations where people were confronted at the point of sale, be it over the phone or at their door, and Ms Heron said the direct result was that many Indigenous people entered

into contracts without intention or understanding.

The Queensland Office of Fair Trading recently took action against a rental goods company that marketed their products door to door in six remote Queensland Indigenous communities.

And Ms Loban said ICAN's on-the-ground advocacy meant 800 contracts were cancelled, preventing an estimated \$2 million of financial detriment.

"However, this is just the tip of the iceberg," she said. "The unfair sales tactics employed by traders included taking advantage of people's remoteness in the sale of vehicles sight unseen and the sale of mobile phone plans where there is no coverage.

"Traders regularly ignored people's complaints without fear of repercussion, a situation exacerbated by people's isolation."



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Were you there on the bridge ten years ago?

By KIRSTIE PARKER

the Sydney Harbour Bridge, nearly a decade ago.

The People's Walk for Reconciliation was replicated around the country. In all, almost a million people are estimated to have marched across local bridges and down main streets.

in 2001. It was also when the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation (CAR) wrapped up its decade's work and new body Reconciliation Australia (RA) inherited the challenge of promoting reconciliation.

Ten years later, and a lot of water has passed under the bridge. Perhaps the most notable development has been the February 2008 National Apology to Indigenous Australians, in particular the Stolen Generations.

NRW is preceded by Sorry Day on 26 May, the anniversary of the 1997 tabling of the *Bringing Them Home Report*. This year on 26 May, there'll be a range of events around the country – from a National Sorry Day Breakfast

On Friday 28 May – the actual anniversary of the original bridge walks – RA will launch a new TV and online campaign featuring some well-known Australian faces urging people to ask themselves what they can do to make reconciliation work.

NSDC Co-Chair Helen Moran said the committee took heart that the National Apology had helped the Australian public move towards a healed, just and

The NSDC is encouraging all Australians to walk across their local bridges on the morning of Saturday, 29 May.

But this time, it wants walkers to stop half way and – if safe to do so – sit down, to symbolise that only half the job has been done; that for the Stolen Generations there's still unfinished business in terms of compensation and reparation. In Sydney, from 10am that day, the NSDC, National ANTaR and friends will stage a Sorry Day Festival & Concert in First Fleet Park at The Rocks.

● **Reconciliation Australia (RA)** would like to hear from Koori Mail readers who took part in the Sydney Bridge Walk or other walks around the country. What are your memories of the day and do you have any photographs you can share? RA also has NRW information and resources – including posters and fact sheets – available through its website at <http://www.reconciliation.org.au/home/reconciliation-resources/10th-anniversary--nrw>.

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Flashback to 28 May 2000, when more than 300,000 people walked across the Sydney Harbour Bridge in support of Indigenous Australians and reconciliation.

Open finding but police 'colluded'

By AAP, with additional reporting by ALF WILSON



THE coroner investigating the death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee has blasted Queensland police officers, accusing

them of colluding to protect one of their own and compromising proceedings.

Queensland Deputy Chief Magistrate Brian Hine on Friday said he was unable to make a definitive finding into the death of Mr Doomadgee because of the unreliability of police and Aboriginal witnesses.

However, he did find that Mr Doomadgee's arresting officer, Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, angry after being struck by his prisoner, had punched him several times as he lay on the floor of the Palm Island watchhouse.

He also suggested the officers who initially investigated the death had tipped off Snr Sgt Hurley about the punch claims, provided by an Aboriginal witness and allowed him to try to come up with 'innocent explanations' to counter the claims.

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He suffered injuries consistent with those of victims of motor vehicle accidents – a burst portal vein and a liver cleaved in two.

Snr Sgt Hurley was tried and acquitted of one count of manslaughter in 2007.

The inquest into the matter was reopened after the Queensland Police Union successfully challenged a 2006 finding by Deputy State Coroner Christine Clements.

However, the matter ended in an anti-climax. Mr Hine handed down an 'open finding' that Snr Sgt Hurley caused the injuries but that it could not be determined whether they were inflicted intentionally or accidentally.

He said the evidence indicated the injuries could have been inflicted when the 115kg Snr Sgt Hurley fell on top of the smaller Mr Doomadgee as they struggled through the door to the police station or because the officer then intentionally 'dropped a knee' into him.

The Coroner said he would have been able to make a



Snr Sgt Hurley at an earlier inquest (file photo).

definitive finding had witnesses not changed their stories so many times during the six years of investigations into the matter.

He said there was evidence police witnesses, including Sergeant Michael Leafe, had colluded to protect Snr Sgt Hurley, even fashioning evidence to support him.

The hearing earlier heard Sgt Leafe had been heard to say 'Chris Hurley did nothing wrong and he still found himself on the wrong side of a manslaughter charge'.

The lawyer representing the Doomadgee family, Andrew Boe, expressed disappointment at the finding, describing it as 'a tragedy'.

He told reporters in Townsville the officers involved should 'hang their heads in shame'.

'Abysmal failure'

"This judgment documents an abysmal failure of duty of care to a man in custody and abysmal investigation by police. Chris Hurley's conduct, if nothing else, was disgraceful."

The *Koori Mail* was at the court, which was packed with Mr Doomadgee's family and friends.

A distraught former Palm Island Mayor Erykah Kyle was one of the first to emerge from the court building, flanked by her son Osmond.

"I am very angry, what can we do? I had a son who died in custody and I just hate the system," Ms Kyle said.

Community leader Gracelyn Smallwood said the people of Palm Island would now eagerly await the release of a Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) report on police handling of the investigation into Mr Doomadgee's death.

The report was expected to be released by the end of the month



Mr Doomadgee's sisters Victoria Doomadgee, right, and Claudelle Doomadgee.

but has been delayed for several more weeks, after the CMC was forced to provide aspects of it to the Queensland Police Service in the interests of 'procedural fairness'.

"The coroner clearly found the police colluded. We want action taken against them and hopefully the CMC report will recommend that," Ms Smallwood said.

"How can we have healing without justice? ... Snr Sgt Hurley has been promoted down on the Gold Coast and has received compensation. The general public urgently wants to see the CMC report."

Mulrunji's sister Claudelle Doomadgee was at the court with her sisters Victoria Doomadgee and Valmai Aplin.

Claudelle Doomadgee told *The Koori Mail* that she and Victoria had 'prayed all night' before the inquest. "We have all been through a lot and just want justice done," she said.

Mr Doomadgee's long-time partner Tracey Twaddle said she was glad the inquest was over but added it was 'just another chapter' in the case.

"I gave up hope and just want to see it all over and get some justice out of it all," she said.

Queensland Police Union president Ian Leavers said Snr Sgt Hurley was glad the matter was over and it was time to move on.



Former Palm Island Mayor Erykah Kyle.



Mr Doomadgee's long-time partner Tracey Twaddle.



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Traditional owners and senior members of the Nalipinkak, Bilinurra-Jutpurra and Winan Aboriginal Land Trusts with local dignitaries including Parks and Wildlife Minister Karl Hampton, Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Governor-General Quentin Bryce.

Historic handback

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



IT was touted as one of the most significant land handbacks to traditional owners in Northern Territory history.

And, indeed, for the most senior traditional owners, Elders and children alike, the handback of land in the southern part of the Gregory National Park last week had been a long time coming.

Hundreds of local Aboriginal community members sat side-by-side with visiting dignitaries on dusty Mulukurr country at Jasper Gorge to witness senior members of the Nalipinkak, Bilinurra-Jutpurra and Winan Aboriginal Land Trusts receive the title deeds to their traditional land.

The nine different language groups – Ngaliwurru, Ngarinyman, Nungali, Bilinara, Malngin, Karrangpurru, Wardaman, Jaminjung and Gurrindji – were acknowledged in a ceremony that included speeches from the Northern and Central Land Councils, NT Parks and Wildlife Minister Karl Hampton, and Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon.

The national park, which comprises around 13,000 square kilometres is the largest of the 13 NT parks subject to native title claim before a landmark agreement was negotiated in 2004.

Under this agreement, the land was acknowledged as Aboriginal freehold under the Aboriginal Land Rights (NT) Act 1976 and leased back to the Territory Government for 99 years for use as a national park.

Existing Aboriginal land under the Wambardi Land Trust is also expected to be leased back to the park, increasing its size and linking up its eastern and western sections.

Ngarinyman traditional owner Larry Johns announced that the park would be renamed Jutpurra National Park.

"If this name is going to travel the world and people overseas can say 'Canberra', I'm sure they can say Jutburra," he said. "Jutburra is a very important, sacred ceremony place for the people."

Northern Land Council Chairman Wali Wunungmurra said the handover ushered in a new era in joint management, and would 'create jobs for countrymen'.

"Joint management is about traditional owners and the Parks and Wildlife Service working together to achieve their shared goals and aspirations, exchanging their knowledge and expertise, solving problems and sharing decisions," he said.

"It's about creating jobs for countrymen, training more Indigenous rangers and it's about our financial independence while living and working on country."

"Mostly it's about caring for our land



NLC Chairman Wali Wunungmurra welcomed what he described as a new era of joint partnerships and financial independence for Aboriginal people.

and preserving the sacred sites and stories for generations to come."

Mr Wunungmurra said about 20,000 people visited the park annually, a number that is expected to increase in the coming years.

For Governor-General Quentin Bryce, the handback was one of just a few she had attended. In the preceding week, word had gone around in Top End communities that the 'Australian Queen' was in town. The GG showed she was just at home in the desert's remote Aboriginal wilderness as in any Australian city.

"I feel privileged to experience this

place that is extraordinarily beautiful and spiritually alive," said her Excellency.

"While it's true that long ago this place saw conflict between Europeans and Aboriginals over their divergent aspirations for the land, their successors, and in particular those of you here today have learned to live together and worked hard, cooperatively and pragmatically towards the common ground we now honour and respect."

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the settlement would go a long way to resetting the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, and marked 'a day of national significance'.

"We are honoured to share the wonder of your land which will continue to be held firm in your safekeeping to generations and generations to come," she said.

"Because of your willingness and commitment to work with the NT Government, all Australians will forever share the park's wild beauty and understand more of the unique and complex Aboriginal culture that is the proud and ancient framework of our nation's heritage."

Ms Macklin also noted the historical significance of the country handed back, not too far from 'the birthplace of Indigenous land rights in the Territory' – Gurindji country, the site of the 1966 Wave Hill Walk-off.



Local Aboriginal dancers prepare for performance at the ceremony's end.



Governor-General Quentin Bryce with one of Timber Creek's youngest residents.



Federal Treasurer Wayne Swan speaking about the 2010 Commonwealth Budget he delivered last week. AAP image

Leaders say more planning required

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGENOUS leaders have welcomed Federal Budget measures designed to close the gap, but say much more planning needs to be done.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said the 2010-11 Budget included an increase of \$168.7 million in annual funding since 2009-10 to improve Indigenous health outcomes.

"This brings the total investment across the Health and Ageing portfolio to \$1.16 billion in the 2010-11 Budget," he said.

Indigenous-specific highlights included the announcement that the Federal Government would expand the rollout of Opal fuel to another 11 communities at a cost of \$38.5 million over four years.

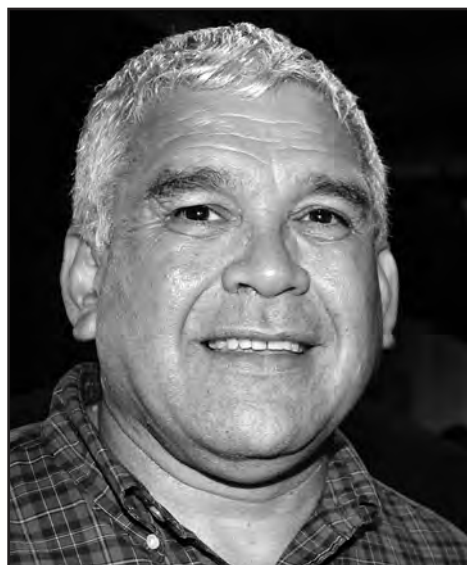
That would take to 134 the total number of communities where Opal was available.

The Budget also included \$15.4 million over four years to go into a pool to support education, and \$44.3 million over four years to extend reform to the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program to the Torres Strait.

The Government is also extending the school enrolment and attendance trial for another year in the Northern Territory and Queensland at a cost of \$3.4 million, as well as measures to increase home ownership.

Those measures include a temporary transfer of \$56 million of unused capital from the Home Ownership on Indigenous Land program to the over-subscribed home ownership program.

A coalition of organisations behind the

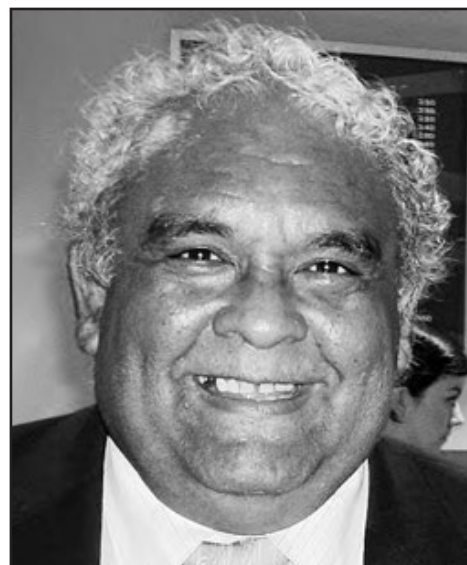


MICK GOODA

Close the Gap Campaign said increased funding for aged care and sports and recreation in the Torres Strait Islands, as well as the ongoing roll out of Opal Fuel, were positive contributions to Indigenous health.

However, Steering Committee Co-Chairs, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, and Tom Calma, National Coordinator – Tackling Indigenous Smoking, were disappointed that the Budget was silent in relation to Indigenous-specific health initiatives that would benefit the majority of Indigenous Australians.

They were particularly concerned with the lack of a national planning process for Indigenous health equality.



TOM CALMA

"While all initiatives that can benefit Indigenous health are to be welcomed, piecemeal approaches are not likely to work," Mr Gooda said.

"A plan of how we will achieve Indigenous health equality by 2030, as committed to by this Government, is required so that resources can be strategically targeted to that end.

"Such a plan would also set out how Indigenous Australians are to secure their entitlement to mainstream health programs."

Mr Calma said the Government must ensure that significant allocations from the 'mainstream' health initiatives announced in the budget reach Indigenous Australians and the Aboriginal

community controlled health sector.

"It is particularly vital that the e-health initiative, the after-hours GP incentives and the nurse training package and nurse placement program for GPs announced in the Budget reaches Indigenous Australians," Mr Gooda said.

Justin Mohamed, chair of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), said the Budget was 'business as usual' in Aboriginal health with a few incremental improvements.

"The Budget's largest overall health investment has been chewed up in the hospitals deal. Much less was allocated for primary health care and out of that our medical services have to compete piecemeal with mainstream GP services," Mr Mohamed said.

"From the Budget announcements, there is still no clear capacity building plan agreed between our services as a whole and the Government recognising our expertise built up over 35 years of providing frontline primary health care in our communities."

Mr Mohamed said 150 Aboriginal medical services would be forced to chase grants out of the Budget's mainstream bucket for improvements.

"At this stage there is no assistance for Aboriginal communities to develop their own new medical services, instead the Government is investing Aboriginal health dollars in the new 'Medicare Locals' and mainstream GP services," he said.

He said the only specific new 'Indigenous' expenditure announced in the health budget was the further roll out of Opal petrol in remote communities,

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\$6 million for Aboriginal Male Health programs focusing on the family – announced last week, and the \$10 million for changing 50 CDEP jobs in the Torres Strait islands to aged care and sport positions.

Meanwhile, a \$59.4 million boost to childhood education and childcare received the thumbs up from the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC).

SNAICC Chairman Steve Larkin said the Government's renewed commitment to Budget-based funded early childhood services in rural and regional areas was welcome.

"A substantial proportion of Budget-based funded services are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled and stand to benefit from the Government's injection of \$59.4 million in this area," Mr Larkin said.

SNAICC Chief Executive Officer Frank Hytten also welcomed the Government's Budget boost for the early child-care sector. However, he stressed that an ongoing commitment to consultation and partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled child-care organisations, families and children was vital.

"While we welcome the Government's focus on establishing quality standards for child care across the nation, it is important that these standards are applied fairly and equitably," he said.

There was also an additional \$154 million for legal assistance services, which includes



DENNIS EGGINGTON

a \$34.9 million allocation to Indigenous legal services.

Aboriginal Legal Service of WA Chief Executive Dennis Eggington said the extra funds would help Indigenous legal services across the country.

"We are pleased that the Federal Government has recognised the essential role ATSILS play within the criminal justice system, and by providing this funding to us we can continue to deliver a professional and culturally appropriate legal service for our people," he said.

The Federal Government said \$4.6 billion



JUSTIN MOHAMED

had been allocated since 2008 to close the gap, and the Budget was focused on making sure that programs were implemented, and services delivered, in an effective way.

"To achieve this, governments are working in partnership with Indigenous Australians because Indigenous Australians are the ones who are best placed to lead change in their own lives, in their families and in their communities," the Government said.

"Governments can help, but closing the gap will not happen without the commitment of Indigenous people."

Indigenous-specific measures include...

● A \$6.9 million capital investment for Aboriginal Hostels Ltd to make necessary repairs to a number of its hostels.

● Support for the Australian Federal Police to continue their work as a part of Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory, at a cost of \$9.2 million over two years, while new Northern Territory Police complete their training and become fully operational.

● Funding of \$6.6 million over two years for the National Indigenous Child Abuse and Violence Intelligence Task Force to continue to investigate patterns of violence, serious crime and abuse of power and trust in remote Indigenous communities.

● The new National Congress of Australia's First Peoples will receive \$29.2 million over five years to provide Indigenous leadership and advice to the Federal Government.

Planned kidney treatment study is long overdue, says manager



A PROPOSED study into the delivery of kidney disease treatment in Central Australia is long overdue,

according to Sarah Brown, manager of the Purple House renal treatment facility in Alice Springs.

Ms Brown also said the study, to be carried out by the Federal Government in conjunction with governments in the Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia, must fully involve Aboriginal people.

"It should not only look at the clinical stuff like dialysis options but also the social impact of people having to move for dialysis," she said.

The announcement of the study follows moves earlier this

year by NT Health to ban patients from interstate using facilities at Alice Springs.

As a result of that ban, some patients were forced to relocate thousands of kilometres from their home communities to access dialysis.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said the study was 'a positive step in the right direction'.

"Renal dialysis can be distressing for patients, because many of them live in very remote areas of Central Australia, where it's hard to access appropriate services," Mr Snowdon said.

"That can put pressure on



An Aboriginal person undergoing dialysis.

renal patients, their families and the broader community. Therefore, it is imperative for us as governments to understand the barriers that prevent effective delivery of renal treatment closer to home for those in remote locations."

Mr Snowdon said the study would provide a snapshot of the issues facing Indigenous Australians with kidney disease, their communities and the dialysis services provided for them.

"Currently there is not a consistent approach to the delivery of renal services across States and Territories," he said.

"The study will help develop an integrated service delivery model looking at demand for various clinical services and social needs of renal patients in remote and very remote communities regardless of borders."

Alice Springs Mayor Damian Ryan told ABC Radio last week

he was concerned there might be a hidden cost to allowing interstate patients to access service in Alice Springs. With an extra 450 patients getting dialysis treatment in Alice Springs over the next five years, Mr Ryan said he was concerned they and their families would further strain existing services.

He said dialysis patients coming into town from communities were usually accompanied by between four and nine people.

"Those numbers are going to impact greatly on this town," he said. Ms Brown said the Mayor's comments showed the need for creative solutions such as locating dialysis facilities in communities.

The study is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

– By DARREN COYNE

Experts sound ear health warning

By ELIZABETH MURRAY

EAR disease, hearing impairment and communications disorders spell more risk of imprisonment and long-term suffering and disadvantage for Indigenous children, according to Australian hearing experts.

Future funding for research and services to address threats to hearing-impaired Indigenous youth remains in question, although Australian Hearing recently explained the seriousness of the problem in remote areas to the Federal Inquiry into the over-representation of Indigenous youth within the criminal justice system.

Support and research is limited by funding shortfalls, indicating a lack of awareness by government agencies and departments about the wide-reaching and life-long impact of otitis media (OM or 'glue ear'), and resultant central auditory processing disorder (APD).

The national body pieced together existing research to better inform two recent Federal inquiries about how middle-ear disease severely affects opportunity and justice outcomes for Indigenous youth.

Australian Hearing's submission to the inquiry said Indigenous children have exceptionally high rates of middle-ear disease, which reduces their ability to understand what is being taught in school.

"This combination is thus part of a long-term cycle where poor hearing leads to poor education, with consequent poorer employment and lower income prospects, lower living conditions and poorer health, including poor hearing," it said.



An Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) Outreach trip to a community in Qld. Photo courtesy of the Deadly Ears Project

The submission said the prevalence of the disease in central and remote regions greatly increased the likelihood 'a high proportion of Indigenous juveniles and young adults in juvenile detention centres will have a hearing loss'.

Samantha Harkus, Manager of the Indigenous Services at Australian Hearing, said poor hearing impeded communication skills not only in social

environments and in court hearings, but also in stressful situations when impaired auditory processing could be slower than usual.

She said that in challenging environments like court, the hearing-impaired had to guess what was being asked or said, and that had led to injustices for some, including repeat imprisonment.

Most Australian research of middle-ear disease is from the last

decade. However, last year the Deadly Ears Program found 58 per cent of Indigenous children in Qld remote communities aged 0-14 years had poor ear health.

The news was even worse for the 0-4 years age range, commonly considered the age when the auditory link with the brain developed, with 85 per cent suffering poor ear health.

The research was enough to prompt extra funding by the Qld

Government when the program's six-week campaign in one Indigenous community reduced ear health screening failures from 79 per cent to 51 per cent.

Darwin psychologist Damien Howard specialises in social and justice challenges faced by juveniles with a history of OM, and wrote submissions to both the Federal Inquiry into hearing health and into the over-representation of Indigenous youth within the criminal justice system.

The long-term impact of the condition increased juvenile interaction with the law as offenders and as victims of crime, Mr Howard said.

And it reduced an individual's skills to communicate their experiences, and to understand dialogue and responses in some situations.

Mr Howard said overseas research indicated children with a hearing loss were four times more susceptible to sexual abuse.

"Given the high prevalence of hearing loss among Aboriginal children, it really points to it being an important factor in the high rates of abuse of Indigenous children in Australia, but no formal research has been done," he said.

"None of the welfare agencies involved in child protection have any awareness of the issue, screen children, or consider it in their services or support.

"It would be very important for them to consider it in terms of whether children are vulnerable, and the capacity to support families where a child and parents may have a hearing loss, given the high numbers of Indigenous families they work with."

Injustices linked to poor hearing

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A FEDERAL inquiry into hearing health has concluded with a report calling for nationwide audits of detainees to find any miscarriages of justice, and a raft of reforms to protect the human rights of the hearing-impaired. The Senate Community Affairs References Committee said evidence presented to the inquiry showed 90 per cent of Indigenous inmates at Darwin Correctional Centre had a hearing loss.

The Inquiry report, titled 'Hear Us', revealed inadequacies in appropriate education, court and justice services, and recognised the disproportionate and escalating number of Indigenous hearing-impaired people.

The relationship between hearing loss and early Indigenous justice problems was a common feature of submissions to the inquiry.

"The implications for Indigenous Australians who may have been convicted and incarcerated with an undiagnosed hearing loss could be most profound," said committee chair Senator Rachel Siewert.

"Engagement between Indigenous people with a hearing loss and police can spiral into confrontation, as police mistake deafness for

insolence, or for cultural or language communication difficulties."

AHRC Disability and Race Discrimination Commissioner Graeme Innes described the report as 'crucial' and urged a prompt and comprehensive response by government to the recommendations.

He said it raised questions about fundamental human rights for prevention of hearing loss, and ensuring inclusion and equality for the hearing-impaired.

'The implications for Indigenous Australians who may have been convicted and incarcerated with an undiagnosed hearing loss could be most profound'

"This report makes it clear the economic value of achieving equality and inclusion for people with a hearing impairment is not only huge, but the right thing to do for our nation," said Mr Innes.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the report showed that hearing loss and inadequate responses to it limited 'the life chances' of new generations of Indigenous children in education,

employment, culture and justice.

He welcomed the prioritisation of the needs of Indigenous children and support for research into Indigenous hearing health.

The committee recommended the ombudsman in each state conduct an audit of detainees and consider whether undiagnosed hearing loss may have resulted in wrongful imprisonment or other injustices.

Guidelines for police interrogation of Indigenous people should be amended to

include a hearing test for any Indigenous person having communication difficulties, irrespective of whether police officers consider the communication difficulties are arising from language and cross-cultural issues, the inquiry found.

Indigenous ear and hearing health in Australia is in crisis, with Indigenous people suffering ear disease and hearing loss ten times the rate of other people.

The rate of middle-ear infection (otitis

media) among Indigenous Australians exceeds the level described by the World Health Organisation as 'a massive public health problem... which needs urgent attention'.

One of the committee's main concerns was the heightened social exclusion faced by hearing-impaired people and the isolating social and psychological impact that in many cases leads to frustration, depression, and anger.

Senator Siewert said that for many Indigenous people, hearing loss was so pervasive it had become a normal and accepted part of growing up.

Home environmental conditions associated with poverty, such as overcrowded housing, poor nutrition, poor sanitation and passive smoking, were to blame for prevalent otitis

media, according to the report.

The inquiry said classroom facilities were often inadequate, and teachers were unlikely to be trained to handle hearing loss in a class, and were unaware of the size of the problem among Indigenous pupils.

The committee said that while deafness was very common, it was largely over-looked, and researchers, practitioners, NGOs and the hearing-impaired required increased public awareness of the condition.

Monthly housing reports urged



THE Commonwealth should publish monthly progress reports on its remote Indigenous housing program to alleviate concerns about the slow pace of government action, a Senate committee has warned.

Just 10 per cent of the new houses due to be built this financial year under the \$5.5 billion National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing have been completed to date.

"The Commonwealth should immediately publish its progress in providing Indigenous housing in regional and remote Indigenous communities," a Senate committee inquiring into Aboriginal communities recommended on Thursday.

"This information should be

updated on a monthly basis so the committee and other concerned members of the public can track progress."

The partnership agreement with the states and territories is supposed to deliver 4200 new houses and 4800 refurbishments over 10 years.

In the current financial year it was meant to deliver 320 new houses and 587 refurbishments.

There's just six weeks left to meet that 2009/10 target, but Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin remains optimistic.

"We are on track to achieving those targets, with 320 new houses under way across Australia and 33 completed," she said in a Budget statement last Tuesday.

"More than 640 refurbishments are also completed or under way."

In the Northern Territory, the



JENNY MACKLIN

partnership agreement is delivering housing through the much-maligned Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP). It's supposed to provide 750 new houses, 230 rebuilds and 2500 refurbishments across the

Territory by 2013.

But to date just seven new homes have been completed. Construction is under way on another 80.

Some 180 existing houses have been refurbished or rebuilt, with work in progress on a further 110.

The Senate committee, comprising three Liberal senators, two Labor senators and the Greens' Rachel Siewert, said on Thursday it 'remains concerned with the slow pace of government action in building new, upgraded or renovated houses'.

"This is especially concerning given the evidence that the committee heard in Queensland that outlines continued slow progress in rolling out housing that has been agreed to by either commonwealth or state/territory governments," the committee said in its fourth report.

It also recommended the Commonwealth Co-ordinator General for Remote Indigenous Services, Brian Gleeson, conduct a 'detailed analysis' of the national partnership program.

Mr Gleeson was tasked last year with the job of 'cutting through bureaucratic blockages and red tape to make sure services are delivered effectively'.

Opposition Indigenous affairs spokesman Nigel Scullion successfully moved a motion on Thursday in the Senate calling on the Federal Auditor-General to urgently investigate whether SIHIP was value for money.

He wants to know, among other things, if the Commonwealth is properly supervising the NT Government's roll-out of the program.

The Auditor-General has been asked to provide a timely response. —AAP

Native title linked to Kalumburu tensions

By KEN BOASE



OFFICIALS at the far north Kimberley community of Kalumburu claim they cannot maintain law and order in the community because a native title determination over the region is preventing the

introduction of new by-laws to deal with violence issues.

Kalumburu Aboriginal Corporation (KAC) Chairman David Hudson said the issue arose after a series of violent incidents in the community earlier this year, and the failure of authorities to deal with offenders.

"A number of community members identified as being involved in offensive behaviour were asked to go to Derby to attend courses for anger management and conflict resolution," Mr Hudson said.

"This action was taken after considerable deliberation by the board and as a last resort to address continued misbehaviour by a small number of people in our community.

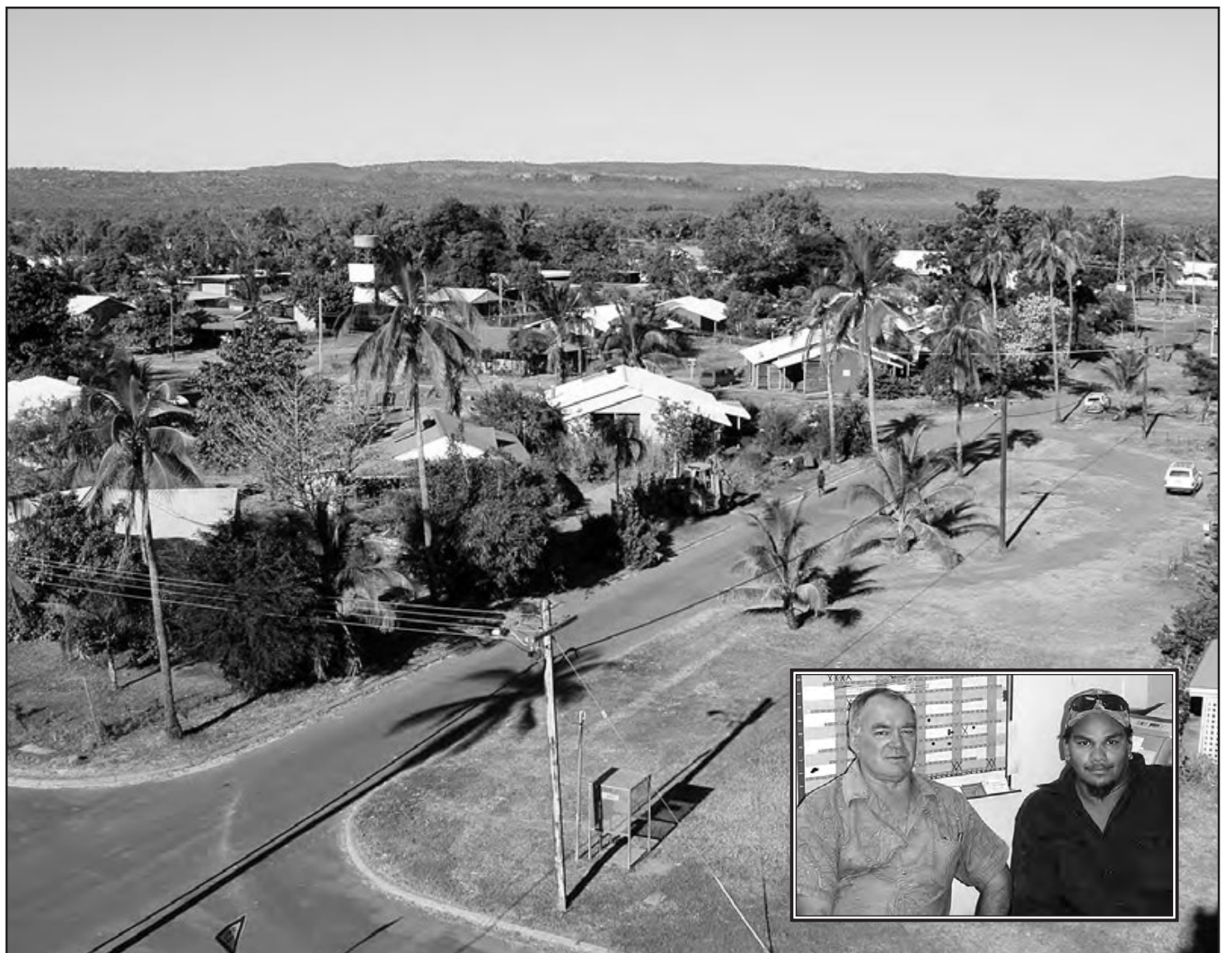
"The board felt it had to take some action before the situation escalated even further and resulted in serious injury to other members of the community and threatened their basic safety."

But Mr Hudson said anger management counselling was not available and the group returned to the community. At a recent KAC board meeting the community raised the issue of what measures were available to bring an end to such events.

The KAC also wrote to the Kununurra Court expressing concern about how violent offenders were being dealt with by the court, including concerns about light sentences and the failure to remove offenders from the community.

Concerns were also raised over the failure to enforce work and development community-based orders for offenders who reportedly returned to community, only to completely ignore the orders.

KAC Chief Executive Officer Bryan Miller said community bylaws required Kalumburu residents not to cause disturbance or to act in an offensive or disorderly manner, giving police the power to remove offenders from the community for 24 hours.



An aerial view of the Kimberley community of Kalumburu in the far north Kimberley and, inset, Kalumburu Aboriginal Corporation CEO Bryan Miller with Chairman David Hudson.

"Effectively, that power is of little practical use and the community wants by-laws strengthened so that offenders can be removed more effectively to protect other community members," he said.

However, Mr Miller said KAC was restricted to enact any new by-laws because a native title determination over

the region had put an embargo on such by-laws until the determination was finalised.

"The changes we need depend on the effects of the *Futures Act* within the *Native Title Act* and what laws we can make before there is a native title determination," he said.

"We don't know the full extent of what

the act means and what restrictions are on us to make by-laws before the determination is finalised."

Mr Miller said police also felt frustrated by the restrictions because it meant they could not carry out their job effectively.

The KAC has sought legal clarification from a law firm in Perth.

Home, at last

Minister declares building schedule 'back on track'

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



PAM Lynch knew things might get emotional when she finally received the keys to her new home, the first house to be built

and handed over in an Alice Springs town camp under the Federal Government's Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP).

But it was when she received a surprise housewarming gift, an Alkarr (acacia) tree from Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin that the significance of the day was really brought home.

"This tree is very significant to me and to the old folk at Laramba, to my whole family. It's a part of my dreaming," Ms Lynch said outside the new three-bedroom house at Larapinta Valley town camp.

"The old women would tell me stories about the tree, about gathering the seeds and turning them into paste then eating them.

"This tree reminds me of the old people and takes me right back to times I was singing and dancing with them, listening to the stories of our people."

There from start

The working grandmother, a traditional owner from Black Tank – a community 73kms north-east of Alice Springs – has watched the house being built from scratch, and often thought its completion would never come.

"We've been waiting quite a while, too long, for this. We've been watching it from day one, we saw the rains come, but finally it's here," she said.

"We've been living with too

many people in the one house for too long, with my kids and grandkids and other family and now we have an opportunity to get this new house. Family is always welcome, but they respect me so they know not to abuse it."

Ms Lynch will move into the house with three of her grandchildren – she has 12 – and told *The Koori Mail* last week that this was the start of a new life for her and her family, and a positive step for the whole community.

"People are feeling good about this and are looking forward to more housing," she said.

'Positive direction'

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the handover of the keys also heralded a positive direction for the Indigenous housing program, and said the Government was back on track to delivering more housing for Indigenous communities across the Territory.

The \$672 million SIHIP program announced in 2007 projected 750 new houses, 2500 refurbishments, and 230 major rebuilds of houses in five years, but has faced widespread criticism over lengthy delays and high administrative costs.

Just a handful of new houses have been built during the past three years and some are believed to be sitting unoccupied due to red tape.

Ms Macklin said, however, that an independent report released recently by the Government said things were now back on track.

"We have a massive backlog, a massive backlog of housing need right over remote Australia," she said.



Holding up the keys to her new home, Pam Lynch said she had looked forward to this day for a long time.

"Aboriginal people have had to put up with decades of neglect. Decades of neglect has led to overcrowding, the houses not being up to scratch."

The Minister referred to \$1.7 billion of funding that was going directly into building new houses, existing upgrades and rebuilding houses, as well as fixing infrastructure where necessary.

"As far as the refurbishments are concerned, our number one priority is to make sure that we have functioning kitchens and bathrooms," she said.

"We want to make sure that parents have a clean place to cook for their children, that children can be bathed in a safe place. These are the priorities."

Traditional owner Mick Liddle, who gave a welcome to country for visiting dignitaries in Larapinta Valley, said that despite some of the misgivings about the leases which underpinned the Government's agenda, the community had embraced the idea of new and safe housing.

"People here in prescribed communities struggle really hard, and from our perspective, the community is very happy with what's happening. This is part of what we hope will be a positive change for everyone," Mr Liddle said.

He said Aboriginal people were still grappling with and in some cases challenging the NT

Intervention, but safe and affordable housing was the top priority.

As Pam Lynch's grandchildren darted in and out of their new home, their top priority was jostling for first pick of the bedrooms and talking about how they'd decorate them.

For Ms Lynch too, it will be the small things she is looking

forward to most.

"I want to plant some more trees from Laramba to remind me of the Laramba old ladies," she said emotionally.

"And I'm looking forward to getting furniture for our new house. This is a new and exciting adventure for me and my grandchildren. It has been a long time coming."



Traditional owner Mick Liddle: "This is part of what we hope will be a positive change for everyone."



Pam Lynch surrounded by her grandchildren at the front door of her new home.

Vaggs lawyers continue investigations

By ALF WILSON in Townsville



LAWYERS acting for the family of an Aboriginal man who died last month after being restrained by Townsville hospital security staff and police are struggling to find out the identities of those personnel involved.

Penny Brown is a spokeswoman for Brisbane-based legal firm Kerin Lawyers which have received instructions from the family of Lyji Vaggs to sue Queensland Health and possibly police.

Ms Brown told *The Koori Mail* last

Thursday that the firm had written to the Townsville Hospital for the names and details of the staff from the hospital, police officers, and any other people who were involved in the incident.

"Further, we have asked for the surveillance footage of the incident and the hospital's procedure and protocol policy for the recording of surveillance footage," Ms Brown said.

"Unfortunately, we have not received any responses from the hospital and, due to the hospital's refusal to co-operate us, we have been unable to serve *Personal Injuries Proceeding Act* notices on the individuals involved.

"In the circumstances, we will continue to investigate the matter, and hopefully will have notices served on Queensland Health within a week's time."

The coroner's report is still outstanding. Stephen Kerin, of Kerin Lawyers, visited Townsville on 22 April where he told media the initial post mortem was inconclusive and further examinations were being undertaken.

Mr Vaggs, 27, tried to admit himself to the mental health unit of Townsville Hospital on 14 April after hearing voices, but was told to go home and take his medication because no beds were available.

When his medication failed to give him

relief, the father-of-three returned to the unit in an extremely agitated state and was restrained by security and medical staff before police were called.

He was handcuffed and injected with anti-psychotic drugs, although doctors had not had time to perform a toxicology test to determine what drugs were already in his system.

It's believed he lost consciousness immediately, and doctors spent 40 minutes trying to revive him before he was transferred to the hospital's intensive care unit.

He died the next day after his life support system was switched off.



Shellie Morris worked with students at Tennant Creek Primary School to come up with music and words for the song, *Good food gives me a long life*.



Kylie Thorn, from AMSANT, helped out with the 'Bush Wok' cooking demonstration.

Good food on menu

By DARREN COYNE



RELIABLE, healthy food is the key to improving the health of Indigenous people living in remote communities,

according to the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance of the Northern Territory (AMSANT).

AMSANT Chief Executive John Paterson told *The Koori Mail* that a fresh food summit held in Tennant Creek, between

Alice Springs and Darwin, last week attracted more than 300 people who were keen to bring about real changes in their communities.

He said summit highlights included an idea raised by the manager of men's health at the Alice Springs Congress, John Liddle, who outlined a vision of new packaging for healthy food which would help people make better choices.

Mr Liddle said he was concerned about the way unhealthy foods were so

successfully marketed to consumers in remote Indigenous communities.

He said stores should be forced to stock healthy alternatives that were still affordable and tasted good.

"I don't think banning (junk food) is the way to go but we need to give people alternatives," Mr Liddle said.

Mr Paterson said the idea would be put to community stores and other outlets that were frequented by Aboriginal people.

Other initiatives included

improving food transport arrangements, pursuing opportunities for horticulture and agricultural, and further research into joint purchasing arrangements and improved service standards in stores.

AMSANT Chairperson Stephanie Bell said food security was a vital public health issue for Aboriginal people.

"Health experts say that access to good, affordable food makes more difference to what people eat than health education," she said.

"In other words, it is not just a matter of educating people to eat good food – the food must be available and affordable in the first place.

"When people cannot access good food, the consequences in terms of chronic disease are dramatic.

"It's arguably one of the core explanations for why our men in the Northern Territory can expect to live 17 years less than their white brothers; our Territory women 13.2 years less than their white sisters."



Students from Tennant Creek Primary School perform.



Katherine West Health Board Chairperson Ros Frith at the Summit.

Rapping up for respect

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



FOR Andrew Levins of arts organisation Heaps Decent it was a proud moment when around ten Indigenous young people from Blacktown took to the stage at the Sydney Opera House on 5 May to rap about themselves.

"Twelve weeks ago when we met them, these kids wouldn't even let us take their photo, the notion of shame was so big," Levins said. "And they were up there rapping in front of 150 people – so it was a proud moment. They were really energetic and they put on a great show."

About 20 Indigenous students from the Miimalli program at Chifley College spent 12 weeks learning multi-media skills and writing their own rap songs, as part of the Detours & Destinations project, which was showcased at the Sydney Opera House from 5-7 May.

Approximately 30 students from Lomandra school in Campbelltown also took part in the project – a collaboration between the schools, Heaps Decent, multi-media arts organisation Shopfront and the Sydney Opera House.

The Detours & Destination project was fully-funded by NSW Juvenile Justice, with research showing young people from Blacktown and Campbelltown were most at risk of coming into contact with the Juvenile Justice system.

Lomandra school principal Mark Smith noted

that school attendance had improved as a result, and that Tuesdays (Detours & Destinations days) were the most popular day of the week.

Levins said one boy from Miimalli shocked everybody who knew him when he got up to perform at the Opera House.

"He's so shy, and there he was rapping about himself in front of everybody," Levins said. "He also made a film clip of himself and put in on YouTube, so it's making that shift from shame to pride."

Levins said when he was working with the students to develop their rhymes, he would always try and get them to incorporate their cultural identity.

"They all know their tribe and we try and get them to put it into their verses – who they are, what they're about, rather than gangster posturing," he said.

Detours & Destinations creative producer Erin Morrissey said about half-way through the program she asked a young man from Lomandra if he could tell her about the places he had travelled to.

He replied that he had not really been out of Campbelltown.

"So I asked him, if he could go anywhere, where would it be? His answer was: 'Where could I go?', and so the journey began," she said.

NSW Juvenile Justice has now confirmed that it will provide a further \$100,000 in funding to continue the Detours & Destinations project.



At the Sydney Opera House were Indigenous MCs Yung Nooky – Cory John Webster – from the South Coast (left) and Balawurru – Daniel Guruguru Hick – from north east Arnhem Land, freestyling over backing beats created by the Miimalli and Lomandra students.

Canberra to host national gathering on native title



PREPARATIONS are underway for this year's annual national Native Title Conference, to be held in Canberra early next month.

It is the first time the peak national native title gathering has been held in the national capital. It will also be the first time that a woman has delivered the prestigious Mabo Lecture, one of the conference's signature events.

Professor Marcia Langton AM is the Chair of Australian Indigenous Studies at the University of Melbourne, and was a key member of the national Indigenous working group which negotiated with the Federal Government in the crucial period between the High Court's decision in the historic Mabo case on 3 June 1992 and the passage of the *Native Title Act 1993*.

Registrations are now open for the conference, which will run from 1-3 June and has a theme of People, Place, Power – reflecting the many important native title decisions made in Canberra through history.

Co-convened by AIATSIS and the National Native Title Council, the conference is the largest Indigenous policy conference in Australia, regularly drawing more than 600 people from across Australia to discuss new developments and challenges in the field of native title.

As well as Prof Langton's Mabo Lecture, international speakers will address the international context for native title and traditional owners.

Reindeer herder and President of the Swedish Sámi Parliament, Lars-Anders Baer will deliver a keynote speech about the experience of the Sámi people, the only Indigenous people in Europe, whose territory is divided between Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia.

Lyackson First Nation member, Shana Manson, from Canada, will talk about how Governments of Canada, British Columbia (BC) and First Nations representatives worked to create the BC Treaty process and explain how it works.

Delegates from native title representative bodies, native title service providers and native title groups will discuss issues of strategic importance and coordination during pre-conference workshops on Tuesday, 1 June.

The public program opens that evening at Parliament House followed by two days of keynote lectures, and papers will be presented by native title holders and claimants, practitioners, NTRB/NTSP staff, researchers, government representatives, academics and others.

To register for the conference or for more information, go online at www.aiatsis.gov.au



Prof Marcia Langton will deliver the annual Mabo Lecture on 3 June, during the Native Title Conference in Canberra.



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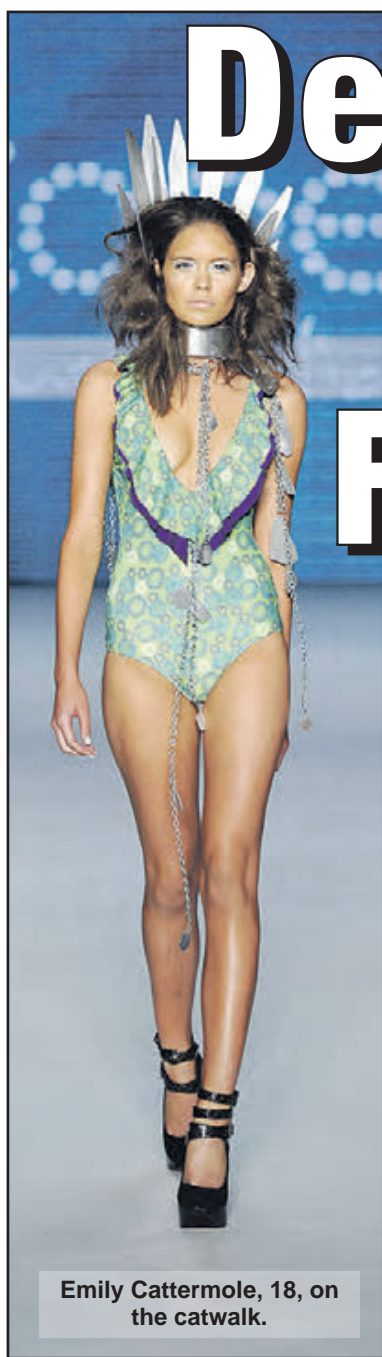
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Designer, models big hits at Fashion Week



Emily Cattermole, 18, on the catwalk.



ABORIGINAL women were prominent on the catwalk and behind the scenes at the Australian Fashion Week (AFW) earlier this month.

Model Samantha Harris was something of a runway choice during the five-day event, appearing for about 18 designers including Lisa Ho, Rachel Gilbert and Alex Perry.

The stunning 19-year-old is proving herself a fast-rising star, having landed the cover of June's edition of Vogue Australia, 17 years after the magazine last featured an Aboriginal model in the coveted spot.

Harris is no overnight success story, though. She started modelling when she was just 13 and had to work her way up before Vogue Editor-in-Chief Kirstie Clements felt she had the maturity to be the face of the fashion bible's June issue.

Now, Harris feels ready for the spotlight.



Samantha Harris (left) and Emily Cattermole (right) back stage during Australian Fashion Week with artist Anne Hanning Kngwarreye, whose designs Kooley featured.

"It took a while to build up to this, so I'm definitely ready now for success," she told AAP backstage at AFW.

Harris was in sisterly company during AFW, with fellow Aboriginal model Emily Cattermole, 18, on the runway as the 'face' of West Australian swimwear label Kooley.

Cattermole, a granddaughter of former WA MP Ernie Bridge, began her career at the age of 14 and headlined many of the big parades at last year's Perth Fashion Festival.

Fashion label Kooley's togs, on display during a show at Circular Quay on 6 May, featured the dot artwork of Northern Territory Aboriginal artist Anne Hanning Kngwarreye. — *With AAP*



Samantha Harris on the catwalk.

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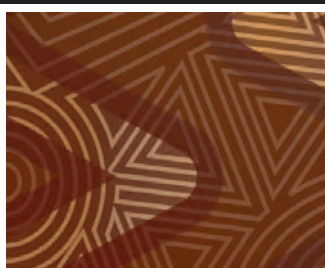
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Artist pays respect on NAIDOC Week poster

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



PAYING respect to her Elders and others playing a role in her community

has always been important to Aboriginal artist Sheree Blackley.

So when the opportunity arose to enter this year's national NAIDOC poster competition, with its theme of 'Unsung Heroes – Closing the Gap by Leading Their Way', she jumped at the chance.

Still, when young mum and self-taught artist took out the top honours, nobody was more surprised than her.

Sheree's artwork will feature on the official 2010 NAIDOC Week poster, which will be displayed in schools, workplaces, and community organisations across Australia to promote NAIDOC Week (4-11 July).

"This is the first year I've submitted art to the competition," Sheree said.

"But it was great to hear that my art had been chosen. I've always liked art but I never used to take it that seriously.

"My inspiration is definitely my kids. I'm hoping that by doing my art, it's showing them to get out there and give anything a go."



Sheree Blackley's artwork on the NAIDOC Week poster.

And that's certainly what Sheree has been doing. With two young daughters to care for, she's also studying a Bachelor of Building Design at the University of Central Queensland.

In 2008, having identified a need for other Aboriginal artists to come together, she established the Spinifex Arts Group.

"My father's from the Kalkadoon tribe and my mum is half Chinese and half Waanyi. I paint a lot of landscapes and portraiture that tell my family story," she said.

Entries in this year's poster competition, with its

top prize of \$5000 cash, were last week praised by the National NAIDOC Committee and Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin.

The committee agreed that Ms Blackley's artwork was 'very powerful' and illustrated this year's theme in a way that all families could relate to, said the committee's co-chair Anne Martin.

To order free copies of the 2010 NAIDOC Week poster, call 1800 050 009 or go online at www.naidoc.org.au

Mixed response to National Congress



THE new National Congress for Australia's First Peoples (NCAFP) has received a varied reception since its incorporation early this month.

The new representative body's eight-member interim national executive – led by full-time Co-Chairs Dr Kerry Arabena and Mr Sam Jeffries – was announced in Sydney on 2 May.

There was an initial flurry of high-placed support for the body, from the Australian Human Rights Commission and the Northern Land Council (NLC) to Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin.

However, this was countered by some less enthusiastic, even vitriolic, comments from other quarters.

The national executive, also including Professor Peter Buckskin, Professor Colleen Hayward, Josephine Bourne, Klynton Wanganeen, Ned David, and Daphne Yarram, is already planning the first meeting of the inaugural Congress – due to be held before the end of the year.

It has a big job ahead of it – finalising policies, procedures and rules, driving membership, and convening that first meeting of up to 120 delegates, including nominees of elected peak and sectoral bodies and individual experts/leaders.

Soon, it will embark on a round of national community consultations to explain the private company's somewhat radical structure to the masses.

The Australian Government has said it looks forward to working with the inaugural national executive to close the gap in Indigenous life outcomes and opportunities.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said at the organisation's launch that it offered an 'informed and strong national voice' for the goals, aspirations, interests and values of Indigenous peoples.

"The National Congress will provide a central mechanism with which governments, the corporate and community sectors can engage and partner on reform initiatives," she said.

NLC chief executive officer Kim Hill described the re-creation of a national Indigenous representative body as an important step in improving the lives of



The NCAFP's interim national executive, from left, co-chairs Kerry Arabena and Sam Jeffries, Colleen Hayward, Peter Buckskin, Daphne Yarram, Josephine Bourne, and Klynton Wanganeen. Absent is Ned David. Photo by ALEX WISSER.

Aboriginal peoples in the Northern Territory. He said Indigenous people needed a united voice in order to negotiate successful outcomes with government.

The NCAFP announcement would go down in history as a turning point in Australia's reconciliation process, said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda.

Mr Gooda said the NCAFP's evolution from a process driven by Indigenous peoples and equal representation of women and men was ground-breaking.

But president of the Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) Ray Jackson expressed doubts about the longevity of the National Congress, given its at least initial reliance on government funding and support from philanthropic and corporate

sources.

"We need our own money, money from our own people, from our own resources, from our own lands. Anything else smacks of charity at best and as a shameful fraud at worst," he said.

Mr Jackson said the Federal Government could listen politely to, and then ignore the new organisation.

The convenor of a recent series of 'New Way' summits, Michael Anderson, also pulled no punches, describing the NCAFP as 'a joke', and a waste of public funds.

He said the Government's failure to ensure public elections for membership of the \$30 million National Congress was an insult, and he hoped Indigenous Australians would have nothing to do with what he said would be an

'irrelevant organisation'.

Former Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) chairman Geoff Clark also waded in, telling his local paper the Warrnambool Standard that although the national executive had some worthy people on it, the National Congress was a 'token gesture', undemocratic and subservient to Government.

"(It's) only there to give the illusion that the Federal Government is trying to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians," Mr Clark was reported as saying.

The NCAFP has guaranteed gender balance for its office holders and delegates, and an Ethics Council that will vet delegates and advise on standards and guidelines for the Congress.

– By KIRSTIE PARKER

Waste dump opponents vow to keep fighting



the proposal despite a Senate report endorsing the site.

The Legislative and Constitutional Affairs Committee report was released on 7 May following criticism from legal experts, the NT Chief Minister, some Muckaty traditional owners and the Central Land Council.

The report suggests only minor alterations to the waste dump legislation it was examining, but recommends Federal Resources

and Energy Minister Martin Ferguson consult all parties with an interest in Muckaty Station.

Some Muckaty traditional owners who oppose the location have flagged legal action, and a team of lawyers from Darwin flew to Tennant Creek last week to prepare a case.

Solicitor George Newhouse said the Northern Land Council (NLC) had failed to consult with all relevant traditional owners, which made the nomination invalid.

"Essentially, the Northern Land Council appears to have consulted with the wrong people," he told ABC radio.

"The traditional owners with a direct spiritual connection to the

site vehemently object to the nuclear waste dump and do not want it to proceed."

Mr Newhouse said he was yet to see an anthropological report which the NLC has used to justify the nomination.

'Astonishing'

"We find it quite astonishing when we compare their determination against the land commissioner's report which clearly identifies the traditional owners we're speaking to as owners of the land."

The Beyond Nuclear Initiative (BNI) said the report would invigorate efforts to oppose a dump at Muckaty Station.

BNI spokesperson Natalie Wasley said 'many aspects of the Bill make it untenable to support'.

"Essentially, this report does nothing to challenge the government's lie that traditional owners support the dump and endorses draft legislation which is as thuggish and undemocratic as the Howard era legislation it replaces," she said.

Australian Greens nuclear spokesman Scott Ludlam accused the Government of using a Labor-led committee to push ahead with the unpopular site.

"This makes a mockery of the Senate's role to scrutinise important legislation," Mr Ludlam said in a statement when the

report was released.

"Labor had to be dragged kicking and screaming to actually hold an inquiry and refused to hold a hearing at Tennant Creek, the major town near the only nominated site, Muckaty Station," he said.

"Now, it's used its Labor majority committee to ignore the overwhelming evidence from over 230 submissions to rubber stamp its plan to impose this controversial waste dump on an unwilling community."

A spokesman for the NLC declined to comment other than to say the Senate report was a matter for the government.

– By DARREN COYNE

Registration of Interest

Aboriginal Heritage Project, Shellharbour NSW

The Shellharbour City Council proposes to upgrade the Shellharbour Beachside Tourist Park, John Street, Shellharbour. On behalf of the Council, Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd is seeking to identify Aboriginal stakeholders to be consulted for the submission of an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (Section 87) for this project. The consultation process will be conducted in accordance with the DECCW's Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents 2010. Parties are invited to register their interest with Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd. Once registration is complete, more information about the project will be provided. Please note that registration of interest does not guarantee employment.

Contact: Leigh Bate

Austral Archaeology Pty Ltd, Shop 1 92 Percival Road Stanmore NSW 2048

Tel: 02 9568 6701, **Fax:** 02 9568 6702,

Email: leigh@australarchaeology.com.au

The closing date for registration is Tuesday 1st of June 2010.

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

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

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place. Please post written information to the address below until Wednesday 16th June 2010.

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

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

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Draft Blacktown City Reconciliation Action Plan 2010 – Have your say

The Draft Blacktown City Reconciliation Action Plan 2010 is a key plan to build positive relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.

Two opportunities for a 'Community Conversation' will be held at the Max Webber Library Function Centre, Flushcombe Road, Blacktown, Tuesday, 1 June 2010, 10am – 12noon or 6.30pm – 8.30pm.
RSVP (02) 9839 6203.

Comments are welcome and must be in writing and received by Council prior to 4.30pm on 30 June 2010.

The General Manager, Blacktown City Council
PO Box 63, Blacktown NSW 2148

All comments received will be taken into consideration in preparation of the final document.

To see the plan: www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au or contact Council's Aboriginal Community Development Worker, Bob Leslie, on (02) 9839 6167 or Social Planning Coordinator, Carol Ashworth, on (02) 9839 6420.



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New system for WA jails



WA Corrective Services Reform Coordinator Jim Morrison has the task of establishing Aboriginal Services Committees at every jail in WA to give Aboriginal prisoners the best opportunities as they plan to re-enter the community.

By Perth Correspondent KEN BOASE



THE West Australian Government has agreed to establish an Aboriginal services committee at each of the state's 14 prisons in a new initiative designed to better

integrate prisoners back into the community at the end of their sentence.

The new initiative is part of the job description of the newly created Reform Coordinator at the WA Corrective Services Department, filled three months ago by Nyoongar leader Jim Morrison who moved over from the WA Disability Services Commission.

Mr Morrison said that he felt moved to apply for the role because of the historically high rate of Indigenous incarceration in Western Australia, which at the beginning of this month was nearly 40 per cent of the prison population of just over 4800.

Mr Morrison said the main focus of

his new role would be to identify employment and training opportunities for Aboriginal prisoners with the cooperation of potential employers and Aboriginal organisations.

"I feel there's a link between incarceration and the trans-generational effects of trauma on our people relating to the past policies of removal," Mr Morrison said.

"My role will be addressing Aboriginal disadvantage in prisons and the community in general with an obvious focus on the prison system, but it will also involve the re-entry of Aboriginal prisoners back into the community.

Good transition

"So we won't be only working with each prison but also working with external organisations so that the re-entry has the potential to deliver a good transition through better health, housing and education."

Mr Morrison said there were also opportunities for Indigenous prisoners to be employed before they finish their sentence.

"There are opportunities for people to be employed externally from prison under Section 95 of the WA Prison Act, so I'll be making sure that prisoners get the best opportunities to retrain or study to meet their employment aspirations."

Mr Morrison said that Aboriginal Services Committees were being set up in every jail in the state to ensure that the concerns of prisoners were heard and to give a focus on life after prison.

"It's a new initiative which has been in place only since March this year so my role is to work with the prisoners to establish those committees with the right sort of expertise on them that relates to education, health, employment, housing and community support."

Mr Morrison is also the elected co-Chair of the national Stolen Generations Alliance and is the WA co-convenor of the Bringing Them Home Committee, roles he will draw upon to involve the Corrective Services Department in Sorry Day activities.

Network criticised for rudeness



THE Nine Network has come under fire for interrupting its telecast of the rugby league Test between

Australia and New Zealand in the middle of a Welcome to Country ceremony.

The network cut to commercials as Auntie Joy Murphy, of the Wurundjeri tribe, was giving her welcome at the opening of the new rectangular sport AAMI stadium in Melbourne on Friday 7 May.

The rugby league Test match was

the first sporting fixture in the new stadium, which, among other things, will be home to the besieged National Rugby League (NRL) club Melbourne Storm.

Rob Hellar, of Melbourne was disgusted by Channel Nine's actions. "Can you imagine them interrupting the National Anthem for a commercial break?" he asked.

"I'm no fan of rugby league, but my family and I were sitting at home watching the telecast because of the significance of Melbourne having a new sports venue.

"We're sports mad down here.

"I'm not Indigenous, but I couldn't believe it when the network suddenly cut to commercials in the middle of the Welcome to Country."

Mr Heller has called on people to comment through the Facebook networking site.

As of 11am last Wednesday, 1700 people had posted comments on Facebook – nearly all them being critical of Channel Nine.

● See Your Say, Page 24, for more on this subject.

Super mining tax under fire



KIMBERLEY Land Council Executive Director Wayne Bergmann has joined a host of other Indigenous leaders in condemning the Federal Government's planned Resource Super Profits Tax (RSPT)

"We are concerned a super tax would discourage exploration and mining in remote Australia and would reduce the opportunities for Aboriginal people to participate in the boom," Mr Bergmann said.

"The biggest issue in this is that the mining industry is at the forefront of creating opportunities and benefits for Aboriginal people to participate in the economy."

"Any super tax on the mining industry would need to include a quarantined amount that is aimed at improving Aboriginal disadvantage."

"Aboriginal people are the poorest and most socially disadvantaged people in Australia and the Government needs to ensure that this tax does not make Aboriginal people any worse off."

Other Aboriginal people, including former Indigenous business leader Warren Mundine and Professor Marcia Langton have also challenged the proposal, saying it could harm Aboriginal people from remote communities who need it the most.

In his Federal Budget speech last week, Treasurer Wayne Swan said the 40 per cent tax, from July 2012, would ensure the

community charged a fairer price for Australia's resources.

"This will reduce the tax burden on less profitable resource projects and projects in their early stages, supporting greater resource sector investment and more production," Mr Swan said.

A spokesperson for Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the Minister was willing to speak with Indigenous communities to allay any fears they might have about the effects of the tax on remote Indigenous communities.

"In the coming weeks, the Minister will be speaking with Indigenous leaders to make sure they understand that the Resource Super Profit Tax will ensure Australians get a fair share from our valuable non-renewable resources," the spokesperson said.

"Modelling by Econtech suggests that in the long run, mining investment will increase by 4.5 per cent, jobs by seven per cent and mining production by 5.5 per cent."

The spokesperson said Indigenous communities would benefit from the increased investment as native title holders, with access to land continuing to be a pre-requisite for the continuance of mining.

"Costs of training Indigenous employees and accessing land are expected to be deductible project costs and not subject to or impacted by the tax," she said. — **By MAHALA STROHFELDT**



An iron ore train in Western Australia's north.

New law 'just as racist' — FAIRA

By KIRSTIE PARKER



SENATE debate on several Federal Government bills aimed at reinstating the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* (RDA) in the Northern Territory and extending

income quarantining to welfare recipients nationwide has been delayed.

The Government had hoped to get the changes through the Parliament last week but the Senate rose on Thursday without the opportunity for debate and is not due to sit again until mid-June.

The delay will be welcomed by a group calling themselves 'concerned Australians', which had urged the Government to defer deliberations until it had undertaken 'genuine' negotiations on the far-reaching reforms, and hype surrounding last week's Federal Budget had dissipated.

The group, which includes former Family Court Chief Justice Alistair Nicholson, insists that the current legislation will reinstate only a restricted version of the Racial Discrimination Act, preventing challenges to racist measures under the NT Intervention.

"Should this legislation pass, one wonders whether the Senators would have any real appreciation of the part they will play in legitimising the continuation of racist measures, in denying self-determination to Aboriginal people in the NT and in irresponsibly compromising human rights in Australia," it said.

That position found support from the Leaders of the Australian Congregations and Provinces of the Sisters of St Joseph,



FAIRA'S LES MALEZER

which last week called on the Government to ensure that its legislation restored the RDA in the NT with 'more than minimalist compliance'.

"It is disappointing to find that the legislation which goes before the Senate this week...does not restore the (RDA) in a manner that sufficiently protects the rights of Aboriginal people," said Sister Anne Derwin, on behalf of 1200 Sisters of St Joseph across Australia.

"The (RDA) requires that legislation does not negatively impact on a particular group of people identifiable by race, and should this occur, the measures involved must necessarily be for the wellbeing of the people affected, appropriate for the intended purpose, and have the informed consent of those affected by the measures. Significant parts of the current legislation don't appear to meet those criteria."

Community opposition to the changes



MINISTER JENNY MACKLIN

continues to mount, with a forum debating the legislation and other aspects of the NT Intervention being held in Melbourne tonight.

Still, the legislation's eventual passage seems reasonably assured. While the Australian Greens are maintaining their opposition to the welfare reforms and other measures, the Federal Opposition has said it won't oppose them.

In Alice Springs on Friday to hand over the keys to the first new home built in an Alice Springs town camp under the NT Intervention, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said she hoped the legislation would be back before the Senate in June.

"It's important that we understand just how critical welfare reform will be here in the NT, both for Aboriginal people but also other people in the NT who need the support of income management,"

she told journalists.

"If we are successful in getting the welfare reform legislation through the Senate in June, it will start from 1 July with discussions here in the Alice Springs area."

"This will be a very important part of our whole approach to working with children, working with families, doing everything we can to make sure that children grow up happy and healthy."

Meanwhile, the Brisbane-based Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA) has warned the government that the legislative amendments are 'just as racist as the original intervention laws and will only widen and compound Australia's international reputation as a racist country'.

The Foundation wants the Government to either re-introduce the RDA, without delay or qualification, or refer the proposed new laws to the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) for a ruling on their validity.

FAIRA chairperson Les Malezer said this was the objective course and the only real way to demonstrate political sincerity to promote human rights and racial equality in Australia.

● Tonight in Melbourne, former journalist Jeff McMullen will facilitate 'A Conversation with Aboriginal Elders from the NT' — featuring Yolngu Elder, Djirrikaymirr Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra; Alyawerre Ammatjerre Elder and Barkly Shire President, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks; and Alistair Nicholson. The event starts at 6pm at Melbourne Law School, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton.

Entry cost is \$10/\$5.

Healing is a step closer

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



LAST Friday, Message Stick chief Michael McLeod declared he felt things were 'on the right track' at the announcement of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation's first funding round of \$2 million for community-based healing projects.

Applications are now invited for grassroots projects, including the development of healing centres, cultural renewal programs, art therapy, group and individual counselling, drug and alcohol recovery projects and anger management and family violence projects. Funding up to a maximum of \$50,000 for individuals and \$400,000 for organisations is available, with applications closing on 30 June.

Friday's official launch was held at Australia Hall in Sydney, site of the 1938 Day of Mourning Congress and hailed as one of the birth places of the Aboriginal rights movement.

"For me this is an extraordinary time," Mr McLeod said. "That funding is amazing. It sends a shiver up my spine... If ever I felt we were on the right track, it's today."

Mr McLeod said he was thankful to be alive and to be able to share his story, as he told of being taken from his family at the age of 18 months, growing up a ward of the state, and starting on drugs and alcohol at the age of ten.

"By the time I was 27 I was homeless and derelict," he said. "I wandered around with no aspirations, no dreams... I was just trying to survive on a minute-to-minute, hour-to-hour basis. I look back and I don't know how I survived it."

Mr McLeod said that in his early 30s he was introduced to detox and rehab and then things 'got really hard'.

"I made the choice to get clean and sober," he said. "My journey over the last 11-and-a-half years has been extraordinary. I have learned so much about Aboriginal people around me who are still suffering."

Mr McLeod said six-and-a-half years ago he was living in poverty. Today, he's the CEO of the multi-million-dollar Aboriginal communications company – Message Stick.

He said sharing his story was one of the things he could give others, and as part of the independent selection panel which recommended foundation board members, he was proud of what had been established. He thanked Healing Foundation Chairperson Florence Onus and said he was glad he wasn't in her shoes. "If I can play a small part – fantastic. I didn't think I would live to see the day. I believe this is reconciliation. I hope we will get to the point where we are reconciled. I'm not yet... (but) it can be done," he said.

Ms Onus, who is also a member of the Stolen Generations, said she was proud of the Healing Foundation's vision statement. "We see that the healing process will restore our people to strong spirit and strong culture," she said. "We know that colonisation has stripped that from our people."

Ms Onus said that for members of the board, their involvement with the foundation was also part of their own



● ABOVE: At the launch of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation's first funding round were Foundation Chairperson Florence Onus, right, Deputy Chairperson Deb Hocking, and Message Stick CEO Michael McLeod.



● LEFT: Healing Foundation chairperson Florence Onus with Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin after the official launch.

healing journey.

"We have been walking the path of healing but we're also facilitators of healing. We are examples of what the power of healing can achieve for our people," she said.

Deputy Chairperson Debra Hocking who was also part of the original development team, said the Healing Foundation was 'mind-blowing, ground-breaking stuff'.

She said grass-roots projects that had previously been unable to get government funding, now had a much better chance.

"This hasn't been done in Australia before. It's so inspiring," she said.

"Once we roll the funding out, we're going to really create healing."

Ms Hocking was also taken from her family at 18 months of age and said she considered herself to be a survivor, not a victim. She said she was committed to assisting others, so their journey wouldn't be as hard as hers had been.

"It's a journey of survival and I'm still doing it," she said. "That's the key message I want to put out there."

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the launch of the first funding round was a 'significant milestone'.

"There's been an extraordinary level of consultation," she said. "And there's been an extraordinary level of opportunity for people right around Australia to talk about what they hope to have from a healing foundation."

Ms Macklin said that when Prime Minister Kevin Rudd made his apology, he realised it wasn't going to be enough.

"That's why the Government has been so pleased to provide the funding to enable the establishment of this foundation," she said.

The Minister said that for many people there was a lot of shame associated with talking about issues like drug and alcohol abuse, suicide and family violence 'let alone dealing with them', and one of the jobs of the Healing Foundation was to enable people to talk about these problems.

"It really is very hard to be able to live life to the full, to be able to do things that are so important in life if you are dealing with shame... we understand that if people are going to take responsibility for their own lives they need to heal," she said.

"We really look forward to this being a very, very exciting venture and we hope that people can heal from what has been a very, very difficult past."

For more information on how to apply for funding go to www.healingfoundation.org.au

● The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation will hold its first Healing Gathering in Townsville from 25-27 June. The gathering will bring together community healing programs and initiatives from around the nation and showcase best practice healing programs, allowing those attending to meet the people who deliver these programs and discuss the models available to adopt in their own communities. For expressions of interest, call Vicki or Rhonda on 0406 339 275 or email gathering@healingfoundation.org.au

UN torture report calls for treaty

By ELIZABETH MURRAY

A UNITED Nations report on torture calls for an international treaty to protect the human rights of detainees, and cites as problems issues common to Australian detention.

Human rights network the Asia Pacific Forum last month published the final report of Guantanamo torture-buster, UN Special Rapporteur Manfred Nowak, which stressed the need for equality in access to justice.

Known for his role in the UN team that revealed daily torture at the notorious US detention centre, Prof Nowak recommended charges against US President George W Bush and Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, and now emphasises the need for fully independent investigation of government brutality complaints.

The report said that, while torture occurred in isolated cases, it was more routinely practised in a widespread and systemic manner by states, by failing to invest 'sufficient resources in the administration of justice'.

Most victims of torture were 'ordinary people' suspected of committing criminal offences, usually belonging to disadvantaged, discriminated, vulnerable groups, and 'above all, those suffering from poverty'.

Confession

"The most frequent purpose of torture is the extraction of a confession," the report said and other forms of cruel treatment involved 'excessive police violence during arrest'.

In most countries, conditions existed that amounted to inhuman or degrading treatment, and included deprivation of food, water, health, education and privacy.

The report said high rates of pre-trial detention indicated something was wrong and it was a measure to be used purely as a last resort.

Among his recommendations, Prof Nowak stressed that states needed to provide resources to develop administration systems to facilitate equal access to justice for all human beings, and 'the right to a fair trial at all stages of criminal proceedings'.

"In particular, judges, prosecutors, lawyers, police and prison officials shall be properly and in sufficient number selected, educated and paid," he said.

Head of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement in South Australia Neil Gillespie is still waiting for a response to his complaint to the UN in 2008, alleging discrimination by the Rann Government through the under-funding of legal services restricting representation for Aboriginal people.

Complaint

Mr Gillespie said the complaint was lodged with the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD), and while the UN had recently sought an update from ALRM, no recommendations had yet resulted.

Last week, he wrote to Minister Penny Wong to draw her attention to continuing inadequate Aboriginal legal funding, and complained the Federal Government was not adhering to its international responsibilities and agreements.

"The disparity between our salaries and mainstream legal aid is disgraceful," Mr Gillespie said, adding 'mainstream legal aid is grossly over-funded'.

Aboriginal Legal Aid core funding had been static since 1996, though mainstream legal aid had increased over 120 per cent, he said, and it was difficult to comprehend the rationale behind the 'continuation of discriminatory behaviour of the Howard Government' under Labor.

"What is doubly concerning is the same government agency funds ALA and mainstream legal aid and does not see that its behaviour is discriminatory," Mr Gillespie said.

"The accusations of increasing racism continue to be fuelled by the entrenched racism within Government against Aboriginal people through the denial of access to justice."

Mr Gillespie last month made a presentation to the UN as part of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander delegation, about access to justice and the alarming over-representation of Indigenous juveniles in detention in Australia.

● An additional \$154 million for legal assistance services was announced in the Federal Budget last week, including a \$34.9 million allocation to Indigenous legal services.

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Favourite bush tucker?
Pig face fruit.

Favourite other food?
Indian.

Favourite drink?
Margaritas.

Favourite music?
Old-school stuff, like Led Zeppelin.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Bush walking.

Favourite read?
The Koori Mail.

Favourite holiday destination?
East Coast Tassie, Irapuna.

What are you watching on TV?
That show with the geeky guys on it that make a space ship, I can't remember the name.

What do you like in life?
Most things, sunshine.

What don't you like in life?
Creepy-crawlies.

Which black or Indigenous person would you most like to meet?
(Singer) Gurrumul Yunupingu.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Bob Marley, Barnsey (Jimmy) and Aunty Heather Brown.

Who/what inspires you?
Black activists.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
Cultural revival.

Quote



'It's about creating jobs for countrymen, training more Indigenous rangers...it's about our financial independence.'

— NLC Chairman Wali Wunungmurra speaking at last week's handback of land in the Gregory National Park.

● See page 6

Unquote

More planning is required

If the Federal Government is serious about improving health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, it is time for politicians to finally heed the call for a national planning process to bring about Indigenous health equality.

Co-Chairs of the Close the Gap Steering Committee, Mick Gooda and Tom Calma, are justified in feeling disappointed that the Federal Budget failed to deliver in this area.

Indigenous leaders and health experts have been telling governments for years that a piecemeal approach to Indigenous health will not work. They know that throwing buckets of money at the problem will not make it go away unless a proper planning process is put in place.

The Strategic Indigenous Housing Infrastructure Program (SIHIP), which so far has gone nowhere near delivering what was promised in terms of houses for remote communities, is one example of how huge amounts of government funding can apparently be chewed up by incompetency and bureaucracy.

With a little more thought and planning in the beginning, there would no doubt be a lot more house keys being handed over to people by now.

Instead, promises are made, but not delivered. It's the same in the area of Indigenous health. The Federal Government forges onwards, doing things the way it has always done, with little regard for the views of our own health experts.

Our community-controlled health organisations are left year after year,



OUR SAY

waiting for funding scraps, or having to compete with mainstream services for grants. No wonder the 'motherhood' statements from politicians about working alongside Indigenous Australians towards a common goal sound more and more like 'feel good platitudes' as the years roll by and further opportunities are lost.

A true partnership requires listening on both sides, and must also involve those at the 'coal-face' of Indigenous health. Unless this happens it is unlikely that the Government will achieve its aim of health equality for Indigenous Australians by 2030.

All in all this year's Budget was largely 'steady as she goes', albeit with some good initiatives such as the roll-out of Opal fuel to another 11 communities, and the extension of CDEP reforms to the Torres Strait Islands. But that lack of a real plan needs to be corrected if the Government wants to be seen as interested in substance, rather than mere spin or re-election.

Here's hoping that the new National Congress of Australia's First Peoples might go some way towards improving the lines of communication between Indigenous Australians and politicians.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Choreographing his life's work

By DARREN COYNE

It took many years for Noel Tovey to finally acknowledge the voices of his ancestors.

Growing up in the slums of Melbourne, they were drowned out by the terrible sounds associated with an environment saturated with drugs, alcohol and violence.

During those years the last thing on his mind was his Aboriginality ... he was more interested in simply surviving day to day.

But survive he did, becoming one of Australia's leading actors, choreographers and dancers, albeit perhaps renowned more in Europe than his own country.

When you hear his story, you can't help but wonder how.

Still, it's the kind of story that some people will find difficult to hear.

Raped by a close relative at age of four, Tovey was trapped in an environment that would have broken many people.

His Aboriginal mother was an alcoholic who cleaned brothels while his father, of African descent, was in and out of jail.

"I grew up being starved as a kid. When we were taken away, we should have been taken away for our own good," he reflects.

"I'm not saying this whole policy of taking kids away was good, but in our case it was the right thing. I'm 76-years-old now and I can reflect and be honest about these things."

Removed from his parents aged just six-years-old, he said he and his sister endured further abuse at the hands of their foster father, being raped almost every day.

One-man show

It was no better at school where he was bashed and bullied and called 'Little Black Bastard', a name he would later give his autobiography and one-man show.

By the time he was 12, Tovey was living on the streets, selling his body to survive.

By 17, he was in Pentridge prison after being arrested at a drag party.

It was there, sitting alone contemplating suicide that he heard the voices of his ancestors, something that has since happened throughout his life.

"They told me to keep going ... that everything would work out," Tovey told *The Koori Mail*.

So keep going he did, and with renewed confidence he began pursuing a career as a dancer and in local theatre and television productions.

He proved a natural on the stage, and with his good looks and determination, Australia soon became too small and he left for London with a young wife and a daughter.

With less than a pound in his pocket he quickly found work as a dancer, and also appeared on television.

Within a year he was the principal dancer at Sadler's Wells Theatre, and quickly gained a reputation as a choreographer.

But still he had trouble with identity.

"When I left for England in 1960, I'd invent stories about my past and be whatever people wanted me to be," Tovey said.



NOEL TOVEY

'You simply cannot rely on others but must push yourself to succeed, and that involves pursuing an education'

The play worked and soon he was mixing with the creative artistic set, and counted people such as George Harrison and Judy Garland among his friends.

"I arrived in Europe at a time when

London was really swinging. By 1972 I'd opened an art gallery and was mixing with all types," he said.

"George Harrison was a friend of mine and I knew all the wild people. Life was

great in that era, but there was a whole group of friends who fell by the wayside because of drugs ... a lot of people just didn't make it."

His own daughter was one who didn't make it, dying of a heroin overdose at a young age, which helps explain why Tovey is strongly anti-drugs.

It was not until his long-term partner Dave died of an AIDS-related illness, that he returned to the country of his birth after 30 years in London.

While visiting Sydney for a holiday in 1990, he was sitting alone at Bronte Beach when he again heard voices.

"They were the same voices I heard while sitting in Pentridge contemplating suicide, and they said, 'Come home'," he recalled.

Finally, after all those years, he did, and in doing so, also began to acknowledge who he really was.

He began to embrace his Aboriginality, as if making up for lost time.

Becoming something of an activist for Indigenous people, Tovey began working with young people experiencing the same tough upbringing he had endured.

"I would tell them my story and say look at me, if I can be a success after everything that happened, so can you," he said.

Ambassador

He has also sat on various committees, including at the invitation of the Prime Minister, and has been an Australia Day ambassador on a number of occasions, always requesting to go somewhere remote where he feels he might do the most good.

He has worked with young people in jails, and also mentored young actors and dancers.

One of the main lessons, Tovey says, is to be proud of who you are.

"If you're proud of being black and you're proud of being gay then there's no stigma – it's other people's problems," he said.

He is also adamant that now is the time for change, believing that this is the golden era for Indigenous people, especially since the apology to the Stolen Generations.

"People have to stop hating. They have to learn to move on," he said.

He is adamant however that the strength to move on comes from within.

"You simply cannot rely on others but must push yourself to succeed, and that involves pursuing an education," he said.

"I made sure that whenever I had lessons (for acting, dancing etc) I went to the best teachers," he said. "I was determined to succeed."

And while life continues to throw up challenges – such as the past 12 months during which he has battled a rare form of cancer – Tovey continues to move ahead.

Although still recuperating, he is planning another season of his one-man play *Little Black Bastard*, and will be taking it to the Edinburgh Festival in Scotland later this year.

"I can only perform it for a short time because it brings back too many painful memories," he admits.

St Vinnies launch its winter appeal

THE St Vincent de Paul Society has launched its 2010 Winter Appeal, with the theme 'No One Should Have to Know This'.

The appeal has a target of \$4.5 million. Money raised will go to continuing the work that 'St Vinnies' does in providing accommodation, food, education and financial and material support to people who are marginalised and disadvantaged.

"This winter, thousands of people in crisis will be left with no option other than to do whatever they can do to make it through the long, harsh, challenging and lonely months," said the society's Manager of Community and Corporate Relations, Julie McDonald.

"These individuals and families know things that no-one in a country such as ours should ever have to know.

"Many disadvantaged families, for example, know to sleep together in one room to save on heating. Homeless people know that it is safer to stay in groups, to try and avoid violence on the streets. And there are people with no other option who know the cheapest rent in the city is in a storage facility."

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The program reflects the Australian Government's commitment to Indigenous education, and provides professional development opportunities for Indigenous scholars.
How the scholarships will work:

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- Priority will be given to staff undertaking postgraduate awards and who have not previously received an Indigenous Staff Scholarship.
- Scholarships will be awarded on merit against the selection criteria detailed in the guidelines.
- Scholarship recipients will be selected by the Minister for Education on advice from the Indigenous Higher Education Advisory Council.

Applications close on: 25 June 2010
(No late applications will be accepted).
Program information, guidelines and the application form are at: www.deewr.gov.au/iss

But I have feelings, dammit!

THE other day, I was online chatting to an old flame I used to see now and again. We had the usual 'Where do you live? What do you do? How many kids you got?' yarn.

I must say, I was hopeful, as this one was telling me that they lived locally, they had a job, and they had a kid, but weren't with the other parent (though they were on good speaking terms).

This was a person I really liked then and apparently could still like now.

Back in the day, we weren't a couple or anything – we never went for a walk down town together or went to the shops for a spot of luncho and I was certainly never introduced to his family or friends.

If I had to name what kind of relationship we had, it was the type where the



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popular kid is friends with the fat kid who lives next door, but at school the popular kid completely ignores the other one.

I remember this one time, we happened to run into each other at the local markets, and this one was with their friends and completely walked past me! No good. That night, I

get a phone call saying 'Oh sorry, I didn't even see you there'.

It's easy to believe that could be true. It was good reminiscing with someone who knew me back in the day, so much so that I was thinking it would be nice to start something up again. After all, we're both adults now.

I was thinking over and over again 'could I get back with this one?' They seemed to have their stuff together. Surely they would walk down town with me now!

I was getting those fuzzy feelings in my heart at the thought of it all, but in my head – just left of my medulla oblongata, right down the bottom of my neo-cortex – a little voice was saying 'No, no, no! They haven't acknowledged your feelings! What about your FEELINGS?' Damn feelings! They're

just the thing to get in the way of a perfectly acceptable brain-made decision. But my neo-cortex was right. What about my feelings?

I feel shame about being ignored at the markets and not being introduced to their family and friends. And at the back of my mind – you know where – I think I would always feel a bit funny about it.

I know I have to bring it up with this one the next time we chat. Talking about feelings is hard, but at least I will finally have said something that has been bothering me for a long time.

And, if they don't take it, well then, I guess I'll have to deal with their feelings.

Feelings! Sharing them doesn't always mean you get resolution.

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See it through

IT is fitting that a key milestone in Australia's history of native title is a significant date in National Reconciliation Week, to be celebrated from 27 May.

National Reconciliation Week concludes on 3 June, the anniversary of the High Court of Australia's historic 1992 judgment in the Mabo native title case.

That judgment recognised, for the first time since colonisation, Indigenous peoples' rights in relation to their traditional lands under their traditional laws and customs.

It provided the impetus for the Native Title Act which, since 1994, has given Indigenous people in many parts of Australia the opportunity to have their native title rights and interests recognised.

Around the same time, the importance of understanding, respect, trust and harmony between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people was being recognised in government policies promoting reconciliation.

The Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation was established in 1991 to promote these values and it operated until 2000, the same year as the reconciliation bridge walks.

Reconciliation Australia, a national organisation, was then established. Its aim is to build and promote reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians for the wellbeing of the nation.

Ten years on, Reconciliation Australia has set this year's National Reconciliation Week theme as

'Reconciliation: Let's see it through!', asking people to embrace the future and aspire to achieve great things together.

This goal sits well with the National Native Title Tribunal's vision of timely, effective native title and related outcomes-which can be considered as reconciliation on the ground.

Native title processes continue to make a significant contribution to reconciliation.

They help develop relationships between diverse groups of people who come together because they have interests in particular land or waters.

Native title outcomes over the past decade show how this relationship



NATIVE TITLE AND YOU

with National Native Title Tribunal President GRAEME NEATE

between native title and reconciliation has progressed and how a commitment to 'see it through' has been realised.

Ten years ago, at 30 April 2000, after the Native Title Act had been operating for six years, there were 10 registered determinations of native title, eight that native title existed.

'Native title outcomes over the past decade show how this relationship between native title and reconciliation has progressed'

Since then (at 30 April 2010), 119 more determinations of native title have been registered, including 84 that native title exists. Another three determinations are awaiting registration. Many determinations are the result of negotiations between the parties.

There are also many Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) about the use of land and waters where native title might exist.

The number of registered ILUAs

continues to grow as parties realise how useful these agreements can be in clarifying how the interests of each group can co-exist.

The scheme for ILUAs was introduced in 1998. By April 2000, just six ILUAs were registered with the Tribunal. The number of registered ILUAs now totals 420 (at 30 April 2010) and they cover more than 14 per cent of Australia's land and waters.

Other government activity has been undertaken and policies introduced which connect native title and reconciliation.

Since September 2005, Commonwealth Attorneys-General have convened annual meetings of native title ministers from State, Territory and Federal governments, to work together to achieve better outcomes for all native title stakeholders.

The ministers have developed guidelines for negotiating broader and regional land settlements, and have discussed how the Commonwealth might finance states and territories to settle native title claims. The group has also taken steps to ensure a coordinated approach to identifying existing Commonwealth programs and resources that may support native title settlements.

The spirit of agreement-making is evident in other negotiations around the country. Indigenous and non-Indigenous people are coming together, often for the first time, to work out how their needs can be addressed through the native title process, often in relation to proposed exploration and mining projects.

Tribunal resources and mediation services support many negotiations.

Through native title we see understanding and trust develop where it may not

have existed before.

National Reconciliation Week is a good opportunity to reflect on how far the community has come during the past ten years and to acknowledge the positive role of the native title process in reconciliation.

We can draw on positive experiences to meet the many challenges ahead, including reaching more agreements and ensuring that the parties to each agreement 'see it through'.



Lola Edwards, of Springwood, NSW, is disgusted that the Nine Network interrupted its telecast of the rugby league Test match in Melbourne during Aunty Joy Murphy's Welcome to Country, but showed the New Zealand team performing the Haka without interruption. ● Her letter is on Page 24

An alternative political party the best avenue

HOW does the National Congress for Australia's First Peoples (NCAFP) fill the void left after ATSIC abolition?

Whereas the people had an opportunity to directly participate and elect ATSIC representatives, the people have no direct say in who the NCAFP's executive, delegates or nominees will be.

Calling the NCAFP a Congress implies that it has some determinate role to play in government. No private organisation has any determinate role in government decision-making process.

Like Lotto, the Congress is only to

benefit the very few, and the choice to opt in or out is not true democracy. True democracy is an opportunity to cast a vote.

John Howard and others thought they found the final solution to the Aboriginal problem. They dealt with Noel Pearson, who then hatched the principles for the Howard Government and later Rudd Government policy that is now the Northern Territory Intervention and income management in north Queensland, soon to be rolled out across Australia.

Kevin Rudd and Jenny Macklin threw some money at a few blackfellas and they came up with a Clayton's representative body.

The continuation of the intervention in the NT demonstrates what Rudd and Macklin's real intentions are towards Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people – action always speaks louder than words.

It's about time we developed an alternative political party that represents the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people rather than propping

up an organisation that represents 'humble' bourgeois Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

It may take ten or 20 years, but it would be time and resources better spent than maintaining the 'status quo' of grovelling to practicing racial supremacy.

Nothing will really change until we have an independent voice and vote at the only representative institution that matters, the Australian Parliament.

LESLIE COE
NSW

Give new Congress a chance to perform



The NCAFP's interim national executive, from left, co-chairs Kerry Arabena and Sam Jeffries, Colleen Hayward, Peter Buckskin, Daphne Yarram, Josephine Bourne, Klynton Wanganeen.

Photo by ALEX WISSER

WHO knows for sure if the National Congress for Australia's First Peoples will work where ATSIC couldn't? Not me, but I hope it does. We need something to give us a rev and maybe the Congress is it. What do we have to lose?

I think things have gone from bad to worse for Aboriginal people in the past few years. Would the Government have gone ahead with the intervention in the Northern Territory if there was someone like the Congress spoke out against it?

I wasn't ATSIC's biggest fan. I didn't vote in all of the regional elections either, because I was usually too busy. But I always kept an ear out for what our ATSIC representatives said on the radio. They made me feel like, even though we weren't at the big table, at least we were in the boxing tent. No-one misses you if you're not there.

I would like to see some more people from over this way on the National Congress, and some more people from the bush. There's a big difference between Sydney and Kalgoorlie. I read about the Congress committee in *The Koori Mail* and had never heard of half of

the people on it. But the old saying about black and white crabs rings loud and clear to me. We have to stop straight away cutting down anyone we don't know and trust that maybe, just maybe, they can do a good job.

I'm a member of the land council back home and always will be but I'll still sign up to the Congress because I want to know what's going on. As they say, knowledge is power.

To anyone who doesn't want to be a part of the Congress, I say 'Fair enough, that's your right. Keep going your own way but don't stop others who want to have a go'.

B THOMSON
Gosnells, WA

POETRY

And they call it Xenophobia Allover

(Only Grass Castles Burning)

That girl's still-not, beyond the pale,
no Muslims envailed in her lebensraum dale.

Must stem from the time that she spent in white jail.

That rattled the palings and snapped at the blinds.

Of the white-picket failure to understand why.

A bark hut like Pauline's must go up for sale.

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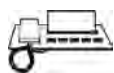
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Disgraceful disrespect

SETTLING down to watch Australia v New Zealand on Friday 7 May on Channel Nine and the celebration of the new stadium in Melbourne, I was taken by the presence of the didgeridoo player.

I said to my husband, 'Oh good, they are having a ceremonial Welcome to Country'.

The visual of Aunty Joy Murphy in a possum cloak brought tears to my eyes. Aunt looked magnificent!

Then, as she began to speak so eloquently of her Country in welcoming fans to the stadium, suddenly and without explanation, Channel Nine cut to a commercial break.

In a moment of stunned shock, I could not respond to my husband when he asked, 'What happened there?'

Immediately I switched to another channel. On returning to Channel Nine, we were quite astounded to see that the Haka being performed by the New Zealand players was being televised in full.

I am sure New Zealand television would not be permitted to treat their Indigenous people's culture with such disrespect and our Maori brothers and sisters would be shocked to hear that this is the way Australia's Aboriginal people are still being treated.

Last night, 'Closing the Gap' became a wide, deep chasm for us and reconciliation only a word.

LOLA EDWARDS
Springwood, NSW



The Channel Nine cameras kept rolling for the the New Zealand team performing the Haka before the Australia v New Zealand rugby league match at AAMI Stadium in Melbourne, on Friday 7 May. But the network went to a commercial break as Aunty Joy Murphy was giving her Welcome to Country speech. (AAP Image)



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Tribute

Judy Chester: 'A life that was too short'

CHAIRPERSON of the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Bev Manton has expressed her deep sadness at the death of Judy Chester, a significant figure in the land rights movement in NSW and a leading light in women's rights, trade unionism and Aboriginal education.

Ms Chester, 59, passed away on 2 May after a brief battle with cancer and was buried at Wellington on 7 May.

Ms Manton said Ms Chester was instrumental in the founding of the Liverpool-based

Gandangara Aboriginal Land Council.

"In fact, Judy was Gandangara's first chairperson," Ms Manton said. "More broadly, she played a significant role in Aboriginal affairs in New South Wales for several decades."

Judy was the partner of Kevin Cook, one of the founders of the NSW Aboriginal Lands Rights network.

"Like Kevin, Judy honed her skills in the trade union movement," Ms Manton said.

"She was an active member of the Community and Public Sector

Union (CPSU), worked for the CPSU as a key union organiser as well as being instrumental in the establishment of the CPSU's Aboriginal network in NSW."

Ms Manton said Judy was also an active member of the women's movement and was a key figure in the establishment and growth of Tranby Aboriginal College at Glebe.

But it was Judy's determination to fight for land rights – and black rights – that Ms Manton remembered most.

"When it came to Aboriginal land, Judy was passionate about

land rights and the need for Aboriginal people to secure land as an economic base for future generations," she said.

"She deserves to be remembered not just as Kevin's partner, but in her own right as a great champion for her people, as someone who devoted her life to righting wrongs.

"Judy never backed down from her beliefs, nor compromised them. She committed her life and considerable energy to fighting against racism, ignorance and paternalism

"Judy was a great Australian

who fought to try and make Australia a fairer and better country for us all."

"Judy has left us early, as is the fate of too many Aboriginal men and women. She will be missed by both the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal community – Australia, and New South Wales in particular, is the poorer for her loss."

"Our hearts are with her husband Kevin, who himself is in ill health, and their family at this time." Ms Chester is survived by her three children and six grand children.

Fair comment

Having just read my 7 April issue of *The Koori Mail*, I would like to comment on Sharon Livermore's letter 'Who is black and Who is white?' I agree with Sharon. Who in their right mind would declare their Aboriginality, unless it were true.

And if you are like me with paler skin, because of an Irish mother and my late father was Aboriginal, I find myself having to explain my Aboriginality over and over.

I belong to an Aboriginal co-op, and non-Indigenous people who attend functions, say 'you don't look Aboriginal', so again and again I stress I was born in Tasmania.

"Yes, there are Aboriginal people there," I have explained the dances at NAIDOC functions.

I just wish people could go to a library, read about our history and learn about our culture before handing out insulting, hurtful comments.

What do we get out of being Indigenous? Not money, not hand-outs – but plenty of racist remarks. What we do have is our pride, of our land, and who we are.

NAJELLA GREEN
Palm Beach, Qld

POETRY

Who am I? I said to me as I awoke today,
what will I be called to do, will it be work or play.
Why is it so important that I plan what should be done?
Must I rely on others to have my bit of fun?
Aren't I just a human, a creature of this earth?
or do I think I'm special and above just what I'm worth.
Self esteem we all must have, as part of all mankind,
to tread the path of destiny and not go wandering blind.
Some folk say I'm sweet and kind, and others say I'm rough,
whilst I take those comments on, they will never be enough.
What really counts is what goes on while I'm alone with me.
I think what happens right inside, is what I'm meant to be.
Each day I find I'm ageing and that is how it goes,
all my life I find has been, a life of highs and lows.
The people who surround me are loved ones by the score,
family friends and colleagues provide an open door.
The peace that comes with ageing is impossible to explain,
with slowing mind and body, I enjoy both sun and rain. I really think that is me.

HAROLD HUNT (2008)
St Marys, NSW



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Elsa Morton has her hair done by local teacher Emma Duyvestyn.



Event organiser Deniece Geia, left, with Selena Shepherd.



Candy Walsh gets her hair styled while enjoying a glass of non-alcoholic bubbly.



Celeste Sailor shows off her painted fingernails.

Mums pampered

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON



MORE than 150 Palm Island women were pampered at an 'Honouring Mothers Luncheon' at the local PCYC – and they loved it.

The event was held on 8 May, the day before Mother's Day, and women aged from 17 to their 80s were treated to massages, had their hair styled, nails painted, and make-up applied.

The event was organised by Deniece Geia, of the Palm Island Red Cross, with assistance from Lavenia Tuibua, and support from PCYC manager police sergeant Bernard Mead.

Mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers and even a couple of great great grandmothers were served lunch and desserts cooked and prepared by a chef from Townsville.

Key sponsor Rotary provided each mother with a grocery hamper to the value of \$60 delivered to their houses after the event, and lots of prizes were given away.

"The purpose of the exciting event is to honour our mothers and love and appreciate what our mothers do for us," Mrs Geia said.



Great grandmother Peena Geia, right, was the queen at this table on Palm Island.

"Some of us have lost our mothers but yet we still miss them and talk about how much we

valued and loved them." The message Mrs Geia wanted to get out to all Palm

Islanders was to love and respect their mothers.

The *Koori Mail* was invited and

spoke to many mothers. They all loved the attention.

Oreil Palmer was enjoying a massage.

"This is the first time that I have had a massage on Palm Island and it is so relaxing," she said.

Former Mayor Erykah Kyle had a foot spa massage, which she described as 'just glorious'. And Elizabeth Coolwell had face make-up applied by Leanne Mick-Ramsamy, from Cairns.

Candy Walsh, who enjoyed a glass of non-alcoholic champagne as she had her hair styled, said Palm women normally had to travel to the mainland at great expense.

"To have this here on Palm makes us feel special," she said.

Celeste Sailor, 17, was one of the youngest there and loved getting her fingernails painted blue and pink.

Mrs Geia thanked the event sponsors, community volunteers and other supporters.

"And I want to say a big thank you to all the mothers who responded to the personal invitations," she said.

"It was amazing to see so many beautiful women enjoying themselves immensely."

It is expected the day will become an annual event.

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Bypass angst



ANGST is continuing over the proposed section of a road in Southern Tasmania, which will cover 40,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre's Legal Director Michael Mansell last week took the gloves off, telling *The Koori Mail* that the Tasmanian Government's idea of protecting the site was laughable and contemptuous.

The proposed Brighton Bypass site has been described by archaeologist Rob Paton as 'an important place for interpreting the deep history of Tasmania, but also of archaeology on a worldwide scale'.

Based on evidence from archaeological investigations so far, Mr Paton estimated that the site, known as the Jordan River Levee contains around 3 million stone artefacts.

Mr Mansell said the Government's proposed traffic solution mount to absolute contempt to an Aboriginal heritage landscape that was 'an historical and cultural icon'.

"The proposal is to construct a massive earth wall within metres of the actual archaeology dig area that destroys the landscape within which the relics were found," he said.

"The proposal is to then construct large piers 70 metres on the other side of the site. The bridge will span the dig area by no more than 5 metres," he said.

"It is 35,000 years older than the pyramids, and we know that people value them."

Mr Mansell explained that a government report had been released highlighting an alternative route proposed by the Aboriginal community. But he said the report exaggerated the number of properties that would need to be compulsorily acquired.

He said the report said 30 but the actual route proposed by the Aboriginal community only required two properties to be acquired and followed the path of an existing train line, which was on crown land.

He accused the government of getting the property owners off-side with the Aboriginal community, labelling it a political stunt.

Mr Mansell is seeking an independent engineer to assess the accurate version of the proposed alternative route.

"The decision to destroy or save the site is entirely in the hands of David O'Byrne," he said.

"We are making a submission to David O'Byrne and asking him to declare the area a protected Aboriginal site under the Aboriginal Relics Act."

In a statement, the new Environment, Parks and Heritage Minister David O'Byrne did not dispute the importance of the heritage site.

"My department has insisted on a rigorous assessment process so as to fully understand the Jordan River site and its scientific and cultural importance," Mr O'Byrne said.

"The interim report from the archaeologists has confirmed that the levee, which intersects the Brighton bypass route, is a site of great significance and importance to the Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

Mr O'Byrne said the Government knew the Aboriginal heritage was unique and globally significant.

Mr O'Byrne said a decision on the Jordan River levee site had yet to be made.

Meanwhile, 15 people who were arrested late last year in protests that bought works on the bypass to a short standstill appeared in court last week, to face charges of trespass and disobeying police.

Their cases were adjourned to 1 July.

Tasmanian Aboriginal activists Michael Mansell and Jim Everett were amongst those in court last week.



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From left, film-maker and Screen Australia's Indigenous Department head Erica Glynn, Noby Clay and Darren Dale, who co-curates the Message Sticks film festival with Rachel Perkins.



At the festival, from left, Renee Bani, Rose Love, Miah Wright and Siobahn Kaka.



SALLY RILEY
Photo by JAMES MORGAN



With film director Warwick Thornton, right, were, from left, Beth Sometimes, Derek Lynch, and Jennifer Wells who were all part of Big hART/Windmill Theatre's production of *Nyuntu Ngali*.
See review on page 53.



Daniel's 21st producer Gillian Moody and lead actor Rhimi Johnson-Page.



From left, Emma Donovan, Jodie Matthews and Peggy Carter at the premiere of *Nin's Brother* and *Big Fella*.

Tears, laughs and plenty more

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



WATCHING *Boxing for Palm Island* for the very first time in Sydney earlier this month, Noby Clay said she cried three times, managed to stop herself crying a fourth time, and laughed the rest of the way.

"It was deadly," said the 27-year-old 2009 Australian Amateur Boxing League champion, who was one of four young Aboriginal boxers followed by director Adrian Wills and his film crew in the one-hour documentary.

"I can't wait for people on Palm Island to see it. I don't mind having a laugh at myself, so I'm not too scared of their reaction, but I hope they like it as much as we did."

The film received a standing ovation at the Sydney Opera House, where it had its world premiere on the opening night of the Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival on 6 May, and again at the Blacktown Arts Centre the following night.

Director Adrian Wills said he first heard about 73-year-old boxing trainer Ray Dennis and the work he was doing with Palm Island's youth after the film's producer, Michaela Perske, showed him a newspaper article.

"I liked the story and once I went up to Palm Island I thought, 'there's something here. I want to do it,'" he said.

"I knew what the perception of Palm Island was, but I also knew I would come out with a very different story.

"I think it's really inspiring because it's a group of people who are really achieving stuff, and it's people who are really proud of the Island.

'Beautiful community'

"It's a beautiful community. A lot of whitefellas in the press put shit on Aboriginal communities. That's one of the reasons why I make films."

Apart from Noby Clay, who is seen in the film breast-feeding her one-year-old daughter just before a bout at the national titles in Geelong last year, the film also follows Selwyn Seaton and Dennis Haines Jnr, who are both national champions in their weight division, and Craig De Satge, who won bronze at the Queensland state titles.

Selwyn credits the confidence he has gained through boxing in helping him get a traineeship in carpentry, with an apprenticeship to follow next year.

Meanwhile, Dennis Jnr, who has won six gold medals in the past two years, has got his sights firmly fixed on the Olympics. Proud father Dennis Haines Snr is also in the film.

Mr Wills said he was blown away by the athleticism and talent of the young people on Palm Island.

"There's a lot of communities around where there's not a lot for the kids to do," he said. "There's no infrastructure or facilities to do anything other than hang out with mob."

"But here's a community that's worked hard and are really achieving things. These guys are all champions."

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Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival



Stars of *Boxing for Palm Island*, from left, amateur boxing champions Selwyn Seaton and Dennis Haines Jr, boxing coach Ray Dennis, female amateur boxing champ Noby Clay and Qld state title winner Craig De Satge.



Star of Michael Longbottom's documentary *Big Fella* Rodney Ardler, centre, with Koby Abberton, left, and Greg Winter.



Boxing for Palm Island director Adrian Wills and producer Michaela Perske.



First time film-maker Mary Munro with her mother Jenny Munro. Both women appear in the highly personal documentary *Nin's Brother* which premiered at Message Sticks.



Actor Luke Carroll, left, with Ashley Cheadle. Photo by JAMES MORGAN

Message Sticks to tour around nation

● From facing page

Ms Clay, who talks in the film about her substance abuse problems before moving to Palm Island from Townsville, said she thought the documentary would show people another side of Palm.

Mr Wills said he and his team thought very carefully about who they were going to follow in the film.

"We had to find people who were happy to talk about themselves and had something to say," he said.

"Putting a camera in front of someone changes things straight away. These guys were cast because they had the 'X' factor, I guess."

While the Palm Island boys were somewhat shy at their public appearances, Ms Clay, who was mobbed by school students at a day-time

Lani's Story a feature

ALSO featured in the Message Sticks film festival was *Lani's Story*, which screens on SBS ONE next Tuesday, 25 May, at 8.30pm.

Written and directed by first-time film-maker Genevieve Grieves, the film follows Lani Brennan who was raped, beaten with a hammer and almost choked to death by her partner on Christmas Day in 2000.

It's an account of her violent relationship, her long and courageous fight for justice and the greater ramifications of the guilty verdict.

It's also a love story, as it was John, her new partner, who gave Lani the strength to be that rarity: An Aboriginal woman laying charges against one of her own.

The film also seeks to explain why battered women so often suffer in silence, and tackles the specific Indigenous issue of 'don't trust the cops'.

SBS says *Lani's Story* is ultimately an uplifting tale, and one which Lani hopes will help others to face up to their realities.

screening, was in her element.

"At the Q&A after the screening, none of the boys really wanted to answer," she said. "So I made sure I had a microphone all to myself.

"I'm sort of at the stage where whatever happens I'm open to it, but I think things are going to be looking up."

● The Message Sticks film festival tours nationally, with the next screenings in Mt Isa

1-2 June (venue still to be confirmed), Canberra 12-13 June and Adelaide 15-16 June. See our next edition for a story about the documentary films *Big Fella* and *Nin's Brother*.



NSW Minister Linda Burney with *Boxing for Palm Island*'s Noby Clay.

Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival



Rihab Charida, left, and Lia Pa'apa'a enjoyed the night.



Enjoying the post-launch buzz were, from left, Nancia Guivarra, from Sydney, Ursula Raymond and her daughter Nina Fitzgerald from Darwin, and actor Pauline Whyman from Victoria.



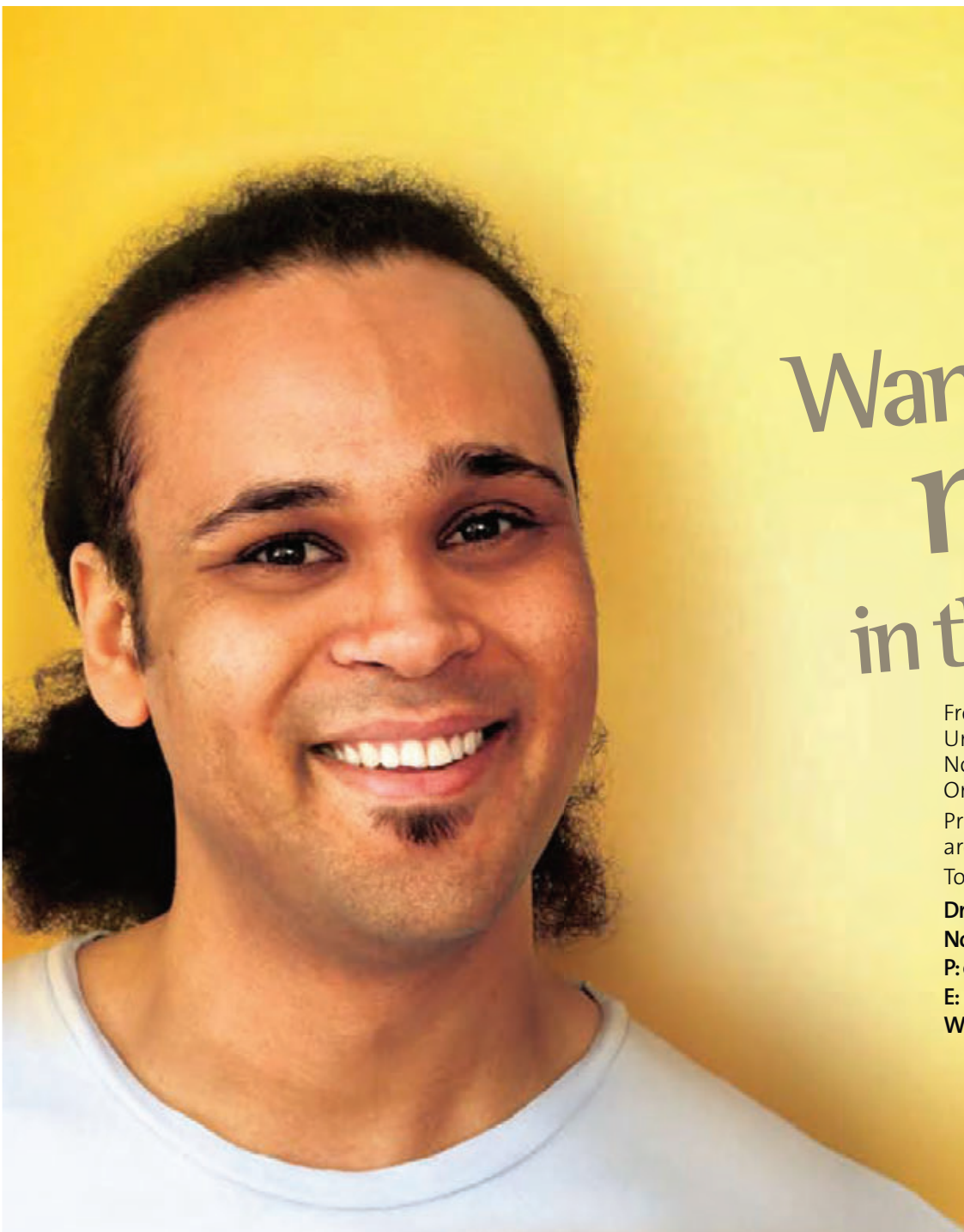
Dalara Williams (left) and Nikita Tompkins were among the crowd.




From left to right, Walter Kovaks, Tara Gower and Nathan Leslie.



Jason De-Santolo, left, and John Harvey.





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Indigenous delegation gets items on agenda

By KEN BOASE in Perth



AN Australian Indigenous delegation to the United Nations in New York representing the

West Australian and South Australian Aboriginal legal services has managed to get two items on the agenda of next year's Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) discussions.

The UNPFII is an advisory body to the Economic and Social Council, with a mandate to discuss Indigenous issues related to economic and social development, culture, the environment, education, health and human rights.

The two items focus on Australian law and how it discriminates against Indigenous people, and further development of the relationship with the UN Special Rapporteur on Indigenous issues.

A spokesman for the delegation, WA Aboriginal Legal Service Executive Officer Dennis Eggington, said it was a significant achievement to get the two agenda items into the forum considering the competition from many other Indigenous groups around the



ALSWA CEO Dennis Eggington and Australian Indigenous Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda in the main meeting chamber of the United Nations.

world. Mr Eggington said the agenda item on legal issues, called the Doctrine of Discovery, would mean the UN would examine closely Australian laws that discriminated against

Indigenous people and the Government's justification for those laws.

"These laws do not have a legal foundation and there was no legal justification for putting

these laws in place," Mr Eggington told *The Koori Mail*.

"I compare it to terra nullius, that is that the colonising countries created these laws based on their own religious backgrounds and claimed that they had a divine right to deal with 'savages' or 'natives' or whatever they called us back in those times."

Mr Eggington said Australia was seeking to become a permanent member of the UN Security Council but, in order for that to happen, it also had to commit to upholding other UN resolutions such as the economic and social rights of Indigenous peoples.

"So Australia can't accept the UN on some levels and then deny us as Aboriginal people our basic rights as First Nations people of this country," he said.

Mr Eggington said that, given Australia had now signed off on the UN Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous People, then it must also 'domesticate' that instrument to include the rights of Indigenous people at a local level.

He said that could include constitutional change right through to how organisations adopt the declaration in their workplaces.



PATRICIA LAURIE

Better water for Muli



THE NSW Aboriginal Land Council says the 160-strong Aboriginal

community of Muli Muli, in far northern NSW, will soon have a decent water supply, with a new water treatment plant servicing the community almost operational.

The nearby villages of Urbenville and Woodenbong will also benefit from the new water plant, which has been built out of a \$200 million, 25-year water and sewerage program jointly funded by NSWALC and the State Government.

NSWALC North Coast representative Patricia Laurie said on 6 May that she'd been told the new water treatment plant would open within the next month or so.

"The Muli Muli community – and the other communities – have put up with a water supply with unacceptable bacteria levels and high sediment levels for far too long," Cr Laurie said.

"Until the new water plant comes on line there is the ongoing public health risk because of the non-potable water supply, with the Health Department having to regularly work with the community to minimise that risk."

Cr Laurie said everyone knew that because of the water content residents had to regularly buy new electric appliances such as kettles or water jugs.

"Community members said the elements burned out every two years or so," she said.

Muli Muli Local Aboriginal Land Council CEO Matthew Green said the community and nearby villages had been working with Kyogle and Tenterfield shire councils for several years to finally see the point where the new water treatment plant was almost ready to open.

"When this happens it will overcome our problems," he said. "We have now formally handed over operational responsibility of our water and sewerage systems to Kyogle Shire Council. I think we're one of the first LALCs in the State to do so."

"We now have a solid working relationship with the Kyogle Shire Council. Our community can't wait to get a decent water supply."

Men's health policy backed



THE National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) has welcomed Australia's first National Male Health Policy, launched by Prime Minister

Kevin Rudd on 7 May.

The \$16.7 million commitment encourages men of all ages to take action to improve their own health and recognises that this requires information, assistance and support, across six priority areas:

- Optimal health outcomes for males
- Health equity between population groups of males
- Improved health for males at different life stages
- A focus on preventive health for males
- Building a strong evidence base on male health
- Improved access to health care for males.

"The National Male Health Policy recognises that while the life expectancy of the Australian man at 78.7 years is among the highest in the world, this is still five years shorter than the expected life of an Australian woman at 83.7 years," said Mr Rudd.

"This is partly due to preventable conditions or where men experience premature deaths



NACCHO's Justin Mohamed says Strong Fathers, Strong Families initiative will help Aboriginal men.

such as cardiovascular disease and lung cancer at higher rates than women. Further to this, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men are particularly vulnerable, living on average 11.5 years less than non-Indigenous men."

The new health policy's funding included \$6 million for a parenting initiative called Strong Fathers, Strong Families for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men.

NACCHO Chairperson Justin Mohamed said the funding was a significant boost and would build on the work of community-controlled health services around men's groups and male wellness centres.

"Some of the needs Aboriginal men have identified included male wellness centres, a concept similar to men's sheds, and more support for men's roles as part of their family," Mr Mohamed said.

"The Prime Minister recognised these needs in the policy launch package with funding allocated for men's sheds and the Strong Fathers, Strong Families programs for Aboriginal men.

"In consultations, Aboriginal men have often highlighted the importance to their well-being of their ties to, and valued roles in, their families and communities.

"This new funding can build on the valuable work already being done in urban, regional and remote Aboriginal community controlled health services supporting men and families, which includes support for men's groups and male wellness centres."

Aboriginal language grants applications open



THE NSW Government has increased its funding for the preservation and revitalisation of Aboriginal languages by \$100,000 to \$300,000.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch said last week that \$100,000 would be available for small grants (up to \$5000 per

project) under the government's community language grants program and \$200,000 for larger one-off grants.

Mr Lynch also announced a \$100,000 partnership with the Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc to hold a State-wide Aboriginal languages forum and a number of regional workshops.

The forum will showcase the best Aboriginal community

language activities and discuss current issues with Aboriginal language revitalisation and education.

Before the arrival of Europeans, at least 70 Aboriginal languages and dialects were spoken in the area now called NSW – now there are only about 20 distinct Aboriginal languages used. The Minister said language was a key part of tackling

Aboriginal disadvantage.

"It's a key reason why every school in New South Wales now has access to materials to assist the teaching of Aboriginal languages," he said.

"The community language grants provides another avenue for the protection and revitalisation of Aboriginal languages."

Mr Lynch said Aboriginal people had made it clear that they

wanted their languages back as a vital part of their culture, identity and pride.

The closing date for submissions under the language grants program is Friday, 11 June.

Guidelines and application forms are available at www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au or www.daa.nsw.gov.au and by contacting Gayle Caldwell on 02 9219 0741.



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REVITALISING NSW ABORIGINAL LANGUAGES

The NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, the Hon. Paul Lynch MP invites Aboriginal community organisations to lodge submissions for grants for community language projects.

This program is aimed at preserving and revitalising NSW Aboriginal languages. The types of projects that are eligible include recording, documenting, teaching and raising awareness of Aboriginal languages across the State.

In 2010, there is an increase of \$100,000 for grants. Two grant categories are available.

- 1) Small grants, of up to \$5,000 (applications accepted all year round) and
- 2) Large grants, of between \$5,000 and \$25,000, with applications due by 11 June, 2010.

For further information, and application forms: Please visit the Aboriginal Languages Research and Resource Centre website at www.alrrc.nsw.gov.au or telephone Aboriginal Affairs NSW on (02) 9219 0700).

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Alice Springs Desert Park apprentice zookeeper Jessie Bartlett.



ALICE Springs Desert Park apprentice zookeeper Jessie Bartlett has left for Canada to attend the 12th

International Congress of Ethnobiology. In Canada, she'll engage with Indigenous experts on the role that Indigenous peoples and communities have in cultural management of natural resources.

Prior to leaving, Ms Bartlett said she was eager to transfer this experience to her role as apprentice zookeeper at the Desert Park, and within her own community.

"I'm really excited about having the opportunity to attend the International Congress of Ethnobiology," she said.

"I want to learn about how other Indigenous people use their knowledge and skills to conserve their culture and their environment."

Ms Bartlett's participation in the Congress provides an

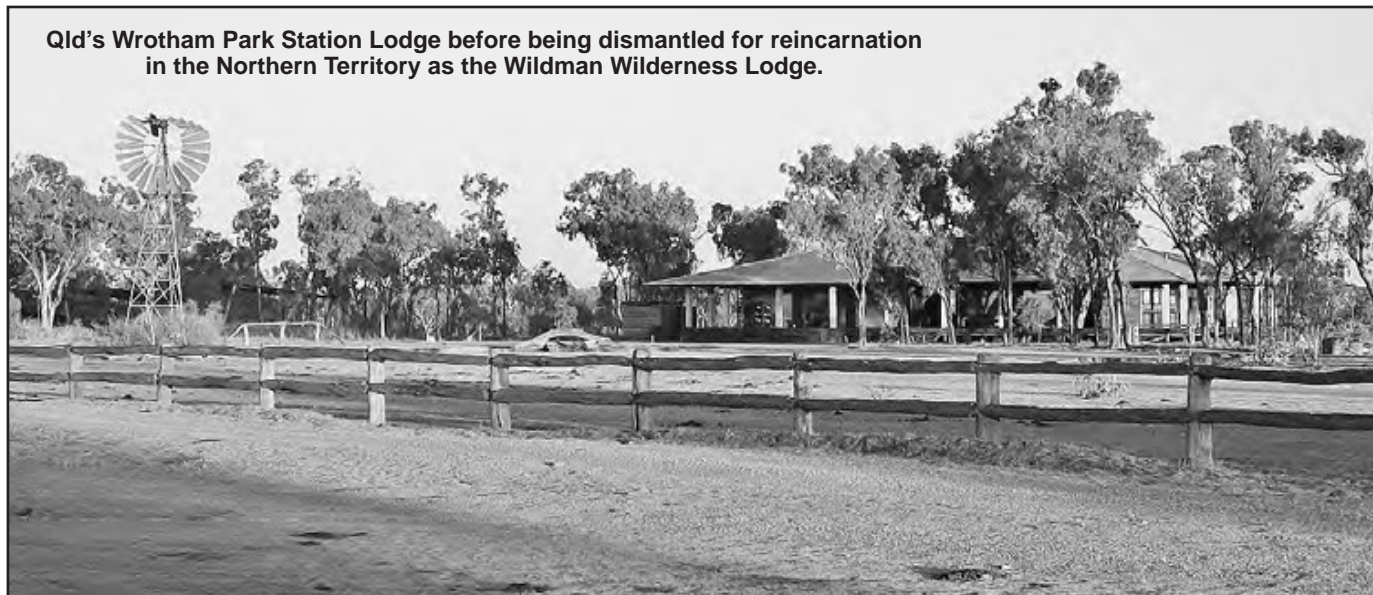
opportunity for the Desert Park to better understand how to embrace ethnobiology in the Park's interpretive program and technical work in zoology and botany.

The young zoo worker is attending the Congress with seven other delegates from Central Australia, and will co-present a paper with local Papunya community member Lorraine Napurrula King on the topic of Intergenerational Knowledge.

In their presentation, they will share their experiences of the loss of knowledge and skills within the community, and action they've taken to preserve and promote that which remains.

"Having the chance to meet with Indigenous people from Vancouver Island and engage with representatives from like-minded institutions whilst in Canada will assist in developing my skills at the Desert Park, and also enable me to share my new knowledge with my local community," Ms Bartlett said.

Qld's Wrotham Park Station Lodge before being dismantled for reincarnation in the Northern Territory as the Wildman Wilderness Lodge.



IBA on road to lodge venture



IT could be the greatest example of recycling in Australian Tourism.

A former five-star resort in central far north Qld has been dismantled and trucked to the Northern Territory for rebirthing by the end of the year as the Wildman Wilderness Lodge.

Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) has partnered with an experiential tourism company for the venture and says it was much cheaper to relocate core buildings and infrastructure from the former Wrotham Park Station Lodge than to build new facilities at Wildman, half way between Darwin and Kakadu.

Following the purchase of Wrotham Park in November, IBA moved a team of builders on to the site and dismantled the entire resort infrastructure, down to the fixtures and fittings, in 28 days.

The cabin structures, verandas and awnings, the central lodge with bar and restaurant facility, staff accommodation units, power generators, water and sewage treatment systems and key electrical infrastructure were dismantled and transported to the new location.

Road trains

It took 18 triple road trains to transport the dismantled infrastructure 2800kms across country to Darwin where it is currently awaiting the end of the wet season to be transported the final stretch to Wildman for construction to begin.

Wildman Wilderness Lodge will be situated on the Mary River Wetlands – half way between Darwin and Kakadu.

Once completed, it will offer five-star accommodation in either air-conditioned cabins or custom-designed safari tents.

IBA has entered into a joint venture partnership with tourism company Anthology, The Traveller's Collection, which will market and manage the business as well as become part owners.

IBA Deputy General Manager Kaely Woods said IBA's strategy looked to create pathways for Indigenous Australians that would help unlock the wealth potential of their land.

The statutory authority is now talking to local Indigenous groups regarding seeking to become partners in the venture.

"In conjunction with Anthology, IBA will also be exploring avenues to provide economic development opportunities for local Indigenous groups to provide Aboriginal cultural touring and content in the area," said Ms Woods.



Dismantling work in progress.



Two of the triple road trains transporting dismantled infrastructure across country to Darwin.



The proposed site for the Wildman Wilderness Lodge, half way between Darwin and Kakadu.

Regional Network Analysis - Stage 2

The Department of Transport and Main Roads is undertaking a review to identify whether it is in the public interest for the Queensland Government to extend support for commercial air services (or alternative transport modes) through regulation in the Torres Strait, Cape York and Palm Island.

The review will examine restrictions on competition in the *Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994* and *Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Regulation 2005*.

The Terms of Reference for the review can be obtained by emailing the Department of Transport and Main Roads at aviation@tmr.qld.gov.au or by visiting www.tmr.qld.gov.au



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Notice of Meeting

of the Bigambul People Claimant Group Section 66B NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993(Cth)

All members of the registered Bigambul People native title claimant group (QUD 101/09) are invited to attend a claimant group meeting to be held at the Brisbane International Virginia Palms Hotel Cnr Sandgate and Zillmere Roads Boondall Queensland Q4034 on Saturday 5th of June 2010 at 10.00 am.

All members of the native title claim group for this claim are invited to attend. The members of that claim group are the biological and adopted descendants of the following people:

- Queen Susan, also known as Granny Susan, also known as Susan of Welltown;
- "Sally", mother of Mary Ann Beng;
- Nellie of Goondiwindi;
- Nellie Yumbeina;
- Jack Noble; and
- Sally Murray.

Decisions may be made to authorise a new set of persons to be the "applicant" for the Bigambul claim. This could involve removing some or all of the existing applicants and/or adding new applicants. If current applicants were to be removed, it would need to be determined by the meeting that those persons were no longer authorised by the claim group, or that they had exceeded the authority previously given to them by the claim group.

The current applicants on the Bigambul claim are Russell Doctor, Arthur Georgetown, George Hopkins, Veronica Jarrett, Cheryl Moggs, Tony Turnbull and Gary Woodbridge.

This is an important meeting for the Bigambul People. Your attendance and participation is strongly encouraged.

We regret that we are unable to assist with transport to and from the meeting however morning tea and lunch will be provided.

No Attendance monies or Sitting Fees are payable to Attendees.

Any enquiries regarding this meeting please contact Sandlewood Aboriginal Projects Ltd on 07 3277 4801 or 07 3272 7014.

PUBLIC NOTICE

INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (Native Title Act 1993 (Cth))

AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Darumbal People, as registered native title claimants (in QUD 6131/98), invite Darumbal persons to attend an Authorisation Meeting to consider an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) over an Area at Marmor which is wholly within the boundaries of the registered claim.

On 17 and 21 April 2010, public notices were published in the press of the intent to enter into this ILUA with Unimin Australia Limited (Unimin) and for persons, other than Darumbal persons, who may claim to hold native title to the Area to express their interest.

The Area covered by the ILUA is two adjoining lots at Marmor currently held by Unimin under mining leases but which are no longer mined. Unimin wishes to achieve a grant in freehold of the Area of approximately 32 hectares, which is mapped below, consequently requiring a surrender of any native title rights and interests in the Area which might exist at law.

The proposed terms and conditions of this ILUA have been negotiated with Unimin by the Applicants, who after consultations with the broader Darumbal community, now wish to obtain the authorisation of persons who may hold native title in this Area to executing this ILUA.

Date and Place of Authorisation Meeting

Date: Friday, 11 June 2010

Venue: Dreamtime Centre, Rockhampton

Time: 9.30 a.m. (Registration and Morning Tea) for 10.00a.m.

Purpose of Meeting: Authorisation of proposed ILUA with Unimin

Financial assistance with travel and accommodation is not available. Further details may be obtained from:

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

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8534, or Patricia Hale, Heritage Officer on (02) 9873 8587.

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Researcher wins scholarship



Scholarship recipient Vicki Couzens (middle) with AIATSIS Chairperson and Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia Professor Mick Dodson and Adam Mooney, Acting co-CEO of Reconciliation Australia.



A RESEARCHER, artist and 'language activist' from south-west Victoria has won an inaugural research

scholarship awarded in honour of the late Dr R Marika.

Vicki Couzens, who works at the Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages, will use her \$4000 Dr R Marika Conference Support Scholarship to attend an international Indigenous languages symposium in the United States next month.

Ms Couzens, a Keeray Woorroong Gunditjmarra woman, was presented with her scholarship at a special ceremony at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) in Canberra last week.

The scholarship is co-funded by AIATSIS and Reconciliation Australia

(RA), two organisations Dr Marika had been associated with, and is aimed at assisting a researcher to gain international exposure for their research by supporting them to attend a major international conference.

AIATSIS Chairperson and RA Co-Chair Professor Mick Dodson paid tribute to Dr Marika, a respected Aboriginal linguist and reconciliation advocate who passed away in 2008.

"Dr Marika was one of Australia's most prominent and admired traditional Aboriginal leaders and was widely known and well-respected for her passionate advocacy for Yolngu languages, and the importance of maintaining them and using them in schools," Prof Dodson said.

A strong advocate for language maintenance and preservation, Ms Couzens hopes to gain some insights and share stories on the issue during

the 17th Annual Stabilising Indigenous Languages Symposium at the University of Oregon at the end of next month.

"The Symposium brings together American Indian and other Indigenous language educators and activists to share ideas and experiences on how to teach effectively American Indian and other Indigenous languages in and out of the classroom," she said.

"It also provides a forum for exchange of scholarly research on teaching American Indian and other Indigenous languages and investigates best practices to promote, preserve, and protect Indigenous languages."

"I am honoured and humble to be awarded this scholarship and Dr Marika was an inspiring role model and brilliant advocate for Indigenous languages and I hope that I can do justice to her legacy."

Report outlines flooding threats



THE Federal Government is continuing to highlight the need for action on climate change – despite delaying emissions trading by years.

Climate Change Minister Penny Wong visited low-lying Torres Strait communities of Saibai and Iama on 5 May to see how vulnerable they are to rising sea levels.

Saibai's main village is about two metres above sea level and has suffered from flooding and erosion, Senator Wong noted during her visit.

She released a report, written by her department, detailing the threats climate change posed to Indigenous communities across Australia's tropical north.

The report found the communities were at risk from rising sea levels, ocean acidification and its effects on coral reefs and fish, more rain in the rainy season,

and more cyclones.

"Indigenous communities face particular challenges because of their isolation and socioeconomic situation," Senator Wong said during the visit.

"Helping these communities to adapt to unavoidable climate change must be a priority, as for many Torres Strait residents relocation is not an option."

ETS delayed

The government last month delayed its main weapon against climate change, an emissions trading scheme, by at least three years.

It was due to start this year but will now start some time from 2013.

Senator Wong also announced a million dollars in funding to maintain tidal gauges to monitor sea levels in the king tide-prone Torres Strait.

The Torres Strait Islander Regional Authority (TSRA) has previously expressed frustration at a lack of

government engagement on the risks associated with tidal inundation in the region but welcomed the funding, saying it hoped there'd be more 'real dollars' to come.

TSRA Chairperson Toshie Kris said the funds would lead to improved data needed to manage storm tide inundation, emergency surges and long term sea level change.

"I am also confident that this visit by the Minister will result in a much greater understanding of the threat to our vulnerable communities by increasing king tide events and improve our region's ability to access whole of government support for both short-term mitigation and long-term adaptation," Mr Kris said.

"It is important for both governments and our communities to commit to addressing climate change over generations because dealing with this challenge will not involve any quick fixes." –AAP

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THE life and times of the late Aboriginal activist Charles 'Chicka' Dixon is the stuff of legends. And it's hoped that they'll soon also be the subject of a book, other educational material and a documentary.

Investigative journalist and producer Dr Jonathan Bogais and Chicka's daughter Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor are co-researchers and co-authors in the project, and are now seeking help with information and material that could assist them.

The pair spent months recording Chicka's last comments and feelings about the past, the present and the future for his people – and Australia's endeavour to ascertain its identity as a nation.

They said Chicka's Story was 'a people story', a story of the people who have influenced Chicka's life and of those he has influenced and mentored for more than 40 years," they said.

"Chicka was the link between the people and the movements. His perspective is enlightening, especially in the context of events happening now. These recordings are the basis for the project," they said.

"The story aims at investigating and unveiling the truth behind the relationships leading to the events. Who were those people and where did they come from? How did these relationships start and develop into powerful movements that changed the shape of modern Aboriginal – and Australian – history?

"Chicka didn't want a story about himself, or an academic paper. He wanted a story that could educate people of all ages and backgrounds and thus asked (us) to write it. This is the only story approved by Uncle Chicka and the family."

From his first meeting with Jack Patten – one of the organisers of the 1938 Day of Mourning – in 1946, Chicka developed into one of Australia's most important Aboriginal leaders. He dedicated his life to the fight for basic human rights and justice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Dr Bogais and Ms Dixon-Grovenor said momentum surrounding the project was growing rapidly. If any *Koori Mail* readers can help with stories, articles, photos or any other documents relating to Chicka Dixon, they can:



post material to The Chicka Dixon Story, GPO Box 1818, Sydney NSW 2001; email jonathan@thirdwaveconsulting.com.au; or phone Jonathan Bogais on (0438) 724 546 or Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor on (0402) 598 766.

In the meantime, Rhonda and Chicka's other daughter Christine, brothers and sisters and other family members would like to thank the community for its support during their time of loss.

"The overwhelming show of support received from so many people from all backgrounds is an acknowledgment and a recognition of Chicka's dedication for social justice and human rights," they said. "From all of us, thank you."

NSW CDEP figures a 'farce'



FAILURE by the NSW and Federal Labor Governments to engage Indigenous Australians in Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) in NSW makes a farce of their commitment to 'close the gap', according to the State Opposition.

The Opposition's Aboriginal Affairs spokesman Kevin Humphries said last week that a new Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) report revealed a shameful result for NSW, in terms of the number of Indigenous people participating in the CDEP program.

Mr Humphries said the report found that only 491 out of 148,178 Indigenous people in NSW participated in the CDEP program, despite that being the biggest Indigenous population of any state or territory.

This compared to: 4558 Indigenous participants in Queensland out of an Indigenous population of 146,429; 3179 in Western Australia, and 5284 in the Northern Territory.

"CDEP programs are important as they allow Indigenous persons to partake in community managed activities and develop necessary skills to increase their employability," Mr Humphries said. He said the figures were a 'real blow' to the state's Indigenous community, which deserved better.

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Supporting media



INDIGENOUS journalists, broadcasters and journalism educators from Australia, Canada, the United States and New Zealand came together in Brisbane earlier this month as part of the UNESCO World Press Freedom Day Conference (WPFDC).

The Indigenous Voice Forum on 1 May was part of the broader conference, which was hosted by the University of Queensland and had the right to information as its theme.

The forum focussed on action required to recruit and support new Indigenous journalists, strengthen Indigenous media and better prepare journalism students to report on Indigenous issues.

Australian speakers included Aboriginal broadcasters Susan Moylan-Coombs and Michelle Lovegrove, Director of News and Current Affairs at SBS Paul Cutler, Matthew Leonard from the National Indigenous Radio Service (NIRS), and Lynda McCaffery, Head of Media at the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Education.

International speakers included an award-winning Inuit journalist with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Duncan McCue, Minelle Mahtani from the University of Toronto, Chairperson of Canada's Strategic Alliance of Broadcasters



Director of UQ's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit Michael Williams.

for Aboriginal Reflection (SABAR) Brenda Nadiwan, Antonia Gonzales from National Native News in Albuquerque, and Te Anga Nathan Kaiwhakahaere Matua - Kawepurongo General Manager of News and Current Affairs at Maori TV.

Frustration about the mainstream media's depiction of Indigenous people – including unnecessarily negative portrayal and stereotyping – was a common theme.

Many could relate to Duncan McCue's observation that, in order for native issues to make the Canadian mainstream news,



Duncan McCue, an Inuit journalist who works with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

the subjects usually had to be at least one of four 'Ds', that is, dead, drunk, dancing or drumming.

Many of the Australian participants were members of UQ's Indigenous Voice Project (IVP), jointly headed by UQ School of Journalism and Communication lecturer Heather Stewart and Michael Williams, Director of UQ's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit. Griffith University and Qld University of Technology are also involved.

Mr Williams told a pre-conference

gathering that the collaborative project provided an opportunity to influence the way Australian journalists were trained at a time when mainstream reportage of Indigenous issues lacked 'body and depth'.

At the Indigenous Voice Forum, it was agreed that more Indigenous people were needed to participate in the media so Indigenous perspectives and voices could be heard. Even UQ's School of Journalism and Communication, the oldest in the country, faced challenges in increasing Indigenous representation within its student cohort. It has two Indigenous students.

Matthew Leonard from NIRS warned that media organisations had to do more than simply recruit Indigenous staff.

"Organisations need to be prepared to honestly scrutinise their own internal work cultures and challenge assumptions about the cultural safety of the workplace," he said. "If not, they'll be unable to put appropriate mentoring and support systems in place and we will continue to see high attrition rates amongst Indigenous recruits".

The broader WPFDC concluded with participants calling on UNESCO member states to enact laws guaranteeing the right to information, for media companies to raise awareness of freedom of expression and the right to information, and for UNESCO to aid the development and implementation of new laws.



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Mapping out the future of housing in Hopevale



A NEW land surveying project starting soon in the Cape York community of Hopevale will deliver new housing for local Aboriginal groups, according to Member for Cook Jason O'Brien.

The surveying work is being undertaken as part of the State Government's five-year \$32 million Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program aimed at addressing land and planning issues that have previously stymied economic and social development in remote communities.

"The surveyors are working on mapping 10 lots which will enable 15 new houses to be built," Mr O'Brien said.

"This is important groundwork that helps identify where the best place to put the houses is on each block, which way they should face and also whether or not any ground needs to be levelled or trees removed.

"The surveying work being undertaken in Hopevale is an important part of the development process," he said.

"The next stage of work will

see the surveyors accurately mapping roads and other major infrastructure."

Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle said the project was important for supplying accurate and detailed information to the council, other government departments and the community for future planning purposes.

"By mapping out existing infrastructure and vacant lands council will be able to better plan roads, schools, parks, commercial precincts and other facilities for the community," she said.

Meanwhile, elsewhere on the Cape, a land-surveying project at Napranum will be rolled out in several stages including a road network survey to map the location of all the roads in the area.

Minister Boyle said the project was important to the future of Napranum.

"All councils across Queensland need accurate and detailed information about the land within their boundaries and this project will mean that Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council and residents will be able to access this information."

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At the opening of the Jumbulla centre, from left, NSW Illawarra Minister Paul McLeay, Federal Cunningham MP Sharon Bird, Federal Tourism Minister Martin Ferguson, Jumbulla manager Chris Noel and Federal Throsby MP Jenny George.

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Illawarra centre open – officially



THE Jumbulla Aboriginal Discovery Centre at Bulli Tops, near Wollongong, has been officially opened.

Federal Tourism Minister Martin Ferguson opened the centre on 7 May.

The multi-million-dollar centre was the brainchild of local Wollongong Elders as a way to celebrate the Indigenous culture of the Illawarra region.

Ten local Aboriginal people are employed in a variety of positions at the centre, which is on the Princess Highway about 45 minutes south of Sydney at Bulli Tops, overlooking the Illawarra escarpment.

The centre has four state-of-the-art theatres, which focus on different aspects of Aboriginal life – Welcome, The Land, Family and Togetherness.

The overall theme of the centre is 'Come walk in my tracks' and the theatres, use a blend of technology and human interaction. Interspersed among the theatres are a Hairy Man story, designed for children, and other displays which delve into specific moments of contemporary Aboriginal history.

Visitors are invited to join a guided walk along the escarpment and learn about the flora and fauna of the region. They can also take part in a series of traditional Aboriginal games.

Mr Ferguson said Federal Government funding of \$100,000 from the Australian Tourism Development Program had gone towards the construction of retail facilities at the centre.

He said the new shopfront would



Cutting the ribbon at the Jumbulla opening, from left, Federal Tourism Minister Martin Ferguson and local Elders Bobby Davis, Fred Moore and Val Webb.

showcase artworks from local Aboriginal artists, and raise extra revenue for the centre.

"We make these investments because they deliver real benefits like jobs and business opportunities in local communities throughout Australia," Mr

Ferguson said.

"The Australian Government is committed to fostering innovation in the tourism industry, and supporting leaders like the Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation to develop tourism projects for the benefit of their communities."

Qld murder trial set for next year



FIVE men and four teenage boys will face trial next year for the murder of rugby league star Jonathan Thurston's uncle.

A magistrate found in December 2009 there was potentially enough evidence to convict the nine of killing Richard Saunders in a park at Woodridge, in Brisbane's south, on 25 October 2008.

On 7 May, Brisbane Supreme Court judge Ann Lyons listed the six-week trial to start on 31 January next year.

The accused, aged between 15 and 25, chose not to enter a plea as they were committed to stand trial for murder last year.

They also face charges of grievous bodily harm and assault occasioning bodily harm while armed and in company.

During the committal hearing, the court was told the accused bashed Mr Saunders and two of his friends, Harold Bond and Gordon Willis, after a dispute over a stolen purse.

The court was told crucial closed-circuit TV footage that could shed light on how the incident unfolded was missing, because the camera was probably facing the wrong way at the time.

The footage retrieved by police only shows Mr Bond lying on the concrete path, and does not show an attack on the three men.

Eight of the accused have been remanded in custody until their trial, while the ninth remains on Supreme Court bail. – AAP

\$15.7m plan for remote traineeships



EIGHTY traineeships in business and administration are being offered to Indigenous people in aged and primary health care

facilities under a \$15.7 million program which aims to boost employment in remote communities.

Indigenous Remote Service Delivery (IRSD) traineeships are for three years – from June this year until June 2013 – and are part of the National Partnership on Indigenous Economic Participation, which aims to create up to 2000 new jobs and 400 new traineeships to support the delivery of government services in rural and remote Australia.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said trainees could obtain a Certificate I in Business Administration, through to advanced diplomas.

"The program also provides for wages and on-costs associated with employing a trainee. The training will be delivered by a registered training organisation," he said.

Minister for Ageing Justine Elliot said the traineeships aimed to tackle any difficulties accessing and participating in the workforce for Indigenous people in remote areas. "The traineeships also target Indigenous Australians who have not yet started training or employment, and are looking for a structured career pathway," she said.

Applications for the IRSD traineeships close on 4 June. More information is available at www.health.gov.au

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Upgrading the Pacific Highway Kempsey bypass

The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) is forming an alliance with Leighton Contractors, AECOM and Coffey Geotechnics to design and build the 14.5 km Kempsey bypass. The Macleay River and floodplain bridges will be delivered by a separate design and construct contract.

Preconstruction activities between May and July 2010 will include:

- Continuing the detailed design for construction.
- Continuing geotechnical investigations and property acquisitions.
- Clearing of vegetation, bulk earthworks, erosion and sediment control and fencing in approved areas along the project corridor.
- Continuing with flood mitigation works including house raising and stock mounds within the floodplain along South West Rocks Road.
- Establishing a site office compound at Old Station Road.
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Kuku Nyunkal moving ahead

By Cairns Correspondent
CHRISTINE HOWES



THE Kuku Nyunkal people have embarked upon a process of strategic planning aimed at caring for country and 'getting on with the business of tourism' since signing an Indigenous Land Use Agreement over their traditional lands three years ago.

And Ranger Co-ordinator Marilyn Wallace says it has been a privilege for them to be able to take control and management of their traditional lands in the Wet Tropics area north of Cairns.

The ranger project has been funded by the Federal Government for three years and includes caring for country as well as cultural mapping. The group was in Cairns recently, working on a management plan.

"Our own culture gives us strong identity and it fulfils a lot of things that we want to do by learning about the country," Ms Wallace said.

"It gives us a privilege to go back and to take control and management of our area, to make sure that we look after our cultural heritage sites, including the rainforest and the flora and faunas, and to make sure that we are moving on country.

Ms Wallace assists the rangers with their work, helping to make sure things are done according to the group's 'Working for Country' plan.

"I have now nine rangers and two other young girls who are doing a project called cultural mapping and it's getting all these things into the computer for our people, for our mob, to educate our people," she said.

"Our opportunity now is meeting and filling in the gaps and that is what we are doing today."

Ranger supervisor Peter Wallace



Standing, from left, Natalie Friday, Errol Wallace, Shaun Creek, Shane Walker, Keiran Henderson, Brian Berry, Peter Wallace, Naomi Friday, Michelle Friday, Bruce White; seated, Ruby Winkel and Marilyn Wallace.

said the rangers had been working for about eight months already.

"It's been great coming back to our homeland and working there and especially working for your own family," he said.

"Setting up a business there is something we've managed to achieve in a short period and over the eight months we've achieved a lot.

"We've got great teams there, it's been healthy and empowering for myself and for them as well."

Ranger in culture mapping Natalie Friday said she was proud of her work.

"I feel really proud to be part of a team that's working towards something that will be of great benefit to the whole community," she said.

"For many years people have taken so much information and documentation from us and kept it from us – now we have the opportunity to go back into those departments and say this is our information they took 20 years ago."

Ms Friday said she was methodically working through each government department to find out what they had.

"We're not only going to be collecting information and uploading it, but we're also going out to the community and informing everybody about the website," she said.

"One thing that sets us apart from other ranger services is we've put our cultural side into our ranger service so that we're taking care of our cultural heritage and tying it in."

Ms Friday said each ranger had their own role, including Shaun Creek, who was in charge of tourism.

"In the future we're looking at developing a plan to control our visitors up there, also later on get to that business of tourism and promoting ourselves up there," he said.

"Not just as rangers doing our everyday jobs like maintaining our country and checking our sacred areas, but we should have tourism in our area, it's very important to me and for my kids.

"It's sustainability so when they grow up they've got something to look forward to, they've got their land that they can come back to, and that's the reason why we do it, it's for our future generation."

Camp for kids, mums, carers



A WEEKEND camp held at Wollondilly, south of Sydney, last month allowed local Aboriginal mums, carers and their kids to spend some quality time building their relationships away from the normal pressures of family life.

The Mothers and Kids Camp was held at Mowbray Park Farm Holidays from 16-19 April in what organisers described as a fun, open and culturally safe environment.

Life skills

Mothers and carers were provided with information and resources covering life skills, available community resources and culture and heritage. They spent time learning about positive parenting and built support networks through sharing their experiences as mothers.



Shanelle Lyons and Janna Martin-Cooley hung out at the Mothers and Kids Camp at Wollondilly.

The children had fun playing and making new friends, while learning important listening skills and how to co-operate with their Elders.

Liverpool-based community organisation

KARI, which organised the camp with funding provided under the NSW Government's Aboriginal Child, Youth and Family Strategy, hopes the skills learned through program will be transferable to all aspects

of participants' lives.

Facilitated by Koori Communications & Training, the program incorporated cultural aspects aimed at helping participants to foster and maintain connections important to their cultural identity. Much of it was conducted outdoors to encourage a healthy and active lifestyle.

KARI provides child protection services and community capacity building programs to the Aboriginal community of south-west Sydney.

Next Tuesday, 25 May, the organisation will hold auditions at Casula Powerhouse for its Voice Identification Program (VIP), which is designed to help Years 7-12 students identify and develop their vocal ability, performance skills and stagecraft in a supportive culturally appropriate environment.

Qld TAFE program hopes to grow jobs



Athol Roberts, who won the 2010 Petersham College Achievement Award.

Achievers to be honoured



TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute will recognise its top Indigenous students next week in an institute and industry awards ceremony.

Athol Roberts, who completed the EnergyAustralia Indigenous Pre-Apprenticeship Program, will receive the 2010 Petersham College Achievement Award.

"I had been interested in doing an apprenticeship as an electrician for a long while and saw this as my chance," said Athol, adding that he saw the program advertised in *The Koori Mail*.

"I had been unsuccessful when I had previously applied to Country Energy, and decided this time I would make the move from Inverell to Sydney.

"My experience of studying was great, even if it was hard work. It was great meeting all my fellow pre-apprentices. I'd absolutely recommend it to any other Indigenous people wanting to get into an apprenticeship."

Keith Ferguson has won the 2010 Eora College Achievement Award for his studies in Community Services and Welfare.

"I like to help young people in the community," he said.

"This course offered the skills and knowledge I need to help men, women and children in my community even further."

The 2010 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander of the Year student was Kowana Welsh, who studied Certificate III in Children's Services, and said she wanted to continue learning, eventually doing a university degree in Early Childhood.

"My community is very important to me. We need to nurture our children because they are our future," Kowana said.

"I want to empower Aboriginal families by working at the ground level."

The awards ceremony will be held on Friday 28 May.



Winner of the 2010 Eora College Achievement Award, Keith Ferguson.



MENTORING will be an integral part of a south Queensland TAFE training program

designed to provide local Indigenous people with a direct pathway to employment in horticulture.

As part of the Darling Downs Indigenous Green Jobs Project, the Southern Queensland Institute of TAFE (SQIT) Toowoomba campus aims to train up to 23 people in horticulture while providing them with full-time traineeships.

Program co-ordinator Susan Becchio said the project guaranteed a wage to participants enrolled in the course and, on successful completion of the year-long program, they would earn a Certificate II in Horticulture.

Participants would learn a range of skills, including paving, building courtyards, weeds and chemicals, planting and plant propagation, pruning and turf

establishment, maintenance and renovation.

Ms Becchio said the institution was seeking interest from potential host employers in the Toowoomba region.

"We're hoping organisations such as Toowoomba region landscape and gardening businesses, local authorities, schools – anyone who deals in land management – will come on board as host employers to provide employment that is consistent with jobs in the horticulture industry," she said.

Full-time Indigenous mentor Garry Gawne will support participants and ensure literacy, numeracy and other training is available throughout the program.

There are still places available in the program. A week-long introductory session will start this Monday at SQIT's Bridge Street campus before the training itself begins on 31 May. Participants will study at SQIT's Toowoomba campus and on-the-job with host employers.



Darling Downs Indigenous Green Jobs Project mentor Garry Gawne and SQIT horticulture graduate Stephanie Luck till the soil in preparation for the start of the training program.



M2 Upgrade Exhibition of Environmental Assessment

The RTA and Hills M2 propose to upgrade the M2 Motorway between Windsor Road, Baulkham Hills and Lane Cove Road, North Ryde.

The Environmental Assessment will be on public exhibition until **Monday 21 June, 2010.**

Shopping centre displays will be held at:

Carlingford Court at Carlingford
Saturday 29 May from 10am to 2pm

Macquarie Centre at North Ryde
Tuesday 1 June from 10am to 2pm

Winston Hills Mall at Winston Hills
Thursday 3 June from 4pm to 8pm

Community information sessions will be held at:

Epping Boys High School, Eastwood
Wednesday 2 June from 5pm to 8pm

Stamford Hall, Balcombe Heights Estate
Saturday 5 June from 10am to 2pm

**North Ryde School of Arts
Community Centre, North Ryde**
Thursday 10 June from 5pm to 8pm

The environmental assessment documents can be downloaded from:
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www.planning.nsw.gov.au
www.buildingsydneymotorways.com.au

You are invited to review the environmental assessment and make a written submission to the Department of Planning by close of business on **Monday 21 June, 2010.**

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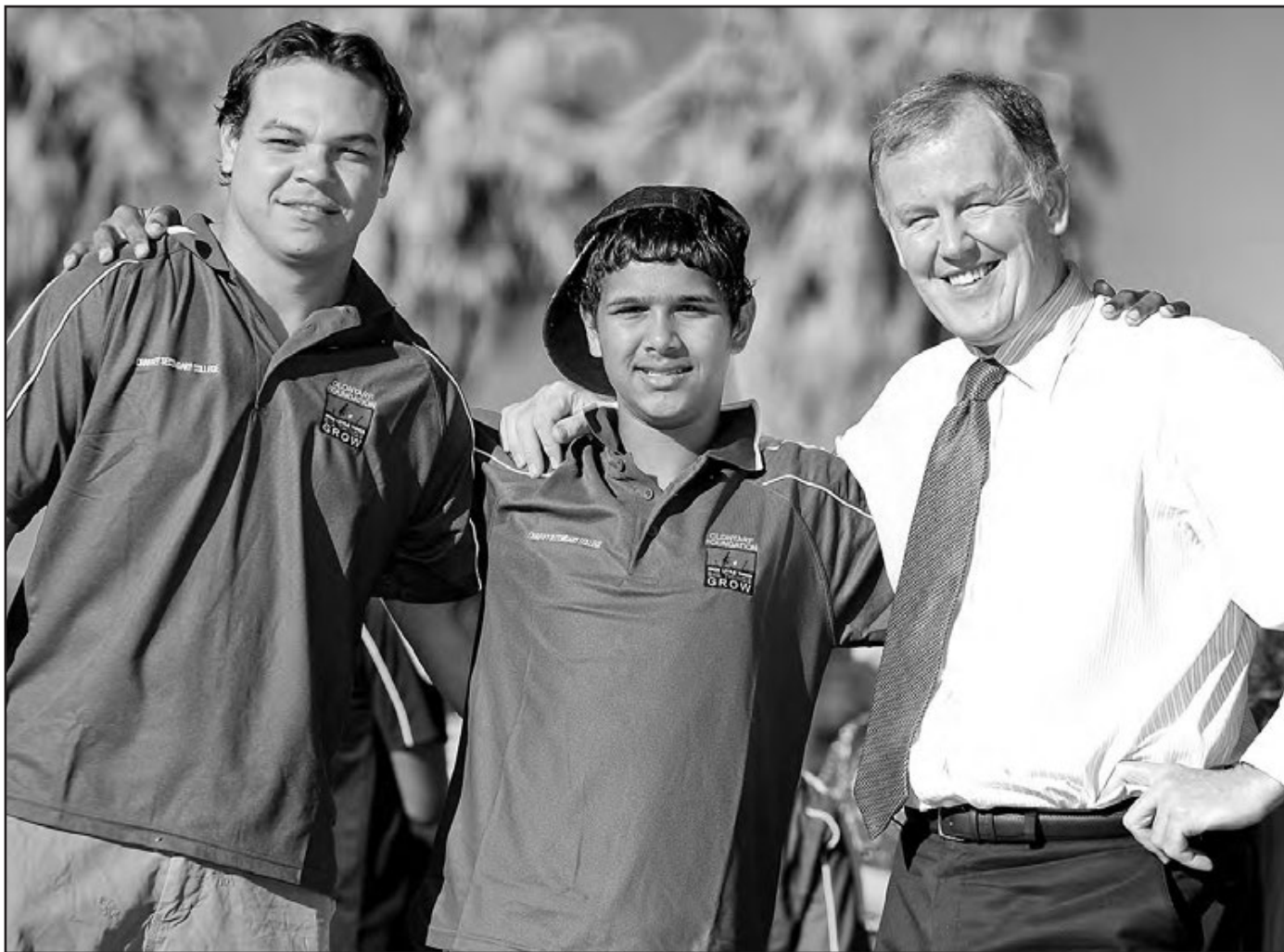
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Bring the mob home safely



Victorian Deputy Premier Rob Hulls with North Melbourne AFL footballer and Clontarf mentor Shannon Motlop and Chaffey Secondary College student Lyndon Johnson. Photos by DARREN SEILER

Academies to benefit youth



THE Victorian Government is partnering with the Clontarf Foundation to establish Indigenous football academies in state schools at Mildura, Swan Hill, Robinvale, Bairnsdale and Warrnambool.

The Clontarf Foundation targets 'at-risk' groups in Australia, establishing sports academies at schools.

It began with Australian football for boys, but has since expanded to include girls in sports such as netball and basketball.

Victorian Education Minister Brownyn Pike said the expansion of Clontarf academies into Victoria coincided with the opening of three dance academies for Koori girls.

"We are linking with the Commonwealth Government's Sporting Chance Program to establish three Wannik dance academies, in Ballarat, Eaglehawk and Mooroopna," Ms Pike said.

"The dance academies provide an educational program that engages Koori girls from Years 7 to 9 with their schooling, closing the gap through the development of literacy and numeracy skills, and providing opportunities for mentoring and the development of

youth transition pathways."

Deputy Premier and Attorney-General Rob Hulls said the Victorian Government was using football and dance to improve the attendance and retention of Koori students as part of its Wannik education strategy, spending \$1.7 million on the two programs over the next three years, alongside additional funding from the Federal Government and philanthropic organisations. The Victorian Aboriginal

must attend school regularly, apply themselves to the study of appropriate courses, and embrace requirements for behaviour and self-discipline. They're assisted by mentors and trainers, who provide support for students to manage issues that affect their lives.

Support from local employers helps students gain workplace skills and employment opportunities through work experience programs and workplace visits.

"Already, 190 students are participating in these football academies in Victoria, and this has the potential to make a difference to these young boys' lives as education is the foundation of economic participation and the key to future job opportunities," Mr Hulls said.

Clontarf Foundation CEO and former AFL player and coach Gerard Neesham said Victoria was the ideal launching pad for expansion, following the program's operation in Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

"Victoria is, after all, the home of AFL football, and while outcomes for Indigenous Victorian students are better than in most other states, it does have similar issues with the engagement and retention of Koori students," he said.



Rob Hulls and Chaffey Secondary College and Mildura Senior College students at the Clontarf announcement.

Education Association is also supporting the program.

"The Clontarf approach has proven to be very successful, not only in attracting Indigenous boys to school but retaining students so they complete their studies, and then assisting them with the next phase of their lives," Mr Hulls said.

To remain in the program, students



AIEO Leah Smith and Carlisle Primary student Shaddai Gare with the frog panel.

New panels feature at WA school



PERTH'S Carlisle Primary School has celebrated the official opening of its Indigenous interactive panels. Principal Chris Leed said the project, partly funded through the PALS (Partnership Acceptance Learning Sharing) program, would not have been possible without the efforts of the school's Aboriginal Islander Education Officer, Leah Smith.

Ms Smith co-ordinated the artwork and establishment of the six panels, that can be seen from the school entrance. The wooden panels are decorated with Indigenous icons and images of the Noongar tribes. Noongar words describe the Dreamtime stories and animals depicted.

Ms Smith said the centre panel was designed to honour Carlisle Primary's late principal, Margaret Jansen. The panel describes the story of the Sun Woman who prepares the way for the Rainbow Serpent, the creator of life. The Sun Woman provides the first rays of dawn.

"Margaret was such a strong advocate for Aboriginal education at the school," Ms Smith said. "She was a strong leader and supported and encouraged me with the project."

The panels were designed to provide hands-on learning opportunities, particularly useful for those students who find it difficult to work in a traditional classroom setting. Indigenous education will focus around each of the panels, with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures represented in the lessons.

PALS is an initiative of the WA Government's Indigenous Affairs Department in partnership with BHP Billiton which encourages young West Australians to develop projects that promote and advance reconciliation.



Carlisle Primary School student Thai-la Bouquet with the Sun Woman panel.

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Dirty – and loving it

Story and photos by
Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



TASMANIAN primary school students have enjoyed getting their hands dirty while learning

about Aboriginal history and culture.

Ballawinne, meaning red ochre, is the title of this year's educational program hosted by the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery in Hobart.

And Ballawinne is what was in hair, on hands, on faces, on art and in conversation.

"The students get more out of it than they bargained for," said Aboriginal Elder Aunty Verna Nichols, who was one of three tutors engaged on the day *The Koori Mail* visited.

"They get a better understanding of life in the Aboriginal community back then and they love the fact that they get to put the ochre in their hair. That goes over quite a treat."

In fact, Aunty Verna said the ochre in the children's hair was the highlight of the day. "They get dirty, they love it," she said. "They see a film with men with ochre in their hair and you see them turning up their noses, but when it comes their turn they are quite happy to have a go."

The students learn about the significance of ballawinne in Tasmanian Aboriginal culture. It was used as body adornment, in ceremony, in men's hair and was mixed with other substances to create hand stencils which have

It was an especially important day for the Aboriginal students, pictured here with Palawa Aboriginal Corporation Program Coordinator Sharnie Everett. Students are, at the back, Zac Hary, Luke Press, Will Press, Georgie Coy and Chelsea Thomas, and in front, Connor Marriott and Griffin Davenport.



adorned the walls of caves for thousands of years.

Aunty Verna, who humbly confesses to 'dabble' in art, even though her creations are exhibited here and abroad, has been involved with the program for five years and brings a wealth of knowledge about Tasmanian Aboriginal craft and traditions.

The students not only learnt about ballawinne and indulged in a variety of hands-on activities, but explored Ningenneh Tunapry, the museum's award-winning Tasmanian Aboriginal gallery and watched an animated story and short documentary which both referred to ochre.

The program is a vast

contrast to when Aunty Verna was in school. She was taught there 'were no Aborigines in Tasmania'.

"There was just nothing and I was next to nothing, I didn't exist," she said. "They thought 'they're all killed off, there's nothing to talk about'. Things have improved."

Aunty Verna said the program was vitally important for Aboriginal and other children.

Past themes for the program have included traditional kelp baskets, bark canoes and reconciliation.

This year, more than 20 schools will learn through the Ballawinne workshops.

Worimi kids learn language



ABORIGINAL families from Karuah and Raymond Terrace in NSW

have spent two years teaching their children the traditional language, Kattang.

The result is a DVD called *The Worimi Kids – Songs in Kattang*.

The DVD contains two animated music clips performed by the children.

The music production for the DVD was done by the region's own Indigenous hip-hop group, The Last Kinection.

Joel Wenitong, from the group, and BlackChili Productions produced the video.

The DVD includes the songs *Walang, Wagal, Gaalal Djina* (Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes) led by Andrew Smith, and *How do you say?* (featuring vocals by Last Kinection singer Naomi Wenitong).

The songs have been developed to teach the use of the local Koori language (Kattang) in an easy, fun, music-based animated video format.

The DVD was created in consultation with Koori individuals, organisations and groups from Karuah, Raymond Terrace and Newcastle. The groups include Port Stephens Family Support Service, Worimi Aboriginal Land Council and the University of Newcastle.

The DVD was launched at the Raymond Terrace Public School Hall on 28 April.

The event featured a traditional welcome, bush tucker, a screening of the DVD, Yoo-Kul Wung-hah Dancers, show bags for kids and live performances by the participating children, accompanied by Andrew Smith and Naomi Wenitong, and a closing performance by The Last Kinection.



The Last Kinection's Joel Wenitong with children at the launch of the DVD.

Emotion high as Rhonda takes stage

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



IT was a bittersweet moment for Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor when she took to the stage to receive her Masters in Indigenous Studies from Gribi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples School at Southern Cross University last week.

It had been just seven weeks since she lost her dad, the late Aboriginal leader Chicka Dixon, and looking around the stadium she felt sure 'he was there with us, looking over us'.

While Ms Dixon-Grovenor is still grieving the loss, the

completion of a Masters means she will be able to continue the legacy of her father by passing on the knowledge she has learnt and taking it back to the community.

"It's been an emotional day for us, looking around the auditorium I felt that he was there in spirit," she said. "It's all about learning and sharing what you've learnt. I chose this course because it's more culturally appropriate than any other course. What I've loved about it is that it looks at the cultural and spiritual elements."

"So many of our people carry around trauma and this experience is something so unique and so culturally appropriate."

Aunt Dale McLeod, who

attended the ceremony, said it was a proud and emotional day for the family.

"My brother would be saying 'that's my baby girl, look what she's done today'. It's important for me to be here today to support Rhonda. Our family's very cultural and spiritual and what she's doing is very important. It's all about caring and sharing and passing on knowledge so it's not lost," she said.

Ms Dixon-Grovenor said she would apply her learning across a range of settings including instigating cultural programs in remand centres and jails. She is also currently working on a collaboration that celebrates the life of her father.



Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor after the SCU ceremony.



FROM GILGANDRA TO CANADA

After clearing some initial hurdles, 24-year-old Teela Reid graduated with a Bachelor of Teaching Secondary/ Bachelor of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education from the University of Newcastle. She credits her study at the University and the support from The Wollotuka Institute as opening her doors to the world.

Teela is now on her way to the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in America to find out how she can help promote Indigenous human rights in Australia. Her passion for influencing the human rights environment in Australia was ignited when she undertook a study exchange program to Canada in 2008.

"Canada is far more advanced in human rights than Australia," says Teela.

"Studying at the University of Newcastle offered much more than a qualification. Through the available support of The Wollotuka Institute I have had the opportunity to pursue my study overseas."

Teela says her application into the National Indigenous Leadership Program was inspired by her academic year abroad and her determination to create a positive climate of human rights and understanding on a domestic level.

"The Wollotuka Institute provided me the necessary support during my studies. Assisting with tutoring, facilitating involvement in the Indigenous Games, paying my airfare to the USA and providing a strong, close-knit social network," she says.

Teela has now obtained full time employment as a PE teacher on the Central Coast of New South Wales, however will continue her interest in human rights, with the dream of someday being able to change the human rights landscape in Australia.

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

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Hard work pays off for Jemma



NOT only is Jemma Kinchela the first person in

her immediate family to do further study after Year 12, she is also the first person in the NSW Hunter region to complete an Aboriginal administration traineeship with the NSW Community Services Department.

And she has now been appointed to a full-time position as a customer service officer.

During a recent visit to Newcastle, NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney congratulated Ms Kinchela on her achievement and

thanked her for the commitment she had shown to the agency.

"This is a wonderful achievement, and one that she should be proud of. It's a pleasure for me to know that we have people as dedicated as Jemma working for Community Services," Ms Burney said.

The Aboriginal administration traineeship program is co-ordinated by Community Services in partnership with the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

Traineeships last for 12 months, during which time participants must



Jemma Kinchela and NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney.

undertake a range of clerical-based modules at TAFE. At the end of the program, successful participants are appointed

to full-time positions with Community Services.

Ms Kinchela, who moved to Newcastle from Moree when she was 12,

said the traineeship had not only afforded her a permanent job, but also a great sense of achievement.

"I'm the first person in my immediate family to go on and do study after getting my Year 12 so it's a really big achievement. My family are really proud of me," she said.

Ms Kinchela's role at Community Services involves assisting staff and general office administration. However, she said that one day she'd love to work directly with children and families.

"I have always loved helping people, which is one of the reasons I chose

to do the traineeship," she said.

"Being in Community Services has given me a foot in to door to pursue helping children. But that's the future; I don't think I am ready yet."

For now, Ms Kinchela is enjoying sharing the knowledge she gained from her administration traineeship.

"One of my favourite modules was where we learnt to design and produce spreadsheets," she said.

"Completing that module I have been able to help people that I work with, and make things easier for them," she said.

Top student is a winner

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



WHEN Aboriginal student Lucas Kickett's name was called out as one of three finalists in the running for the Aboriginal or Torres

Strait Islander Student of the Year Award recently, he was happy just to be considered.

He didn't win that category, and believed his chances of taking home a trophy were over.

But he went on to take out the Apprentice of the Year Award and the Geof Gale Medallist (Overall Student of the Year) against other more experienced students in training institution Polytechnic West's annual awards night presentations.

When the modest Narrogin man was called to the stage to accept his awards, it was both a surprising and emotional moment. He had lost his mum just one month before and dedicated his achievements on the night to her.

"I think I lost my legs, there were just so many different emotions running through, thinking what mum would feel if she were here, I couldn't even look at my wife," Mr Kickett said.

He completed a Certificate III in Engineering, Fabrication Heavy/Welding while doing a mature-age apprenticeship in a small engineering shop, McDougall Welding, and said he had always been driven to keep challenging himself, a trait he inherited from his late mother.

"My mum was always building

blocks for our future, saying you can achieve anything you want. She'd be that proud of me now, she was always proud of what I achieved in my life," Mr Kickett said.

"She always encouraged me to go for whatever I wanted."

Mr Kickett spent the better part of the 1990s as a labourer, doing panel beating jobs and a stint as an orderly for the Royal Perth Hospital, but never lost sight of his dreams.

"I was always fascinated by welding, ever since school, and sort of knew this was the direction I wanted my life to take," he said.

"A few years ago I was on CDEP, week after week working for the dole, thinking there must be something better than this."

'Legacy'

"I thought 'My mum's worked all her life'. Starting out as an assistant nurse and putting herself through university to become a nurse, that is her legacy."

As a family man and father of two boys aged 17 and 12, Mr Kickett said he wanted to instil a strong work ethic and pursuit of excellence in his sons, no matter what they chose to do with their lives.

"I tell them all the time, you have to work for a living because nothing in life is free. Apply yourself and you can do anything. I say to them wouldn't you like to go into a shop one day and not worry about how much money you've got in your pocket," he said.

Mr Kickett admits, though, that the challenges he faced when returning to study as a mature-age student – all the while balancing work and family life – were great.

"I went through high school but was an average student," he said.

"When I returned to study, the first couple of weeks I thought of quitting. It felt too hard, I kept having to put my hand up to ask how to do it."

Mr Kickett persevered, and with the support of the teachers and despite the family health challenges he was facing, he finished his certificate.

"The teachers were very supportive, they kept saying don't lose hope. I didn't want to let my workplace down or myself down," he said.

"All I want is to achieve something with my life. It makes me feel proud standing up on that stage knowing I did accomplish something."

Mr Kickett also attributes much to the support of his employers, who showed him the ropes and supported him throughout his studies.

"I finish my apprenticeship in four days and it still feels so surreal," he said.

"One day I'd like to run my own business and be my own boss. I'd like to retire comfortably without worrying and support my wife and children so they don't have to struggle."

"Hopefully my story, if it gets out there and inspires someone to do something with their lives, then I'm happy."



Lucas Kickett with his awards. Photo by Naureen Taylor

Jobs prescribed



KADINA High School student Cherece Close was a little daunted on her first day working at a local pharmacy. But by the end of the day, the NSW Northern Rivers 16-year-old had served her first customer and was on her way towards her first pay cheque.

Cherece is one of 15 local Aboriginal high school students taking part in an employment project to study and train for careers in the pharmacy industry.

"I wanted to get into hairdressing but my careers advisor suggested I take up the opportunity," she said. "It's also good to earn a bit of money."

As part of the project, the trainees will complete a Certificate II in Community Pharmacy at TAFE, while continuing their school studies.

Cherece has been working at Chemist World in Goonellabah, a suburb of Lismore in northern NSW.

The program was initiated by the Northern Rivers University Department of Rural Health, the NSW Education Department, the North Coast Institute of Health and Connect Northern Rivers and is available for Year 10 and 11



At the launch of the Indigenous employment program at Chemist World Goonellabah, from left, Federal Page MP Janelle Saffin, pharmacist Kate Daniel, student Cherece Close, pharmacist Anna Nipperess and Connect project officer Cassie Ryan.

students from Tweed Heads to Evans Head.

Students can continue with the program until they complete Year 12.

Launching the program, Lismore-based Federal MP Janelle Saffin said the Government was providing more

than \$112,000 to fund the project.

"This is an excellent example of how the Government's Indigenous Employment Program is working in practical partnerships to overcome Indigenous disadvantage," Ms Saffin said.

"Connect is providing support for the students, families, schools

and pharmacies involved to ensure the success of the project.

"The students will be mentored during their placements and at the completion of the project, Connect will help students with the transition to further study or employment."

Researcher awarded scholarship



A RESEARCHER undertaking a study aimed at improving quality of life and safety of Indigenous

people undergoing haemodialysis to sustain their lives has won a scholarship to support her project.

Liz Rix is enrolled through the School of Public Health, Sydney Medical School at University of Sydney and based at the Northern Rivers University Department of Rural Health (NRUDRH) in Lismore.

Earlier this month, she learned that the Clinical Excellence Commission had awarded her the Ian O'Rourke PhD Scholarship in Patient Safety.

Ms Rix's scholarship is to support her PhD qualitative study of the experience and perceptions of Aboriginal sufferers of end-stage kidney failure receiving haemodialysis treatment in regional NSW.

The project is aimed at identifying issues of communication and miscommunication between Aboriginal haemodialysis patients and renal health care professionals.

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Sugar Mob targets diabetes



A TRIP to the shops, healthy cooking classes and a painting of an Aboriginal man will feature in a new diabetes awareness program for Aboriginal people in the Upper Hunter Valley in NSW.

The Sugar Mob program, run by Diabetes Australia NSW and supported by the Coal and Allied Aboriginal Development Consultative Committee (ADCC), includes regular interactive workshops to deliver an important message.

"The Sugar Mob program is for Aboriginal people who have, or are at risk of developing, diabetes," Indigenous Elder and Aboriginal health liaison officer for the Upper Hunter Jean Hands said.

"Aboriginal people generally prefer hands-on activity-based methods of learning, so we hope these workshops will help people make better lifestyle choices for themselves and their families."



From left, Denise Hedges, Diane Hedges, Sugar Mob program co-ordinator Andrew Fernando, from Diabetes Australia NSW, and Jenny Campbell, from TAFE.

Sugar Mob program co-ordinator Andrew Fernando said the \$4500 in funding from the ADCC would help buy resources to run the workshops in Muswellbrook and Singleton, encompassing the areas of Merriwa and

Scone. "The funding from the ADCC has helped us buy items such as testing equipment, food to make healthy meals, exercise resistance bands and pedometers to encourage participants to increase their activity," he said.

"We also offer random, confidential blood glucose, blood pressure and waist circumference measurements and use these results to inform individuals of healthy parameters and help them set goals."

According to Diabetes Australia, the rate of diabetes is believed to be six times higher for Indigenous people than other Australians.

In the Hunter Valley alone, more than 500 Aboriginal people have

been diagnosed with diabetes, which affects the body's ability to produce or properly respond to insulin, causing high blood sugar levels.

ADCC executive officer Cate Sims, said Coal and Allied was pleased to support a program aligned with the company's own approach to health and wellness.

"The well-being of our employees is Coal and Allied's number-one priority, which is why we offer our workforce one-on-one health assessments and programs to encourage people to be active," Ms Sims said.

"Our company-wide 10-week walking challenge also starts (soon), so there may be a few Hunter Valley locals donning their pedometers."

At the time of printing, there were still places available to participate in the Sugar Mob program. Contact Andrew Fernando on telephone (02) 4929 6970 for more information.

Midwives on course



THERE are hopes that an unprecedented level of Indigenous enrolment in a new

university degree in midwifery will improve health outcomes for Indigenous women during pregnancy and birth.

Previously, would-be midwives had to complete a nursing qualification before studying midwifery, but stand-alone courses such as Southern Cross University's new Bachelor of Midwifery are now making it possible to directly enter the profession.

Indigenous students account for more than 10 per cent of students enrolled in SCU's new degree course at its Tweed Heads campus. Six of the 50 students enrolled are of Aboriginal descent, with one relocating from Yass near Canberra to undertake the course and others commuting from as far afield as Kempsey and Broken Hill to complete units of study.

Associate Professor of Midwifery Heather Hancock said she was delighted with the response to the course.

"We believe this is the largest percentage of Aboriginal students ever seen for any Bachelor of Midwifery course in Australia," she said. "This is of great significance because for the last 20 years Aboriginal peri-natal mortality has been well above the average and has not improved."

"One critical way to address this is to educate more Aboriginal women as midwives because



Tanya Bonner (far right) and Tamara Jones (front) with baby Lachlan and their fellow Indigenous students studying midwifery at Southern Cross University.

research shows that problems are picked up more quickly when women are able to develop close relationships with a midwife they feel they can trust and who understands them.

"They have a greater level of satisfaction with the care they receive, are more likely to keep their appointments and take responsibility for their health and well-being, and there is a greater likelihood of improved outcomes

for both mother and baby."

Indigenous student Tanya Bonner said the cultural needs of Aboriginal women were very different to other women. She said many Aboriginal women chose not to use the mainstream hospital system because they feared prejudice and being judged.

While many hospitals had Aboriginal liaison officers, they were sometimes male and therefore could not be involved in

women's business.

"Traditionally Aboriginal women gave birth 'on country' with other women around them, and there are important ceremonies that take place outside on country that welcome the child into the world," Ms Bonner said.

"Now, in isolated communities the women are flown to a regional hospital at 36 weeks into their pregnancy and have to stay in accommodation in town without

their extended family until they give birth in the nearby hospital.

"The women feel they have no choice, and if babies aren't born on country they lose some of their link to the land."

"I want to help Aboriginal women to be fully informed, educated and empowered during their pregnancies."

Another Aboriginal student, Tamara Jones, travels from Broken Hill with her four-month-old son Lachlan to attend intensive units of study. She said she had first tried the traditional pathway of studying to be a nurse.

"I studied to be a nurse for a year, but I gave up because I wasn't interested in studying to be a nurse – I always wanted to be a midwife and now I have realised that I can achieve this goal," Ms Jones said.

"Maternal peri-natal rates are two to five times higher for Aboriginal women and I see these as deaths that I could help prevent."

"In many rural and remote areas Aboriginal women haven't had access to antenatal care and education so they will do things like feed their babies powdered milk if they find breast feeding difficult because it's cheaper and they don't understand the risks."

"There are higher rates of sexually transmitted infections, low birth weight and later in life it leads to higher rates of preventable chronic diseases. I hope that by making a difference from birth, at the beginning of life, I can also have a roll-on impact for the future health of the whole family."

Maari Ma's direction pays off



Maari Ma Director of Operations Nola Whyman accepts the award from Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon.



THE head of Maari Ma says the far west NSW health service's latest award recognises the wisdom of basing its work around chronic disease prevention and taking an integrated, intersectoral and whole-of-life approach to improving the health of its Aboriginal clients.

Maari Ma CEO Bob Davis said the health service's board decided five years ago to follow that direction.

Six awards were presented at the inaugural Healthy for Life and New Directions Mothers and Babies Services Health Awards in Brisbane late last month.

Maari Ma's Healthy Start – Antenatal to Five Years program won the category of Organisational Contribution to Closing the Gap in Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander Health Outcomes.

Mr Davis said the foundations of many chronic diseases were laid down before the baby was born and in early childhood, most notably through low birth weight, growth retardation and repeated childhood infections.

Attitudes

He said the Healthy Start program was designed to encourage children and their families to choose healthier attitudes and habits thereby reducing the incidence of lifestyle-related chronic diseases later in life.

"We have achieved a significant improvement in the health of children and mothers by engaging women during pregnancy and in the first five years of the child's life," Mr Davis said.

"Key to this is a schedule of more than 20 health or home visits during the child's

first five years which is helping Aboriginal people to access culturally appropriate health services and improve their health outcomes.

"For example, the proportion of children who have had their length/height and weight measured and development checks done has increased from 39 per cent in 2006 to 54 per cent in 2008."

Mr Davis said Maari Ma worked with a range of child health service providers to develop and continue the program. These included the Broken Hill Health Service Child and Family Health Centre and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

"We will continue to build on the work we have done and to build positive relationships with families in the early years while children are well so that Aboriginal people in our region will enjoy the good health and longevity that non Aboriginal people enjoy," he said.

Scholarship to support Karen



A FORMER high school teacher and mentor who wants to improve the health of Indigenous people has won the AMA Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship for 2010. Karen Taylor, from the Gold Coast, was awarded the scholarship by Australian Medical Association Federal Vice-President Dr Steve Hambleton last Thursday.

Valued at \$9000 for each year of study, the scholarship provides support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying medicine.

A descendent of the Bidjara people of south-west Queensland, Ms Taylor is a third-year Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery student at Griffith University and plans to work as a general practitioner.

"I intend to work in Indigenous communities and I believe that long-term relationships build trust and provide better health outcomes," she said.

Ms Taylor has a young family and recently completed a Masters degree with a research project looking at Group B Streptococcus. "Both of these parts of my life's journey have encouraged me to become involved in maternal and neonatal health and thus train as a GP," she said.

Find solutions

"In communication with community members, traditional healers and Aboriginal health care workers, I can continue my own learning and together we can empower each other to find solutions to health challenges."

Dr Hambleton said the scholarship was designed to encourage and support Indigenous students who were preparing for careers in medicine, particularly in Aboriginal health.

"The AMA acknowledges the unique contribution of Indigenous health professionals to improving health outcomes of Indigenous people," he said.

"Assisting Indigenous medical students to complete their studies is a positive step toward ensuring there are more Indigenous health professionals to serve their communities."

Vice-Chancellor Prof Ian O'Connor said Griffith University had a strong commitment to increasing participation rates of Indigenous people in higher education and in Indigenous health. "We have one of Australia's newest medical schools and have graduated almost 200 doctors in the past two years," he said.

"Some of our graduates are already out there making a difference in Indigenous communities."

The scholarship was established in 1995 with a contribution from the Federal Government. It has also been supported by the Reuben Pelerman Benevolent Foundation.



Scholarship recipient Karen Taylor ... "I intend to work in Indigenous communities and I believe that long-term relationships build trust and provide better health outcomes."

SA program to attract more nurses



AN Aboriginal nursing program has been launched at TAFE South Australia's Port Lincoln Campus as part of a campaign

to get more Aboriginal nurses in the health system.

State Employment, Training and Further Education Minister Jack Snelling said 11 traineeships, valued at \$600,000 over two years, would allow the Aboriginal students to receive a wage while they completed their traineeships.

"The program is an innovative and integrated model for connecting Aboriginal students with a career in nursing," he said.

"The program allows students to achieve long-term goals by combining paid work at the Matthew Flinders Health Service with training and study."

TAFE SA, the Australian Government's Skilling Australia for the Future, Productivity Places Program, Complete Personnel, Matthew Flinders Health Service and job provider Career Employment Group, are among the organisations involved in the program.

General Manager of TAFE SA Regional Aboriginal Access Centre Marg Mibus has been involved in the program since its inception.

"The importance of increasing the number of Aboriginal health professionals in our communities is vital, not only to improve the health of our people, but for women as the 'carers' of our families and our extended families," she said.

"All candidates for the program indicated an interest and ability to care for, and educate, their families and communities to achieve better health."

"The students have made a commitment to being full-time students and employees for two years to complete their Diploma in Enrolled Nursing."

Boost for Institute



A NEW funding package for the Institute of Urban Indigenous Health has been announced in Brisbane.

On 30 April, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowden announced an additional \$1 million to fund two new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health hubs, in the Logan and Moreton Bay areas.

Mr Snowden said the funding would help set up the first primary health care centre at the site, and a second centre in the Logan/Woodridge area, which will include a clinic for Indigenous mothers and babies.

He said the institute will increase access to GPs, nurses, allied health and drug and alcohol services for more than 45,000 Indigenous people in south-east Queensland.

"There has been a rapid population growth of Indigenous Australians within the south-east Queensland region – a 100 per cent increase since the 1970s," Mr Snowden said.

"But Indigenous people in the region aren't accessing our front-line health services. Only 4.1 per cent of eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the area participated in a health check during 2008-09."

The announcement followed an earlier Queensland Government commitment to provide the building for the new hubs.

Institute Director Prof Cindy Shannon said the contributions were a timely and



Member for Longman Jon Sullivan, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowden and Institute for Urban Indigenous Health Director Prof Cindy Shannon.

positive indication of a heightened degree of collaboration between governments, and between governments and the Aboriginal health sector.

"The centre will be managed by the Institute, with health services provided by the Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service with the future likelihood of

contributions from local Divisions of General Practice," Prof Shannon said.

"This new model of co-operation shows the willingness of the Indigenous health sector to seek out novel ways of improving health service delivery and consequently improving health outcomes for our people."

"Both the Logan and Moreton Bay

regions have experienced huge growth in their Indigenous populations and the new hubs will provide long-overdue services to the more than 12,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders who live there."

Prof Shannon said the two regions shared high rates of obesity and smoking and lower than average levels of physical activity, resulting in elevated levels of chronic diseases and mental health problems including schizophrenia and self-inflicted injury.

"Although on the face of it these communities, sited on the edge of a large capital city, would appear to be entirely different from remote communities, in fact they share high rates of diseases such as diabetes, asthma, respiratory, circulatory, lung cancer, asthma and mental illness with their counterparts in regional and remote Australia," she said.

Prof Shannon said that data from the two regions showed 'a worrying lack of access by local Indigenous people to mainstream health services', which confirmed the importance of establishing effective Aboriginal-controlled services in the areas.

"Queensland Health records indicate that although the two regions had more than 12,000 Indigenous residents, only 42 Indigenous child health checks and 67 Indigenous adult health checks were performed in the Logan area, with no Indigenous child health checks and a paltry 14 Indigenous adult health checks recorded in Moreton Bay," she said.

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New kit to help mentally ill lead healthy lifestyle



AUSTRALIANS with mental illness have much poorer physical health than that of the general population, dying

younger and with higher rates of chronic illnesses such as heart disease. Being physically inactive, overweight, having a poor diet and smoking are all major factors contributing to poor physical health.

Recent SANE Australia research has found 90 per cent of respondents affected by mental illness reported having a chronic physical condition such as diabetes, heart disease or circulatory problems.

"It can be tough for anyone at the best of times to get fit and maintain a healthy lifestyle, but it's an even greater hurdle for people who are living with a mental illness," said SANE Australia chief Barbara Hocking.

"Many people with mental illness are concerned about their general health, but symptoms such as lack of motivation, as well as financial pressures, social isolation and weight gain associated with some medications, make it particularly difficult to make healthy lifestyle changes."

SANE Australia has developed a Healthy Living Kit to help

people with a mental illness to take action themselves, to work towards a healthy lifestyle. The kit comprises a DVD which features people with mental illnesses who share their experiences of finding support and getting and staying healthy, as well as a guide with practical information and tips on healthy living.

Ms Hocking said physical health care and mental health care were 'two sides of the same coin'.

"But for too long the health system has separated the two, especially when treating people with a mental illness," she said.

"The opportunity to prevent or pick-up signs of other chronic illnesses is often missed because many doctors still do not provide basic physical health checks for their patients with a mental illness."

"We need a Medicare Benefits Scheme item for physical health checks for people affected by mental illness, so that monitoring and promotion of their physical health becomes standard treatment."

"A specific MBS item, such as that for other marginalised groups like Indigenous Australians, is fundamental and long overdue, because of the increased risk factors that people with a mental illness face."

Deadline extended in search for new talent



QUEENSLAND'S annual hunt for songwriting excellence has been extended for several weeks. Songwriters have until next Friday 28 May to get their entries in to go into the running for \$35,000 worth of cash and prizes.

Q Song provides a platform for up-and-coming songwriters to build their profile and gain recognition in the industry.

Q Music executive officer Denise Foley said entries were flooding in from all over Queensland.

"Here we are with Q Song now in it's 5th year of celebrating the wealth of song writing talent in Queensland," Ms Foley said.

"Entries once again this year are such high quality and we are looking forward to unveiling the next generation of Queensland songwriters."

Unpublished songwriters

Q Song is open to unpublished songwriters. Songwriters can enter in a number of categories including rock, pop, jazz, blues/roots, folk/ballad, world, urban, punk, alternative and many more.

Past winners include Kate Miller-Heidke, The Boatpeople, The John Steel Singers, Robert Foster, Kev Carmody, Ben Salter, Timothy Carroll, Kate Bradley, Jackie Marshall, Tim Steward, James Grehan, 8 Ball Aitken, and many more.

Entries now close 5pm, 28 May and you can enter online at www.qsong.com.au

Finalists will be announced on 30 June. The Courier-Mail People's Choice voting begins on July 3 with members of the public given the chance to vote to win.

For more info, go to www.qsong.com.au

Musical returns to Sydney



WESLEY Enoch says he still gets a thrill every time he watches *The Sapphires*, even

though as the stage show's director he has seen it more than 100 times.

The Sapphires is a swinging celebration of four inspirational sisters from country New South Wales. Set in 1969, when the world was protesting against the Vietnam War, it follows the story of the McCrae sisters as they travelled overseas for the first time and perform for the troops on the front line.

"How exciting to see four beautiful Indigenous women on stage telling such an empowering tale," said Enoch, an Aboriginal man with a long directorial association with Company B Belvoir.

"The joy of the rehearsal room

has infected this show and infects the audience with every dance step and every song. I find it so energising and enjoyable."

It is probably little wonder, then, that *The Sapphires* won Helpmann Awards for Best New Australian Work and Best Play for its first season in 2005 and has played sell-out seasons to rapturous audiences in Perth and Adelaide this time around.

Starring Hollie Andrew, Christine Anu, Casey Donovan and Kylie Farmer, *The Sapphires* was by Australian playwright Tony Briggs and based on the true story of his mother and her relatives.

Next week, when Company B Belvoir and Black Swan State Theatre bring the feel-good musical back to the home State of the talented women whose story it tells, it will probably bring audiences to

their feet and the house down.

It features the soul hits that defined a generation, setting the mood with performances of Motown classics such as *Heard it on the Grapevine*, *Respect*, *Stop in the Name of Love* and *Sex Machine*.

The Sapphires plays the Belvoir St Downstairs Theatre, 25 Belvoir St, Surry Hills, from 26 May to 20 June.

Opening night is on 27 May, coincidentally, the anniversary of the 1967 Referendum which resulted in Indigenous Australians being counted in the national census for the first time.

Tickets are \$62-\$65, and less for seniors, groups and concession holders.

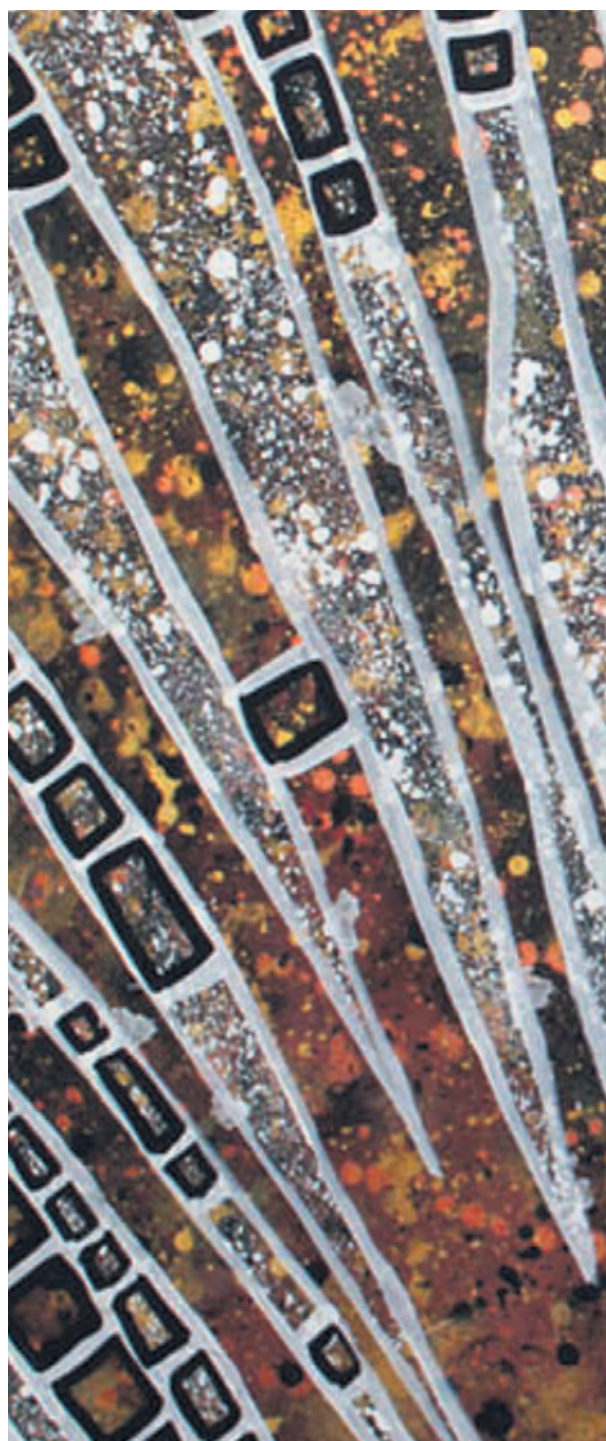
For bookings, call (02) 9699 3444 or go online at www.belvoir.com.au

● See our next edition for a review of opening night.



Gems, the lot of them, from left, Casey Donovan, Kylie Farmer, Christine Anu and Hollie Andrew.

Photo by MICHAEL CORRIDORE



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Contemporary Aboriginal artists are invited to submit paintings, photographs or sculptures to the 2010 Wollotuka Acquisitive Art Prize.

The University of Newcastle and Interrelate NSW are proud sponsors of the prize and exhibition which will be held at the University of Newcastle Art Gallery, Callaghan campus from 4 - 25 August 2010.

The Wollotuka Acquisitive Art Prize of \$2000 will be awarded to the entry that best reflects the stories and experiences of the artist.

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For more information phone 02 4921 5949 or go to www.newcastle.edu.au/waap to download a submission form.

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Submissions close 14 July 2010.

The University of Newcastle, led by the Wollotuka Institute, is a leader in higher education for Indigenous Australians. Through a comprehensive range of educational programs, research and services, the Institute aims to enhance the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students' higher education experience. To find out more about the Institute visit www.newcastle.edu.au/institute/wollotuka



Alice publisher to benefit from geek



ALICE Springs Indigenous publisher IAD Press will be one of nine Australian arts organisations to benefit from the latest round of the Australia Council's innovative Geeks In Residence program.

The program places tech-savvy 'geeks' with selected arts organisations to help them explore a new world of digital possibilities, increasing the skills and understanding of digital amongst host staff.

Geek Ben Foley will work with IAD on creation of a digital publishing platform and digital audio capacity, research into EDI (Electronic data interchange), and development of an eCommerce environment.

Mr Foley has previously worked with other Indigenous organisations including the Central Australian Aboriginal Media Association (CAAMA) and Batchelor Institute.

The Manager of the Australia Council's Digital Program Fee Plumley said the program was not about having someone to provide IT support, or 'populate Facebook' for six months.

"It's about increasing the skills and confidence of the people behind the arts organisations and then watching new ideas flow," she said.

"Of course we'll see some web development (but) what's important is that they're not just going to build something and walk out. It's a collaborative process, and the impact of their work will be felt well after the geek has left the building."

The call for Geeks attracted around 120 applications.

Other geeks have been placed at the Contemporary Art Centre of South Australia, Country Arts SA, Salamanca Arts Centre, Shopfront in Sydney, Sydney Dance Company, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra, University of Queensland Press and West Space Inc in Melbourne.

Cheap computers



CENTRELINK customers can now buy low-cost PCs thanks to an ongoing partnership between Centrelink and not-for-profit organisation WorkVentures.

The WorkVentures PCs are professionally refurbished, internet ready Pentium 4 PCs with Windows XP Pro, Microsoft Office 2003 and technical support from \$290 plus delivery.

The WorkVentures PCs offer is available to Centrelink concession cardholders, schools and not-for-profit organisations.

Those who are interested should contact their local Centrelink office or phone WorkVentures on 1800 112 205.

Arts Tasmania

Aboriginal Arts Fund now open

Apply NOW for projects in 2011
Applications close: Friday 11 June 2010

The Aboriginal Arts Fund provides grants to support contemporary and traditional Aboriginal arts practice. Individual Tasmanian Aboriginal artists and organisations working with Tasmanian Aboriginal artists can apply.

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The Aboriginal Elders Council of Tasmania

163 St John Street, Launceston

Hobart Workshop: 1.30pm, Wednesday 26 May

Women's Karadi Aboriginal Corporation

4 Rothesay Circle, Goodwood

Department of Economic Development,
Tourism and the Arts



Indigenous Canadian author Richard Van Camp will be appearing at the Sydney Writers' Festival.

Festival to feature Indigenous writers



THE Sydney Writers' Festival (SWF), currently underway, features some of the best Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors and artists on offer, both established and emerging.

With the theme of 'Read, Rethink Respond', the festival organisers hope to entice more Aboriginal readers and lovers of literature to take part in some of the free and ticketed events on offer in Sydney and surrounds.

The festival's Indigenous content kicked off on Saturday with the Songs for Stories: Indigenous Literacy Project (ILP) Benefit Concert. The night included performances from hip-hop duo the Street Warriors and Australian musician Josh Pyke, and readings from Indigenous author Anita Heiss and David Malouf.

One of the free events not to miss is the 'Celebrating the Voice: Indigenous Writers Night' from 6pm tonight at the Wollongong City Library with readings by Indigenous Canadian writer Richard Van Camp, Kerry Reed-Gilbert, John Muk Muk Burke and Barbara Nicholson, among others.

Van Camp is a member of Canada's Dogrib Nation and a bestselling author of numerous novels, short stories and children's books. He has been awarded Storyteller of the Year for both Canada and the US, and a copy of his book 'Welcome Song for Baby: Lullaby for a Newborn' was given to the parents of every newborn baby in the province of British Columbia, Canada.

Tomorrow from 11.30am, in a free event titled 'Who Owns the Story?', Indigenous cultural and intellectual property lawyer Terri Janke, novelist Anita Heiss and playwright and director Scott Rankin will debate such questions as 'Are traditional Indigenous stories and legends properly in the public domain, there for anyone to appropriate?', and 'Should copyright apply and, if so, how would it be



Aboriginal author Larissa Behrendt will be appearing at several SWF events.

Photo by Jonathan David Photography.

administered?'. That event will be held at Bangarra Mezzanine at Pier 4/5 on Hickson Road at Walsh Bay.

Also free will be 'Indigenous Writing Across All Genres', a discussion from 7pm tomorrow night at Blacktown Arts Centre about the challenges and opportunities of being an Indigenous writer in a culture dominated by non-Indigenous stories.

An Indigenous panel including Anita Heiss, Richard Van Camp, Boori Monty Pryor, Cathy Craigie and Leanne Tobin will lead a discussion on how Indigenous writers can maintain an authentic voice and also touch on writing for audiences of all ages and genres: writing for performance, poetry and non-fiction, genre fiction and children's literature.

Afterwards at the same venue, the event 'Goomeda Darug: Spirit of the

Darug' will bring poets together to share their thoughts and musings on life. The line-up includes Robyn Caughlan, Stacey Et Al, Leanne Tobin and Greg Smith.

From 11.30am on Friday, at Bangarra Mezzanine, Richard Van Camp and Boori Monty Pryor will speak with Anita Heiss. Pryor's latest book, an anniversary edition of *Maybe Tomorrow* was co-written with Meme McDonald.

Between 10am and 11am on Saturday, author Marie Munkara will share her story in a ticketed event (\$15/\$10) at the Richard Wherrett Studio at Sydney Theatre. Munkara's first book, *Every Secret Thing* won the David Unaipon Award for Indigenous Writing and the Territory Read NT Book of the Year Award.

Munkara will also be on the bill of a free event 'Tiddas Talk Writing', at the Sydney Dance Co from 4pm on Saturday, where she'll join Anita Heiss, and Unaipon Award winner Larissa Behrendt in discussing what makes Indigenous women's fiction so special. Behrendt's second book *Legacy* was published last year.

Sunday, the final day of the festival, will feature 'Sharing Stories with Boori Monty Pryor' between 11.30am and 12.30pm at the Sydney Philharmonic Choir Studio, also at Pier 4/5 on Hickson Road at Walsh Bay. Children are encouraged to attend.

And from 4pm in 'Deadly Voices: An Intervention', poets including Nunga woman Ali Cobby Eckermann and Murri poet Lionel Fogerty from Queensland will speak their mind on the intervention into Indigenous communities.

Cobby Eckermann's poetry 'little bit long time' charts a long journey to reconnect with her Yankunytjatjara family. This free event will be held at Bangarra's Mezzanine.

For a full program of Sydney Writers' Festival events, go to www.swf.org.au

NPWS awards set to open



The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Northern Rivers Region Aboriginal

Art Award will open at the Lismore Regional Gallery early next month. Now in its ninth year, the prizemoney for the award has grown to \$6500 across a number of categories.

NPWS community relations ranger Kerrie Metzler said Aboriginal artists of all ages and levels of experience who live in or are associated with the NSW Northern Rivers region had been invited to submit entries for this year's Aboriginal art award, which would be judged by Queensland Art Gallery associate curator of Indigenous Australian art Bruce McLean.

"NPWS works closely with Aboriginal people across the Northern Rivers," she said. "The art award is an important vehicle for building strong links with the Indigenous community."

Lismore Regional Gallery Director Brett Adlington said the award was a great opportunity for those starting out as it provided an opportunity to exhibit alongside other Aboriginal people.

"Exhibiting in a recognised gallery is a great confidence builder," he said. "It is an opportunity to gain recognition, and winning a prize is a fantastic boost."

The official opening will be held at the Lismore Regional Gallery on Saturday, 5 June at 11am.



The winner of the 2009 NPWS Art Award was Penny Evans for her ceramic work *Sisters* (seen here).

Time is right for Bancroft



AN exhibition of new works by award-winning Aboriginal artist Bronwyn Bancroft opened at Wilson Street Gallery in Newtown, Sydney, last Saturday. Called 'Time', it marks

the beginning of a series of new exhibitions for Bancroft, who was recognised as a living treasure in 1999 and – now aged in her 50s – says she's excited and re-energised.

Bancroft's career spans three decades and saw her invited as the first Australian fashion designer to exhibit in Paris in 1987, and emerge as a leader in the campaign for Indigenous artists' rights, winning a landmark copyright case against fabric company Dolina in 1991.

Bancroft has illustrated more than 20 children's books, receiving numerous awards. She has worked with Indigenous youth sharing her passion for art and culture and last year played a pivotal role in the battle to ensure the survival of the NSW Aboriginal Art Co-operative Boomalli.

'Time' runs until 6 June at Wilson Street Gallery, 30-34 Wilson Street, Newtown, from Wed to Sun, 11am-5pm.

Into a dark future

MARGARET SMITH reviews *Nyuntu Ngali (You We Two)* by BIG hART Productions with Windmill Theatre

BIG hART Productions have joined forces with Windmill Theatre to produce *Nyuntu Ngali (You We Two)*, a futuristic play for schools and young people.

It was conceived through working with the Mimili community and Elders from Ernabella in South Australia's Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands, some of whom attended the first night at the STC Wharf Theatre 2 in Sydney on 5 May.

Nyuntu Ngali stars Trevor Jamieson as the unborn baby 'Petrol', and the talented Derek Lynch and Anne Golding as his young teenage parents.

The play's writer and director, Scott Rankin, says the actors were brought to the project after the Ernabella community became involved.

Jamieson has previously co-authored the earlier *Ngapartji Ngapartji* for BIG hART, which challenged its audience to learn more about traditional languages and pushed the boundaries of theatre in Australia.

The new play is set in the desert after climate change has devastated the cities and people are escaping inland. It tells the story of two wrong skin young lovers, who are on the run from their communities because the girl is pregnant with their first child.

But the couple have been brought up on pop music and junk food, and they have to learn bush craft to survive. The young lovers are caught between their love for each other, their fears and the frustrations of their new responsibilities, which are conveyed brilliantly by inventive props and the images projected behind them on multiple screens.

Lynch, who has been a singer in Alice Springs, is funny and poignant as he struggles with this challenging situation. He dances and sings, and makes loving overtures to his girlfriend whilst the two of them also bicker about the impending birth and their lonely plight.

Jamieson is marvellous as the unborn



Trevor Jamieson playing the unborn baby 'Petrol'.

child and later baby Petrol, who tries to teach his young parents respect so he can be born smoothly into the chaos. The unborn child is really an old spirit, as he comments on their journey to the audience with cheeky monologues:

*In the-olden-dreaming,
They'd steal your iti baby away,
Come to town camps,
Push cameras in your snotty yunpa,
Send your yunpa up to satellites around
the world...*

*Welfare would've fed me so I wouldn't
ula – So I wouldn't iluku – die...
Back in the 'just do it' world,
They would take half our money
They would just do it, to us.*

When Petrol is born the young parents face a difficult reality. Can they feed and care for him and themselves when they are so inexperienced and the world is in a state of uncertainty?

The dance sequences, choreographed by Gina Rings, are

evocative and show the trio's versatility and strengths. The music by Beth Sometimes and Jennifer Wells, a 22-year-musician from Ernabella, is also played live on stage.

The play was expected to raise many questions for young people who attend.

At the opening night performance, Jamieson told the crowd: "When you see a shooting star in the sky, that's a baby being born... One of the important things we have in live theatre is its ability to connect us together."

Friends to play at festival



SOMETIMES it's the small things that make the biggest impact, and that's certainly what two friends behind a new theatre show starting in Melbourne tonight are hoping.

'Pull My Strings and I will Play for You' will be performed as part of the Next Wave Festival.

The 45-minute contemporary and interactive performance piece is on at Melbourne's Fitzroy Town Hall for three nights – starting tonight and running until Friday – with two shows at 6pm and 7.30pm for an intimate audience of just 12 at a time.

Polish migrant Olga Nowicka and Indigenous Muruwari woman Katherine Beckett promise to take audiences on an 'up close and personal guided tour through the criss-crossing, chalk-drawn streets of the pair's memories'.

The show juxtaposes the friends' very different experiences, shedding light on the role of minority cultures within mainstream Australian society.

The pair say they'll transform the Fitzroy Town Hall with the power of imagination, storytelling, chalk drawings – and pierogi (Polish dumplings).

'Pull My Strings and I will



Katherine Beckett and Olga Nowicka promise to take audiences on a guided tour of their memories. Photo by ROCHELLE HINTON

Play for You' uses visual art, sensory theatre, whimsical mapping and autobiography to take audiences on a journey into memory and history.

Commissioned and developed by Next Wave

through Kickstart 2009, it is being supported by Performance Space, the Australia Council for the Arts, and Ilbjerri Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Theatre Co-Operative.

The show venue of Fitzroy

Town Hall is at 201 Napier St Fitzroy.

Entry is \$15 (full) and \$10 (concession) and tickets can be bought through 1300 727 432. Special Polish and Muruwari snacks provided.

● The Next Wave Festival is offering up to three double passes to 'Pull My Strings and I will Play for You' on Friday. To win, simply send an email to the festival at Tom@nextwave.org.au

Barunga hosts leading talents



EMERGING Arnhem Land band Garrangali will join some of Indigenous Australia's finest established musical talents in the line-up for the 2010 Barunga Festival, to be held over the June long weekend.

The 12-piece group will share the stage at the festival's Saturday night concert with Queensland rock-reggae outfit Zennith, country rockers Fitzroy Express, Maningrida band, Crazy Boys, Torres Strait roots-reggae stalwart Reggae Dave and local boys Springwater Band.

This year, Barunga celebrates its 25th anniversary with a program of traditional cultural activities, including storytelling, spear-throwing, didjeridu making, a didjeridu competition, basket weaving, bush tucker, bush medicine tours, traditional dancing, as well as a workshop and performance by the Indigenous Hip-Hop Project at the Friday Night Disco.

Senior Elder Margaret Katherine says the festival is 'a good opportunity for people to share culture, and understand, no matter what their background'. She says it's a time to be proud of traditional ways and to share cultural practices.



Garrangali will share the Barunga stage during the festival's Saturday night concert.

On top of this year's festival music program and cultural activities, there'll be the Barunga Battle of the Bands and Road Safety Song Competition, children's activities, arts stalls and a film screening of *Bran Nue Dae*.

The festival is also host to the NT's biggest sporting weekend, with teams coming from across the Territory to

participate in AFL, softball and basketball.

Entries are still open for the Barunga Battle of the Bands and Road Safety Song Competition, Barunga Art Prize as well as for sporting competitions including football, softball and basketball.

The Barunga Festival will be held from 11-14 June. For more info, go to www.barungafestival.com.au

Zennith Boyz win support



ZENNITH Boyz from far north Queensland have been named amongst 20 musical outfits to be supported to tour in the latest funding round of the Contemporary Music

Touring Program.

The band will receive \$10,000 to take their reggae/hip-hop/rock style, which incorporates traditional Aboriginal music influences, to 18 venues in Queensland, NSW, Victoria, Canberra and South Australia.

Federal Arts Minister Peter Garrett said the program would give regional and remote communities around Australia an opportunity to enjoy live performances of contemporary music.

"For more than 10 years now, support from the Contemporary Music Touring Program has helped contemporary musicians to perform to audiences in regional and remote parts of Australia," he said.

"The successful applicants under this latest funding round will travel across the country, bringing live performance of many styles of contemporary music to appreciative audiences."

Mr Garrett said the touring program brought benefits to the musicians and the communities they visited.

"While the exposure and touring experience benefits the bands, these tours also bolster the communities they visit, including by helping to support the local economy," he said.

Film award top gongs



INDIGENOUS cinematographers Murray Lui and Allan Collins were honoured by their peers at the 2010 Australian Cinematographers Society National Awards in Melbourne earlier this month.

They are believed to be the first Indigenous Australians to score Golden Tripods, the top gongs in the various categories of what are the peak industry awards celebrating the art of moving image photography in Australia.

Mr Lui, a Torres Strait Islander man now based in Sydney, won the Fictional Drama Shorts category for his work on the 11-minute film *Jacob*, written and directed by Warmungu/Warlpiri woman Dena Curtis.

The film premiered at last year's Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival, followed by the Melbourne International Film Festival.

Mr Collins, from Alice Springs, topped the Telefeatures, TV Drama & Mini-Series category for his work on *3 Acts of Murder*.

Mr Collins and Mr Lui are graduates of the Australian Film, Television and Radio School (AFTRS).

Mr Collins won an Australian Film Institute (AFI) Award for cinematography for his first feature film *Beneath Clouds*, which was directed by director Ivan Sen.

And Mr Lui's past work has included on TV series such as *Remote Area Nurse (RAN)* and *The Circuit* and short dramas *Green Bush*, *Djarn Djarns* and *My Country* and the documentary *Big Girls Don't Cry*.



Cinematographers Murray Lui and Allan Collins with their Golden Tripod awards.

Woodford set for another monster festival



CAMPFIRES will crackle and ancient sounds will fill the Woodford valley during next month's The Dreaming festival, from 11-14 June.

The festival's opening ceremony will bring together performers from across the world to welcome audiences and to honour the traditional custodians of the land, the Jinibara Nation.

Festival organisers are expecting more than 25,000 people to attend The Dreaming over the four nights and three days, all supported by about 850 volunteers.

New Program Director Sam Cook sees the festival 'as a reconciliatory space for all Australians to come together and celebrate, learn and experience the world's Indigenous

cultures and their rich artistic contribution'.

One of Australia's best-selling independent artists, Dan Sultan and his seven-piece band will grace the Blacktraks stage on the Saturday night, serving up an electric combination of rockabilly, blues, rock and soul.

Performing daily at The Dreaming will be Canada's Digging Roots, prolific tourers who boast a vintage-style rhythm section and recently picked up a coveted Juno award.

Collaborative effort

Founders ShoShona Kish and Raven Kanataka will also perform on Monday night in the Dreaming Allstars Supergroup, a collaborative performance featuring guitar

legend Stevie Salas (Apache), Janet Panic (Canada), and Australia's Cam Gould.

Liberty Songs is a stirring cross-cultural performance, featuring Australia's most captivating female singer/songwriters, Shellie Morris, Leah Flanagan and Lou Bennett alongside a group of Liberian women who arrived in the Northern Territory as refugees.

Traditional performances will include the internationally recognised Mornington Island Dancers, Kehewin Native Dance Theatre from Canada and the Rako Dancers from the Pacific.

For a list of program outlets or to purchase discount tickets, go online to www.thedreamingfestival.com or call (07) 5496 1066

Huge line-up at Brisbane festival



AUSTRALIA'S largest Indigenous youth hip-hop/RnB and cultural festival Stylin' Up returns for its ten-year anniversary later this month.

The event was established in 2001 by local Inala Elders in partnership with Brisbane City Council as a way of instilling their youth with pride in themselves, their community and their culture.

A myriad of cultural and community activities take place alongside the music stage and offer a mix of performances and activities that showcase the talent of the local community.

Produced with and for young people, the award-winning event now attracts crowds of 15,000-plus from across Queensland.

Its mantra 'Pride in SELF/Pride in COMMUNITY/Pride in CULTURE' emphasises a commitment to young Indigenous people to take a positive step towards personal and social change, which ultimately contributes to community change.

Inala Elders Project Office and Brisbane community member Kelvin Lui explains the

successful collaboration between the Indigenous community and Brisbane City Council for the success of Stylin' Up thus:

"Such collaboration between Indigenous community and government is rare. Stylin' Up has worked because it wasn't a one-off, it has been a commitment to the long term and ultimately – a positive step towards reconciliation and connecting young people to peace and long-term resolution."

For this year's festival, many key performers from previous years have been asked – and agreed – to return.

The line-up is led by legendary Archie Roach who, while not hip-hop/RnB, will be performing solo on stage as well as with Fred Leone from Impossible Odds. Fred and Archie have a long history of co-writing together, and will perform one of their tracks live at Stylin' Up.

Others on the bill include Indigenous Intrudaz (Brisbane), Impossible Odds (Brisbane), The Last Kinection (Sydney), Zennith Boyz (far north Qld), Yung Warriors (Melbourne), Little G (Melbourne), and acoustic set from Banawurun (Brisbane), with comic Sean Choolburra as MC.

Emerging artists from previous years

who'll also return are EMR, Dizzy Doolan (& Dubbzone), Stunna Set and Poetic Murriz.

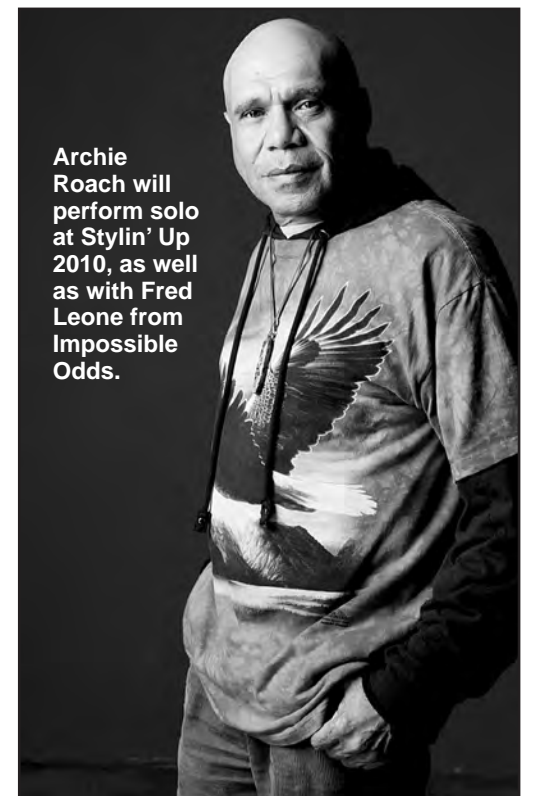
And newer emerging artists to get the call include P.I. Boys (Palm Island), DeeKay, TRIKS, Harmony Hip Hop PJ, Thafax Records, Cat Thompson, Broadcast, D.M.B.C, Karnage & Darknis (Adelaide), Guttaklass (Cairns), MC Murriz.

The Stylin' Up program also consists of an extensive workshop program with an emphasis on routine through rehearsals and skills development. It encompasses music, contemporary and traditional dance; and arts, cultural and skills development workshops. Workshops run for four to six months leading up to the festival.

Stylin' Up 2010 will be held between noon and 8pm on Saturday, 29 May at CJ Greenfields Sports Complex in the Brisbane suburb of Inala.

On the day, there'll also be dance competitions, food and drink stalls, arts and craft stalls, free rides, basketball and much more.

The event is 100 per cent drug and alcohol free and a family day open to all community members.



Archie Roach will perform solo at Stylin' Up 2010, as well as with Fred Leone from Impossible Odds.

Welcome to *The Koori Mail's* National Calendar of Events. We welcome your submissions. Please keep them short and include a daytime telephone contact number for checking purposes. Items can be emailed to calendar@koorimail.com, faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666. National

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Until 2 October: Bangarra Dance Theatre presents *Of Earth and Sky*. This is an original and evocative double bill inspired by contrasting traditional and contemporary themes and examining the fusion of dance and visual art. Details: (02) 9929 3770 or (0412) 601 816 or visit www.bangarra.com.au
Dates and locations:
 1-10 July at Brisbane. Ph (07) 3840 7466 or visit www.qpac.com.au
 23 July-28 August at Sydney. Ph (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneypophouse.com
 3-4 September at Canberra. Ph (02) 6275 2700 or visit www.canberratheatrecentre.com.au
 8-11 September at Adelaide. Ph 131 246 or visit www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au
 16-18 September at Wollongong. Ph (02) 4224 5999 or visit www.merrigong.com.au
 23 September-2 October at Melbourne.

Until 10 October: Menagerie National Tour. This exhibition explores a contemporary Indigenous perspective on animals and their relationship to people, place and country, revealing individual stories of maker and object. All welcome. Details: (02) 9320 6000 or visit www.aboriginalartnews.com.au
Dates and locations:
 15 May-27 June at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston, Tas
 23 July-10 October at Tandanya, National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Adelaide.

NSW

Until 25 June: Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize - calling for entries. The art prize is open to Aboriginal artists 18 years or older who are born in NSW and belonging to a NSW language group. Prize value of \$20,000. For conditions of entry and more information contact: (02) 4645 4100 or visit www.cofa.unsw.edu.au

Until 13 August: Calling for nominations for the 2010 NSW/ACT Regional Achievement and Community Awards. Categories include the Community of the Year Award, the Crown Reserve Trust Award, the Business Enterprise Award, the Events and Tourism Award, the Employment and Training Award and the Environment & Landcare Award. The official launch for the awards will be held in Tamworth on the 25 May and Gosford on 28

May. Prizes included for all winners. All are encouraged to nominate. Details: 1300 735 445 or visit www.awardsaustralia.com

15 May-6 June: 'Time' art exhibition by Bronwyn Bancroft. In this exhibition Bronwyn places herself in the narrative of her family history with a visual story of survival and determination. Opened by Bronwyn Bancroft's son, Jack Manning Bancroft. Free and all welcome. Held at Wilson Street Gallery, Newtown. Details: (0401) 996 990 or (02) 9516 3144 or email janet@wilsonstreetgallery.com.au or visit www.wilsonstreetgallery.com.au

18 May: Music and dance forum. This is a great opportunity for artists to connect and talk to other artists and service providers who help influence, promote and support Western Sydney's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dance and Music. The forum will include a review on music, dance audit and open discussions resourcing options. All welcome. Held at Blacktown Art Centre. Details: (02) 9839 6554 or (0434) 606 495 or email maria.mitar@blacktown.nsw.gov.au or www.artscentre.blacktown.nsw.gov.au

19 May-3 June: 'Boolarng Nangamai' Aboriginal Art and Culture Studio art exhibition. Showcasing works from Aboriginal artists. Free and all welcome. Held at Hogarth Galleries Aboriginal Art Centre. Details: (02) 9360 6839 or infor@hogarthgalleries.com or www.aboriginalartcentre.com

20 May: *Our Generation* film screening. Indigenous rights film screening of the ground-breaking new documentary on Aboriginal rights through the stories of the Yolngu people of Arnhem Land. Special guests, Aboriginal elders, ABC and more. Cost \$20 a ticket. All welcome. Held at the Footbridge Theatre, Parramatta Road, University of Sydney, from 6.30pm onwards. Details: (0420) 400 284 or email info@ourgeneration.org.au or visit www.ourgeneration.org.au

26 May: Sorry Day celebrations. The event will include a flag-raising ceremony, traditional dance and didgeridoo performances. Visit to Stolen Generations Garden followed by a barbecue lunch. Free and all welcome. Held at Liverpool Regional Museum at 10am. Details: (02) 9602 0315 or 1300 36 2170.

27 May: Third National Indigenous Arts Awards. The awards will honour and celebrate leading Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists. There will be presentation awarding with Red Ochre Award, Fellowship for Music, Literature and more. All welcome. Cost involved. Held at Sydney Opera House. Details: Chris Bonney on (02) 9215 9167 or email a.charles@australia.council.gov.au or visit

Townsville set to rumble with its first Vibe Alive

STUDENTS from all over Queensland will soon be packing their bags to attend the first-ever Vibe Alive festival in Townsville being held next week – on 26-27 May – at the Townsville Showground.

The two-day youth festival is expected to challenge and inspire the students of Townsville and greater Queensland as they form teams to compete in Indigenous games, numeracy and literacy activities, dancing, singing, careers and health expos, art workshops and goal-setting activities to determine the overall Vibe Alive Queensland winner.

Executive producer Gavin Jones says it is always so exciting to see where schools travelled from to get to the festivals.

"Some schools will travel for three days to get to a festival, for some, it's only an hour, but everyone who comes enjoys a jam-packed two days of fun and learning," he said.

"One of the great things about working as a

team is that you can build a team that's good at a variety of things, so there is a mix of talents.

"This means groups are working together, encouraging each other and learning to appreciate the strengths of others."

Role models who will be on hand to offer advice and inspiration to the kids of north Queensland include actor and media personality Ernie Dingo, Olympic basketballer Rohanee Cox, retired AFL player Michael O'Loughlin, Courtney Walter from *So You Think You Can Dance?*, rapper Naomi Wenitong, artist and comedian Kevin Kropinyeri and former Harlem Globetrotter Dwayne Cross.

Vibe Alive is also looking for volunteers to be part of the event. If you're interested, contact meredith@outthereproductions.com.au.

For information on registration and more, go to the website at www.vibealive.com.au or free-call (1800) 623 430.



Actor and media personality Ernie Dingo will be amongst role models who will be on hand at Townsville's first-ever Vibe Alive festival next week.

www.australiacouncil.gov.au

29 May: Gathering Ground, a family and culture day at The Block, Redfern, Sydney, from 6pm until late. Organised by Tribal Warrior and ATECH. Details: (02) 9699 2491, fax (02) 9699 3441.

29-30 May: 'Discovering Country' fundraising photographic art exhibition. This exhibition will showcase beautiful landscapes from 16 photographers who focused on incorporating local Indigenous people's understanding of the land in their own photography storytelling. Free and all welcome. Held at 2/8 Kendall Lane, The Rocks, Sydney. Details: Shane Herrington (02) 6947 7066 or (0418) 409 980 or email tumutrv@environment.nsw.gov.au

31 May: Community barbecue luncheon on mental health. This luncheon is aimed to raise community awareness about the facts and impacts of mental illness. Free and all welcome. Transport provided. Held at

Cabbage Tree Island Community Centre from 11.30 to 2.30pm. Details: (02) 6626 0000 or (0459) 169 343 or www.newhorizons.net.com

18 June: Safe and Healthy Expo. The expo will celebrate its fifth birthday and will bring together different agencies and community organisations that provide the services in our community. Activities include boomerang painting, stalls, free healthy lunch, show bags and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the Brungle Health and Community Centre from 11am-3pm. Details: (02) 69449036 or email brungle.admin@rivmed.org

2 July: Regional NAIDOC Ball. Theme is formal. Cost \$35 per person and includes three-course meal, drinks and entertainment by the Donavans and more. All welcome. Held at the Liverpool Catholic Club, Hoxton Park, from 6pm. Details: Tina Taylor on (02) 9602 5280 or visit www.gandangara.org.au

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

10 July: NAIDOC dinner-dance. This dance is for the Western Sydney community to celebrate NAIDOC Week. All welcome. Held at the RSL Club, Corner of Sherbrooke and Railway St, Rooty Hill, from 6-11pm. Details: (02) 9839 6167 or email robert.leslie@blacktown.nsw.gov.au

18 July: The Last Kinection Propa Mad Deadly Tour. Featuring special guests Impossible Odds, Mr Morgz, Tjimba and the Young Warriors, Johnny Mac, Lady Luck, Alter Egoz, Little G, Koori Boy and DJ Deadly. Cost: \$20 at the door. All welcome. Held at Ocktober

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Lounge, 911 High St, Northcote, from 8pm. Details: (0402) 354 382 or visit www.lastkinection.com

Northern Territory

6-9 July: National Aboriginal Customary Law and Culture Movement. This is an historic nationwide gathering of Aboriginal peoples and supporters from across Australia to call on the Federal Labor Government to immediately end the intervention and unconditionally reinstate the Racial Discrimination Act. All welcome. Held at the Alice Springs Showgrounds. Details: Richard Downs on (0428) 611 169 or John Hartley on (0424) 943 990 or email karranjal@hotmail.com

20 August: NT Indigenous Music Awards. The awards acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of the Territory's Aboriginal music performers in contemporary and traditional genres. Food and drinks available, no BYO alcohol. Limited seating so bring a rug. All welcome. Held in Darwin. Details: (08) 8981 1995 or email admin@musicnt.com.au or visit www.musicnt.com.au

Queensland

Until 21 May: Western Cape Artists Exhibition. This art gives a definite insight into the strong cultural and religious significance the Indigenous people have with the lands of Western Cape York and the Rainforest region. Free and all welcome. Held at Emu Apple Gallery, 48 Rodger St, Spring Hill, from 11am-4pm. Details: Helen (0439) 799 288 or email helen@emuapple.com.au

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

Until 8 June: 'Selected Collection' art exhibition. This is Billy Missi's seventh solo exhibition and will showcase Billy's professional development as an artist, and the evolution of his work from print-making to other mediums. Free and all welcome. Held at UMI Arts, 335 Sheridan St, North Cairns. Details: Ph: (07) 4041 6152 or email admin@umiarts.com.au or visit www.umiarts.com.au

Until 19 June: 'Girringun at Canopy' art exhibition. Emerging from the rainforest canopy a age old tradition of object making artwork. Showcasing paintings, ceramics and fibre art work from the Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre. Free and all welcome. Held at Canopy Art Space, Cairns. Details: (07) 4041 4678 or email info@canopyarts.com

Until 30 June: Red Desert Gallery. This Indigenous art gallery showcases Indigenous artists such as Bruce Rivett, who paints his customary kin stories from the Torres Strait background. Free and all welcome. Held at Red Desert Gallery, 102 Memorial Dr, Eumundi. Details: (07) 5442 7172 or email paulc@reddesertgallery.com.au or visit www.reddesertgallery.com.au

Until 6 October: FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo. The expo is held to promote job opportunities for young indigenous job-seekers. Opportunity to meet Queensland's State of Origin legends, All Stars captain Preston Campbell and along with current Gold Coast Titans players. Free and all welcome. Details: (07)3331 5175 email admin@fogs.com.au or visit www.fogs.com.au

Dates and locations:
2 June, Mt Isa
21 July, Mackay
15 September, Brisbane
6 October, Townsville

26 May: Sorry Day ceremony. Come join Noonga Reconciliation Group and Dare to lead at the Stolen Generation's Memorial Site. Morning tea provided. Free and all welcome. Held at Kalinga Park, Woolloowin, from 10am onwards. Details: (07) 3256 7430 or email hickey7@bigpond.com

26 May: Dawn ceremony. This day will include prayer, song, and lighting of candles, laying flowers and sharing of experiences on what the day means to us. Light breakfast included. All welcome. Held at Teralba Park from 6.30am onwards. Details: Aunty Amy Atkins (0424) 743483 or Mariya Coblenz (07) 3289 1824 or email magpiehouse@ihug.com.au

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@uq.edu.au or visit www.uq.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

29 May: 'Stylin UP' tenth anniversary. Australia's largest Indigenous-owned youth, music and culture festival. Entertainment includes Archie Roach, Impossible Odds, Dizzy Doolan, Stunna Set, Poetic Murriz, Harmony Hip Hop PJ, Cat Thompson, Guttaklass, MC Murriz and PI Boys, Broadkast and lots more. Drug and alcohol-free. All welcome. Held at C J Greenfields Sports Complex, Freeman Rd, Inala. Details: (07) 3403 8888 or visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au

29 May-4 July: Heron Island Suite 2009-10 art exhibition. Heron Island suite is a series of 20 colour etchings undertaken as a result of Watson's artist in residency in 2009 at the University of Queensland. Free and all welcome. Held at Grahame Galleries, 1 Fernburg Rd, Milton, Brisbane. Details: (07) 3369 3288 or email info@grahamegalleries.com or visit www.grahamegalleries.com

6-14 June: Cooktown School of Art Society 32nd annual art exhibition. The Indigenous art award will be open to artists with successful art piece. All welcome. Held at the Elizabeth Guzely Gallery, 125 Charlotte St, Cooktown. Details: Ph: (07) 4069 5322 or email cooktownart@bigpond.com or visit www.cooktownart.com.au

8-9 June: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing and Service Infrastructure. The conference will address problems of overcrowding and poorly maintained housing stock across remote and urban communities to close the gap on disadvantages. Keynote speakers include Brian Gleeson, Michael Mundine, Russell Logan, John Mofflin and more. Cost involved. All welcome. Held at The Mercure Hotel, Brisbane. Details: 1300 316 882 or email registration@critterionconferences.com or visit www.indighouses.com

11-14 June: The Dreaming Festival 2010. The Dreaming is an international Indigenous festival that offers a showcase of Indigenous arts from across the country and around the world. This festival includes traditional healing, galleries, rituals, campfire story circles, stalls and heaps more. Held in Woodford, Details: (07) 5496 1066 or email info@thedreamingfestival.com or visit www.thedreamingfestival.com

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 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

Ongoing: *The 7 Stages Of Grieving*. It will take audiences on a poignant emotional journey through love, anger and loss, showing us that, despite our race, compassion and understanding are the greatest strengths against adversity. Presented and written by Wesley Enoch and Deborah Mailman. Contains mild course language. All welcome. Costs involved. Details: Sophie Gardner on (08) 8231 5151 or (0431) 210 131 or visit www.statetheatrecompany.com.au

Dates and locations:
20-29 May at the Space Theatre, Adelaide Festival Centre
1 June at Golden Grove Arts Centre
18 June at Hopgood Theatre, Noarlunga
2 June at Murray Bridge Town Hall
4 June at Chaffey Theatre, Renmark
7 June at Sir Robert Helpman Theatre, Mount Gambier
9 June at Port Augusta High School
10 June at Keith Michell Theatre, Port Pirie
15 June at Nautilus Theatre, Port Lincoln
17 June at Middleback Theatre, Whyalla

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 15 June: Winyarr-Ngu-Bala art exhibition. An exhibition that celebrates a group of Victorian Aboriginal women's identity and connection to culture, community and family. Featuring artists include Vicki Couzens, Maree Clarke, Bindi Cole, Megan Cadd, Paola Balla and Patricia Harrison. Free and all welcome. Held at Manningham Gallery. Details: Ph: (03) 9840 9367 or email gallery@manningham.vic.gov.au or visit www.manningham.vic.gov.au/gallery

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

26-27 May: Gippsland 35th anniversary celebrations. The Gippsland and East Gippsland Aboriginal Co-operative is celebrating their achievements of the past 35 years. Free and all welcome. Held at Gippsland and East Gippsland Co-op, Bairnsdale. Details: Celeste Ryan (03) 5150 0700 or Grattan Mullett (03) 5152 1891 or (0400) 562 474 or visit www.gegac.org.au

29 May-5 June: 'Wnyarr-Ngu-Bala' Aboriginal Women Give to You art exhibition. This exhibition reflects on indigenous women and their connection to culture, family and the community and also explores what it means to be Aboriginal women in contemporary Australia. Showcasing works of seven contemporary female Aboriginal artists. Free and all welcome. Held at Manningham Art Gallery. Details: (03) 9840 5434 or email gallery@manningham.vic.gov.au

Western Australia

Until 30 May: Desmond Taylor 'Yiwarra Rudall River Stories' art exhibition. The artist will be present for the opening. Free and all welcome. Held at 115 Hay St, Subiaco Perth. Details: (0439) 176 694 or email art@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au

9 June: Workshops to focus on Stolen Generations. This is a capacity-building workshop for organisations whose primary purpose is to work with or advocate on behalf of the Stolen Generations. Focus on seeking and competing for funding opportunities. All welcome. Held in Broome, WA. Details: Dushanka Matijevic on (02) 6212 9494 or Selena Reardon on (02) 6212 9722 or email StolenGenerations@fahcsia.gov.au

24-31 July: Burrup (Murujuga) Heritage Tour. Come and experience the majestic wonders of the Burrup – over 500,000 rock art engravings dating back 30,000 years. Gain an understanding of the importance of preserving this world-renowned archaeological site and experience a rare opportunity to meet with expert archaeologists and Aboriginal custodians of the Burrup rock art. Cost, \$1550 which covers bus transport to and from Karratha, camping equipment and all meals. Details: Judith Hugo on (0439) 090 321 or email tour@fara.com.au

26-30 July: 'Closing the Gap' Blank Page Summit Hard Yarn. Closing the Gap means no more muckin around. There are programs, policies and initiatives under way all around Australia to 'close the gap' for Indigenous Australians. All welcome. Held at Billard Learning Centre, Kimberley. Details: Chris Wagner on (0434) 378 939 or visit www.blankpagesummit.com.au

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Recent graduates in Charles Darwin University's Certificate II course in Horticulture preparing seedlings.

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THE success of 14 Indigenous people in a horticulture training course has planted the seeds for a career in the industry.

The group, from Milikapiti and Nguu, has just graduated from the Certificate II course in Horticulture at Charles Darwin University (CDU).

Program co-ordinator and VET lecturer in horticulture

Jason Davey said that through the program the group was able to understand the application of horticulture practices for growing food for community members.

"It's so important for training to take place in students' communities and be for the betterment of the entire community," he said.

"The training, part of the Community Development Employment Project, taught students to propagate plants, establish and maintain

vegetable and fruit crops, irrigation installation, and production of plants for re-vegetation."

Mr Davey said the group now had the skills to grow food plants including bananas, papayas, eggplants, bush tomatoes and leafy greens in the field and utilising hydroponics

"The ultimate goal is for students to gain employment growing food crops and natives for regeneration," he said.



Course participants on the job.

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For further information contact the Principal on **(02) 9622 2463**

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Awareness of the needs of students with disabilities. Ability to work with students with emotional, physical or intellectual disabilities. Effective communication skills.

N.B.: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Remuneration Package valued up to \$45,188pa includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading (annual salary range \$24,537 - \$40,950).

To apply for this position online go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au. Closing date for applications is 4 June 2010.

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION

PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF IN NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Aboriginal Education Officer vacancies exist at a number of NSW public schools. We invite applications from Aboriginal people who may be interested in these positions.

The role of the Aboriginal Education Officer is to support Aboriginal students and parents and their teachers in developing student outcomes, and to be a point of contact between the school and the Aboriginal community.

Vacancies currently exist at the following schools. Contact the Principal for further information:

Cardiff High School
(02) 4954 9966

Maclean Public School
(02) 6645 2431

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Understanding of the needs of Aboriginal students. Knowledge of Aboriginal communities and cultures. Effective communication skills. Ability to interact with Aboriginal students and parents. Knowledge of the local Aboriginal community.

N.B.: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Remuneration Package valued up to \$50,550 pa includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading (annual salary range \$42,136 - \$45,809).

To apply for this position online go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au. Closing date for applications is 4 June 2010.

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION

Manager Population Health Unit

Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council (KAMSC)

*An organisation of Aboriginal people controlled by
Aboriginal people for Aboriginal people.*



A rare opportunity has arisen for an experienced health professional to fill the position of Manager, Population Health Unit, KAMSC.

Established as a health resource body for a group of independent Aboriginal community controlled health services throughout the Kimberley, KAMSC provides a wide range of primary health care support services including health information and population health support.

In this role you will undertake the following tasks:

- Provide effective management of staff and resources within the KAMSC Population Health unit;
- Provide input into the development and maintenance of systems and programs for enhancing delivery of comprehensive primary health care;
- Support regular monitoring and evaluation of service delivery and health outcomes across the region;
- Facilitate training and development of the local primary health care workforce in the skills required to improve population health.

To be successful you will need to demonstrate:

- Commitment to the principles of Aboriginal community control;
- Substantial experience in primary health care service delivery;
- Experience in developing and supporting population health systems and programs in a primary health care setting.

Job description and selection criteria can be accessed on the KAMSC website: <http://www.kamsc.org.au>

Applications should address the selection criteria and be accompanied by a current CV. Completed applications are to be marked "strictly confidential" and posted or emailed to:

**Liz Turpin, Manager, Human Resources, KAMSC
PO Box 1377, Broome WA 6725, email: lizt@kamsc.org.au**

Applications close Monday 7 June, 5.00pm

For further information about the role contact either:

**Jean Roberts, KAMSC Population Health Unit Manager
phone: 08 9193 6043, email: jeanr@kamsc.org.au
or Faye Houkamau, KAMSC Clinical Services Manager
phone: 0407 984 789, email: fayeh@kamsc.org.au**



Reconciliation AUSTRALIA

Due to staff movements and organisation growth, Reconciliation Australia has several exciting opportunities for two outstanding individuals who want to use their skills to work with our team to achieve major change in Australia. We are seeking individuals with a proven track record in developing productive working relationship with stakeholders and a genuine interest in reconciliation.

Reconciliation Australia is committed to improving employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and welcomes applications from all Australians – especially those of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent.

Further details about the positions including remuneration, job description and selection criteria are available from our website at www.reconciliation.org.au or contact Kate Leonard on (02) 6272 2633 or Kate.leonard@reconciliation.org.au

Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Relationship Manager - Engagement

Full-time and based in Canberra

The Relationship Manager – Engagement, is responsible for engaging large numbers of relevant RAP stakeholders at the right time, creating a RAP community, and sharing best practice. Practically, this means coordinating and assisting facilitate RAP stakeholder workshops, collating information and sharing this information using multi-media, promoting RAPs, responding to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders, and working with RAP organisations across sectors to retain and enhance their engagement with the program. Communication/events management qualifications and/or skills are highly desirable, as is the ability to collaborate with a range of stakeholders, coordinate the RAP e-newsletter and other engagement tools and processes as needed.

Senior Advisor – Strategic Partnerships

Full-time and based in Canberra

The role of Senior Advisor – Strategic Partnerships will be responsible for developing and supporting new relationships that underpin reconciliation. Success in this role will be demonstrated through the ability to develop and enhance strong community engagement and be able to identify, nurture and maintain excellent relationships with new and existing stakeholders. As the successful candidate you will have a strong social science and community engagement background and proven ability to drive community engagement activities that facilitate new conversations in reconciliation. You will also have good communication and facilitation skills; good project management skills; and the ability to understand and engage with diverse communities.

**Applications for both positions close on
Monday, 31 May 2010 at 5.00pm AEDT**



Central Institute of Technology Welcomes Job Applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

Have you ever considered a career with the Central Institute of Technology?

We have regular vacancies in customer service and administration. We even have Traineeships which will earn you a qualification while you work!

If you have practical experience in art, computing, fashion and beauty, business, engineering, finance, sport, health or disability, you could use your experience to become a lecturer (these jobs can be full-time, part-time or even casual).

We know that government job applications can be complicated - particularly if you haven't prepared one before. Bring in your resume and we can help you with your job application. You can even use our computers. Call Ingrid Cumming (Collard) on 9202 4834 or email her at ingrid.collard@central.wa.edu.au

Central Institute of Technology (previously Central TAFE) has campuses in Perth, East Perth, Mt Lawley, Subiaco and Leederville.

Our vacancies are listed on www.jobs.wa.gov.au. They change every day, so if there isn't something for you now, there might be soon.

ART
COMPUTING
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SPORT
HEALTH
DISABILITY



Office Manager

The National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) is an established Indigenous organisation that employs sport to make a difference in the lives of Indigenous youth, particularly in the areas of education, health and employment.

NASCA is seeking an Office Manager to manage its administrative functions including book-keeping, and to act as personal assistant to the CEO.

The Role

Working to directly support the CEO and the team, the role provides executive support services to the CEO and administrative support to the team. This includes reception; telephone and email enquiries, travel bookings, organisation of meetings and conferences, filing, report writing, routine correspondence and database maintenance. The role is dynamic and includes the ability to establish new office procedures, including financial, filing and general policy & procedures.

The person

We are looking for a mature and experienced administrator, someone who has excellent interpersonal and communication skills and is sensitive to cultural and personal diversity. Excellent computer skills are essential with desktop publishing experience desirable.

The position is Sydney based.

Please email your resume to Georgina Nash Georgina@nasca.com.au

Phone: (02) 8399 3071

Closing Date: Friday 26th May 2009.



Indigenous Money Mentor

\$65K plus super and salary packaging option

Join us in this new opportunity to engage in casework and community financial literacy education to improve clients' financial wellbeing. This will include providing assistance to clients in financial crisis and supporting the client to adopt preventative strategies, providing ongoing financial literacy education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities using culturally appropriate materials and education techniques; and facilitating access to microfinance products (NILS, Step Up and Adds Up savings) and fee free accounts for concession card holders, in circumstances where the client identifies that such products will improve their financial wellbeing.

You will have:

- Demonstrated ability to effectively engage and conduct casework with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people and communities.
- Demonstrated understanding of the range of financial issues that may impact upon Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities.
- Excellent written and communication skills, including the ability to advocate on behalf of vulnerable and disadvantaged clients.
- Demonstrated achievement in a previous community development role.
- Demonstrated understanding of the need to ensure privacy and confidentiality of client information.
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team.

Relevant tertiary qualifications and experience in areas such as Financial Counselling, Counselling, Adult Education and Training and Dispute Resolution would be highly regarded. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply for the position.

**For more information on this exciting new opportunity visit:
www.murumittigar.com.au**

Interested – please forward your application with "IMM Application" in the Subject Heading to Meli Malani by 25/5/10.

E: meli@murumittigar.com.au
P: 0421 111 313



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The NSW Government is creating jobs to invest in skills for the future...

RTA Contact Centre Traineeship

If you have drive, the ability to provide exceptional telephone based customer service, and a Higher School Certificate, then you have what it takes to start a career with one of Australia's largest customer focused employers in the NSW public sector – the RTA.

Commencing in July 2010, the RTA will help you gain a Certificate III Traineeship qualification while you gain on-the-job experience providing team based customer service for E-Toll, vehicle registration and driver licensing products and services in response to public enquiries.

We are looking for motivated people to start their career with one of our Contact Centre Traineeships. Your training includes Contact Centre experience in a team environment under the guidance of experienced supervisors.

10 Positions - Temporary full-time for up to 12 months

Salary range - \$17,480 pa to \$27,029 pa

For general enquiries about the role contact Claire McKay on (02) 4925 1841.

Applicants can apply online

<http://www.onetest.com.au/rtanewcastle/ap28020>

For technical support with our online application form contact: Onetest on 1300 137 937.

Applications close: 28th May 2010

The RTA is actively working to ensure our workforce is representative of the communities we serve. We encourage diversity in our teams to provide a more creative, innovative and responsive workforce to meet the challenges of the future.

To be eligible, traineeship applicants should not have completed a Certificate III or higher qualification in the last seven years.

ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER

Salary: Aboriginal Health Education Officer/Non-Graduate or Graduate: \$41,972-\$71,588pa depending upon qualifications. Full-time preferred/Part-time considered.

Enquiries: Barbara Kent, (02) 4730 5100.

Being female and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are genuine occupational qualifications for this position as described under Sections 31 and 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

Penrith Primary Care and Community Health Services
Ad No: 95130 Close Date: 04.06.10

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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.

New Directions Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH), Narrabri Community Health

Perm Part Time, 24 hpw Position No: 67484
Creation of eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual positions.

Applicants must be female – exemption is claimed under
Section 31(2)(h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.
Enquiries: Margo Carberry, (02) 6799 2001.

Aboriginal Otitis Media Area Coordinator

Tamworth
Perm Full Time Position No: 67369
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Enquiries: Kathy Challinor, (02) 6767 8155.

Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife

Muswellbrook District Health Service
Perm Full Time Position No: 67229
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Jobshare would be considered for this position.
Enquiries: Hilary Walker, (02) 6542 2022.

Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Building Strong Foundations Program, New Lambton
Perm Full Time Position No: 66992
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Enquiries: Jennifer McDermott, (02) 4985 5201.

Drug and Alcohol Whole of Family Caseworker

Drug and Alcohol Clinical Services, Newcastle
Temp Full Time Position No: 67349
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Enquiries: Steve Allen, (02) 4016 4624 or 0417 698 864.

FOR ALL THE ABOVE POSITIONS:

These are designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander positions.
Applicants for these positions must be of Aboriginal descent
through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal
and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption
is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination
Act. Hunter New England Health deems it appropriate to
seek confirmation of Aboriginality status from applicants
applying for Aboriginal-identified positions or targeted
positions either during the interview process or after
commencement of the position.

Administration Officer ENRICH AO2

Kaleidoscope, New Lambton
Perm Part Time, 20 hpw Position No: 67487
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual positions.

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.

Clinical Psychologist/Clinical Psychologist in Training

Upper Hunter Community Health, Muswellbrook
Perm Full Time Position No: 67130
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies (Hours negotiable).
Enquiries: Christine Johnson, (02) 6542 2019.

Child & Family Health Nurse – eligible for CNS status

Building Strong Foundations Program, New Lambton
Perm Full Time Position No: 66996
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Enquiries: Jennifer Mary McDermott, (02) 4985 5201.

Registered Nurse

Nursing, Scione
Temp Part Time, 24 hpw to October 2010 Position No: 67470
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual positions.
Enquiries: Lesley Roser, (02) 6540 2160.

Team Leader

Building Strong Foundations Program, New Lambton
Perm Full Time Position No: 67289
Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp,
Full/Part Time and Casual vacancies.
Enquiries: Jennifer Mary McDermott, (02) 4921 4614.

Closing Date for all positions: 4 June 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



ARMtour Project Coordinator

The National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) is an
established Indigenous organisation that employs sport to make a
difference in the lives of Indigenous youth, particularly in the areas
of education, health and employment.

The NASCA ARMtour (Athletes as Role Models) program uses
sport and sports role models to encourage Indigenous youth to
participate in sport, lead healthy lifestyles and stay in school. The
program currently focuses on youth living in remote Aboriginal
communities throughout the Northern Territory.

NASCA is seeking a Project Coordinator to lead, manage and
deliver its ARMtour program and to assist the Education Manager.

The qualities of the Project Coordinator include:

- Team leadership
- Outstanding organisation skills
- Qualifications in the Indigenous education or health sector
- Strong communication skills to engage stakeholders and
volunteer sports people
- Excellent report writing skills, including submissions and
grant writing experience
- Demonstrated ability to be part of a small team environment
and show initiative and drive

Indigenous candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

The position is Sydney based with travel to the Northern Territory.
Please email your resume to Georgina Nash email:
Georgina@nasca.com.au
Telephone: (02) 8399 3071

Closing Date:

Friday 26th May 2009.

Assistant Store Manager

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a
member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community).

Communities

Salary: \$56 989 - \$62 666 p.a.

Location: Doomadgee and Lockhart River

REF: QLD/DOC23676/10

Key Duties: The position assists and supports the Store
Manager in managing and maintaining an effective and
efficient retail store through the provision of high quality
goods and services to the community.

Skills/Abilities: Good communication skills with people
from a diverse background; Build and maintain productive
relationships; Achievement orientated; Experience in
supervisory role or equivalent in retail environment.

Enquires: (07)3006 7675

To apply please visit www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Wednesday, 2 June 2010

Child Safety Support Officer

Regional Service Delivery Operations

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent).

Communities

Salary: \$56 989 - \$62 666 p.a.

Location: Cooktown

REF: QLD/DOC23626/10

Key Duties: To provide high quality culturally appropriate
child protection services to children and families serviced
by the Child Safety Service Centre.

Skills/Abilities: Provide appropriate advice and information
to departmental staff to enhance service delivery.

Enquires: (07) 3006 7675

To apply please visit www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 28 May 2010

Director (Government Coordination) Community and Youth Justice Services

Two permanent full-time positions available
(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a
member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community).

Communities

Salary: \$102 671 - \$106 999 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/DOC23385/10

Key Duties: Lead the coordination of service delivery,
engagement and planning for Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander communities.

Skills/Abilities: Build partnerships, liaison, negotiate and
consult actively with internal and external stakeholders.

Enquires: (07) 3006 7675

To apply please visit www.jobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Tuesday, 25 May 2010

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



the children's hospital at Westmead

NSW HEALTH

Aboriginal Health Education Officer (ARDAC Kidney Health Study)

Position No. 691715/0152/10. Closes: 11/06/10.

Centre for Kidney Research. Temporary Full-time. One year renewable contract subject to 3 month
probation period. Monday to Friday, 38 hours per week.

Together with other members of the ARDAC research team, you will visit primary and high schools in different
parts of NSW to liaise with Aboriginal communities. Following training you will also be required to help with
screening by measuring height, weight, blood pressure and waist circumference and to test urine specimens
by urinalysis and to record the information on the data forms. You will be expected to make 8-10 different
trips during the year, which could last up to 2 weeks so you need to be prepared to be away from Sydney
for those periods.

Criteria: Must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent (NB applicant's race is a genuine
occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, NSW).
Experience with Aboriginal health education and with Aboriginal communities. Demonstrated ability to
communicate with Aboriginal families. Current NSW driver's licence. Excellent verbal communication skills.
Ability to work in a small team. Willingness to undertake further training and workforce development as
required. Willingness to learn methods of measuring height, weight, waist circumference, blood pressure
and urine testing and to undertake these measurements after appropriate training. Ability to spend periods
of up to two weeks approximately 8-10 times per year in rural and regional NSW doing consultation and/
or screening. Demonstrated effectiveness in communication with external Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal
organisations. Demonstrated organisational and time management skills with attention to detail. Work
experience in health or science. Previous experience with analysis of research data would be welcomed.
Familiarity with computer packages; Windows Explorer, Word, Excel. Graduate degree or other
qualification desirable.

Details: Position description is available online.

Enquiries: Sandra Puckeridge on (02) 9845 1469 or email sandrap2@chw.edu.au

Send applications to:
**Staff Services Department,
Locked Bag 4001,
Westmead NSW 2145**

visit the website for job information

www.chw.edu.au



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DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE



Human Services
Housing NSW

Manager Divisional Finance

Clerk Grade 9/10

Business Performance

Central Sydney Housing Services Division

Sussex Street, Sydney

Temporary Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_0746

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$104,153 per annum (Salary: \$85,650 pa -
\$94,384 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave
loading.**

Job Description:

The role provides high level, quality and timely financial management advice and support to
ensure the Region receives appropriate funding, operates efficiently and effectively within its
budget, maximises its financial resources and meets all statutory and financial objectives.

Selection Criteria:

1. Demonstrated experience in financial planning, management and reporting
2. Demonstrated knowledge of financial and accounting information management systems
and controls
3. Ability to understand, interpret and apply the rules governing finance and accounting
activities within a public sector environment.
4. Demonstrated ability to analyse problems and propose effective solutions
5. Ability to prioritise competing tasks and work within a changing environment
6. Strong communication skills including influencing, networking and negotiation skills.
7. Well developed computer spreadsheet skills
8. Relevant tertiary qualifications or equivalent experience in accounting, finance or business.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position for a period of up to 12 months and may
be extended for a further 12 months 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: Michelle Papadakis (02) 9268 3464

Information Packages: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Closing Date: Friday 28 May 2010

APPLY ONLINE



**ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY
ELDERS SERVICES
INCORPORATED**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Aboriginal Community Elders Services (ACES) has been providing programs and services to Aboriginal Elders in the Melbourne metropolitan regions since 1987. ACES is unique in being both Aboriginal community-run and specialising in the provision of HACC planned activity groups, aged care packages and residential aged care services. The integration of a range of programs on the site ensures continuity of care to Aboriginal Elders.

We are seeking a Chief Executive Officer for the Aboriginal Community Elders Service (ACES) whose role will be to ensure that the programs and services delivered by the Agency are of a high standard and are culturally responsive to the needs of Aboriginal Elders of our community services.

The Chief Executive Officer will report to a Board of Directors and have overall responsibility for the day to day management of the Agency's

operations therefore applicants are required to possess highly developed skills and a comprehensive knowledge of all aspects of business management.

Applicants must possess:

- A Qualification in management or business related field or progress towards the achievement of such a qualification.
- Substantial experience in working with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations and Communities.
- Demonstrated experience in Aged care.
- Understanding and working knowledge of Corporate Governance practices.

We offer

- A fulfilling and rewarding position
- Salary: dependant on qualifications and experience
- Salary Packaging

For further information or for a copy of position description including selection criteria please contact: Deborah Deacon on (03) 9383 4244 or email deborahd@acesinc.org.au

Applications can be forwarded by email: deborahd@acesinc.org.au or posted to:

Chairperson
Aboriginal Community Elders Services
5 Parkview Avenue, BRUNSWICK EAST VIC. 3057
Closing Date: Friday 11 June, 2010



**Australian Government
Aboriginal Hostels Limited**



IYMP Manager

Central Office

Canberra

Executive Level 1
\$76,967 - \$86,210 pa, plus superannuation
Non-Ongoing

The Indigenous Youth Mobility Program (IYMP) is an Australian Government Indigenous Partnerships initiative that supports Indigenous young people who wish to move away from home to gain the qualifications they need to have a greater chance of obtaining sustainable employment in their home community or elsewhere. This position will be filled until 31 December 2012.

Duties

- Manage and coordinate the Indigenous Youth Mobility Program;
- Undertake major and/or complex projects relevant to the IYMP, in particular the establishment of new houses;
- Provide high level advice on the IYMP and represent AHL as required;
- Undertake planning and analysis of capacity and performance of IYMP accommodation.

Note: this position is being re-advertised due to errors in the original notice

Want to know more?

Contact Robyn Dass on (02) 6212 2083

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Robyn Dass on 02 6212 2083.

How to Apply

Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to The Recruitment Officer, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 30, Woden ACT 2606 or email recruitment@ahl.gov.au

Closing date

By 5pm 28 May 2010.

Night Attendant

Sylvania Heights, Sydney

Kirinari Hostel
APS Level 1
\$35,473 - \$38,397 pa, plus superannuation

Duties

- Be responsible for the general security of the hostel and its occupants
- Checking in of late arrivals

Want to know more?

Contact Nicolette Papadopoulos on (02) 9522 8958.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Marlee Booth on (02) 9310 2777.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, GPO Box 783, Strawberry Hills NSW 2012 or email recruitment@ahl.gov.au

Closing date

By 5pm 28 May 2010.

This is a Secondary Education 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.

These are identified positions.

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Academic and Global Relations Division The Wollotuka Institute

SENIOR LECTURER ABORIGINAL STUDIES RESEARCH

Vacancy No. 1413

The Wollotuka Institute is recruiting a high quality Senior Lecturer in Aboriginal Studies Research, to join a senior team of newly recruited researchers within the U Mulliko Indigenous Research Centre. This position will provide vital strategic support to the team and supervise the conduct of daily workloads of researchers and research assistants in the pursuit of raising U Mulliko's research profile and quality research output.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Academic Level C \$89,314 to \$102,987 per annum
plus a generous employer superannuation contribution of up to 17%

ASSOCIATE LECTURER/LECTURER – ABORIGINAL STUDIES/EDUCATION

Vacancy No. 1412

The Wollotuka Institute is recruiting 2 lecturing positions for Indigenous applicants at either Associate Lecturer A and/or Lecturer B level in Aboriginal Studies/Education. Successful applicants will join a dynamic all Indigenous academic team, delivering nationally recognised successful tertiary programs to both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students and including contributions to research and publications relevant to the level appointed.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Academic Level A \$51,038 to \$69,264 per annum
Academic Level B \$72,909 to \$86,582 per annum
plus a generous employer superannuation contribution of up to 17%

RESEARCH SUPPORT COORDINATOR

Vacancy No. 1416

You will work on research related projects and support programs to identify and support Indigenous research and publications. Projects will include workshops, mentoring, identifying and supporting collaborative and individual research opportunities with internal and external stakeholders and providing support to Indigenous research students enrolled at the University.

The position is available on a full-time, fixed-term basis for one (1) year.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

This position will be offered at either Level A or B dependent on successful applicant's qualifications and skills.

Academic Level A \$51,038 to \$69,264 per annum
Academic Level B \$72,909 to \$86,582 per annum
plus 9% superannuation contribution

Applications for the above positions close: Wednesday 16 June 2010

Necessary additional information about the position including selection criteria and application procedure may be obtained by calling **02 4921 5266** or from **www.newcastle.edu.au/service/employment**.
The University of Newcastle values equity and diversity.
www.newcastle.edu.au/futurestaff



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NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE Aboriginal targeted position

PoliceLink – Operational Communication and Information Command

Job Classification: Clerk Grade 1/2

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Suburb: TUGGERAH

Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 10/076

Salary Package: \$60,102. Salary: \$50,100 - \$54,465. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Overtime, Shifts, penalties and allowances are available.

Job Description:

- Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) will be required to answer calls from the emergency Triple Zero (000) and non-emergency (131444, Crime Stoppers, Customer Assistance, Special Operations and Injury Management Notification) call queues, provide accurate, timely information to police, provide information and advice on a range of police issues as well as perform all activities within PoliceLink guidelines.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for an Aboriginal person. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Applicants must obtain an information package between the hours of 9am to 5pm Mon to Fri by calling 02 4032 7350.
- Applicants must then undertake an initial phone screen.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have any further queries after reading the information package please contact the Enquiries Officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria as outlined in the advertisement.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.
- General information about Administrative Officer Recruitment with the NSW Police Force can be found on our web site at: www.police.nsw.gov.au/recruitment/administrative_officer_civilian_positions

Enquiries/Information Pack: Hayley Gersch on (02) 4032 7350 or nswpolice@ranstad.com.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: PoliceLink CSR recruitment, Level 1, 119-125 Beaumont Street, Hamilton NSW 2303

CLOSING DATE: Friday 21 May 2010

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNSELLOR

We are seeking enthusiastic and qualified applicants to work with the Indigenous Domestic & Family Violence Counselling Service within the Cooktown district.

Based in Cooktown this position will provide specialised counselling to victims of Domestic and Family Violence. This new 3 year pilot program will also provide outreach services to the communities of Hope Vale, Wujal Wujal and Laura and aims to provide an early intervention and prevention counselling service in conjunction with the Children's Domestic Violence Counsellor.

The position is 30 hours per week, Community Services and Crisis Assistance Award level 6 \$47,000 - \$49,000 with salary sacrificing offered and is funded by the Dept. of Communities.

For an application pack please contact the Manager on 4069 6098 or reception@cooktowndvc.org.au

Closing date Friday 28th May 2010, 5pm



Australian Government
Australian Law Reform Commission

Legal Research Manager

The Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) is an independent Commonwealth statutory authority based in Sydney. The Legal Research Manager is a key position at the ALRC and works closely with the ALRC Commissioners and Legal Officers to support inquiries. A law degree, excellent legal research, writing and policy development skills are essential. The successful candidate will be offered a fixed term contract of three years. Further contracts may be offered. Salary range \$86,517 to \$97,376 plus superannuation and other benefits.

Applicants must provide a CV and address the selection criteria available from the ALRC's website www.alrc.gov.au. Contact Trisha Manning trisha.manning@alrc.gov.au or 02 82386333.

Applications close 31 May 2010.



Queensland Government

Careers with Queensland Health

Allied Health/Clinical Support

Health Promotion Officer - Advanced - (Indigenous Health) Nutrition and Physical Activity Team, Health Promotion Branch, Preventative Health Directorate, Herston, Division of the Chief Health Officer. Remuneration value up to \$113 869 p.a., comprising salary between \$95 650 - \$99 801 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP5) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10HL04611. **Duties/Abilities:** Lead components of the planning, development, implementation and evaluation of a range of multi-strategy, collaborative health promotion programs and relevant initiatives within the state that will contribute to closing the gap in life expectancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, in line with relevant national, state and departmental policy directions. Lead initiatives that will increase the capacity of Queensland health and partner organisations to implement evidence-based programs that support healthy lifestyles for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the state. 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.

Health Promotion Officer - Senior - (Indigenous Health) Nutrition and Physical Activity Team, Health Promotion Branch, Preventative Health Directorate, Herston, Division of the Chief Health Officer. Remuneration value up to \$103 805 p.a., comprising salary between \$84 555 - \$90 980 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP4) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR:H10HL04599. **Duties/Abilities:** Coordinate components of the planning, development, implementation and evaluation of a range of broad multi-strategy, collaborative health promotion initiatives within the state that will contribute to closing the gap in life expectancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through healthy lifestyles, in line with relevant national, state and department policy directions. The position will increase the capacity of health professionals in Queensland health and partner organisations to implement evidence-based brief intervention tools to assist increased physical activity and improved nutrition in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. 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.

To apply for the positions grouped above:

Enquiries: Dr Amanda Lee (07) 3328 9245.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4545 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Tuesday, 15 June, 2010.

Advanced Health Worker - Indigenous Health Services, Community and Extended Care Services, Southern Cluster, Nambour, Sunshine Coast-Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$59 263 p.a., comprising salary between \$47 219 - \$51 941 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10SC04442. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide a high level of generalist health care and support based on the needs of the Indigenous community of the Sunshine Coast District and in accordance with the goals and targets set for Indigenous Health throughout the Area. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Bella Hartnell (07) 5450 4794.

Application Kit: (07) 5313 8065 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 7 June 2010.

Allied Health / Clinical Support continued...

Advanced Health Worker - (Child and Youth Health) Adult and Disability Program Area, Central Highlands Primary and Community Health, Emerald, Central Queensland Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$59 263 p.a., comprising salary between \$47 219 - \$51 941 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for twelve months.) JAR: H10CH04528 (Formerly advertised as H09CH12195. Previous applicants need not reapply). **Duties/Abilities:** Support the enhancement of maternal, child and youth services that facilitates access by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991* (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position.

Enquiries: Janette Dillon (07) 4983 9700.

Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 31 May 2010.

Health Services / Technical

Nutritionist - Advanced - (Indigenous Health) Nutrition and Physical Activity Branch, Health Promotion Branch, Preventative Health Directorate, Herston, Division of the Chief Health Officer. Remuneration value up to \$113 869 p.a., comprising salary between \$95 650 - \$99 801 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP5) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10HL04526. **Duties/Abilities:** Lead components of the planning, development, implementation and evaluation of a range of multi-strategy, collaborative nutrition programs and relevant initiatives within the state that will contribute to closing the gap in life expectancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, in line with relevant national, state and departmental policy directions. Lead initiatives that will increase the capacity of Queensland health and partner organisations to implement evidence-based programs that support healthy pregnancy and childhood growth for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the state.

Enquiries: Dr Amanda Lee (07) 3328 9245.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4545 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 7 June 2010.

Corporate Support Services

Indigenous Health Coordinator (Identified) - District Administration, Townsville Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$96 186 p.a., comprising salary between \$78 688 - \$84 302 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (AO6) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H10TV04632. **Duties/Abilities:** Coordinate actions for the implementation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Policy within Townsville Health Service District (THSD), servicing the areas of Palm Island, Ayr, Ingham, Charters Towers, Richmond and Townsville. Develop and maintain networks with a range of stakeholders within and external to Queensland Health to implement strategies, which aim to improve the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. 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. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position.

Enquiries: Carl Grant (07) 4796 0912.

Application Kit: (07) 4750 6775 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 31 May 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.



Australian Government
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Business Lending & Support Officer

Sydney

Salary range \$61k to \$64k plus 15.4% super and the opportunity for bonuses

Are you

- + experienced in business or business lending or commercial transactions
- + seeking to make a real contribution in a dynamic and challenging, yet rewarding work environment
- + interested in promoting Indigenous economic empowerment
- + Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to fulfil the Business Lending & Support Officer position located in Sydney.

Business Lending and Support Officers assist in the delivery of the IBA's business finance and support programs and economic / business development initiatives within a designated regional area.

The successful applicant will need to have:-

- + Knowledge of business, the various types of business transactions and lending
- + Good client relationship management skills and experience
- + Good oral and written skills
- + An ability to communicate effectively and with appropriate sensitivity with Indigenous people

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

For further information including job description, selection documentation and how to apply go to www.iba.gov.au

Contact person: **Stephen Roberts on 02 9207 6352**
Stephen.roberts@iba.gov.au

Closing date **28 May 2010.**

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IBA is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.





Victoria Daly SHIRE COUNCIL

Mentor Program Coordinator

Victoria Daly Shire Council currently has a position available for a **Mentor Program Coordinator** to join its team in Katherine. This is an exciting role leading Council's Mentoring Program relating to employment, training and economic development. Enjoy **competitive remuneration \$59,342 - \$63,230** + salary sacrifice options + **6 wks annual leave** + **relocation assistance** and more!

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Community Mental Health Support / Rehabilitation Workers


Join a leading provider of mental health services!

The Richmond Fellowship of NSW (RFNSW) has exciting opportunities for full-time **Community Mental Health Support/Rehabilitation Workers** (Non-Clinical) to join their teams located in Blacktown, Penrith and Bourke. You will support people living in their own homes, with a focus on Aboriginal people experiencing mental illness. Your dedication will be rewarded with **attractive remuneration, salary sacrifice options, flexible working conditions, generous leave** and more!



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BATCHELOR INSTITUTE OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

Lecturer/Course Coordinator Aboriginal Health Work

There are 2 fixed term positions available as follows:

- Position No: 14555 – Darwin**
2 year fixed term appointment commencing June 2010.
- Position No: 9101 – Alice Springs or Katherine**
18 month fixed term appointment commencing June 2010.

Remuneration Academic Level B - \$67,006 - \$79,570

These positions are responsible for the delivery of Higher Education and VET programs through flexible remote delivery mode in Aboriginal Health Work especially Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care. Other duties include supervision of staff. Travel is an essential requirement.

Applications close Friday 28 May 2010

For further information, the Role Profile, Selection Criteria and 'Information for Applicants' are available from the Institute's website www.batchelor.edu.au (recruitment link); the Human Resources Unit on (08) 8939 7272 or (08) 8939 7393; fax (08) 8939 7432; or email recruitment@batchelor.edu.au

The Institute reserves the right not to make an appointment, or to vary the type of appointment.

Indigenous Employment Project Officer

Employment Equity and Diversity Unit

- Permanent Part time**

The University is seeking to recruit a suitably qualified Indigenous Employment Officer to work as part of the Employment Equity and Diversity team. The appointee will develop and manage the implementation of the University's Indigenous Employment Strategy, with a particular focus on the trainees and cadetships.

Duties will include consultation and liaison with both the campus and local Indigenous communities and management of all aspects of Indigenous trainee and cadetship programs including recruitment, training, career mentoring and project development and reporting.

The position is permanent part-time 21 hours per week. Suitably qualified applicants should contact Ms Lynne Wright on 02 4221 3917 or email lwright@uow.edu.au for further information.

Aboriginality is a genuine requirement for appointment to this position as per S14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Information about the University and the EED Unit is available on <http://staff.uow.edu.au/eed/index.html>

Applications close 30 May 2010 **Ref No.23593**

how to apply: Please go to our website <http://employment.uow.edu.au/> to submit your application online & for more information about the position and UOW.



University of Wollongong

Advertisement

Indigenous Women in Hard Hats

Apprenticeships, traineeships and scholarships in the construction industry

Indigenous Women in Hard Hats is a program run by the Department of Communities to encourage Indigenous women to consider careers in the building and construction industry.

QBuild will provide training and employment pathways for:

- Apprentice painters** (full-time and school-based)
- Apprentice carpenters** (full-time and school-based)
- Trainee construction workers**

Scholarships of \$5000 are also available for students completing Year 12 in 2011 to attend classes at James Cook University and earn course credits towards a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) while completing their senior year of high school.

Eligibility

To be eligible candidates must be female, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, over 16, live in the Townsville or Ayr region and not already hold any higher qualifications.

To be eligible for a scholarship, candidates must meet the above criteria and be studying Math B, have the support of their school principal, and be in Year 12 in 2011 at a state, Catholic or independent school participating in the Get SET @ JCU Program.

How to apply


More information and application forms are available at www.housing.qld.gov.au/programs/atsih/hard_hats

Scan the completed application form and email it to iwihh@communities.qld.gov.au or post it to Indigenous Housing and Homelessness Programs, Indigenous Women in Hard Hats, GPO Box 690, Brisbane QLD 4001.

For general enquiries please phone 1800 070 318 or email iwihh@communities.qld.gov.au


CLOSING DATE: Applications must be submitted by Monday 31 May 2010.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.



Department of Communities

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ABORIGINAL ASSESSMENT AND SUPPORT OFFICER

Clerk Grade 5/6
Aboriginal Support and Planning Unit
Bathurst Correctional Centre
Permanent Full-Time

Vacancy Number: 00000481. Total remuneration package valued at \$80,502 pa including salary range \$66,116 pa to \$72,952 pa, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. An Environmental allowance (currently \$2,411 pa) also applies during occupancy of this position.

Purpose of the Position: Working with the Co-ordinator Aboriginal Assessment & Support, Correctional Centre and Community Offender Services staff, and the broader community to assess and support Aboriginal offenders in a culturally sensitive environment.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Experience in contributing to a multi-disciplinary team environment. Experience in case management, assessment and support of challenging clients. Demonstrated effective interpersonal, written and oral communication skills to encourage, influence and negotiate with Aboriginal offenders, their families and staff. Experience in the use of information technology to support client service delivery, including report writing, creation and maintenance of client records and extraction of database information. Demonstrated ability to build and maintain effective links with Aboriginal families, communities and agencies. Knowledge of the criminal justice system and the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine qualification and authorised in terms of Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants must apply and address the selection criteria online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au. Applicants should attach their resume as a word document. Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application; provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent positions. All staff will be required to attend the Integrated Induction for up to two weeks at the commencement of their employment.

Inquiries & Information Packages: Jean O'Brien, Ph: (02) 9289 2676

Email: jean.obrien@dcs.nsw.gov.au

Applicants must apply online for this position at: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 04/06/2010

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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:

Australian Indigenous Adolescent and Family Counsellor/Case Manager

This full time position is based in Mt Druitt, NSW.

You will conduct full assessments, develop appropriate care plans, and provide individual, group and family counselling.

For more information & job pack log into our web site: www.noffs.org.au or phone Shahida Arabi on (02) 93056619 or 0437 110 702 or Email: arabis@noffs.org.au.

Only Australian Indigenous people are encouraged to apply

Application closes on:

Monday, 24th May 2010

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JUSTICE HEALTH STATEWIDE SERVICE NSW HEALTH

Aboriginal Hepatitis C Service Access Coordinator

Sydney Metropolitan

Temporary Full Time, until 2013 – JH No: 10/133

Salary: Health Manager Level 1: \$57,601 to \$77,482 pa.

This is a newly created position that is involved in improving the continuity of care for Aboriginal people living with hepatitis C when transitioning from the custodial setting to the community. The position will work with team members within the Population Health team to review existing systems; develop resources; establish joint-service agreements; develop processes and protocols; and provide training to Justice Health staff. This is an exciting new position filled with opportunities that will suit a motivated and innovative applicant interested in progressing their career in the human services sector.

Enquiries: Tim Stern on 9700 3224.

Closing Date: 4 June 2010.

Aboriginal Family Health Worker

Cessnock Correctional Centre

Temporary Full Time, until 2013 – JH No: 10/134

Salary: Aboriginal Health Education Officer – Graduate: \$48,343 to \$71,589 per annum plus additional allowances.

Justice Health has established a new Aboriginal Family Health Worker position, based at Cessnock Correctional Centre, to work with Aboriginal men to address offending behaviours with the aim to reducing family violence in Aboriginal families and communities. The position holder must be willing to undertake training with completion of a formal orientation program and a Certificate IV in Aboriginal Family Health through the Education Centre Against Violence. Travel is required with this position. This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

Enquiries: Elizabeth McIntyre on 0417 650 472.

Closing Date: 4 June 2010.

Applicants require an information package for selection criteria and application form from: Employee Services, (02) 9700 3038. Applications to: Justice Health, PO Box 150, Matraville NSW 2036.

NSW Health Service – Justice Health Division is committed to OH&S, EEO, Ethical Practices, and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. Personal criminal records checks will be conducted. Prohibited persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



KOORI COURT OFFICER

Grade 3, MC1891

Fixed term until 21 November 2010

\$51,818 to \$62,917

Koori Court division of the
Mildura Magistrates' Court

The Koori Court is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement and was initially established as a division of the Magistrates Courts in Victoria.

The Koori Court currently sits at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Warrnambool, Mildura, La Trobe Valley, Bairnsdale and Swan Hill Magistrates' Courts. The Children's Koori Court is based at the Children's Court in Melbourne and Mildura.

This is an exciting opportunity for a person of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent to work within Victoria's Judicial system. The person will be based in Mildura.

This is a designated Indigenous Position which has been granted exemption status by VCAT (Ex No. 183/2002 and extended by application No A289/2008). The Koori Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

Position descriptions are available from **Careers @ Vic Gov**, or by telephoning **Mr Mason Atkinson**, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 9603 9415.

Applications are to be forwarded to:

Human Resources

Melbourne Magistrates' Court

GPO 882G

Melbourne, 3001

Or email to:

mason.atkinson@justice.vic.gov.au

Applications close on 26 May 2010.



Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited

An exciting employment opportunity is now available at the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd, for the new position of:

1. Field Officer. The Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd has a vacancy for a Field Officer in our Dubbo Office. This position is an Aboriginal Identified position and you must be able to gain clearance into NSW Gaols. For more information and selection criteria, please contact Dale Bonham on (02) 6882 6966 or email dale.bonham@alsnswact.org.au.

Closing date 25.5.10

2. Administration Officers. The Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd has vacancies for Administration Officer's in our Dubbo office. These positions are Aboriginal Identified positions. For more information and selection criteria, please contact Dale Bonham on (02) 6882 6966 or email dale.bonham@alsnswact.org.au.

Closing date 25.5.10



Teacher Welfare (Aboriginal)

Permanent Full-Time

Location: Sydney Institute Ultimo College

Job Reference No: 10/061/SR

Total remuneration package valued to \$90,107 pa including salary (\$68,853 - \$81,656), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Duties: As listed in the Statement of Duties for Teacher, available with Information Package.

Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package by calling 9217 4152 or emailing Sl.Recruitment@tafensw.edu.au

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

An eligibility list may be created to fill future vacancies which may occur within the Institute and short listed applicants will be subject to employment screening.

Inquiries: Sally Dumbrell, Head Teacher Welfare Ultimo College. Ph: 9217 3814.

Closing Date: Friday, 4 June 2010



NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

Administration Support Officer

Aboriginal targeted position

Investment and Commercial Services

Job Classification: Clerk Grade 1/2

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 6 months

Suburb: MINTO

Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 10/069

Salary Package: \$60,102. Salary: \$50,100 - \$54,465. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

This position provides high quality administrative support to Fleet Management and Uniform Services through the facilitation of Asset, Logistic and Records portfolios and the provision of data entry services and switchboard operations.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 up to 6 months.
- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for an Aboriginal person. This is in accordance with *Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.*
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have any further queries after reading the information package please contact the Inquiries Officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria as outlined in the advertisement.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.
- General information about Administrative Officer Recruitment with the NSW Police Force can be found on our web site at:

www.police.nsw.gov.au/recruitment/administrative_officer_civilian_positions

Enquiries/Information Pack: Ian Mondon on (02) 9827 5014 or mondian@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The Manager, Business and Contracts, NSW Police Force, Logistics Services - Fleet Management Services, 2 Culverston Road, Minto NSW 2566

Closing Date: Friday 28 May 2010



TAFEWA
south west regional

Indigenous Youth Trainee

12 mths Fixed-term, Full-time (1.0 FTE) with possible 12 mths extension

Web Search No: 000002

Level/Salary: Trainee – Under 21 \$12,786 - \$26,127 pa, GOSAC GA 2008

Under the direction of the Student Services Coordinator, this position will undertake general once, reception and tasks, whilst providing support to the Student Services team and customers to ensure effective communication. The position will also work towards completion of a Certificate in Business.

To apply, applications are requested to submit a covering letter outlining their skills, experience and suitability for the position in the context of the job description and a detailed resume.

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Jenni Cornish on (08) 9780 7299.

Closing Date: Monday 31 May 2010 at 4:30 pm (WST).

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Human Services
Housing NSW

SENIOR CLIENT SERVICES OFFICER (SPECIALIST)

Clerk Grade 5/6

Northern NSW Housing Services Division

Coffs Harbour

Permanent Part-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_0576

Total remuneration package valued up to \$80,503 per annum (Salary: \$66,116 pa - \$72,952 pa). Full-Time salary quoted includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Hourly rate: \$36.20 ph - \$39.95 ph.

Job Description:

Specialised client service and support assistance to high need clients in the Mid North Coast area.

Selection Criteria:

- Appropriate tertiary qualifications or extensive experience in the human service industry.
- Capacity to provide innovative solutions to meet a range of housing issues.
- Excellent communication skills including negotiation, mediation, assessment and problem solving skills.
- Understanding and ability to liaise with a variety of human services client groups and organisations.
- Ability to initiate and develop networks to work in a multi-disciplinary team and liaise with internal stakeholders.
- Experience in managing a range of complex tasks and setting priorities.
- Capacity to train and support other team members.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Part-Time position (21 hrs per week). Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Michelle Stubbs (02) 6659 2522

Information Package and to apply visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6623 1900 or post to: NSW Businesslink, Northern Regional Service Centre, PO Box 1140, Lismore NSW 2480.

Closing Date: Friday 28 May 2010

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Secure yourself a rewarding career as a Prison Officer at the Barkly Work Camp

Join a service that offers:

- Challenges and opportunities to learn new skills
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- Paid training, with nationally accredited qualifications
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We are looking for men and women with integrity and maturity to work as Prison Officers in Tennant Creek. It is an interesting and challenging job that can lead you to a secure and rewarding career path.

You will need to be fit and have plenty of commonsense, as well as being a good communicator and organiser. You must have a driver's licence and be prepared to undergo a criminal history check.

Applications close Friday 28 May 2010

To find out more and to obtain an application pack

Phone: 8995 5703

Email: ntcstraining@nt.gov.au

Web: www.nt.gov.au/justice/prison_officers

Equal employment opportunity (EEO) groups are encouraged to apply.

Vacancy Number: 200095

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**Environment,
Climate Change
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Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Researcher

**Environment Officer Class 9
Sydney Southern Suburbs, Hurstville
Temporary Full-Time
Vacancy Ref : DECCW 124-10**

Total remuneration package to \$101,105 p.a. including salary \$82,247 p.a. to \$91,623 p.a. Salary package includes base salary, annual leave loading and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

Undertake research in Aboriginal cultural heritage, including women's heritage, to provide information and knowledge for environmental conservation, management and interpretation including in a Natural Resources Management context, within legislative and organisational obligations.

Selection Criteria:

- Female, Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated working knowledge of Aboriginal culture, including Aboriginal women's issues in NSW, extensive knowledge of and experience in the field of Aboriginal heritage, particularly as it applies to Aboriginal cultural heritage management.
- Experience in designing/undertaking significant research in heritage independently and in collaboration with community groups/stakeholders, applying current theory, credible methodologies, ethical standards and knowledge of legislation.
- Well developed communication skills, written skills to publication level, experience in preparing and delivering conference papers and participating in seminars and communicating research outcomes to a wide spectrum of stakeholders.
- Demonstrated experience in negotiation, project management, supervision of staff and working in a team environment with a current driver's licence.

Job Notes: This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. This position is only open to Aboriginal people who are already permanently employed in a NSW public service agency or local government authority. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Denis Byrne (02) 9585 6571 or 0423 775 875 or denis.byrne@environment.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: (02) 9585 6168 Marija Zelic or jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' To: Recruitment Officer, Department Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 1481, Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Friday 4 June 2010

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AlfredHealth

Aboriginal Community Development Worker (SEXUAL HEALTH)

(Victorian Indigenous young people's sexual and reproductive health project); **2 POSITIONS;** Male and Female

VCAT EO Exemption Application No: A64/2010

We are seeking enthusiastic, skilled Aboriginal Community Development Worker's to:

- develop a coordinated and systematic approach to Indigenous teenage reproductive & sexual health education, STI & BBV prevention, testing and treatment which may lead to increased access to services
- work effectively with the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation to develop training and education programs specifically for the affiliated Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations
- assist communities to view sexual health in a positive way

Position Description www.mshc.org.au

Applications and Position Discription www.alfredhealth.org.au

Enquiries: Brad Whitton; Project Coordinator phone (03) 9341 6271 bwhitton@mshc.org.au and/or Rosey Cummings, Nursing Services Manager, (03) 9341 6237 or rcummings@mshc.org.au

Applications close: Sunday 23/05/2010



**Save the Children
Australia**

Outreach Support Worker Glebe Pathways Program

The Outreach Support Worker position will be responsible for engaging young people and their families with the Alternative Education Program through the planning and implementation of extra-curricular outings and activities, as well as exploring and developing possible internships, mentor programs and other employment pathways. This position may also involve some court support.

Key Attributes & Experience:

- A sound knowledge of the Glebe area and its community
- Demonstrated ability to liaise with the community, including some case work and home visits
- Demonstrated working knowledge/experience of working with Aboriginal Youth
- Experience working with young people with multiple issues stemming from disadvantage
- Extensive experience in program implementation within a community development setting
- Experience managing and working with volunteers
- Valid Driver's license

Desirable:

- Tertiary qualifications in relevant or related discipline

To apply please forward your application via email to careers@savethechildren.org.au

A position description can be obtained from the Save the Children website www.savethechildren.org.au under "Careers with us".

Save the Children is a child safe organisation working to protect children and promote their rights.

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Blacktown City is a modern city of 47 suburbs, home to 300,000. Council is continuously evolving and our 2025 Vision will inspire and motivate you to be part of Blacktown City's future.

Bush Regeneration Traineeships – 12 Months

Traineeships Available – Commencing July 2010

Would you like to be paid to study while working? Do you have an interest in conservation and land management? Well then perhaps a Bush Regenerator Traineeship is for you! Through this fantastic opportunity you will gain valuable work experience and a nationally recognised qualification. You will assist Council in undertaking professional bush regeneration activities associated with the restoration and regeneration work of Council's bushland reserves, in particular Whalan Reserve. To complement your work experience, you will complete a nationally recognised course in the area of Conservation and Land Management. You have completed the Higher School Certificate and a class C Driver's Licence is desirable. Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply. Applicants may be required to undertake an aptitude test and will be required to complete a medical examination, as part of the selection process.

Enquiries: Stephen Painter or Carolyn Adamcewicz on 9839 6000.

Salary Range: Dependent upon age and the education level achieved.

Closing Date: 4.30pm Friday, 28 May 2010.

For all positions: Application forms and descriptions are available on our website. Salary and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Blacktown City Council's Enterprise Agreement.



www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au

Careers @ Justice

DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE



INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS OFFICER

Broadmeadows Community Correctional Services

\$39,487 - \$50,709 + super

Position No 1470

Indigenous Community Corrections Officers (ICCOs) monitor and supervise Indigenous and non-Indigenous offenders who have been sentenced by the Courts to serve community based orders or have been released from prison on parole by the Adult Parole Board. As well as general CCS responsibilities, you will undertake specialist functions by developing strong links with Indigenous agencies. The role is an Identified Position, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 30 May 2010

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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NSW HEALTH SOUTH EASTERN SYDNEY ILLAWARRA

POPULATION HEALTH & PLANNING

Aboriginal Hepatitis-C Treatment Access Coordinator

University of Wollongong
Health Service Manager, Level 1

Temp Full Time up to 30/06/13 with the possibility of extension subject to funding **Position No: 147108**
The successful applicant will be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Enq: Rebecca Dawson, (02) 4221 6700, rebecca.dawson@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au
Closing Date: 2 July 2010.

SHELLHARBOUR HOSPITAL

Female Aboriginal Health Education Officers

Midwifery & Family Health Centre
Aboriginal Health Education Officer
(Graduate/Non-Graduate)

1x Perm Full Time
1x Temp Full Time up to 30/06/12 with the possibility of extension subject to funding **Position No: 151238**
Readvertised.

An applicant's race and gender are genuine occupational qualifications and are authorised under Sections 14(d) and 31 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
Enq: Sheree Eaton, (02) 4295 2418, sheree.eaton@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au
Closing Date: 31 May 2010.

For further information, or to apply for a position, visit www.sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au or contact the enquiries person.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Industry Employment Consultant - MEGT

MEGT (Australia) Ltd is a not-for profit company providing training, employment and education solutions.

MEGT's Indigenous Apprenticeships and Traineeships Network (IATN) is part of MEGT's Group Training Division. The objective of the IATN is to place Indigenous Apprentices and Trainees with Host Employers and assist them throughout their employment and training.

We currently have a vacancy for a Industry Employment Field Consultant to manage and mentor our Indigenous trainees and apprentices in southern NSW.

Responsibilities:

- managing, monitoring and mentoring existing trainees and apprentices employed by IATN
- the promotion of MEGT's Group Training division to potential employers, schools, industry and local communities
- identifying and developing sustainable employment opportunities for Aboriginal people.
- securing vacancies with Host Employers
- recruiting suitable applicants for vacant positions.

Essential criteria:

- suitable applicants will be of Aboriginal descent or have demonstrated experience working with Aboriginal People in a similar role
- strong work ethic with excellent role model characteristics
- ability to build the business through targeted marketing strategies
- outstanding communication and interpersonal skills
- basic computer skills
- conflict management and problem solving skills
- current driver licence.

Desirable criteria:

- previous employment experience in a similar role
- understanding of the Group Training concept
- understanding of Traineeships and Apprenticeships.

Travel around southern New South Wales will be required.

The IATN office is located in Liverpool, however, location is negotiable for the right person.

To obtain a position description, please email HRRecruitment@megt.com.au, **quoting reference number 471N.**

MEGT acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of the land it works on as the first people of this country.



**Australian Government
Aboriginal Hostels Limited**



Regional Administrative Officer (expected vacancy)

Perth

Regional Office
APS Level 5
\$55,938 - \$59,363 pa, plus superannuation

Duties

- Responsible for the day to day administration of the Regional Office
- Supervise and Identify training and development needs of regional staff
- Recruitment and personnel/payroll administration and liaising with Central Office
- Financial returns and preparation of regional budgets

Want to know more?

Contact Tina Pickett on 08 9349 2548.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone Kristel Websdale on 08 9349 2548.

How to Apply

Send written applications addressing the selection criteria to Recruitment Officer, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, PO Box 30, WODEN ACT 2606 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm 4 June 2010.

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.

This is an identified position.

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Advanced Health Worker,
Stop the Smokes for a Healthy Bub



Make a difference and work with us on the development, implementation and evaluation of the Stop the Smokes for a Healthy Bub program in Queensland with the aim to increase smoking cessation support available to pregnant Indigenous women.

In this role, you will provide training and ongoing support to health professionals and key community members in the implementation of smoking cessation programs for pregnant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women.

To be successful, you must have a Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care and at least two years experience in a related health field. Your demonstrated ability to develop, implement and evaluate preventative health programs in Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities along with your excellent communication and negotiation skills will see you succeed in this role. Previous experience in the delivery of tobacco cessation programs is beneficial but not necessary

This position is a two year full-time fixed term contract.

Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

For further information and the position description visit our website www.cancerqld.org.au.

Cancer Council Queensland is a smokefree workplace.



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The Department of Health and Ageing is focussing on achieving better health and active ageing for all Australians.

Several Position

Northern Territory Office

EL 1 \$83,137-\$94,819

DARWIN Ref Number: 10-0858 (Several Positions)

The successful applicant will be responsible for leadership, resource and program management. They will also be required to represent the department in liaisons and negotiations with relevant Commonwealth, Territory and local government departments, industry organisations, service providers and consumers.

The Assistant Territory Manager position will manage the Health Strategies Branch of the Northern Territory Office.

The Assistant Director positions will manage a sub-section of the Northern Territory Health Reform and Development Section, Remote Health Service Development Branch.

Contact officer: Rachel Van Oosten on (08) 8950 1640 or rachel.van.oosten@health.gov.au

Applications close 27 May 2010, 7pm AEST.

Selection Documentation: An application kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>

Diversity is important to us. Information about working for the department and workplace diversity is available on the Health website.

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Human Services
Housing NSW

Quality Manager

Clerk Grade 9/10
Change Strategy & Finance
Housing Contact Centre, Liverpool
Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_0706

Total remuneration package valued up to \$104,153 per annum (Salary: \$85,650 pa - \$94,384 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Quality Manager of the Housing Contact Centre is responsible for the following:

- To ensure the service delivered by the Housing Contact Centre (HCC) is of the highest quality
- To identify gaps or process improvements for both HCC and wider NSW housing groups, this will be done through the analysis of the current workloads and determining the impact contract changes make to the HCC and how we manage those enquiries
- To act as the direct link with the front line staff within the Centre in providing updates to process and procedures, and making sure that the output of the HCC is inline with the current Maintenance Contract
- Act as the liaison to the Maintenance and Asset teams within Housing NSW and ensures that the HCC is kept up to date with any changes or enhancements to the maintenance contract.

Selection Criteria:

- Excellent communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability to effectively liaise and negotiate changes in process and procedures with other business units in order to improve the service delivery within the Contact Centre.
- Demonstrated ability to provide solutions and processes for the effective administration of existing contracts.
- Demonstrated ability to research and analyse data and report on trends.
- Demonstrated ability to manage internal and external relationships.
- Demonstrated ability to manage and implement change programs.

Job Notes: Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Inquiries: Tara Vella (02) 9612 6166 or email: Tara.Vella@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package and to apply visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Closing Date: Friday 28 May 2010

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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
47/368	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	962.13ha	38km W'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 22°10' Long 117°58'	Ashburton

The purposes for L47/368 are: Road, Borefield, Powerline, Pipeline, Taking Water, Communication facility, Water Management Facility, Minesite Accommodation Facility

Nature of the act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 19 May 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 **19 August 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 miscellaneous licences may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 19 September 2010**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) in relation to the area of the miscellaneous licences.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF 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
EPM18088	Approx. 69 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°21'S Long.143°01'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council	Area: 226km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 68 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1140 b, c, g, h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1212 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1213 a, f, k, l, m, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1284 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k 1285 a, b, c, d, e, f, g	Paterson Mining Limited 133 613 797 (99%) Gregory John Paterson (1%)
EPM18180	Part 1: Approx. 70 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°19'S Long.143°08'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 80 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°15'S Long.142°59'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 71 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°19'S Long.143°01'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council Part 4: Approx. 68 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°21'S Long.143°02'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council Part 5: Approx. 65 km NNW from Coen Centred at approximate Lat.13°22'S Long.143°03'E Local Government Area: Cook Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 7 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1142 x, y Area of Part 2: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1140 d Area of Part 3: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1141 v Area of Part 4: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1213 g Area of Part 5: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Mitchell River Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1213 n	Paterson Mining Limited 133 613 797 (99%) Gregory John Paterson (1%)

Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map. Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the

Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

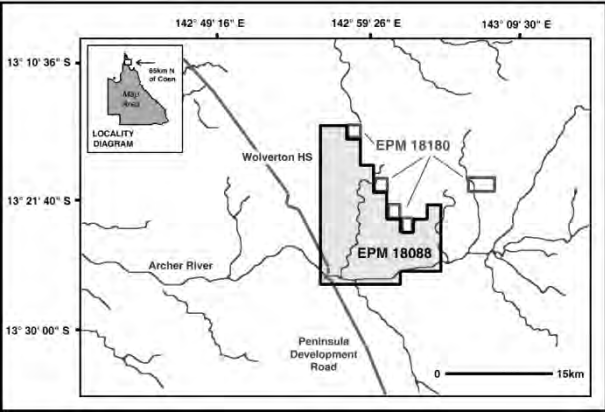
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 32481100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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: 9 th June 2010





THE ROYAL WOMEN'S HOSPITAL
ABORIGINAL WOMEN'S HEALTH BUSINESS UNIT

Senior Aboriginal Women's
Education and Support Worker

Permanent part-time position (30.4 hours per week)
Administration and Management Award – A06

The Aboriginal Women's Health Business Unit (AWHBU), at the Royal Women's Hospital was established in 1997. The primary function of the AWHBU is to improve access to hospital services for Aboriginal women and their families through the availability of culturally sensitive support, advocacy and information.

The AWHBU is seeking to appoint a Senior Aboriginal Women's Education and Support Worker to provide a range of educational and support services to health professionals, including Aboriginal support workers and Aboriginal women and their families attending the Hospital. The AWHBU is a small team that is part of a well established program that incorporates community and organizational support for the Aboriginal Support workers and Aboriginal women and families accessing the Hospital.

The Women's Hospital offers a range of staff benefits including onsite childcare, salary packaging and professional development opportunities.

For inquiries, contact Marika Kalargyros on 8345 3047 or Helen Makregiorgos on 8345 3071.

Applications to Executive Director, Human Resources, Royal Women's Hospital.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people need only apply.
VCAT Exemption Application Number A243/2009.



Home Based Care
Case Managers

The Gippsland & East Gippsland Aboriginal Co-operative Ltd (GEGAC) seek suitably qualified applicants for the position of Home Based Care Case Managers. (1 EFT position available)

GEGAC provide Home Based Care (HBC) services throughout the Gippsland region. The program provides General, Complex and Intensive HBC for children and young people who are unable to live with their own families. Most children and young people are placed in out of home based care following Child Protection intervention. A number of children and young people are placed with Kith and Kin on either a short or long term basis. The Kinship Case management role relates to those children and young people who are placed with relatives and extended family and/or significant others, rather than home based care.

Further information regarding this program can be sought by contacting Alyson Ferguson, Manager Children Youth and Family Services Unit on 5150 0700

Successful candidates must address the Key Selection Criteria as detailed in the Position Description. Copies of Position Descriptions and other relevant material can be obtained from GEGAC reception.

Applications must be addressed in writing to:
Home Based Care Case Management Role

GEGAC
P.O. Box 634
BAIRNSDALE, VIC 3875

Applications will close by 5pm Friday 4th June 2010

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
are encouraged to apply.

GEGAC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



Are you an Aboriginal person with Case Management skills?
ABORIGINAL CHILD AND FAMILY WORKER

We seek an experienced Aboriginal person with case management and planning skills to provide family support to Aboriginal families living in the Wyong Shire. You will be required to facilitate groups and programs as well as liaise with the Aboriginal community and local service providers.

The position is for four days per week and applicants will need to address the following selection criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated knowledge of past and contemporary issues affecting Aboriginal families and child development.
- Demonstrated experience working with Aboriginal families and communities.
- Tertiary qualifications in a relevant field (Social Work, Psychology, Community Welfare, Social Science) and/or relevant work experience.
- Demonstrated experience and skills in case management and case planning, specifically with Aboriginal families.
- Experience facilitating groups and organising community forums/events.
- Current driver's licence and comprehensively insured motor vehicle.

Salary will be in accordance with the Social and Community Services Employees (State) Award, Grade 3. An allowance is paid for the use of your private motor vehicle at work. Additional benefits through salary sacrificing arrangements.

Please send applications to: Horizons Central Coast Family Services, PO Box 4145, BAY VILLAGE NSW 2261 by C.O.B. Friday 4th June 2010.

For an Information Package: Please call Erin Hudson on (02) 4333 5111



Manager - Aboriginal Tenancy Service
38 hours p.w.

The Greater Sydney Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service are auspiced by Dtarawarra Pty Ltd. Dtarawarra seeks to employ an Aboriginal Tenancy Service Manager, based at Sydney.

Applicants must demonstrate:

- Experience at a high level in organisational and project management
- ability to understand and interpret legislation
- ability to manage own caseload
- ability to lead and manage a team

- experience in working with Aboriginal communities
- current driver's licence
- willingness to undertake training & travel

Applications **must address** all points on the selection criteria.
Selection criteria and duty statement from Ruth Simon on (02) 9589 1839 or 0425 290 066.

Application close Friday 28 May 2010

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CLOSING DATE IS EXTENDED

Applications to:

Confidential
Director - Dtarawarra Pty Ltd
PO Box 126, JANNALI NSW 2226

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S140 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1987 (NSW)



NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/5468	Ilmenite Resources Pty Ltd	16.43ha	12km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°03' Long 121°07'	Coolgardie
15/5518	Paul Matthew Jago	166.81ha	26km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°58' Long 120°53'	Coolgardie
15/5522-5 & 15/5527-8	Focus Minerals Ltd	706.53ha	22km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°05' Long 121°00'	Coolgardie
16/2581	Broadarrow Goldmines Pty Ltd	122.57ha	38km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°38' Long 120°59'	Coolgardie
20/2133	Aragon Resources Limited	22.56ha	11km NW'ly of Cue	Lat 27°22' Long 117°47'	Cue
24/4439	Western Resources Pty Ltd	162.96ha	63km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°15' Long 121°01'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4498	Brendon Chevely Deshon	45.38ha	29km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°29' Long 121°23'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4502-3	Brendon Chevely Deshon	353.1ha	25km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°31' Long 121°26'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4504	Brendon Chevely Deshon	55.27ha	45km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°21' Long 121°18'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2124-5	Zeendam Enterprises Pty Ltd	242.13ha	33km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°45' Long 121°49'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2126-7	Southern Gold Ltd	220.55ha	38km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°49' Long 121°51'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2128	Southern Gold Ltd	121.31ha	34km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°50' Long 121°48'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3749-50	Kurana Pty Ltd	207.85ha	11km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°40' Long 121°23'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3751	Kurana Pty Ltd	131.51ha	24km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°59' Long 121°37'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3762	Southern Gold Ltd	118.06ha	32km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°56' Long 121°48'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3766-8	Brendon Chevely Deshon	353.83ha	15km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°37' Long 121°27'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3769	Brendon Chevely Deshon	124.91ha	13km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°38' Long 121°30'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/2014	Robert Mark Henning Manfred Kielhauser	101.55ha	55km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°19' Long 121°46'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
38/3869	Eleckra Mines Ltd	72.2ha	70km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°03' Long 123°36'	Laverton
38/3870	Eleckra Mines Ltd	50.08ha	72km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°04' Long 123°37'	Laverton
38/3895	Eleckra Mines Ltd	40.12ha	82km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°10' Long 123°42'	Laverton
38/3896	Eleckra Mines Ltd	22.34ha	74km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°03' Long 123°38'	Laverton
51/2652	Teck Australia Pty Ltd	49.36ha	42km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°16' Long 118°46'	Meekatharra
51/2656	Bell Bay Investments Pty Ltd	188.02ha	41km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°56' Long 118°38'	Meekatharra
52/1364	Ventnor Mining Pty Ltd	93.26ha	44km S'ly of Newman	Lat 23°44' Long 119°51'	Meekatharra
59/1901	Ellenbrook Contracting Pty Ltd	11.17ha	67km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°39' Long 117°09'	Yalgoo
59/1915	Gindalbie Metals Ltd	117.56ha	64km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°04' Long 117°03'	Perenjori
59/1916	Gindalbie Metals Ltd	46.66ha	58km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°28' Long 117°08'	Yalgoo
63/1811	Saruman Holdings Pty Ltd	99.1ha	26km S'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°25' Long 121°49'	Dundas

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant.

Notification day: 19 May 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 **19 August 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. 19 September 2010**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION - NOWRA, NSW



The South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation, located in Sunny Nowra, NSW South Coast Area, currently has several vacancies:

Kids SEWB Counsellor

(Full Time/Permanent)
(Aboriginal Identified *)

The Kids Social and Emotional Wellbeing Counsellor will provide promotion, prevention, early intervention, counselling and case management support to improve mental health and wellbeing of Aboriginal children aged between 5 and 12 years. The Counsellor will work closely with other SCMSAC staff, and link with staff of school and other agencies, to provide a comprehensive approach to the needs of the child within school, family, Community and culture. This is an Aboriginal Identified position.

Koori Kids SEWB
Counsellor

Full Time / Temp to 30/6/2011)

The Koori Kids Wellbeing Project which aims to trial and evaluate an early intervention approach to improving the mental health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged between 3 and 12 years. This position will deliver counselling and group work services for Aboriginal children in school, their families and carers. This will include providing quality case management, assessment, counselling and treatment services, designing behavioural programs, and liaising across schools, health and welfare services and other agencies. As well as deliver training, support and advice to other staff of Aboriginal and mainstream organisations regarding culturally appropriate mental health, behavioural and emotional support to Aboriginal children and PPP parenting programs. Aboriginality preferred, but not essential.

Mental Health Carer
Respite Coordinator

(Full / Temp to 30/6/2011).
(Aboriginal Identified *)

The Mental Health Carer Respite Coordinator, will manage and coordinate the Healing House Project, including the development and coordination of sub-contracting services to other partners, rental of appropriate properties, management of finances and administration, reporting to the funder, and support for the Project Steering Group. This is an Aboriginal Identified position.

Dentist

Full time or Part time / Jobshare

Full time or Part time / Job share Dentist with at least 3 years experience and an interest in Aboriginal health. Will be working as a sole practitioner with trained dental assistants in a modern well equipped clinic in Nowra, NSW. They will require good communication skills and be able to work as part of a team. Negotiable Contract Position.

Contact Person: Mark King on

02 4428 6666

**Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for the Aboriginal identified positions under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act. Where proof of Aboriginality must be provided.*

Applications Must Address the Selection Criteria: The Selection Criteria is available in the Information pack which can be obtained from Administration Section on 4428 6666 or by email recruitment@southcoastams.org.au.

Applications close:

COB Monday 31st May 2010



The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. We are currently seeking applications for the following positions which are located in Surry Hills, Sydney.

Project Officer (AOD)

– Fulltime, Fixed term (6 months)

The Project Officer (Alcohol and other Drugs) will be responsible for identifying, adapting and developing alcohol and other drug resources.

Project Officer (Hep C) - Fulltime, Permanent

The Project Officer (Hepatitis C) will be responsible for developing and implementing programs that increase awareness of Hep C and related issues among Aboriginal communities, with a particular focus on young people.

** Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.*

Applications close on Monday, 24 May 2010.

For further information on these positions or other positions within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector in NSW, ring 02 9212 4777 or visit: www.ahmrc.org.au/employment.htm



Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services.

We are looking for an enthusiastic and committed person to fill the following position which will be located at Morwell

.5 Community Development Worker 2 Family Violence Caseworkers

We are looking for someone who possesses the following knowledge and skills:

- A knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture and values;
- A proven ability to effectively communicate with Aboriginal people;
- An understanding of the Child and Family welfare sector;
- Good written and oral communication skills;
- Good public speaking and presentation skills;
- Good organisational skills;

For enquiries about this position please contact Marion McNeill on (03) 51 35 6055. A copy of the position description and key selection criteria which you must address in your written application can be provided upon request.

Applications close: Friday 28 May 2010

Check out our website
www.vacca.org for information about VACCA



Care Connect Ltd is a leading non-profit organisation specialising in community care services. It has an outstanding reputation for quality services and innovation. It provides support to clients and/or carers who are frail aged or have a disability.

Case Manager for Indigenous Communities

**Exciting Opportunity
Permanent – Part time, 3 days per week
Footscray Location**

Care Connect is seeking a highly motivated individual for a Case Manager position based in Footscray.

As a Case Manager for Indigenous Communities, you will provide flexible and culturally appropriate assistance to clients and carers of the program within the Indigenous Community, to help maximise their quality of life and to assist them to continue living independently in the community through CACPS and EACH packages. This role also has a community development component.

As the successful applicant you will possess:

- Tertiary qualifications in a health or welfare discipline
- Demonstrated experience in the community/health sector
- Sound communication, organisational and IT skills
- An understanding of, and an interest in, working with frail aged people.

Indigenous applicants are strongly encouraged to apply. Experience working with the Indigenous Community and qualifications and experience working in Community Aged Care will be highly regarded.

In return you will become part of a highly skilled and supportive team in a company which values work-life balance and professional development.

Other benefits include:

- Competitive salary inclusive of tax free dollars
- Flexible Working Environment
- Professional development
- 15 days personal/carers leave pro-rata
- Option to participate in Meal & Entertainment Program

To access the position description go to: www.careconnect.org.au

For specific enquiries please contact Nancy Matina on 03 9362 8000
Forward applications quoting job reference number 118-CM24-JAS to: jobs@careconnect.org.au

Three professional referees required.

Applications close Friday 28th May 2010

Please note all offers of employment are provisional pending the outcome of a National Police Records Check.



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
25/336	Integra Mining Ltd	343612	20.98ha	47km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°58' Long 122°05'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/343	Integra Mining Ltd	343615	7.37ha	51km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°59' Long 122°09'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/134	Westex Resources Pty Ltd	344660	110.09ha	20km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°06' Long 121°51'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
30/240	Internickel Australia Pty Ltd	344189	151.19ha	116km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°48' Long 119°51'	Menzies

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 19 May 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 **19 August 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. 19 September 2010), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of Proposed Grant of 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
EPC1676	Approx. 120 km NE from Kajabbi Centred at approximate Lat.19°26'S Long.141°0'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council	Area: 878 km ² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 272 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number 2843 2844 2845 2846 2915 2916 2917 2918 2987 2988 2989 2990 3059 3060 3061 3062 Sub-blocks s, t, u, x, y, z q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z q, r, s, v, w, x c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 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 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 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 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 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 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 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 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 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	Vale Coal Exploration Pty Ltd 108 568 725

* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government



The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1666	Quarry Park Pty Ltd	74.9km ²	59km E'ly of Broome	Lat 17°49' Long 122°46'	Broome
04/1856	Alara Operations Pty Ltd	146.49km ²	51km E'ly of Broome	Lat 17°53' Long 122°42'	Broome
04/1859	Alara Operations Pty Ltd	136.82km ²	54km E'ly of Broome	Lat 17°47' Long 122°42'	Broome
04/1937	John Charlton Russell	3.27km ²	108km E'ly of Derby	Lat 16°59' Long 124°35'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1941	Afmeco Mining and Exploration Pty Ltd	382.16km ²	20km E'ly of Derby	Lat 17°18' Long 123°49'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1945	Cullen Exploration Pty Ltd	653.2km ²	64km E'ly of Derby	Lat 17°22' Long 124°13'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1972	Timothy Vincent Tatterson	409.42km ²	103km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 16°51' Long 124°28'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1978	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	9.74km ²	61km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°41' Long 125°47'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1979	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	12.98km ²	71km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°45' Long 125°54'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1980	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	22.72km ²	79km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°47' Long 125°58'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1981	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	220.49km ²	91km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°57' Long 125°53'	Derby-West Kimberley
& 04/1987					
04/1982	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	19.62km ²	37km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 17°04' Long 123°53'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/1977	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	55.57km ²	40km NE'ly of Derby	Lat 17°07' Long 123°57'	Derby-West Kimberley
& 04/1983					
04/1984	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	51.77km ²	126km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°18' Long 125°46'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2006	Michael Ashley Giles	651.4km ²	20km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°04' Long 125°26'	Derby-West Kimberley
08/2110	TVN Corporation Ltd	3.16km ²	93km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°28' Long 116°17'	Ashburton
08/2111	TVN Corporation Ltd	75.24km ²	57km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°43' Long 117°40'	Ashburton/ Meekatharra
08/2115	Australian Copper Pty Ltd	382.68km ²	36km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°31' Long 117°38'	Ashburton/ Meekatharra
08/2117	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	6.36km ²	39km E'ly of Onslow	Lat 21°42' Long 115°29'	Ashburton
08/2118	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	38.73km ²	46km E'ly of Onslow	Lat 21°38' Long 115°33'	Ashburton
09/1751	Gascoyne Resources Limited	218.46km ²	146km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°18' Long 116°23'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1757	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	18.64km ²	138km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°52' Long 116°33'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1759	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	177.03km ²	123km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°55' Long 116°25'	Upper Gascoyne
15/1138	Avoca Resources Ltd	11.69km ²	21km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°30' Long 121°48'	Coolgardie
15/1160	Avoca Resources Ltd	49.7km ²	12km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°32' Long 121°41'	Coolgardie
15/1182	La Mancha Resources Australia Pty Ltd	5.89km ²	15km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°49' Long 121°11'	Coolgardie
15/1185	Michael Edward Charlton	8.78km ²	11km N'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°24' Long 121°33'	Coolgardie
	Ryan Higgins				
15/1199	Avoca Resources Ltd	11.65km ²	42km N'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°49' Long 121°49'	Coolgardie
15/1200	Avoca Resources Ltd	2.91km ²	40km N'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°50' Long 121°49'	Coolgardie
15/1201	Fraka Investments Pty Ltd	76.21km ²	62km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°22' Long 120°44'	Cue/Meekatharra/ Sandstone
20/731	Citic Nickel Australia Pty Ltd	213.17km ²	83km NW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°21' Long 118°50'	Cue
20/737	Be4 Resources Pty Ltd	146.03km ²	29km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°22' Long 117°35'	Murchison/Yalgoo
20/738	Be4 Resources Pty Ltd	189.02km ²	76km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°12' Long 117°09'	Cue/Murchison/ Yalgoo
20/739	Be4 Resources Pty Ltd	453.97km ²	66km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°12' Long 117°15'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/433	Rubicon Resources Ltd	5.87km ²	37km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°02' Long 122°00'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/434	Rubicon Resources Ltd	11.75km ²	38km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°04' Long 122°02'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/448	Paris Enterprises (WA) Pty Ltd	14.69km ²	46km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°01' Long 122°06'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/757	Siburan Resources Limited	208.44km ²	57km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°43' Long 121°37'	Menzies
31/918	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	119.71km ²	49km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°13' Long 121°39'	Leonora/Menzies
39/1539	Rubicon Resources Ltd	15.04km ²	80km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°20' Long 122°26'	Leonora/Menzies
40/281	Nex Metals Explorations Ltd	8.96km ²	56km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°22' Long 121°30'	Menzies
40/282	Nex Metals Explorations Ltd	65.73km ²	49km NE'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°23' Long 121°25'	Menzies
45/2844	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	85.87km ²	58km NE'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°48' Long 118°38'	Port Hedland Town
45/3369	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	67.5km ²	9km NW'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°17' Long 119°27'	East Pilbara/ Port Hedland Town
45/3426	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	80.33km ²	5km SE'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°22' Long 119°33'	East Pilbara
45/3473	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	140.99km ²	46km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°39' Long 118°50'	East Pilbara/ Port Hedland Town
45/3474	Darren Michael White	51.09km ²	54km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°22' Long 120°13'	East Pilbara
45/3494	Adelaide Prospecting Pty Ltd	31.81km ²	71km NE'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°45' Long 118°47'	Port Hedland Town
45/3496	Adelaide Prospecting Pty Ltd	12.73km ²	78km NE'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°38' Long 118°43'	Port Hedland Town
45/3497	Adelaide Prospecting Pty Ltd	57.62km ²	88km N'ly of Wittenoom	Lat 21°29' Long 118°35'	Port Hedland Town
45/3571	Dann White Mining Pty Ltd	111.81km ²	49km E'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°20' Long 120°11'	East Pilbara
45/3572	Dann White Mining Pty Ltd	63.72km ²	93km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°34' Long 120°57'	East Pilbara
45/3615	Dann White Mining Pty Ltd	63.89km ²	39km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°23' Long 120°02'	East Pilbara
46/835	Bellpiper Pty Ltd	149.7km ²	98km NE'ly of Newman	Lat 22°07' Long 121°09'	East Pilbara
46/875	Spitfire Australia (SWW) Pty Ltd	111.03km ²	45km NE'ly of Newman	Lat 22°39' Long 120°58'	East Pilbara
47/2212	Giralda Resources NL	34.76km ²	94km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°34' Long 116°53'	Ashburton
47/2215	Brockman Exploration Pty Ltd	12.64km ²	91km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°33' Long 116°55'	Ashburton
47/2264	Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd	3.15km ²	26km NW'ly of Newman	Lat 23°08' Long 119°37'	East Pilbara
52/2509	Northern Star Resources Ltd	18.6km ²	93km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°45' Long 118°19'	Meekatharra
52/2527	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	53.36km ²	71km S'ly of Newman	Lat 23°46' Long 120°16'	Meekatharra
52/2540	Bushwin Pty Ltd	228.99km ²	80km S'ly of Newman	Lat 23°51' Long 120°18'	Meekatharra
53/1482	EGF Nickel Pty Ltd	109.8km ²	105km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°10' Long 121°20'	Wiluna
53/1513	Golden West Resources Ltd	21.45km ²	26km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°47' Long 120°04'	Wiluna
53/1525	Aureus Investment Pty Ltd	3.05km ²	91km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°57' Long 121°02'	Wiluna
53/1526	Aureus Investment Pty Ltd	3.05km ²	95km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°00' Long 121°03'	Wiluna
59/1601	Bushwin Pty Ltd	84.75km ²	77km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 27°56' Long 116°03'	Murchison
59/1621	Michael Ashley Giles	173.09km ²	78km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°34' Long 117°06'	Cue/Yalgoo
59/1661	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	209.95km ²	67km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°59' Long 118°18'	Mount Magnet/ Sandstone/Yalgoo
	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd				
59/1664	Bruce Robert Legendre				
59/1665	Venus Resources Ltd	3.03km ²	23km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°31' Long 116°47'	Yalgoo
59/1666	Venus Resources Ltd	3.01km ²	21km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°30' Long 116°46'	Yalgoo
59/1666	Venus Resources Ltd	3.01km ²	18km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°29' Long 116°45'	Yalgoo
59/1670	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd	210.5km ²	83km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°42' Long 118°17'	Mount Magnet
	Bruce Robert Legendre				
59/1671	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd				
	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	209.91km ²	61km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°56' Long 118°12'	Mount Magnet/ Sandstone/Yalgoo
	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd				
63/1264	Bruce Robert Legendre				
63/1344-7	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	78.16km ²	99km NW'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°31' Long 120°44'	Dundas/Esperance
63/1352	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	801.42km ²	96km W'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°08' Long 120°46'	Dundas
63/1391	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	42.99km ²	49km SW'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 33°22' Long 121°24'	Esperance
63/1391	Ozmay Pty Ltd	40.4km ²	83km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°49' Long 120°46'	Esperance
63/1392	Scaddan Energy Pty Ltd	128.72km ²	22km N'ly of Esperance	Lat 33°30' Long 121°59'	Esperance
63/1399	Emu Nickel NL	66.26km ²	29km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°54' Long 121°21'	Esperance
69/2407	Teck Australia Pty Ltd	559km ²	160km NE'ly of Cocklebiddy	Lat 30°56' Long 127°11'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
69/2763	General Mining Corporation Ltd	43.25km ²	109km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°44' Long 120°45'	Wiluna
69/2769	NBX Pty Ltd	587.95km ²	7km SW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 31°05' Long 125°11'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
69/2770-1	NBX Pty Ltd	1166.89km ²	82km W'ly of Cocklebiddy	Lat 32°08' Long 125°14'	Dundas
70/3279	Rocla Pty Ltd	76.08km ²	24km SW'ly of Gingin	Lat 31°27' Long 115°42'	Gingin/Wanneroo City
70/3473	Bauxite Resources Limited	199.35km ²	7km NE'ly of Bridgetown	Lat 33°55' Long 116°12'	Boypup Brook/ Bridgetown-Greenbushes
70/3572	Darling Range South Pty Ltd	569.28km ²	38km W'ly of Kojonup	Lat 33°57' Long 116°46'	Boypup Brook/ Kojonup
70/3657	Darling Range South Pty Ltd	185.07km ²	22km E'ly of Bridgetown	Lat 33°54' Long 116°22'	Boypup Brook/ Bridgetown-Greenbushes
70/3704	Southwest Minerals Pty Ltd	69.5km ²	30km E'ly of Narrogin	Lat 32°58' Long 117°30'	Narrogin/Wickepin
70/3720	Image Resources NL	23.48km ²	26km NW'ly of Gingin	Lat 31°08' Long 115°47'	Gingin
70/3721	Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd	291.35km ²	42km NE'ly of Narrogin	Lat 32°46' Long 117°35'	Narrogin/Wickepin
70/3722	Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd	66.07km ²	40km NE'ly of Wagin	Lat 33°08' Long 117°43'	Dumblayung/Wagin
70/3796	Magnetic Resources NL	83.1km ²	42km NE'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat 30°01' Long 116°59'	Dalwallinu
70/3812	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	143.63km ²	15km E'ly of Dongara	Lat 29°15' Long 115°05'	Irwin
70/3813	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	44.83km ²	30km NW'ly of Three Springs	Lat 29°20' Long 115°32'	Mingenew/Three Springs
70/3814	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	166.91km ²	17km N'ly of Eneabba	Lat 29°40' Long 115°16'	Carnamah/Irwin/ Three Springs
74/464	TVN Corporation Ltd	105.58km ²	34km SW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°51' Long 119°53'	Ravensthorpe
77/1707	HR Forrestrania Pty Ltd	2.9km ²	79km E'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°16' Long 119°43'	Kondinin
77/1770	Australia Minerals & Mining Group Ltd	129.57km ²	13km S'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°56' Long 119°32'	Yilgarn
77/1778	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	5.83km ²	73km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°50' Long 119°37'	Yilgarn
80/4332	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	51.64km ²	182km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°46' Long 126°01'	East Pilbara/ Halls Creek
80/4333	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	388.79km ²	122km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°09' Long 126°08'	Derby-West Kimberley
80/4384	William Robert Richmond	227.57km ²	102km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°53' Long 126°59'	Halls Creek
80/4390	Mincor Zinc Pty Ltd	58.44km ²	87km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°48' Long 126°05'	Derby-West Kimberley/ Halls Creek
80/4398	Thundelarra Exploration Ltd	9.79km ²	86km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°29' Long 127°55'	Halls Creek
80/4404	Geological Resources Pty Ltd	126.9km ²	39km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°01' Long 127°58'	Halls Creek

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: 19 May 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 **19 August 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. 19 September 2010**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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NSW HEALTH SYDNEY SOUTH WEST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Closing Date for both positions: 4 June 2010

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Aboriginal Youth Health Education Officer (Non-Grad/Grad)

Ref: 59664/1. Salary: \$41,972–\$71,589 pa.

F/T at Campbelltown Community Health.

Enq: Regina Nagy, (02) 4625 2525.

- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Senior Clinician Social Worker

(Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander New Directions Early Childhood Sustained Home Visiting Service) Level 3

Ref: 60157/1. Salary: \$39.10–\$40.41 ph. P/T 20 hpw at Child & 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.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Chief Executive Officer

Strategic Leadership Role

The Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) is the state peak body representing the Aboriginal and Islander Community Controlled Health Sector in Queensland.

QAIHC is striving to lead the sector to “Close the Gap” and position itself to adapt and respond to the new Federal and State Government Health Strategies.

Reporting to a Board of Directors, you will require:

- A strategic focus and an ability to develop business solutions and navigate a pathway through a turbulent and challenging environment;
- Highly developed leadership and stakeholder management, problem solving and advocacy skills.

To succeed in this critical role and deliver the required outcomes for the Sector, you will have a track record of success at senior levels in a comparable role within a service delivery/health environment.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated to attract the high calibre of individual we seek for this appointment.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

**To obtain a Position Description or to apply direct email:
cfliegeltaub@bigpond.com by COB 30th May 2010**

Central Australian Remote Health Development Services (CARHDS) ACN 098 256 387

CARHDS is an Aboriginal community controlled organisation governed by the Primary Health Care (PHC) services in Central Australia. CARHDS provides work based in-service and off-site education and training to employees and Aboriginal Boards of Management of the PHC services.

Our aim is to build the confidence and capacity of Aboriginal people and health professionals to improve Aboriginal health through a unique regional model of delivery to remote health services as well as services located in Alice Springs and Tennant Creek.

This model is industry driven, reflects the strategic goals of PHC services and is directly accountable to the PHC services for outcomes.

Aboriginal Health Work Educator

1 x Full time

CARHDS is offering an exciting and challenging educator position for a highly motivated person with a strong commitment to education and training in the Aboriginal primary health care sector.



Activities Officer

Part-Time, 14hrs per week
Eastern Suburbs PCYC – Maroubra
\$18.04 per hour

PCYC is looking for highly motivated people to work with the 'Boomerang Bus' and provide transport options for young people in the Maroubra, La Perouse and surrounding areas.

You will primarily be involved in driving the Boomerang Bus and engaging with young people, including Aboriginal youth. Hours of operation vary but predominantly the service operates between 6pm – 1am on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Additional shifts operate during school holiday periods or other peak times.

Applicants must address the essential criteria in their application to be considered for the role:

- Current Class C Drivers License
- Current First Aid Certificate
- Ability to build rapport with young people
- Knowledge of roads in the Maroubra / La Perouse area

Applicants are subject to a Police Check and Working With Children Check. *Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.*

Please send your application by email to jhayes@pcycnsw.org.au or in writing to General Manager Member Services, PCYC NSW, PO Box 595 Mt Druitt, NSW 2770, by close of business 28th May 2010.

Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd



The Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Limited (VACSAL) is the recognised state-wide Peak Advisory body on Aboriginal Community issues. VACSAL is a community based, community controlled organisation, comprising representatives from Koorie organisations across the State. A vacancy currently exists within the Organisation;

Part time

Receptionist/Administrative Support (.4 Position)

To answer the phones and greet visitors in a professional and courteous manner, to register all incoming and outgoing mail on a daily basis and ensure distributed to relevant staff member, to assist with the preparation of meetings, to record and distribute all incoming faxes in a timely manner, to undertake typing duties as required, to photocopy documents as requested, to ensure that the reception area is kept clean, tidy and presentable at all times.

Please contact Pam Aplin on (03) 9416-4266 for further information and/or a Position Description.

Koorie people are encouraged to apply.

Applications close Friday 4th June 2010

Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation

Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation is a focal point for Australian Aboriginal people living within our service area Wodonga/ Albury which provides services that will meet our needs and to re-establish and strengthen our cultural values and connection to the area and we are currently looking to fill a vacancy.



Aboriginal Health Promotion & Chronic Care Coordinator

Fixed Term .8EFT Contract

The core function of the AHPACC Chronic Illness Coordinator is to work within the Upper Hume Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in offering education and support to people at risk of developing or diagnosed with chronic illness to access appropriate health care that is culturally respectful and addresses aspects of health including prevention and treatment.

For information on the Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Care (AHPACC) Program can be found on the following website:

http://www.health.vic.gov.au/communityhealth/aboriginal_health.htm#model

Responsibility: This position supports the Health Programs Coordinator

Salary: Negotiated on qualifications and skills, Award - Negotiated

Mandatory Requirements:

- Observe the safe working practices you have been trained in, as far as you are able, protect your own and other health safety
- Must obtain a current Working with Children's Check
- Must obtain a current Victorian Police Check
- Participate in ongoing training when necessary
- Participate in general staff meetings.
- Act all times in a professional manner in accordance with the Policies and Procedures of Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation.
- Comply with the Code of Conduct as articulated in the Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation Policies and Procedures.

Conditions of appointment: Remuneration will be in accordance with industry standards and based on skills and experience using the Health Services union of Australia (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Services) award 2002.

Performance KPI's will be set on commencement with a three month review then a review conducted annually.

This is not an identified position but it is preferred Aboriginal applicants to apply.

All positions closing date Monday 24th May 2010 @ 5.00pm no late applications will be accepted.

Position Descriptions are available at reception,
21 Hovell Street, Wodonga,
or by ringing Ellie on 0260 247599
or by emailing reception@mungabareena.com

All applications **MUST BE MARKED 'CONFIDENTIAL' WITH POSITION CLEARLY MARKED ON ENVELOPE'**

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
EPM18248	Approx. 85 km WSW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°24'S Long.140°43'E Local Government Area: Boulia Shire Council and Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 310 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 98 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number 1977 1978 2049 2050 2120 2121 2122 2192 2193 Sub-blocks u, y, z c, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, w, x, y, z a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, f d, e, j, k, p a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18295	Approx. 77 km W from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°25'S Long.140°48'E Local Government Area: Boulia Shire Council	Area: 247 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 78 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number 1906 1978 1979 2050 2051 2122 2123 2193 2194 2265 Sub-blocks u, z d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z f, l, q, v d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, w, x, y, z a, f, l, q, v b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, f, l, q, v s, t, u, x, y, z a, f, l, q c, d, e, h, j, n, o	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18302	Approx. 124 km WNW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°01'S Long.140°24'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number 1757 Sub-blocks c, d, e, j, k	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18303	Approx. 79 km NW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.21°50'S Long.141°0'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Area: 6 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number 1620 1621 Sub-blocks e a	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM18324	Approx. 66 km SW from Middleton Centred at approximate Lat.22°38'S Long.140°59'E Local Government Area: Boulia Shire Council	Area: 142 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 45 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number 2196 2268 2340 2341 Sub-blocks n, o, p, s, t, u, w, x, y, z b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z q, v	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd 008 694 782

* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

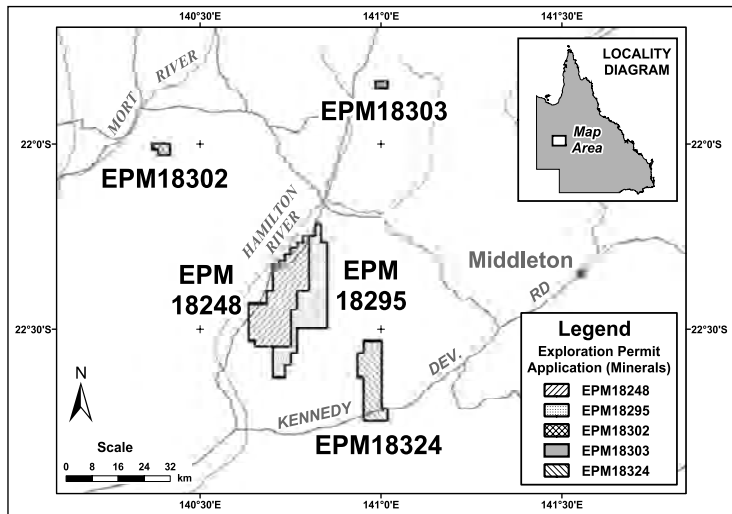
Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government

Central Australian Remote Health Development Services (CARHDS) ACN 098 256 387

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CARHDS is a community-controlled organisation governed by the Primary Health Care (PHC) services in Central Australia. CARHDS provides work based in-service education and training to employees and Aboriginal Boards of Management of the PHC services.

Our aim is to build the confidence and capacity of Aboriginal people and health professionals to improve Aboriginal health through a unique regional model of delivery to remote health services as well as services located in Alice Springs and Tennant Creek.

CARHDS is seeking applications from qualified experienced people keen to take up a challenging role.

This role includes working closely with the Board of Directors to implement the organisations strategic priorities; negotiating with funding bodies; networking and collaborating with other PHC agencies; consulting with PHC services; managing and developing the training programme; managing all staff, operational and financial requirements of CARHDS; and providing educational leadership.


Excellent salary and conditions apply including salary packaging and use of a vehicle.

Enquiries can be directed to Linda Zerna. Contact Stacey Stanton (08) 8953 5500 for a copy of the duty statement and selection criteria.

Comprehensive written applications addressing the selection criteria with 3 referees close **Friday 28th of May 2010** and should be sent to

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CARHDS
PO Box 8475, Alice Springs NT 0871

CARHDS is an equal opportunity employer and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



Join our team and use evidence based practice to support children & families in your community

Positions available in Moree, Inverell & Mungindi

Aboriginal Family Worker

Early Childhood Specialist

Aboriginal Child and Family Worker

Case Manager

We seek an **Aboriginal Family Worker** for our new service in Mungindi funded by the Aboriginal Child Youth & Family Strategy. We also have a vacancy for an **Early Childhood Specialist** (Maternity Leave Cover) and an **Aboriginal Child and Family Worker** for our Brighter Futures Program in Moree and a **Case Manager** for the new Brighter Futures Program in Inverell. You will bring your knowledge of both childhood development and the vulnerabilities impacting on families and communities; a willingness to advocate on behalf of clients; an ability to work in challenging environments and importantly your passion and professionalism. These programs aim to provide targeted, long term support to vulnerable families. We currently deliver this service in other areas across the New England and Northwest.

Benefit from ongoing support and training, flexible working arrangements including a monthly rostered day off for full time staff and a \$16,050 tax free salary component.

The Benevolent Society has been caring for Australians and their communities for nearly 200 years. We are a non-religious, not-for-profit organisation, working to bring about positive social change in response to community needs.

For more information please go to our website or contact Tania Willis on (02) 67621344 or taniaw@bensoc.org.au. Applications should include a statement addressing the selection criteria found in the position description and be received by **Friday 21st May 2010**.

www.bensoc.org.au



Aboriginal Corporation for Employment & Training

GENERAL MANAGER

‘ACET Australia’ is seeking to employ an experienced and capable ‘General Manager’, to provide leadership and be responsible for the management of a not-for-profit organisation that specialises in servicing various needs of Aboriginal people and communities on the Mid North Coast of NSW and with offices in Coffs Harbour, Grafton and Nambucca.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, the General Manager will have a high level of professional and management autonomy; will be responsible for meeting performance and budgetary targets as determined within the organisation’s business plan; and lead a small team of employees. The development, management and administration of the organisation’s overall corporate functions are principal requirements of this position.

The successful applicant will have:

- Relevant tertiary qualifications and superior skills in written and verbal communications, negotiations, liaison, consultation, report writing, record keeping, computer technologies, financial and conflict management.
- 5+ years of senior management experience working in Aboriginal affairs.
- A thorough understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal people, of funding processes and the ability to identify funding sources.
- Outstanding skills in business, people and projects management.
- A demonstrated ability to develop and implement policies and procedures to satisfy all workplace legal requirements.
- A current driver licence.
- To satisfy a Police Records Check.


Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applicants should address the selection criteria which can be obtained by: **Email request to:** acet@gotalk.net.au with General Manager in the subject line. This is an auto response service.

Contacting: The Secretary on (02) 6653 8341 or 0419 515 554

Applications to: ACET Australia, PO Box 147, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450

Closing Date: Close of business Monday 31 May 2010



Chief Executive Officer

The Amaroo Local Aboriginal Land Council is seeking applications from experienced & motivated people interested in a challenging & rewarding role as Chief Executive Officer.

The position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance & support to the elected board through the day to day management of the ALALC’s affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the board’s resolutions in a timely & appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

To apply you must obtain a copy of the application package containing the position description and selection criteria.

Applicants must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

For further information and to obtain an application package contact Jobs Australia Walcha:

phone: (02) 6777 2767 **Fax:** (02) 6777 1248

or call in at: 2w Fitzroy Street, Walcha NSW 2354

or write to: Walcha@jobsaustralia.com.au

Applications close 21 May 2010 and should be forwarded to Jobs Australia Walcha.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply

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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
EPM18217 This Application consists of ten separate parts.	<p>Part 1: Approx. 57 km N from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°11’S Long.139°24’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council and Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 2: Approx. 46 km NNE from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°19’S Long.139°31’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council and Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 3: Approx. 70 km NNE from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°07’S Long.139°38’E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 4: Approx. 65 km N from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°07’S Long.139°27’E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 5: Approx. 32 km NE from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°29’S Long.139°33’E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council</p> <p>Part 6: Approx. 56 km N from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°12’S Long.139°29’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p> <p>Part 7: Approx. 83 km N from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.18°57’S Long.139°28’E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 8: Approx. 37 km NNE from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°23’S Long.139°28’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p> <p>Part 9: Approx. 44 km NE from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°24’S Long.139°38’E Local Government Area: Burke Shire Council</p> <p>Part 10: Approx. 50 km N from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°15’S Long.139°28’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p>	<p>Area of Part 1: 74 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 23 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2681 q, v, w, x, y 2753 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k 2754 f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w</p> <p>Area of Part 2: 65 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 20 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2826 z 2827 g, h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 2898 d, e 2899 a, b, c, d</p> <p>Area of Part 3: 39 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2684 b, c, d, g, h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t</p> <p>Area of Part 4: 32 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 10 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2682 a, b, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r</p> <p>Area of Part 5: 26 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 8 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2971 o, p, t, x, y, z 3043 b, c</p> <p>Area of Part 6: 23 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2754 c, d, e, k, p, u, z</p> <p>Area of Part 7: 16 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2538 c, h, n, s, x</p> <p>Area of Part 8: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2898 n, s</p> <p>Area of Part 9: 6 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2900 s, x</p> <p>Area of Part 10: 3 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 2826 c</p>	Mt. Isa Metals Ltd 120 212 017
EPM18234 This Application consists of three separate parts.	<p>Part 1: Approx. 12 km WSW from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°44’S Long.139°16’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p> <p>Part 2: Approx. 9 km NW from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°38’S Long.139°19’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p> <p>Part 3: Approx. 9 km WNW from Gunpowder Centred at approximate Lat.19°41’S Long.139°17’E Local Government Area: Mount Isa City Council</p>	<p>Area of Part 1: 68 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 21 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3183 d, j, o, p, t, u 3184 l, m, q, r, v, w 3255 k, p 3256 a, b, f, g, l, m, n</p> <p>Area of Part 2: 19 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3112 j, o, t, u, y, z</p> <p>Area of Part 3: 10 km² Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)</p> <p>Block Number Sub-blocks 3184 b, c, h</p>	Mt. Isa Mines Limited 009 661 447

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Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map. Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

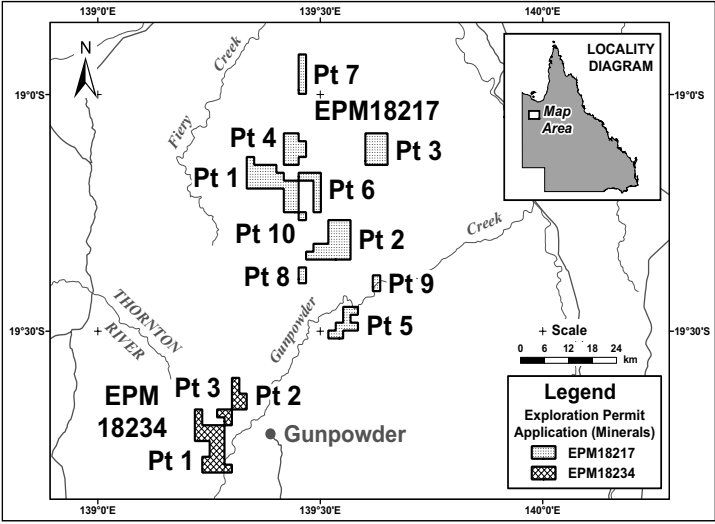
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government



Senior Activities Assistant

Casual
Eastern Suburbs PCYC - Maroubra
\$21.35 per hour

PCYC is looking for highly motivated people to work with the SAY Patrol Program, providing transport and activities nights for young people in the Maroubra and La Perouse areas.

You will primarily be involved in driving the Boomerang Bus and engaging with young people, including Aboriginal youth. Hours of operation vary but predominantly the service operates between 6pm – 1am on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Additional shifts operate during school holiday periods or other peak times.

Applicants must address the essential criteria in their application to be considered for the role:

- Current Class C Drivers License
- Current First Aid Certificate
- Ability to build rapport with young people
- Knowledge of roads in the Maroubra / La Perouse area

Applicants are subject to a Police Check and Working With Children Check. *Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.*

Please send your application by email to jhayes@pcycnsw.org.au or in writing to General Manager Member Services, PCYC NSW, PO Box 595 Mt Druitt, NSW 2770, **by close of business 28th May 2010.**



Ranger - Trainee

- **Salary:** \$29,287.84 to \$36,003.22 p.a, plus super (Grade Trainee, Band 1, Level 1)
- Study leave and financial assistance available as per Local Govt (State) Award 2007

This traineeship of up to 2 years will enable you to undertake and complete tertiary qualifications as well as work in a dynamic team environment assisting Ranger staff with day to day management activities especially the cleanliness, safety and enjoyable atmosphere of the Shoalhaven through active participation in general law enforcement, control of animals and patrolling of Council property, car parks, public places and private lands under the mentorship of the Ranger Services Manager and designated Team Leaders of Ranger Services.

Information packages are available on Councils website, or contact Lisa Walters on (02) 4429 3492 (Ref No. 41318E).

Enquiries: Tony Pearman – (02) 4429 3612.

Applications Close:

Wednesday 9th June 2010

Notice of Proposed Grant of Sales Permit

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the sales permit shown below under the *Forestry Act (1959)* (Qld).

Sales Permit to which this notice applies:

Sales permit number and name	Location of sales permit (refer to map)	Description of area of application	Current Applicant ACN
SP20091304 Waratah Quarry	Approx. 55 km North from Alpha Local Authority Area: Barcaldine Regional Council	Current land tenures Lot 3533 on Plan PH56 - Term Lease PH 12/3533 (quarry, infrastructure area, and access) Area of land applied for in sales permit: 45 Ha plus proposed Quarry Access Roads	Waratah Coal Pty Ltd ACN 114 165 669

Nature of the acts: Grant of a sales permit under the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld) authorises the holder to get quarry material and carry out associated activities subject to the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld), for a term not exceeding five (5) years, with the possibility of subsequent extensions each not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the sales permit be granted under the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld) by the Chief Executive, Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) Forest Products, GPO Box 2454, Brisbane, Qld 4001.

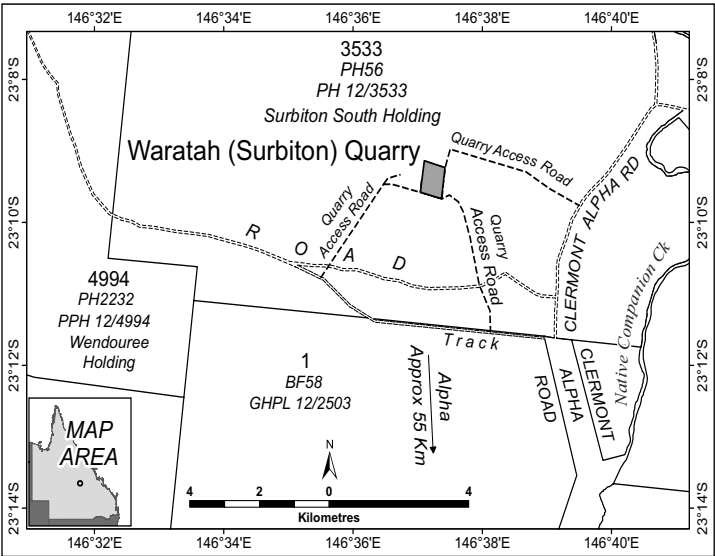
Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the sales permit, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the sales permit application, may be obtained from DERM Forest Products, Western Forest Management Area, 13 Rutherford St, Monto, Qld 4630 (phone: (07) 4166 1433) or DERM Forest Products, Floor 12, 400 George St, Brisbane, Qld 4000 (phone: (07) 3330 6215).

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 sales permit. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, phone: (07) 3248 1100 or email qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, phone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification day: 4 June 2010



Queensland Government



OFFICE OF THE LEGAL AID COMMISSION

Solicitor

Legal Officer Grade I-III
Care and Protection, Family Law Division
Aboriginal Identified
Tamworth Regional Office
Temporary Full-Time
(Job Ref No.: FL10/061)

Total remuneration package valued to \$98, 162 pa including salary (\$59, 999 - \$88, 955), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Job Description: Provide high quality legal advice and representation to clients, primarily in state child care and protection matters, in accordance with the Commission's policies and guidelines to contribute to the implementation of the Commission's mission to deliver high quality legal services to clients and assist them to resolve their legal problems.

Notes: The position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. This position is temporary full-time under Sections 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002 for a period of 12 Months.

This position has been designated as child-related employment. It is an offence under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 (NSW) for a "prohibited person" to apply for this position. All applicants are required to declare that they are not prohibited persons. Preferred applicants will be subject to the Working With Children Check. For further information, see www.kids.nsw.gov.au/check.

Inquiries: Rae Parker on (02) 6766 8303.

Information Packages: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

Applications to: employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

Closing date: 28 May 2010



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 Schedules 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 Schedules are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified. It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedules in respect of the land described in the Schedules as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165 of the LAA.

SCHEDULE

LAND DESCRIPTION:

Whole Lot 660 on Deposited Plan 240353 shown as Part Lot 660 on Deposited Plan 66636 Volume 3098 Folio 690 Area: 1.8 hectares **PLAN/DIAGRAM:** Deposited Plans 240353 and 66636 **LAND SITUATED IN:** Shire of Yalgoo **NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN:** All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Description of Land" other than the interests of the Crown. **PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED:** Amalgamation **PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT:** To amalgamate a portion of Lot 660 shown on DP 66636 with the adjoining Lot 4234 on DP 185840 and Lot 4315 on DP 190649. **REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT:** To address encroachments onto Reserve 17336. **DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED:** 1 July 2010 **RDL FILE:** 06335-1919-04RO **RDL REF.:**092099

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lily Sutomo, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08) 9347 5109. **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 2 September 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 2 June 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 2 September 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 April 2010.

HON BRENDON GRYLLS MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS

SCHEDULE

LAND DESCRIPTION:

1. Part Lot 153 on Deposited Plan 220110 shown as green on Deposited Plan 66267, being portion of Pastoral Lease 330/1967 "Urala Station" Volume 3135 Folio 585 Area: 2261.6 hectares; 2. Part Lot 152 on Deposited Plan 220265 shown as brown on Deposited Plan 66267, being portion of Pastoral Lease 56/1967 "Minderoo Station" Volume 3098 Folio 710 Area: 600.3 hectares; 3. Part Lot 149 on Deposited Plan 220384 shown as grey on Deposited Plan 66267, being portion of Pastoral Lease 864/1967 "Peedamulla Station" Volume 3058 Folio 1000 Area: 158 hectares; 4. Whole Lot 351 on Deposited 67599, being unallocated Crown land Volume 0000 Folio 000 Area: 8.0939 hectares **PLAN/DIAGRAM:** Deposited Plan 66267 **LAND SITUATED IN:** Shire of Ashburton **NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN:** All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Land Description" other than interests of the Crown. All rights created by the grant of existing mining tenements under the Mining Act 1978 are also excluded. **PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED:** Port and Industrial Area including services, infrastructure corridors and access. **PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT:** Port area to be vested with the Dampier Port Authority, industrial land to be held in freehold title by the Western Australian Land Authority (LandCorp). **REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT:** Selected as suitable for Industrial and Port development. **DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED:** 1 May 2010 **RDL FILE:** 00967-2009-01RO **RDL REF.:**093711

SCHEDULE

LAND DESCRIPTION:

1. Part Lot 153 on Deposited Plan 220110 shown as blue on Deposited Plan 66267, being portion of Pastoral Lease 330/1967 "Urala Station" Volume 3135 Folio 585 Area: 480.8 hectares; 7. Part Lot 152 on Deposited Plan 220265 shown as yellow on Deposited Plan 66267, being portion of Pastoral Lease 56/1967 "Minderoo Station" Volume 3098 Folio 710 Area: 6835.2 hectares **PLAN/DIAGRAM:** Deposited Plan 66267 **LAND SITUATED IN:** Shire of Ashburton **NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN:** All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Land Description" other than interests of the Crown. All rights created by the grant of existing mining tenements under the Mining Act 1978 are also excluded. **PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED:** Port and Industrial Area including services, infrastructure corridors and access. **PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT:** Port area to be vested with the Dampier Port Authority, industrial land to be held in freehold title by the Western Australian Land Authority (LandCorp). **REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT:** Selected as suitable for Industrial and Port development. **DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED:** 1 May 2010 **RDL FILE:** 00967-2009-01RO **RDL REF.:**093711

PLANS OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lynley Bear, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08) 9347 5187. **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 26 August 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 26 May 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 26 August 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 27 April 2010.

HON BRENDON GRYLLS MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS

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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATION WITH NATIVE TITLE
PARTIES *MINING ACT 1971* SECTION 63M SA

TAKE NOTICE that **FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES PTY LTD** (ABN#27058081379 of 190 Lacey Street, WHYALLA S.A. 5600) as the applicant for two (2) mineral claims, proposes to carry out mining operations on a mining lease to be issued over those mineral claims (including any extensions, renewals, transfers, assignments or other dealings) on the following land:

PASTORAL LEASE ROOPENA 1146, CL129937 1 mineral claim approximately 40km North West of Whyalla

PASTORAL LEASE TREGALANA D2939 A7 & Q4 CL1395-50 1 mineral claim is located approximately 17km North East of Whyalla

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land are as follows:

ROOPENA: Course concrete sand and decorative stone will be excavated from the main stream channel to the depth of approximately 1m and for the full width of the channel. Excavation will be by front end loader directly loading into a semi and tandem tipper trucks for direct delivery to point of usage. Processing may involve dry screening to remove oversize materials (nominally>7mm). Oversize (aggregate) materials will be sold as a separate product for civil construction or decorative purposes.

TREGALANA: Dune sand will be excavated to approximately 2m by front end loader directly into semi and tandem tipper trucks.

Any topsoil and vegetation on areas that are worked will be stripped to a depth of no less than 100mm and stock piled adjacent to the pit and will be respread over the area when the extraction has been completed.

Notwithstanding the above procedure identified for mining the sand, if any items of significance of Aboriginal heritage are uncovered or identified, operations in that area will cease and the find reported to the appropriate authority. Mining operations would only recommence in that area when clearance has been given to do so.

The proposed operation are authorized by the following exploration authorities under the *Mining Act 1971* – Miners Right #8905.

AND TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that, in two(2) months after notice is given to all who hold, or may hold, native title in the land there are no persons registered under the law of the state or the Commonwealth as the holder of, or claimants to native title in the land to which this notice relates, **FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES** may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N on the *Mining Act 1971* authorising entry to such land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on such land, and the conduct of mining operations on such land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land to which this notice relates who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact Mr Rod Fairclough for the purpose of negotiation an agreement pursuant to part 9B of the *Mining Act 1971* in respect of the proposed mining operations on the land to which this notice relates.

AND TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that is within six(6) months from the initiation of negotiations pursuant to Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 **FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES** and any native title party have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act 1971* for the determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the land which this notice relates.

FAIRCLOUGH NOMINEES PTY LTD
190 Lacey Street, WHYALLA S.A. 5608

Mobile: 0412673562
Fax: 08 8645 3650

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH
NATIVE TITLE PARTIES
MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **POLYMETALS (WHITE DAM) PTY LTD** (ACN 130 423 684) of 29 Main Street, Samford, QLD (**POLYMETALS**) and **EXCO OPERATIONS (SA) LTD** (ACN 105 161 564) of Level 2, 8 Colin Street West Perth, WA (**EXCO**), pursuant to a joint venture agreement between POLYMETALS and EXCO wherein POLYMETALS OPERATIONS PTY LTD (ABN 67 137 093 808) (a related body corporate of POLYMETALS) is appointed mining operator, propose to carry out mining operations on the following land (**Land**):

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND

MINERAL CLAIM 4193: Located approximately 15km west of Mingary, within the boundaries of Bulloo Creek Pastoral Station and bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of 457764.211mE and 6448269.327mN then travelling 1809.922m north east at 60°2'7.4" to the intersection of 459332.208mE and 6449173.32mN and then travelling 1379.887m south east at 149°59'53.2" to the intersection of 460022.191mE and 6447978.326mN and then travelling 1818.591m south west at 240° 11' 32.8" to the intersection of 458444.2mE and 6447074.325mN and then travelling 1374.923 m north west at 330° 21'32.2" to the point of commencement.

TOTAL AREA: approximately 250 hectares

All above co-ordinates are geodetic and expressed in terms of the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA1994) as defined on p3369 of Commonwealth Gazette Number 35, dated 6 September 1995.

THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE PROPOSED MINING OPERATIONS THAT ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON THE LAND ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Open pit mining which will likely include but not be limited to drill and blast and load and haul activities and ancillary site support infrastructure such as water bores, access and haul roads, site drainage installations, laydown areas, waste dumps and ore stockpiles. Gold bearing ore from the mine will likely be transported to the adjacent White Dam processing facility where gold will be extracted using leaching technology. Mine waste will be stockpiled on the Mining Lease adjacent to the proposed mine pit.

THE PROPOSED OPERATIONS ARE OR WILL BE AUTHORISED BY THE FOLLOWING TENEMENTS UNDER THE MINING ACT 1971 (SA):

POLYMETALS and EXCO (**Proponents**) are the joint registered holder of MINERAL CLAIM 4193, the entire area of which mineral claim is intended to become subject of a mining lease application to be made jointly by the Proponents. In this notice a reference to a tenement includes that tenement as substituted, extended or re-granted and a reference to a party currently holding or being an applicant for a tenement includes successors and assigns of that party's interest in the tenement.

THE PROPONENTS SEEK TO NEGOTIATE A NATIVE TITLE MINING AGREEMENT FOR PRODUCTION UNDER PART 9B OF THE MINING ACT 1971 (SA).

TAKE NOTICE that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the land to which this notice relates the Proponents may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to Section 63N of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the Proponents as follows:

C/- McDonald Steed McGrath Lawyers
262 Pirie Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Telephone: (08) 8223 5088
Facsimile: (08) 8223 5290
Contact Person: Abigail Steed

3D rugby league only available in some cities



THE Nine Network will extend its live 3D broadcast of the 2010 Harvey Norman State of Origin Series into five east coast cities – Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Newcastle and Wollongong – in a world-first for Australian viewers.

Transmission facilities have been secured by Nine for the historic 3D trial broadcast and residents in the five cities with a 3D-enabled television will be able to watch all the State of Origin action.

Rugby league fans will need to tune their 3D digital televisions to Digital Channel 40 to watch the three-match series, beginning with game one at ANZ Stadium in Sydney on 26 May, live from 7.30pm AEST on Nine.

Nine CEO David Gyngell said the advent of 3D would be a revelation for rugby league.

“It’s early days of course, with the current limitations on availability and delivery of 3D to a wider audience, but the revolution is coming fast,” Mr Gyngell said.

The trial broadcast licence provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority has been confirmed for a period of nine weeks to cover the Nine Network’s broadcast of the 2010 Harvey Norman State of Origin Series.



Industry & Investment

Mining Lease Application 346, Mining Act 1992

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (C’t’h).

Description of area that may be affected by the grant of a mining lease

An area of 194 hectares situated approximately 4 kilometres south west of Wyee in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

KORES AUSTRALIA PTY LIMITED ACN 063 786 087 is the applicant of MLA 346 (Mining Act 1992) for a mining lease which would authorise the underground mining of coal and be granted for a term of 21 years.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

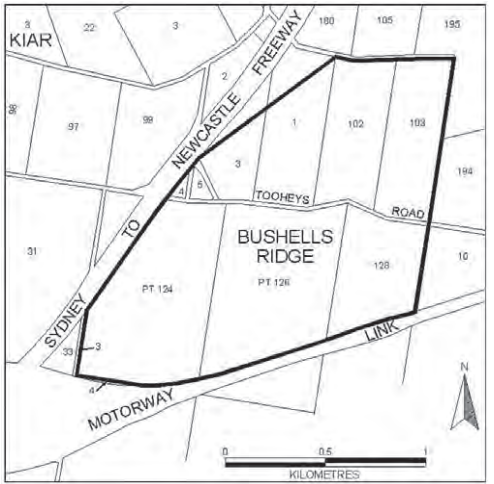
Ian Macdonald, Minister for Mineral and Forest Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Melanie Brown; Titles Program, Industry & Investment NSW, phone 02 4931 6424 or fax 02 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (C’t’h) the notification day is 3 June 2010. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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
04/445	Alan Mark Richardson David Leslie Martin	15ha	116km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°24' Long 124°51'	Derby-West Kimberley
09/135	Ian Raymond Faulkner	13.23ha	55km E'ly of Carnarvon	Lat 24°45' Long 114°10'	Carnarvon
47/1439	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	1084.41ha	80km NW'ly of Newman	Lat 22°44' Long 119°18'	East Pilbara
57/630	Wirraminna Gold NL	7.29ha	12km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°04' Long 119°14'	Sandstone

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: 19 May 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 **19 August 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. 19 September 2010**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the mining leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of 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
EPM18084	Approx. 24 km NE from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°16'S Long.140°04'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area: 195 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 61 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number 1033 1034 1104 1105 1106 1177 Sub-blocks c, d, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w e a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, f, g, l, q e, k	Kabiri Resources Pty Ltd 118 563 652
EPM18320 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 5 km E from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°22'S Long.139°55'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 13 km N from Duchess Centred at approximate Lat.21°15'S Long.139°53'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number 1175 Sub-blocks e, k, p, u Area of Part 2: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number 1031 1103 Sub-blocks x, y d	Mt. Dockerell Mining Pty Ltd 009 242 997

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Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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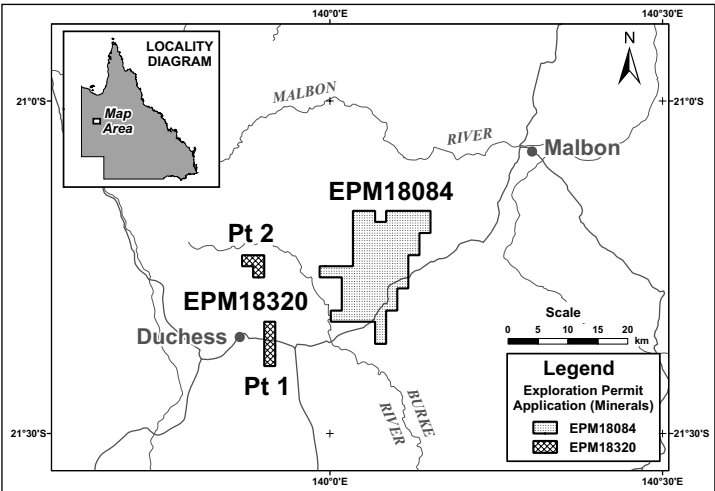
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Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government

Footy skills go on show



HIGH levels of skill were on show in heatwave conditions when Australian football teams from Manjimup Senior High School took on Albany's Great Southern Football Academy – a chapter of Clontarf's program for Aboriginal students.

The GSFA visitors ran out winners 10-8 (68) to 8-5 (53) after being held to just one goal in the final quarter.

Stand-outs for the GSFA included Eric Haywood, whose pace across the centre and pin-point delivery into the forward line left opponents languishing.

His efforts were complemented by Edward Butcher, Jason Ford, Bradley Jetta and Shayden Riley. Junior Padoon, a Wiluna recruit, also contributed solidly.

GSFA team coach, former Docker player Phil Gilmore, praised his charges.

"They're a great bunch of kids who look out for each other on and off the field," he said.

"As a coach, it's a fantastic opportunity to be working with such talented players."

The Manjimup team also boasted its share of ability. State under 15 training squad duo Beau Chatley and Jordan Lowe played well, as did midfielder Daniel Turner.

Chris Daglish and Taine Wilson, selected to represent Noongar Country against the Yamatji Sharks in this month's Stephen Michael Cup, played strongly.

That game will be a curtain-raiser to the West Coast Eagles-St Kilda AFL clash at Subiaco on 23 May.



GSFA's Shayden Riley looks to handball.

● RIGHT: The teams from Manjimup Senior High School and Albany's Great Southern Football Academy.



Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 299

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
EPM18240	Approx. 28 km SW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°25'S Long.141°04'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Area: 236 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 74 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1189 a, b, f, g, l, m, n, o, s, t, u, v, x, y, z 1190 g, l, m, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1260 d, e 1261 a, b, d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, u, v, w, z 1262 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	Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines Pty Ltd 106 255 216
EPM18241 This Application consists of three separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 27 km WNW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°10'S Long.141°04'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 31 km W from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°15'S Long.141°0'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 27 km W from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°14'S Long.141°02'E Local Government Area: McKinlay Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 106km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 33 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 972 u, z 973 q, r, s, v, w, x 974 m, n, s, v, w, x 1044 e, k 1045 a, b, c, d, e, j, k, p 1046 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n Area of Part 2: 16 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 5 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1044 z 1045 v 1116 d, e, j Area of Part 3: 10 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1045 r, s, x	Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines Pty Ltd 106 255 216
EPM18256 This Application consists of three separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 52 km WNW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°05'S Long.140°50'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 61 km WNW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°02'S Long.140°46'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council Part 3: Approx. 62 km WNW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°03'S Long.140°45'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 96 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 30 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 898 c, d, e, g, h, j, k 899 a, b, f, g, m, r, w 970 j, k, o, p, u 971 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, n, q, v 1043 a Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 898 l Area of Part 3: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 897 u	Exco Resources Limited 080 339 671
EPM18298 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 55 km WSW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°22'S Long.140°46'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council Part 2: Approx. 52 km WSW from McKinlay Centred at approximate Lat.21°20'S Long.140°48'E Local Government Area: Cloncurry Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 38 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 12 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1185 e, k, p, u 1186 l, m, n, q, r, s, w, x Area of Part 2: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Block Number Sub-blocks 1186 c	Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines Pty Ltd 106 255 216



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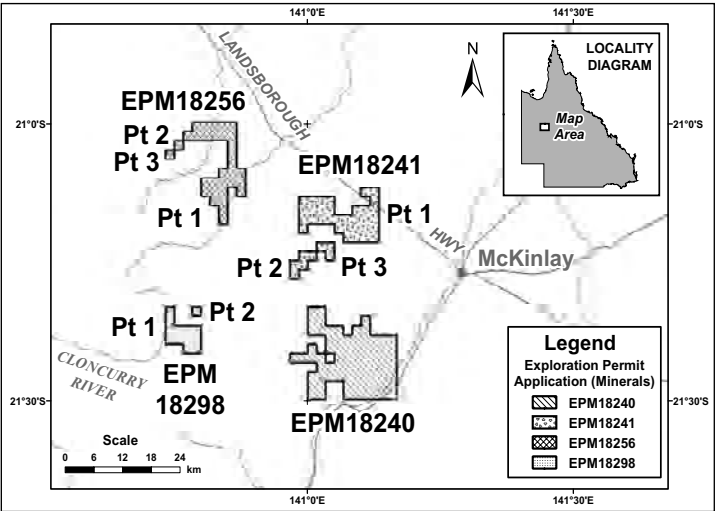
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Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government

Sport

N Territory Academy squad is announced



AFTER numerous training and testing sessions the Northern Territory Under 18 Australian Football League (AFL) Academy squad has been finalised.

Forty players have been chosen from which the NT Thunder under 18 team will be selected to contest the 2010 NAB AFL under 18 championships.

Newly appointed Northern Territory Institute of Sport high-performance coach Wally Gallio and his selectors had a difficult job in reducing the group to the number required by the AFL.

"The squad boasts some experience, with several players who have been in the program for the past three years," Gallio said.

"These players, coupled with the new players coming into the squad for the first time, will bring a variety of assets to the make up of our team."

The majority of the under 18 squad have been training with the NT Thunder senior squads in Darwin and Alice Springs, with a number of young players already debuting for the senior team in 2010.

Senior debutants have included, 18-year-old Liam Carusi, from the Katherine Kannons, and Nightcliff 16-year-old Jacob Brown, who have been selected as the 23rd player on the Thunder's extended list under new QAFL rules.

Excited

Thunder coach Murray Davis was excited by the talent coming through the Academy program.

"From the under 18 squad, seven players will have played senior QAFL football so far this season. This says a lot for the talent coming through," Davis said.

"The experiences from playing in the QAFL competition, along with training beside the senior players, should provide a great platform to showcase their talent at the championships."

The NT Squad is:
Alice Springs: Nathan Ah Mat-Watkins
Federal: Jayden Prior
Pioneer: Curtly Hampton, Jarred Erlandson, Kieren Smith
South Alice Springs: Caleb Hart
West Alice Springs: Scott Taylor
Sporties Spitfires: Steven Lawton, Corey

Baxter
Katherine Kannons: Liam Carusi
Darwin: Joseph Collinson, Kelvin Williams, Sampson Henry, Damien Williams, Shaun Wilson

Nightcliff: Jacob Brown, Matthew Smith
Palmerston Magpies: Kirsten Hunter, Alex Johnson

Saint Marys: Shannon Rioli, Jason Puruntatameri, Shaun Edwards, Anthony Hale
Southern Districts: Steven May, Dean Staunton, Lindsay Lawler, Lionel Ogden, Aaron Craufurd, Matthew Duffy

Tiwi Bombers: Anthony Tipungwuti
Wanderers: Simon Bates, Brenton Motlop, David Kruse,

Waratah: James Wray, Jack McEwin, Dionysius Munkara, Josh Chaplin, Cameron Jones, Lachlan Michell

Pints: Jackson Clark.
The NT's under 18 fixtures:

Round 1, Sat 22 May, NSW/ACT v NT Thunder, 1.30pm, Blacktown Olympic Park, Sydney.

Round 2, Sat 5 June, NT Thunder v South Australia, 6pm, TIO Stadium, Darwin.

Round 3, Sat 19 June, Tasmania v NT Thunder, 11am, Aurora Stadium, Launceston.

Round 4, Fri 25 June, Victoria Metro v NT Thunder, 2pm, Visy Park, Melbourne.

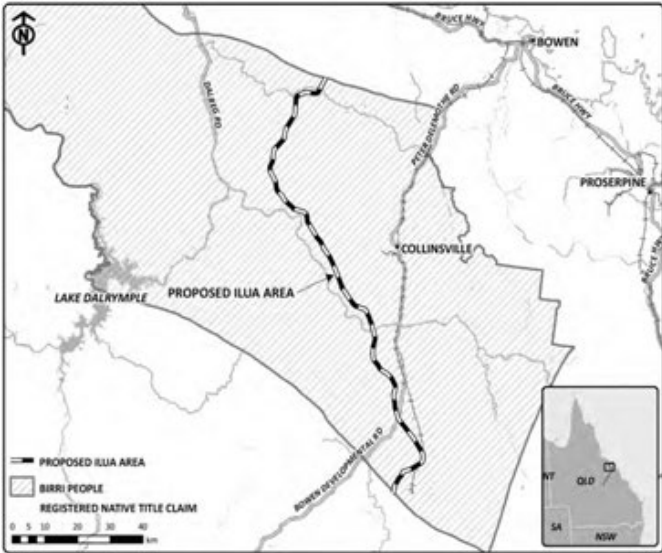
Round 5, Wed 30 June, NT Thunder v Queensland, 9.30am, Etihad Stadium, Melbourne.

PUBLIC NOTICE – BIRRI CLAIM GROUP'S AUTHORISATION MEETING

AUTHORISATION MEETING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BIRRI CLAIM GROUP AND HANCOCK FOR PART OF THE ALPHA COAL PROJECT

Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd ABN 69 008 676 417 (**Hancock**) proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**Proposed ILUA**) with the Birri People native title group. The purpose of the Proposed ILUA is to authorise the construction and operation of a portion of a 495km mine to port railway between Alpha and Abbot Point and all other necessary infrastructure associated with the Alpha Coal Project within the ILUA Area.

The ILUA Area is shown on the map below



The Birri People native title claim (QUD6244/98; QC98/12) covers the ILUA Area and describes the Birri People native title claim group as comprising the descendants of the following people who identify and are identified by others as belonging to the Birri People according to traditional law and custom: Barney Anderson; George Bowen; Maggie Callaghan (also

known as Mary-Ann Callaghan); Dick Clark; Magdalene Claussen (Kyle); Lilly Cook and Dick Cook or Cecil "Pincher" Cook; Paddy Daly; Eric Dinduck; Victor Diprose and May Albury (nee Disprose); Reg Dodd (Snr); Arthur Emmerson (Snr) and Nellie Emmerson; Sambo Gallagher; Dick Hegarty (also known as Dick Dinduck or Dick Allan); Tom Iffley; Tommy King and Alice King; Rosie Kyle and Dan Kyle; Norah Smallwood; Jimmy Larry; Billy Lightning and Alice Lightning; Lizzie Morgan (also known as Janet Twist); Major Mitchell; Elise New Island; Mary O'Sing; Emily Prior (Picard); Bob Roberts; Rosie Shilling; Sophie Skeen; Dolly Tarpot/Langton (nee Dunrobin); Jean Tears, Maude Tears, Donald Tears, and Minnie Tears; Janet Twist and Albert Twist; Daisy Wake; Charlie Watson; and Sharper Woodhouse. (**Birri Claim Group**).

Authorisation Meeting

An authorisation meeting regarding the Proposed ILUA will be held in Townsville as follows:

Date and time: 5 June 2010 at 9:00am

Place: Seagulls Resort, 74 The Esplanade TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Purpose: to authorise the Proposed ILUA between Hancock and the Birri Claim Group.

You are invited to attend the authorisation meeting if you consider that you are a member of the Birri Claim Group. If you intend to come to the authorisation meeting or have any questions in relation to it, please contact Tamara Medill at Michael Owens and Associates on 07 4729 8398 by Friday 28 May 2010 if possible, so that arrangements can be made for catering, travel, accommodation etc.

If you consider that you hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area but do not consider that you fall within the description of the Birri Claim Group then please contact Nathan Cammerman at Hancock on 07 3231 9600 or fax 07 3229 4788.

Curtain-raiser to go to air



THE Dreamtime at the G Australian football curtain-raiser between Northern Australia and Southern Australia is to be telecast on NITV.

The match will be played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Saturday night ahead of the big Australian Football League (AFL) match between Essendon and the Richmond Tigers.

NITV will screen the curtain-raiser at 9.30pm on Thursday 27 March immediately after the Marngrook Footy Show.



Action from the 2008 Dreamtime at the G curtain-raiser between Santa Teresa and the Fitzroy Stars. A Santa Teresa player is kicking the ball.

‘Freddy’ wants Indigenous players to get more attention



RUGBY league great Brad Fittler has called for the National Rugby League (NRL) to increase support for Indigenous and Islander talent to bolster further international competition in rugby league.

Asked about how the Indigenous talent could be better developed, Fittler said ‘they should have Indigenous mentors and they should have Islander mentors and they should be really active’.

He sees the divide between rugby league-playing nations such as Australia and New Zealand to others in the Asia-Pacific region being the result of a lack of cohesion between local cultures and the rugby league culture.

Fittler said more support and scouting of Indigenous and Islander talent was imperative.

“We should have a team of Islanders going around, we should have a team of ex-Aboriginals (players) going around, finding new Indigenous talent and really supporting these people,” he told BigPond Sports Weekend.

“Because they have different cultures, coming to a rugby league culture can be very different to what it could be like in Tonga, Fiji, or from a community up north in Queensland.”

Fittler said if the NRL pursued this area of development, the game would seriously benefit.

“We need to fix those areas and, when we do, we’re going to see some real talent,” he said. – AAP

Indigenous Team of the Century stars, former Brisbane Lions star Chris Johnson and Sydney Swans star Michael O’Loughlin will coach the sides who are to battle it out for the Rio Tinto Cup.

Dreamtime at the ‘G was first held in 2005 to celebrate the contribution of Indigenous players to the AFL and to celebrate Australian Indigenous culture.

NITV is broadcast free to air in various metropolitan and regional areas nationally, as well as via Channel 180 on Foxtel, Austar and Optus. Refer to the website for details – www.nitv.org.au

Marngrook host Grant Hansen will join the Dreamtime at the G commentary panel.

For fans able to be at the MCG on Saturday, the game will start at 4.30pm.

Another feature of the celebrations will be the Long Walk, which will leave Federation Square at 5.50pm.

Pre-match entertainment from 7pm will include Movement Australia Dancers (Indigenous dancers), Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu and Dan Sultan.

There will be a Welcome to Country ceremony and the Richmond v Essendon game will start at 7.45pm

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 Authority to Prospect 862 and 864 (shown below) under section 100 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld).

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* (Qld) to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect.

Excluded Land in Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:

Authority to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Holder ACN																																																																																				
ATP862 Part	Location of Authority to Prospect Approx. 30 km South West from Isisford Centred at approximately Lat.24°25'08"S Long.144°12'33"E Local Government Area: Longreach Regional Council Barcoo Shire Council	Area of Excluded Land in Authority to Prospect Area: 6470km ² Block Identification Map: Cooper Creek and Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 2075 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>Cooper Creek</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>70 to 72 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>142 to 144 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>214 to 216 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>286 to 288 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>360</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>432</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>504</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>576</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>648</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>720</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>792</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>Charleville</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>1 to 7 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>73 to 79 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>145 to 151 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>217 to 223 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>289 to 295 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>361 to 367 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>433 to 435 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>436</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>437 to 439 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>505 to 506 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>507</td><td>a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, q, r, v, w</td></tr><tr><td>508</td><td>e, k, p, u, z</td></tr><tr><td>509</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>510</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, z</td></tr><tr><td>511</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>577</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>578</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>580</td><td>p, t, u, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>581</td><td>a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y</td></tr><tr><td>583</td><td>d, e, j, k, p, u, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>649 to 650 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>651</td><td>a, f</td></tr><tr><td>652</td><td>e</td></tr><tr><td>653</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, r</td></tr><tr><td>654</td><td>t, u, x</td></tr><tr><td>655</td><td>d, e, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u</td></tr><tr><td>721</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>722</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	Cooper Creek		70 to 72 (inclusive)	All	142 to 144 (inclusive)	All	214 to 216 (inclusive)	All	286 to 288 (inclusive)	All	360	All	432	All	504	All	576	All	648	All	720	All	792	All	Charleville		1 to 7 (inclusive)	All	73 to 79 (inclusive)	All	145 to 151 (inclusive)	All	217 to 223 (inclusive)	All	289 to 295 (inclusive)	All	361 to 367 (inclusive)	All	433 to 435 (inclusive)	All	436	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, y, z	437 to 439 (inclusive)	All	505 to 506 (inclusive)	All	507	a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, q, r, v, w	508	e, k, p, u, z	509	All	510	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, z	511	All	577	All	578	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z	580	p, t, u, y, z	581	a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	583	d, e, j, k, p, u, y, z	649 to 650 (inclusive)	All	651	a, f	652	e	653	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, r	654	t, u, x	655	d, e, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u	721	All	722	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z	Sentry Petroleum (Australia) Pty Ltd 130 631 953
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ATP864 Part	Location of Excluded Land Approx. 58 km East South East from Isisford Centred at approximately Lat.24°25'42"S Long.144°58'10"E Local Government Area: Blackall Tambo Regional Council Longreach Regional Council Barcaldine Regional Council	Area of Excluded Land in Authority to Prospect Area: 4673 km ² Block Identification Map: Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 1503 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>8 to 14 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>15</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y</td></tr><tr><td>16</td><td>a, f</td></tr><tr><td>80 to 86 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>87</td><td>a, b, c, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, v, w</td></tr><tr><td>152 to 157 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>158</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y</td></tr><tr><td>159</td><td>a</td></tr><tr><td>224 to 229 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>230</td><td>a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, q, r, v, w</td></tr><tr><td>296 to 301 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>302</td><td>a, f, l, q, v</td></tr><tr><td>368 to 372 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>373</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y</td></tr><tr><td>374</td><td>a, f</td></tr><tr><td>440 to 444 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>445</td><td>a, b, c, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x</td></tr><tr><td>512 to 516 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>517</td><td>a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, v, w</td></tr><tr><td>586 to 588 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>589</td><td>a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w</td></tr><tr><td>658</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, t, u, z</td></tr><tr><td>659 to 660 (inclusive)</td><td>All</td></tr><tr><td>661</td><td>a, b, f, g, l, m, q, v</td></tr><tr><td>731</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>732</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	8 to 14 (inclusive)	All	15	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y	16	a, f	80 to 86 (inclusive)	All	87	a, b, c, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, v, w	152 to 157 (inclusive)	All	158	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	159	a	224 to 229 (inclusive)	All	230	a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, q, r, v, w	296 to 301 (inclusive)	All	302	a, f, l, q, v	368 to 372 (inclusive)	All	373	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y	374	a, f	440 to 444 (inclusive)	All	445	a, b, c, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	512 to 516 (inclusive)	All	517	a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, v, w	586 to 588 (inclusive)	All	589	a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w	658	a, b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, t, u, z	659 to 660 (inclusive)	All	661	a, b, f, g, l, m, q, v	731	a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z	732	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w	Sentry Petroleum (Australia) Pty Ltd 130 631 953																														
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The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

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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. 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.

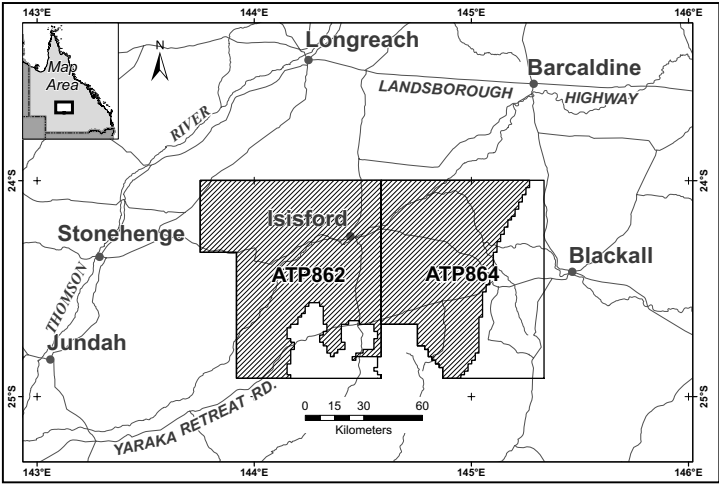
Further Information: Further information about the proposed future acts, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3729.

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: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government

Sport

Thunder looks to get back on track



THE Northern Territory Thunder were looking to keep their Queensland Australian Football League (QAF) premiership aspirations on the rails last Saturday when they took on the Western Magpies.

After a promising start to the season, the Thunder's campaign ran off the rails with successive losses to the Redland Bombers, then Morningside, and the Southport Sharks.

They restored some respectability on 8 May with a 110-67 win over the Broadbeach Cats at TIO Stadium, Darwin.

The Thunder were looking for a big win over the Western Magpies to boost their percentage in what is shaping as a close QAF ladder.

The Magpies failed to win a game last year and are yet to register a win this year.

In their game against Southport, the Sharks won 87-67.

Head coach Murray Davis said Thunder's inability to not finish off in front of goals hurt them against the Sharks.

"We are creating enough scoring opportunities, but lacking the poise to apply the necessary scoreboard pressure," he said.

Davis said Jacob Brown, at 16 years of age, was showing why he had a bright future, and Aaron Motlop was starting to show his ability to break the game open.

Davis was a happier man after the game against the Cats and said the Thunder controlled the game from the start.

Before last weekend's matches, the Thunder sat in fifth place on the ladder.

Ladder points before last weekend: Southport 20, Morningside 16, Labrador 16, Mt Gravatt 12, NT Thunder 8, Brisbane Lions 8, Redland 8, Broadbeach 8, Aspley 8, Western Magpies 0.

Darwin is to have its own Long Walk

THE 2010 Long Walk pioneered by Essendon champion, AFL Ambassador and key Indigenous leader Michael Long is coming to the Top End and will be held prior to the Dreamtime in Darwin clash between Melbourne and Port Adelaide at TIO Stadium on Saturday.

"While the traditional Long Walk at the Dreamtime at the G game in Melbourne will still take place on Saturday, the added Long Walk in Darwin enables us to further our reach and deliver our key messages of Strength, Respect and Protect to a wider audience," Long said.

The walk is now in its sixth year.

School children from Jingili and Karama, along with key Indigenous figures from the Top End, will walk the perimeter of TIO Stadium during the pre-match celebrations before the Demons and Power game.

Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permit

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 Permit 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
EPM18041	Approx.63km West North West from Stonehenge Centred at approximately Lat.24°06'30"S Long.142°43'37"E Local Government Area: Barcoo Shire Council	Area of Part 1: Abt 18km ² Block Identification Maps: Cooper Creek Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) Block Number 129 Sub-blocks h, j, k, n, o, p	Kim Steven Ballard

Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. The Queensland Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) create 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.

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Nature of the acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding two (2) years and to seek a renewal for a term not exceeding two (2) years. It is proposed to grant the Exploration Permit subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

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 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

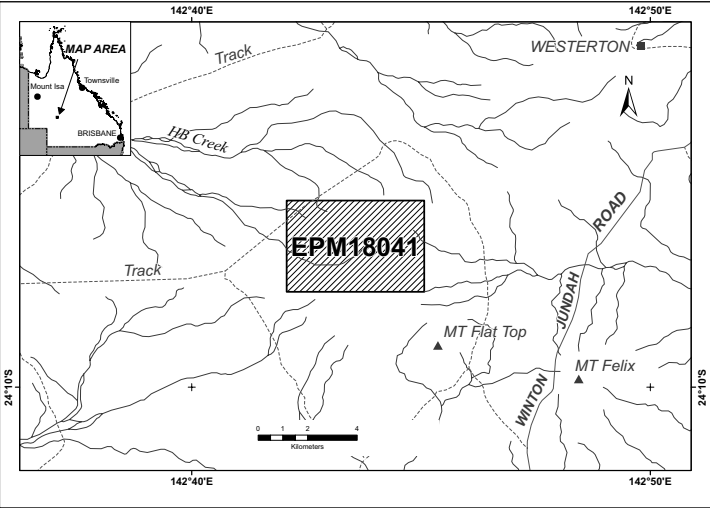
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Queensland Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, 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.

Notification Day: 9 June 2010



Queensland Government

**Notice of Proposed Addition of
Excluded Land Into Exploration Permit**
Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Government party hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit(s) shown below, under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit(s) to which this notice applies:

The Exploration Permit(s) currently excludes land subject to native title ("the Excluded Land"). The Current Holders have applied under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Old) to add the Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit(s).

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Holders
EPM15803 This Application consists of six separate parts.	Location of Excluded Land	Area of Exploration Permit including Excluded Land	Central Minerals Pty Ltd 125 394 201
	Part 1: Approx. 49 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°14'S Long.150°04'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Area of Part 1: 153 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane and Charleville Number of Sub-blocks: 49 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
	Part 2: Approx. 47 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°12'S Long.150°06'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Block Number Brisbane 73 145 217 218 Charleville 144 216 288	
	Part 3: Approx. 36 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°15'S Long.150°13'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Sub-blocks m, q, r, s, v, w a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x, y a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, o, p, u q, r, t, w, x, y u, z e, k, p, u, z e	
	Part 4: Approx. 33 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°18'S Long.150°12'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Area of Part 2: 22 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
	Part 5: Approx. 48 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°07'S Long.150°09'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Block Number 145 146	
	Part 6: Approx. 45 km WNW from Biloela Centred at approximate Lat.24°14'S Long.150°07'E Local Government Area: Banana Shire Council	Sub-blocks p f, g, h, l, m, n	
		Area of Part 3: 19 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
		Block Number 147 219	
		Sub-blocks w, x, y b, c, d	
		Area of Part 4: 13 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
		Block Number 219	
		Sub-blocks m, r, s, x	
		Area of Part 5: 9 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
		Block Number 74	
		Sub-blocks j, k, p	
		Area of Part 6: 3 km ² Block Identification Map: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)	
		Block Number 146	
		Sub-blocks w	

* 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: It is proposed to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit(s) under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) pursuant and subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November 2008 and the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August 2003. On the granting of the application the Excluded Land is included in the existing Exploration Permit(s). This authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Exploration Permit(s).

Name and address of person doing Acts: The application to add Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit(s) under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) will be granted 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 future Acts 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, Qld 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 future Acts. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The Government party considers the future Act(s) is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

The application to add the Excluded Land to 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 with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the future Acts attract 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, Qld 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.



Queensland Government

South Coast teenager is NSW Player of the Year



BOMADERRY 18-year-old Michael Coulter is the NSW Aboriginal Men's XI Player of the Year.

Coulter plays for Bomaderry, near Nowra, on the NSW south coast, and was first identified through a Cricket NSW Lord's Taverners Aboriginal Development Camp.

He represented NSW at the 2010 Imparja Cup interstate carnival in Alice Springs and took 14 wickets at an average of 8.6.

The NSW Aboriginal Women's XI Player of the Year is Samantha Hinton.

She has been a regular fixture in the NSW women's Indigenous team that has played in Alice Springs for the past three years.

She has consistently contributed runs for her team, top-scoring in all three matches in NSW's Twenty/20 series against the Northern Territory.

Hinton plays first grade for St George-Sutherland and is a former member of the NSW Breakers Development Squad, and the NSW under 19 team.



Samantha Hinton, left, with the only Indigenous woman to represent Australia in cricket, Faith Thomas, at this year's Imparja Cup carnival in Alice Springs. They are holding the Lord's Taverners Trophy, won at the carnival by the NSW women's team.

Gold Coast will do it tough: Demetriou

NEW club Gold Coast face a challenge trying to lure established stars according to Australian Football League (AFL) Chief Executive Andrew Demetriou.

Brownlow Medallist Adam Cooney is the latest topline to reject the lure of the new club, committing to the Western Bulldogs for another three seasons.

Hawk stars Lance Franklin and Jarryd Roughead have also inked new deals which remove them from the Gold Coast radar.

Demetriou said it was up to the Gold Coast to win player signatures for their 2011 debut AFL season.

“They have been given some guidelines that have been approved by the club about who they can sign through the list concessions, they have been given guidelines about signing one uncontracted player (a club),” Demetriou said.

"The rest is up to them."

"They have got to fight like every other club, it's not going to be easy.

"It's a very fierce competition and they have got to get out there and compete now and mix it with all the others – there is no free rides just because you're a new club.

"They have got to do it hard and they will, and it will be same with Greater Western Sydney."

Zephi Skinner forges his own history

One to keep eye on

By PETER BLUCHER of AFLQ

ZEPHI Skinner has set himself a monumental task. Or more particularly, his parents have. Among 11,843 Victorian Football League-Australian Football League (VFL-AFL) players over 114 years, including even the short-lived University Club which played from 1908-1914, not one has been named Zephi. So uncommon is it that even a Google search of Zephi doesn't toss up too many famous types. First listed is musician Zephi Kramer, followed by actor Zephi Alsec and designer Zephi Singh. Then it gets down to Zephi Velarde, executive director of the Apartment Association in Richland Hills, Texas, followed by the linked in listing of Zephi Friel, a student at George Washington University in Washington DC. Zephi, the abbreviated version of Zephania, doesn't even rate a mention on the global website meaning-of-names.com, where we learn that the full form is of Hebrew origins and means 'treasured by god'. But Skinner, the 20-year-old 189cm NT Thunder ruckman, has taken some not insignificant strides towards creating his very own history. An exciting addition to the Thunder ranks for their second QAFL season after being invited to train with the Western Bulldogs prior to the 2010 Rookie Draft, he has played the first five games of the 2010 campaign and has quickly picked up something of a cult following.

Vibrant personality

According to insiders, his ability to keep team-mates entertained with his game day speeches and vibrant personality is a real positive around the club. But his impact goes much deeper. He can most definitely play. And after collecting 19 disposals, three marks, 27 hit-outs, seven tackles, two blocks and a goal in the Thunder's 43-point win over Broadbeach in Darwin on 15 May, he is the Round five nomination for the QAFL Rising Star award. Skinner is from the remote Kimberley Aboriginal community called Noonkanbah, 500km inland between Broome and Fitzroy Crossing in WA. He was with the Noonkanbah Blues and had previously played with the Claremont Colts in 2007-08 before returning to his home community. He played 11 games with Nightcliff Tigers in the 2009-10 NTFL competition and committed to the NT Thunder with a determined view to making his dream come true of playing AFL. According to coach Murray Davis, all Thunder players and support staff will testify to what a terrific person he is to have around the club. "He has a terrific attitude, character and genuinely is everyone's friend", Davis said. "And he certainly has an exciting highlights reel," adds the coach, noting Skinner's ability to leap and get through traffic. "I've been really impressed with his tackling and focus on keeping the ball inside our forward 50. He's averaging six tackles a game which is a great effort." The Dogs, happy with his training attitude and performance over the summer, are said to be following his QAFL progress closely in a possible pointer to a further opportunity via the draft at the end of the year.

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:

Table with 4 columns: Exploration Permit Number, Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram), Description of Area of Application*, and Current Applicant. It lists details for five exploration permits (EPM18003, EPM18004, EPM18011, EPM18012, EPM18013) including their locations, block numbers, sub-blocks, and applicants.

* 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.

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Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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.

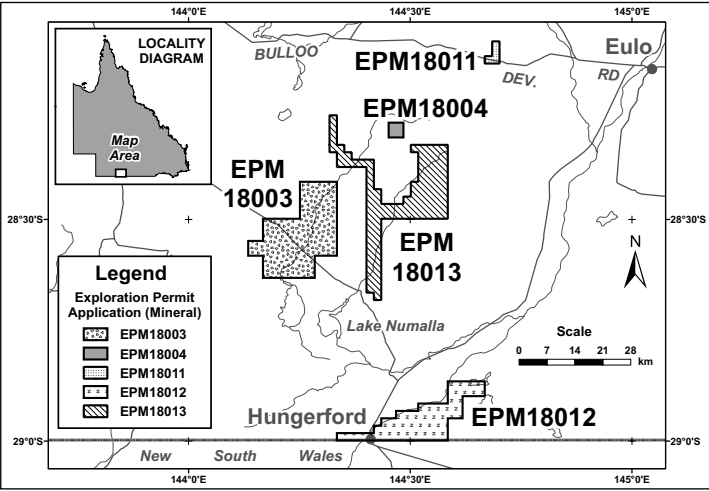
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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.

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Jhdara dreams BIG

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:

Table with 4 columns: Exploration Permit Number, Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram), Description of Area of Application*, and Current Applicant. It lists three permits: EPC1890, EPC1892, and EPM18233, each with their respective locations, areas, block numbers, and sub-blocks.

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Nature of the Acts: Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 3, 6 November, 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

Name and address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

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: 9 June 2010



Pictures and Story by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



YOUNG Jhdara Matson-Jones is pursuing big dreams, and with selection into the Northern Tasmanian Basketball representative side, he has no reason to doubt his ability.

The 12-year-old Aboriginal basketballer hopes to one day play with the Australian NBL, but says the American NBA would be the ultimate.

At the moment he is playing in the local Launceston A grade competition with the under 16 West Side Trojans. He is the youngest in the team, playing against boys up to three years his senior, and preparing for the big game with the under 14 representative side in a national regional competition in Victoria next month.

The long-shooting guard who prefers to defend, boasts a personal best of 30 points in a game. He admits it's tougher competing in the under 16 matches – but still not bad for a kid who hasn't hit his teens.

Last year he earned himself the Most Valuable Player trophy and the year before the Coaches' trophy.

Chasing higher honours

He is hoping his performance in Vicoria will earn him a place in the State team for the national competition in Canberra in September.

Jhdara appears to take his hectic training schedule in his stride.

"It's worth it," Jhdara told The Koori Mail from his home in Launceston

He says it seems normal to spend most of his spare time on the court, especially having grown up in a family of sports people – his brother playing Australian football for the Western Bulldogs; his father a former St Kilda player; his mother a former basketball player and State softball player; his sisters play netball and his younger brother basketball.

And Jhdara's family couldn't be prouder of him.



JHDARA MATSON-JONES

Tamika tours New Zealand

By ALF WILSON



TOWNSVILLE girl Tamika Leedie-Harrison has returned from a trip to New Zealand where she represented the Combined Australian Netball Association (CANA) National under-15 side.

“I was the only Aboriginal girl there and was selected after attending the national titles in Adelaide last year,” Tamika told *The Koori Mail* on her return to north Queensland.

The ten-day tour was from 24 April to 3 May and the side played teams from the Auckland Netball Academy, Rotorua Girls Schools and other representative teams from New Zealand.

Her proud mother Tammie Harrison also made the trip and said the side won four of its six games.

“They played two games in Auckland and also travelled to Rotorua and Tauranga for games. Tamika was the only Indigenous player in the three Australian teams which toured NZ,” she said.

“It was not only a great netball experience, but also a great cultural experience.

“Tours included sightseeing around the NZ North Island and we attended the Anzac Day march in Auckland.

“We also visited Waitomo Caves and the spectacular Glowworm Cave and went to Hells Gate Thermal spas in Rotorua and visited a Maori village.

“Other activities were white-water rafting, skyline skyrides and luge rides.”

Asked where she was from, Toowoomba-born Tamika, 14, said she was a ‘Cherbourg girl’ as that was where her family and her heart was.

Tamika is in year Ten at Ryan Catholic College and plays in Townsville for Steelers

Blaze at Corcoran Park.

“Our club side had won most games in past years, but we lost a few players and aren’t going as well this season,” Tamika said.

Tamika has been playing netball since the age of seven and usually plays centre or wing attack, but played mainly wing defence on the tour.

“It was just a great experience,”

she said.

Tamika and mum Tammie also play together in the same indoor mixed A grade netball team ‘Chickos’ at the Wildcatz Indoor Sports Arena.

Notice of Proposed Renewal 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*	Grantee Party
EPM12227 This Application consists of four separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 46 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°27'S Long.144°21'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 39 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°24'S Long.144°22'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council Part 3: Approx. 49 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°29'S Long.144°24'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council Part 4: Approx. 38 km S from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°24'S Long.144°19'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks g, l, m, q Area of Part 2: 7 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks r, w Area of Part 3: 7 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks t, y Area of Part 4: 3 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks t	Republic Gold Limited 106 399 311
EPM13936 This Application consists of two separate parts.	Part 1: Approx. 59 km SSE from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°34'S Long.144°23'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council Part 2: Approx. 46 km S from Maytown Centred at approximate Lat.16°28'S Long.144°20'E Local Government Area: Tablelands Regional Council	Area of Part 1: 49 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 15 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks j, m, n, o, r, s, t, y d, g, h, j, m, n, o Area of Part 2: 13 km ² Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 4 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.) Sub-blocks k, p, u, z	Republic Gold Limited 106 399 311

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Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the Acts: Each Exploration Permit was originally granted as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld)

It is proposed to renew each individual Exploration Permit not as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit but as an Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed. The new conditions to be imposed are General Conditions Version 3, 6 November 2008 and Native Title Protection Conditions 1.1(a), 22 August, 2003.

The renewal of each Exploration Permit with the new conditions on it will authorise the Grantee Party to explore for minerals specified in the Exploration Permit for a period not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and Address of person doing Acts: The Exploration Permits will be renewed under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed renewal of each individual Exploration Permit. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

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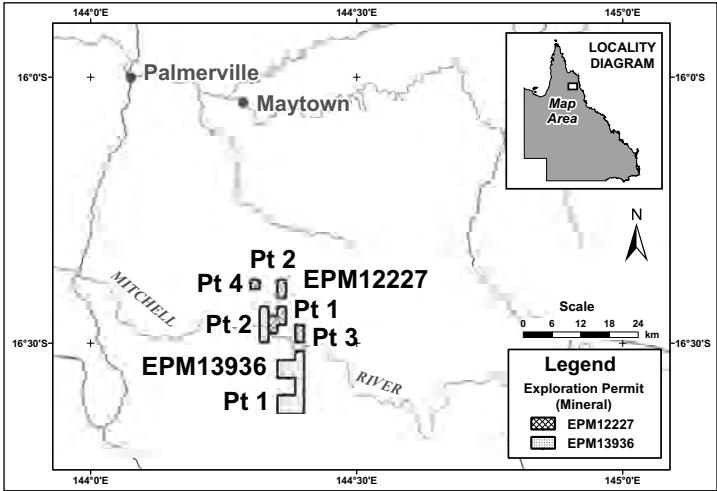
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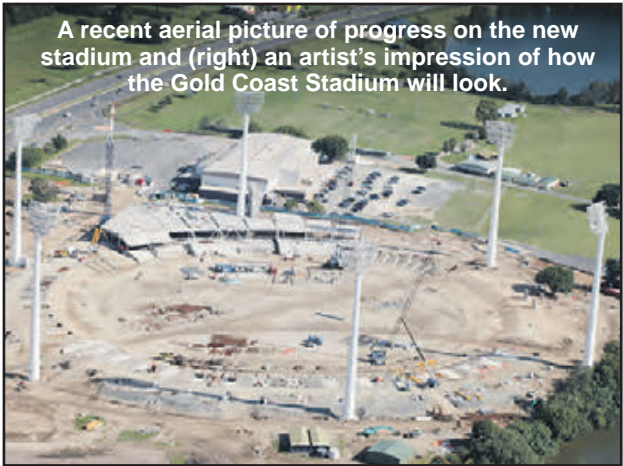
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Notification Day: 9 June 2010





Stadium takes shape



IT'S quarter time in the construction phase of Gold Coast Stadium – the home of the Gold Coast franchise in the Australian Football League (AFL) competition. Gold Coast will enter the AFL competition next year, followed a year later by another new club – Greater Western Sydney.

And while the Gold Coast 'blood' their players in the 2010 Victorian Football League (VFL) competition, work continues on the Gold Coast Stadium at the site of the old Carrara Stadium.

On the first anniversary of funding for the project being secured, Queensland Sport Minister Phil Reeves said construction contractors had reached quarter time on the \$144.2 million redevelopment.

"Contractors have moved ahead in leaps and bounds since demolition of the old stadium began in November 2009," he said.

"Work on the 25,000 capacity stadium remains on track, with completion expected mid-next year.

"Even though the siren has sounded on quarter time, the 100 contractors on site won't be pausing for a breather until they reach the final siren."

Mr Reeves said the installation of pre-cast seating plats to the western stand lower bowl was nearing completion, with contractors now advancing on level two of the western stand.

"The first components of the structural steel for the upper bowl were recently installed in the north-east section of the stadium and civil works surrounding the venue continue," he said.

Gold Coast Football Club (GCFC) CEO Travis Auld said everyone associated with the club was excited to see the structure emerge from the ground.

"From our training and admin base, we can look across at the site and every week there is something new to see. It's great motivation for the staff and players as we build our club to see the stadium take shape so quickly," he said.

Gold Coast Mayor Ron Clarke said the infrastructure was great for the Gold Coast and in the short term it had been a shot in the arm for the construction industry.

"We'll soon have a home-grown AFL team to support, footy fans will fly to the Coast for a match and stay for a holiday, and this stadium is a key part of the Coast's Commonwealth Games bid," he said.

Mr Reeves said Stadiums Queensland venues pumped more than \$308 million into the State economy and provided more than 2000 jobs across the State.

The Gold Coast Stadium has been designed by Populous and is being constructed by Watpac.

The stadium is a feature of the Gold Coast's bid to host the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

About the Gold Coast Stadium:
● Home ground for the Gold Coast FC AFL team

● Capable of hosting cricket, entertainment and cultural events

● Field of play 171m x 144m

● 25,000 capacity

● 2000 corporate seats with a range of corporate facilities, including chairman's lounge, field club, club lounge, corporate suites and barbecue decks

● Large HD video board

● Merchandising outlets and catering facilities

● Media, player and officials facilities.

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Queensland Government

Indigenous juniors join national squad



THREE members of the Jump Start program for Indigenous athletes have been selected to join the Athletics Australia junior high-performance under-17 squad. The athletes – Khaele Bowen, Wasie Toolis and Titilayo Wright – impressed the selectors with their performances at the under-age national championships held recently in Sydney.

Athletes are selected by the National Youth Event coaches based on performances in competition and potential. The squad meets for one camp each year with the athletes' personal coach invited to a concurrent coach education program.

The Jump Start program has had a number of athletes placed in the junior high-performance programs across a range of age groups and it is a measure of success of the program that there are athletes who are on the pre-elite pathway.

An Athletics Australia spokeswoman said Khaele Bowen had shown that he was a talented long and triple jumper and could follow in the footsteps of Robbie Crowther.

Good progress

Bowen, from Queensland, won a gold medal at the recently held under-age national championships in Sydney and has made good progress in this event.

He also is a talented high jumper and hurdler, but prefers the jumps.

Wasie Toolis (Qld) has also been a member of the Jump Start program for a couple of years and had a great 2009-10 domestic season, where she competed at a two Grand Prix meets – a big step up for a junior athlete.

Discus thrower Titilayo Wright (WA) is a new member to the program, but is already making a mark on the sport by competing well at the under-age nationals.

The Athletics Australia spokeswoman said all three were planning to build on their excellent start to their athletic careers.

The aims of the Jump Start program are:

- To identify and bring together talented athletes for the purpose of educating them in sport science practices and for coaching assistance.
- For talented athletes to find enjoyment in the under-17 program and to aspire to continue on to the next level, (eg, World Youths, under-19 program, World Juniors).
- To create a network of contacts to support athletes and coaches of the future (for example Athletics Australia staff, National Youth Event Coaches and sport science).
- To increase the athlete's knowledge in order to promote behaviours that enhance elite-level performance.

KHAELE BOWEN



Wasie Toolis throws the javelin.
– Getty image

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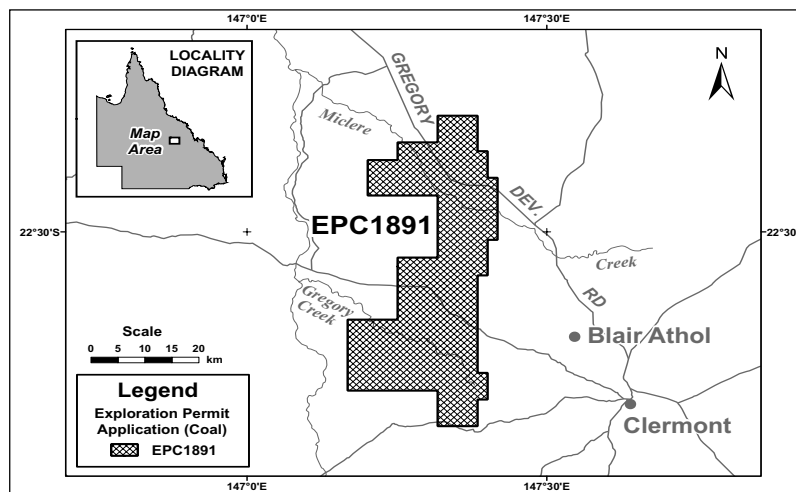
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Kelly Slater with the bell he presented to the Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-Operative after winning the Rip Curl Pro at Bells Beach. – Photo: ASP/Scholtz

Kelly Slater gifts Wathaurong his Rip Curl Pro bell



NINE-times world surfing champion and four-times Rip Curl Pro champion Kelly Slater showed his appreciation for Australian Indigenous culture by gifting his winning 2010 Rip

Curl Pro ‘Bell’ trophy to the Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative.

Slater, who had twice before been the recipient of a traditional Aboriginal welcome to the winner’s podium by the Je-Be-Weng Aboriginal Dancers, said that when he arrived at Bells Beach this year, he had decided that if he won, he would give his trophy to the Wathaurong community.

This was in recognition of their previous support of him and as an acknowledgement of the traditional owners of the land.

He said that half-way through this year’s final and well behind in scores, he remembered his pledge.

Just then the wave that ultimately won him the event came his way.

“I’m really excited because I remembered that before this contest, I promised myself that if I won, I would give to trophy to the Wathaurong people,” Slater said.

“I didn’t remember that until I was out in the water and right when I did, those waves came. So before I give it to them, I want to pass the trophy around for everyone to give a ring because that’s never been done before.”

Slater spent some time with his Aboriginal friends in the Johanna carpark ringing the bell in his own hand-over celebration.

Significant part

Tournament organisers said the part that the Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative played in the Rip Curl Pro was significant and was specifically aimed at exposing the world to Australian Aboriginal culture.

The Indigenous element of Rip Curl Pro is a key component of the year-round statewide Indigenous surfing program co-ordinated by Surfing Victoria in partnership with the Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative and supported by the Victorian Government water safety initiative Play it Safe by the Water, the Department of Justice, VicHealth, many community groups and the surfing industry.

Elements of the program include statewide Indigenous community learn-to-surf and water safety programs, work placement opportunities, a statewide surfing carnival attracting community members from not just the Victorian coastline but many inland communities, wild card opportunities into the Rip Curl Pro and coaching and mentoring courses.

New job for Murray



QUEENSLAND Cup rugby league club Wynnum-Manly has recruited former NSW Origin and NRL coach Graham Murray as their chief executive.

Murray coached five clubs, including the Leeds Rhinos in

England, between 1991 and 2008. His representative resume includes coaching Fiji in the 2000 World Cup, City Origin (five times) and NSW Origin (six times).

Murray took Illawarra to its first finals series in 1992, but his finest moment was taking the North Queensland Cowboys to the 2005 NRL grand final which they lost to the Wests Tigers. – AAP

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Queensland Government

Rival codes pledge to make way for soccer



ANDREW DEMETRIOU



RIVAL football codes won't know exactly how much compensation they will receive from soccer's World Cup organisers until after the

tournament.

Australia's four major football codes signed a memorandum of understanding with the Federal Government on 9 May, agreeing to vacate key stadiums as well as agreeing a basic formula for compensation.

It means the Australian Football League (AFL), National Rugby League (NRL) and rugby union seasons will be able to continue alongside an Australian-hosted soccer World Cup in

2018 or 2022.

AFL Chief Executive Andrew Demetriou said his organisation had agreed to give up the use of the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) as well as Skilled Stadium in Geelong, Perth's Subiaco Oval, Gold Coast Stadium and Adelaide Oval during the World Cup.

Up to 90 AFL games would need to be relocated or rescheduled.

But the league's chief operating officer, Gillon McLachlan, refused to put a figure on what the compensation bill might be, although he admitted it could be millions of dollars.

"We can't forecast that. What we know is the formula's there, not to

provide a windfall gain but to provide that we're not any worse off," McLachlan said.

"It'll depend on the amount of games that have to be moved around and also the amount of actual cost increase we have to incur.

"The number will be the number. Given we're a billion-dollar industry now... and half the games could potentially be impacted, it might well be a large number."

The formula agreed involves underwriting the average base costings for sports in the two years leading up to the World Cup, as well as taking into account games which have to be moved away from their preferred venues. — AAP

Wet start to dry-season competition



THE Groote Eylandt Football League kicked off their dry season Australian football competition with a two-day pre-season cup sponsored by the North Australian Aboriginal Family Violence

Legal Service (NAAFVLS).

Ironically, the dry season competition opened in heavy rain and wet conditions ensured games were played in true wet-season fashion.

Four teams competed, and officials some exceptional talent was showcased over the two days.

Games were played at Angurugu community and Alyangula, and were shortened to two 15-minute halves to allow each team the opportunity to play each other.

After the first day, the Alyangula Swans sat on top with a percentage of 128, followed by the Angurugu Tigers with 126, then the Angurugu Crocs with 114 and the Umbakumba Lions with 97.

A simple finals system followed on the second day, whereby the top team played the bottom team, and the second team played the third. Winners of the two games progressed to the grand final.

The rain held off on Sunday morning, allowing for better conditions for the preliminary finals at Angurugu.

There was an upset in the first game when the Umbakumba Lions beat an under-manned Alyangula Swans 47-0.

During the second semi-final, the Angurugu Tigers scraped home over the Angurugu Crocs 26-25. In the dying seconds of the game the Crocs had the opportunity to seal victory, with a mark being taken just 25 metres out, only to miss the shot for goal after the siren.

In the final before a crowd of 250, the Umbakumba Lions beat the wet season premiers Angurugu Tigers, 9.7 (61) to 2.2 (14).

Round one of the GEFL dry season competition will kick off on 9 May, with five teams competing over 15 home and away rounds.

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).

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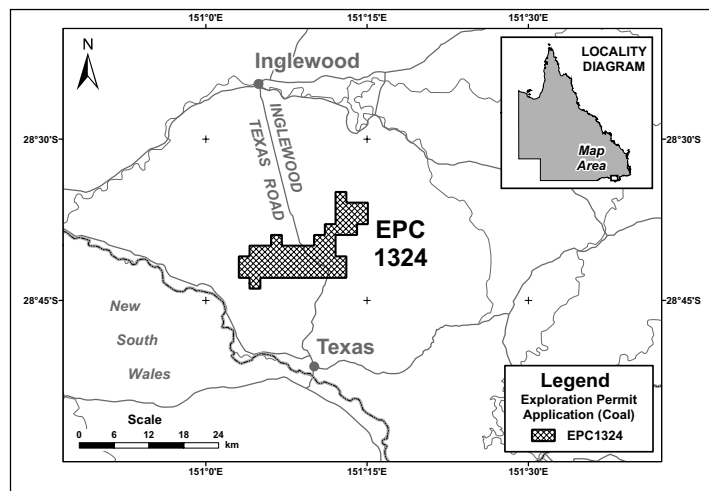
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Journey to the top

Danyle Pearce runs hot at Port Adelaide

By PETER ARGENT



DANYLE Pearce's journey over the past six seasons in the Australian Football League (AFL) is a tremendous lesson in persistence and self-belief.

Along with another Indigenous lad, Elijah Ware, he was finally collected as a rookie-listed player by the Power in 2005 after being overlooked by all 16 clubs in the draft that year.

In this year's round-seven game against Essendon, Pearce reached his landmark 100th AFL match.

"Footy moves so fast these days, I haven't had time to reflect," Pearce told *The Koori Mail*.

"Certainly, at the time, I felt proud to have my wife and dad at the game watching.

"And to walk out on to the ground with my children – 18-month-old daughter Kyla and son Jordan who is nine weeks, was special."

Pearce's effort in that match, which Port Adelaide won by less than a

straight kick, earned him best on ground honours in many sections of the media.

Humble about his own personal achievement, Pearce was keen to promote many of his team-mates' efforts instead of his own.

"It was nice to have a win in a personal milestone game; it's more about the team effort and it was satisfying to get another win which lifts the club's confidence," he said.

"I was proud to be a member of the group – the way everyone went about it – it was a good team win and the boys played well."

Pearce started his football when his father 'Joffre' took him out to the Edwardstown Football Club in the inner south-west suburbs of Adelaide.

He played in junior premierships with Carlton players Adam Hartlett and Jordan Russell, along with Magpie Sean Rusling, who all reached the top level.

Keeps in touch

"I still keep in touch with those guys when I can and make sure I have a word to them after a game when I played against them," Pearce said.

"Adam's younger brother Hamish, who is a team-mate of mine at the Power, was also a year behind us at the 'Townies'."

"There are some fond memories from those days, playing in junior premierships together."

The 2006 Norwich Rising Star rookie of the year winner and international rules player that season is in career-best form and many believe he would be leading the best and fairest award at Port Adelaide.

Pearce puts his rich vein of form down to a lot of work one-on-one with the coach and continuing to learn from his experience of previous seasons.

"I learned from everything I've done," Pearce said.

"Also when you first start to get tagged, you're not sure how to handle it.

"But I've worked closely with my team-mates to help each other out. With talent around me like David Rodan, Robbie Gray and Travis Boak, we share the load between us.

"Last year a lot of people had an opinion on my form, but importantly the coaching staff was happy.

"We're just looking for continual improvement.

"Our aim is to play finals as it is no fun watching from your couch at home and we let the chance slip last year."

Brotherhood

The livewire left-footer also suggested it helped a lot to have a good contingent of Aboriginal lads in the Power squad and he was proud to be a part of a Port Adelaide team which equalled the record of eight for the most Indigenous players in a single game.

"Losing Shaun (Burgoyne) at the end of last year was disappointing," he said.

"The Aboriginal boys look out for each other and socialise together.

"The bond between the



Danyle Pearce in open territory.

whole group is outstanding and a big part of the reason why we're travelling well."

Away from the code, Pearce is a keen basketball fan, having played as a point guard before football took over and this is where he met his wife, Tara, who was a talented ABL

basketballer.

A young leader at Alberton, Pearce has the capacity to be a long-time servant of the Port Adelaide club.

His journey so far has already been memorable and there are countless highlights still to come.

Mundraby makes short work of title challenger



AUSTRALIAN professional bantamweight boxing champion Fred Mundraby has effortlessly defended his title with a first-round TKO win over challenger Matt Meredith.

In a scheduled ten-rounder, Mundraby, now

of Brisbane but a product of the far north Queensland Aboriginal community of Yarrabah, made short work of his opponent at Brisbane's Hilton Hotel. The fight was over inside one minute.

Mundraby showed his trademark blistering speed and power in a display that left no one in the crowd doubting that he had the talent to go a long way on the world stage.

Mundraby extended his professional record to ten wins (six KOs), one draw and no losses in a career that so far has lasted 45 rounds.

He won the vacant Australian bantamweight title in June 2007 when he stopped Leigh Lindgren with a TKO in the second round at the Chandler Arena in Brisbane.

He then saw off a title challenge from Roberto Lerio with a sixth-round TKO win in Townsville in April last year.

His latest fight was his second against Meredith. They met for the vacant Queensland bantamweight title in March 2007, when Mundraby won in the sixth round of a scheduled eight-rounder.



Fred Mundraby, and mum and dad Marissa and Fred, after he won the Australian bantamweight title. Picture: ALF WILSON



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A helping hand

RUGBY LEAGUE



With Guest Columnist
PRESTON CAMPBELL

In many respects, National Rugby League (NRL) players lead privileged lives.

Compared with the average person in the street, a lot of players earn decent money that can at least help them get ahead in life.

The great majority of players appreciate this, and do their best to help people doing it tough, especially when it comes to young kids who are sick or in need of a helping hand.

You may think that I am about to comment on the salary cap and the need to try to keep players in the game.

I'll leave that to another day – although I am glad that Johnathan Thurston has decided

to stay with the Cowboys.

What I do want to talk about is the fact that NRL players may lead a privileged life, but that does not protect them from many of the hardships that confront us all in our day to day lives.

Which brings me to the story of Gemika Tonga.

Gemika is the beautiful young niece of Willie and Esi Tonga.

Like all young kids that age, she has a beautiful smile and she should be getting ready to start school and looking forward to take on the world.

Her uncles – like all uncles – love her and would do anything in the world for her.

Unfortunately, there is one thing they cannot do for her at the moment.

Rare disorder

Gemika has a rare genetic condition called Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS) that affects the physical and intellectual development of a child.

Gemika is four and a half, but according to her mum Gemma Roberts, she has the mind of a two-and-a-half-year-old.

She also has epilepsy, having up to 30 epileptic seizures a day and has to wear a helmet to protect her head.

She is also on the autistic spectrum.

"Not many doctors in Australia know about the syndrome. When we have to



● LEFT: Gemika Tonga and her mum Gemma Roberts, of Lismore. Rugby league players are weighing in to raise money to get Gemma and Gemika to the Cornelia de Lange Foundation Conference in Dallas, Texas in June.

take her to hospital, they have no idea what I'm talking about and have to go and look it up," Gemma said.

The syndrome is thought to occur in about only one in 10,000-30,000 people and there are maybe only 600 people in Australia with it.

Which is why Gemma is trying to get to the Cornelia de Lange Foundation Conference in Dallas, Texas in June.

"They would do a full consultation, head to toe and give us some idea about how to deal with the syndrome in the long term... There are apparently about 600 kids in Australia (with CdLS), but only about 100 kids getting help, because we don't have the understanding," Gemma said.

"People are undiagnosed or wrongly diagnosed and I want to be able to get the knowledge I need and want to be able to work so people know about it and are able to support it. We're learning every day."

Gemma said the conference

in Texas would also allow them to network with other families who were dealing with the syndrome.

In order to get there, Gemma and her husband Sione Tonga are trying to raise \$25,000.

That's a lot of sausage sizzles and raffles, but they said they had been getting fantastic support, particularly from the Aboriginal community in Lismore.

That's where Esi and Willie come into the picture.

Weighing in

When some of the players in the NRL became aware of the situation, they decided it was an opportunity to help some fellow players help their niece.

Scott Prince has donated a pair of his boots worn while playing for the Titans.

Petero Civonocceva has autographed and donated one of his prized State of Origin jerseys.

Roy Asotasi has followed Petero's lead and autographed

one of his treasured Kiwi jerseys.

The Indigenous All Stars have asked that one of the limited-edition jerseys that they signed be also made available.

Obviously, the Gold Coast Titans and Queensland Cowboys will play a role in this because Willie and Esi play for those teams.

The NRL has joined the party and these items plus many more will be auctioned on the NRL website around the first State of Origin game.

Keep your eyes on www.nrl.com for details of the auction that will be announced in the lead-up to the game.

The auction will also coincide with a luncheon being organised by Gemika and Sione Tonga to be held at the Lismore Workers Club on Friday 28, from noon to 1.30pm.

Tickets are \$70 a head and they will also be auctioning some additional memorabilia on the day.

To attend or to make a donation to get Gemika to the conference, you can call Gemma on 0411 269 321.

A lot of people in the community have been helped through rugby league and the support of players.

In this case, we are asking you to help us help one of our own.

All kids deserve a chance. This time it's Gemma's turn.

Prince still harbours hopes of Origin jersey



GOLD Coast rugby league halfback Scott Prince hasn't given up on playing another State of Origin game for Queensland, despite

losing out to Melbourne's Cooper Cronk for the Australia No 7 job in the Anzac Test against New Zealand.

Cronk stepped into the green and gold for the injured Cowboy Johnathan Thurston, who is also no certainty to recover in time from his latest shoulder injury to play for Queensland in the opening Origin game against NSW in Sydney on 26 May.

Thurston and Storm hooker Cameron Smith (elbow) are in doubt for Origin I, bringing several players, including Prince, into calculations.

Prince played all three Origins in 2004.

But he hasn't donned the maroon jumper since breaking his arm helping Queensland wrap up the 2008 series with a third game win.

While many believe Cronk's combination with Storm stars Smith,

Billy Slater and Greg Inglis would earn him a call up for Thurston, Prince hasn't tossed in the representative towel.

"No I haven't (given up on Origin)," said Prince who has overcome an early season thumb injury.

"I'm always working hard to get my hat in the ring to get selected for the Origin team.

"If I miss game one, there's two more games to go and hopefully I can play some outstanding footy for the Titans and maybe get an opportunity."

Prince has shown his resilience by overcoming a number of serious injuries during his career and the loss of his father in a car accident in 2001 to play for his State and country.

This season he's had to play through allegations that he accepted a free \$400,000 house to play for the Titans, claims which have been investigated and dismissed by the NRL.

Prince wasn't thinking too much about Origin ahead of last Friday night's game against Brisbane (won by

the Broncos), but he believes his team-mate Greg Bird should get a call from NSW selectors.

Bird, who shifted from five-eighth to lock against Newcastle after a disappointing game for Country against City, has tasted success in the No 6 for the Blues, who are unsettled in the halves.

Prince didn't care what number Bird worse or what position he played for the Titans, as long as he was in his team.

"I don't care where he plays as long as he plays in my team, I'm happy having him," he said.

"He copped some criticism for how he performed in the City-Country match but I think he probably tried too hard.

"We all know what Greg Bird is capable of. He stood up against Newcastle when we needed him with that try to put the game beyond doubt.

"He's a winner and he's committed and tough in defence which is something that's really helped up this year. – AAP

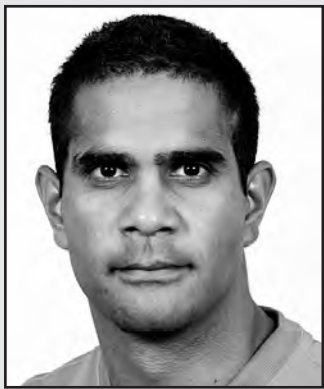
High-flying Bronco



Brisbane's Jharal Yow Yeh takes a high ball over Josh Hoffman during the NRL round ten against the Gold Coast Titans match at Suncorp Stadium last Friday night. Brisbane won 28-6 – AAP image

Dreamtime at the G: Celebration and a commitment

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL
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THE Australian Football League (AFL) again will celebrate the unique contribution Indigenous athletes have made to Australian football and role the game plays in Indigenous communities with the Indigenous Round this week.

The highlight of the round will again be the annual Dreamtime at the G match between Essendon and Richmond on Saturday night.

As a player, this round – and games like the Marn Grook trophy and the All Stars match – meant a lot to me and all my Aboriginal brothers in the AFL.

It was indeed a celebration, but for many of us, the round meant far more.

It was a symbol of respect and ongoing commitment by the game to our peoples, our communities and our culture.

It was this commitment to the future of our kids that meant the most to me.

Sometimes people are critical of the involvement of sport in community projects or education programs.

Athletes or sports are often criticised because they come into communities and raise the hopes of kids, and then jump into their four-wheel-drives or planes and disappear.

There is some justification to that, but even people who hold these views cannot deny that sport was the first pathway that embraced Aboriginal people and gave them the opportunity to compete on an equal playing field – both literally and figuratively.

No other sport – apart from rugby league with its own All Stars success this year – has been able to embrace Aboriginal talent like the AFL.

Historically, there have been issues, but the way the game has addressed those has put it at the front of society in building

Key events and times

- The Long Walk – Federation Square live site from 4pm – www.thelongwalk.com.au
- MCG Gates open 4:15pm.
- Curtain Raiser starts at 4.30pm.
- The Long Walk leaves Federation Square for the MCG at 5.50pm.
- Pre-match entertainment, 7pm – Movement Australia Dancers (Indigenous dancers), Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu, Dan Sultan, Welcome to Country ceremony.
- Richmond v Essendon, 7.45pm.
- Presentation of Yiooken Award and Kevin Sheedy Cup – post-game on field.

practical pathways to reconciliation.

The celebration of this relationship through events such as Dreamtime at the G is but one aspect of the game's role.

It is what happens in the 12 months in between that is important.

The fact that the AFL consistently has over 10 per cent of its players with an Indigenous heritage is something to celebrate.

But the fact remains that these players can only survive if they have the necessary talent.

They are not token players.

AFL clubs would be derelict in their duty if they were not tapping into such a rich vein of talent.

But where the game shows its true commitment is through its off-field involvement in

programs that promote a better future for our people.

If some question the value of involvement in educational programs, nobody can question the AFL's commitment to providing true hope to Indigenous people through its commitment to providing employment opportunities.

Positive messages

The AFL has not only committed to increasing its Indigenous employment levels across all parts of the game to a minimum of 4 per cent, but it also working with the Federal Government to promote these positive messages.

In collaboration with the Government, the AFL highlights the opportunities for corporate Australia to take a leading role in closing the economic and social

gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

The AFL is a valued member of the Government's Corporate Leaders for Indigenous Employment program.

Through this program, Indigenous Liaison Officers work with the AFL's sponsors to create employment and training opportunities for Indigenous Australians.

This is what makes the Indigenous Round far more than merely a celebration of football.

It incorporates The Long Walk that celebrates Michael Long's historic role in highlighting the continuing challenges that confront many of our people.

It celebrates the rich relationships formed through the game and the key role of individuals like Kevin Sheedy in bringing people together.

It celebrates everything that is positive about the relationship between our people and the game – past, present and future.

Get along to a game if you can and join in the celebrations and rejoice in the commitment to the future.

If at all possible aim to get to the game's spiritual home at least once in your life to celebrate our spiritual connection to the game.

It is worth experiencing!

Until Next time.... Keep Dreaming!

Sheedy looking forward to early GWS debut

GREATER Western Sydney (GWS) coach Kevin Sheedy is convinced his 'humidicrib' squad can avoid embarrassment when they taste Australian Football League (AFL) action a year ahead of schedule in the 2011 pre-season.

GWS, due to enter the AFL in 2012, will almost certainly be part of an 18-team competition as part of a radical revamp of next year's pre-season.

The AFL admits the plan, starting with a lightning carnival-style opening round of shortened matches, exposes what will be a young, partly-formed GWS squad to the risk of damaging thrashings.

But Sheedy, whose previous 27-year reign at Essendon yielded four premierships, believes they will surprise the doubters and possibly even beat some established clubs. "The youngest team that ever probably

won a premiership was (Essendon in) 1993 and they didn't think we'd win it," he said.

"We were actually 50-1 to win the premiership in 1993, but James Hird, Mark Mercuri, Joe Misiti, Rick Olarenschaw, David Calthorpe, they were all sort of teenagers, so you never know.

"Obviously (GWS) won't win a premiership, but we might be fairly exciting."

While the 1993 side became known as the Baby Bombers, Sheedy said GWS would be still 'in the humidicrib' next year.

He said it would provide an excellent chance to test their progress and publicly stamp their arrival.

Despite Sheedy's optimism, it will be an enormous challenge to compete, with what will be a similar squad to the current Gold Coast outfit, which was winless after four Victorian Football League (VFL) games.

Gold Coast have just four players with AFL experience – Nathan Ablett, Daniel Harris, Sam Iles and Danny Stanley.

AFL chief operating officer Gillon McLachlan said the 'left field' formula was preferable to any plan the AFL could devise for a 17-team competition to cater for Gold Coast's 2011 introduction.

He acknowledged that a partly-assembled GWS squad risked being smashed by opponents, although the AFL would look at ways to supplement their list to try to make them competitive.

"That's a real risk, you've got someone though in Kevin Sheedy who doesn't mind taking risks," McLachlan said.

"I think we need to contemplate that when we look at how we support what they can do with their squad.

"I don't have answers about how that

can be done."

Under the revamp, there will be six groups of three for the opening round, with each club to play a mini-game of two 20-minute halves against each of the other teams in their group.

Each group's games will be played back-to-back at one venue.

The winner of each group, plus two wildcard teams, or 'best losers', will progress to a traditional knockout format, involving full-length games, for the remainder of the competition.

McLachlan said the existing clubs and television broadcasters liked the concept.

He said clubs liked the idea of being able to give their top players short competitive hit-outs in the opening weekend, then have three full-scale games to prepare for the season proper. – AAP

Bombers favourites

By PETER ARGENT



THE Essendon Bombers look set to square the ledger at three wins apiece when they take on cellar-dwellers

Richmond at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Saturday in the annual 'Dreamtime at the G' Australian Football League (AFL) match.

The Tigers already appear to be out of contention for major 2010 premiership honours as their young team rebuilds.

The Dreamtime at the G is the AFL's centrepiece to celebrate the Indigenous contribution to the sport. It was inspired by AFL legend Kevin Sheedy.

The 2010 clash between the teams which collectively cover the colours of the Aboriginal flag, Essendon and Richmond, is this Saturday evening.

Now in its sixth year, the Dreamtime at the G fixture is a marquee event on the AFL season's minor round program.

The younger of the Davey brothers from the Bombers – Alwyn – is about to play in this third Dreamtime at the G contest.

"The Dreaming game ranks with the Anzac Day clash as the most important games during the regular season for me," Alwyn Davey said.

"I was involved in the game in my first year (2007) and again last season, but missed out in 2008 because of injury.

"Currently I have a 100 per cent success rate in these contests and I'd like to keep that going."

Davey said the Aboriginal boys at the Essendon came together and had a feed and chat about the significance of the game.

"We have eight Indigenous boys in the Essendon squad and it is always nice to have a big contingent



playing in the game," he said.

"There is a big chance Nathan Lovett-Murray, Jarrod Atkinson, Patty Rider, Leroy Jetta, Courtenay Dempsey and I could all be participating in this game.

"It is positive for the AFL to recognise the contribution of the Aboriginal footballers within our game."

Important

Senior Richmond player Richard Tambling said: "This year every game is pretty important for us.

"The Dreamtime game is a pretty big deal because of the people it represents.

"From my perspective, this Dreamtime at the G contest is a big game.

"I'm just lucky to be a part of this special day."

Tambling said he had not been happy with his form and was looking for a strong performance against the Bombers.

Shane Edwards, who is also expected to play, has been in the best form of his career.

The Michael Long-inspired Long Walk is now an integral part of the event and a number of the participants will march be on the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) playing surface as part of the pre-match entertainment.

Artists performing at this celebration include Archie Roach, Bart Willoughby, Deline Briscoe and Tjimba Possum Burns.

The theme for the pre-match entertainment is the 'Creator Spirits of traditional Aboriginal peoples land' at the seven AFL home grounds across Australia,

celebrating the spiritual and physical ties that Aboriginal people have with the land.

These will include large illuminated puppets of the Creator Spirits for the people/land of the MCG, AAMI Stadium, the Gabba, SCG and Subiaco Oval.

Early success

Richmond collected a win in the original 'Dreamtime' game back in 2005, getting up by 26 points over the Bombers and go into this sixth encounter with three wins from the five previous games.

Previous results:
2005, Richmond won by 26 points.

2006, Richmond won by 2 points.

2007, Essendon won by 8 points.

2008, Richmond won by 38 points.

2009, Essendon won by 40 points.



ALWYN DAVEY

Inerchange-injuries link

THE Australian Football League (AFL) says its latest annual injury survey provides more evidence of a link between clubs' growing use of the interchange bench and player injury rates.

It raises the prospect of a cap on interchanges being introduced, although AFL football operations manager Adrian Anderson said the League needed to further consult with clubs and research the issue.

"It certainly raises a concern

for us, we want to see as many players in the competition available to play each weekend as possible," Anderson told reporters.

"So it does raise a concern and we'll be doing some further work.

"We'll be talking to our own medical officers, we'll be doing some more research from some of the sports science people who have assisted us in the past and we'll be talking to our clubs."

— AAP

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Townsville Stingers

By ALF WILSON



INDIGENOUS players shone during the Foley Shield rugby league competition on 1-2 May, with the Townsville Stingers beating Mount Isa-Mid West 48-12 in the grand final.

The Foley Shield began in 1948 and over the decades some of Australia's best rugby league players have been blooded in it. The shield has been described by north Queensland footballers as the 'Holy Grail'.

The last round of qualifying matches and the grand final were played at Brothers Leagues Club's Jack Manski Oval in Townsville, and the Stingers were the only undefeated side.

Algon Congoo was the star of the final, with four tries.

Leo Faugutu was player of the decider, and Roy Baira, Tremayne Bowie and Nathaniel Bowman performed well all weekend.

Surprise packet

Mount Isa-Mid West was the surprise packet of the competition, upsetting 2009 champions Innisfail-Eacham 34-26 in a round-one game at Normanton on 24 April.

Before their grand final appearance, Mount Isa-Mid West lost to Townsville, drew with Mackay and thrashed Torres-Cape in qualifying matches.

Mount Isa and Mid West, which comprises players from Doomadgee, Normanton, Hughenden and Cloncurry, combined last year, but were given little hope of even reaching the final.

Players were booked on a flight out of Townsville 15 minutes after the time the final was due to end. This had officials pondering how they would be presented with the Foley Shield if they had won.

"All accommodation in Townsville is booked out tonight," one official told *The Koori Mail*.

It looked like a fairytale could be on the cards too, even though former Foley Shield powerhouse side Mount Isa had not made a grand final appearance since 1992.

Between 1969 and 1988, Mount Isa teams won 10 Foley Shield grand finals in a dominating performance.

League legend Frank Daisy retired after a superb career for Mount Isa in that 1988 grand final victory when they beat Mackay 22-18 and was in Townsville to talk to the Isa boys before they ran out for the shot at glory.

Now aged 59, Daisy said the effort by the team to reach the final brought back memories.

Harvest of tries

Mount Isa-Mid West had many Indigenous players, including star Normanton back Davin Crampton who scored 12 tries in qualifying games. In the 34-all draw with Mackay, Crampton scored four tries against quality opposition and backed up with three against Torres-Cape.

Others included Roy Auda, from Boigu Island, near Papua New Guinea, and Tim Daniels, whose brother Stanley played halfback for Torres-Cape, Dwayne Holt, Cody Saltmere and Jacob Takurit.

Inspirational Mount Isa-Mid West captain Ben Watt won the Ben Wall Medal for player of the carnival.

Last year's beaten grand finalist Torres-Cape did not record a win at the competition to finish bottom of the ladder, but they had a huge supporter base at the games.

Torres-Cape lost its first match 54-26 to Mackay on 1 May.

Young five-eighth Solomon Ahmat was the star for Torres-Cape, scoring one try and booting five goals for a personal tally of 14 points.

Other try-scorers were Weipa forward Garreth Smith, who arguably crossed for the best four-pointer of the competition when he ran 40 metres and brushed off half of the opposition defenders, centre Edward Ingui, and Reece McLaughlin.

Ahmat, Smith, Ingui, fullback Teleke Kofe and hooker Remus Phinasea and forward Reece McLaughlin were the pick for Torres-Cape.

Torres Cape's last two matches, against champion Innisfail-Eacham on the afternoon of 1 May and against Mount Isa-Mid West the following morning, were 'dead rubbers'.

But there was still pride and passion to play for.

In a replay of last year's final, Innisfail-Eacham defeated Torres-Cape 62-26 after leading 24-20 at half time.

Tries were scored by Solomon Ahmat, Garreth Smith, Rod Wawrzyniak, and Edward Ingui, while Ahmat booted five goals for another 14-point tally.

Innisfail-Eacham won the game in the first 18 minutes of the second half when they added 20 points.

On 2 May, in their last match, Torres-Cape lost 52-14 to Mount Isa-Mid West after trailing 30-10 at half time.

The try scorers for Torres Cape were NPA winger Stanley Dai, Garreth Smith and Edward Ingui.

Smith and Ingui, who plays with Suburbs in the KRL, each scored a try in all three matches.

Torres-Cape manager Rita Kebisu rated Solomon Ahmat, Garreth Smith, Remus Phinasea, Rod Wawrzyniak and Edward Ingui as the most consistent players for the three games.

Rita also mentioned Chris Jawai, Clint Wasiu and Stanley Dai as playing well.

Palm Island success

In the Foley Shield final curtain-raiser, the Palm Island Barracudas thrashed Bowen 40-4.

The Barracudas were coached by Jets club coach Eddie Prior with assistance from Butler Bay Bulls mentor Lloyd Morgan.

They scored seven tries to one. Foley Shield results.

Round one qualifying matches 24 April at Cooktown: Cairns 40 d Torres-Cape 10, At Sarina: Townsville 36 d Mackay 4, At Normanton: Mount Isa-Mid West 34 d Innisfail-Eacham 26.

Round two at Townsville, 1 May: Innisfail Eacham 62 d Torres Cape 26, Townsville 30 d Cairns 16, Mount Isa-Mid West combined 34 v Mackay 34, Mackay 54 d Torres Cape 26, Townsville 34 d Mount Isa-Mid West 16, Innisfail-Eacham 24 d Cairns 14, May 2: Mount Isa-Mid West 52 d Torres-Cape 14, Mackay 34 d Cairns 24, Townsville 34 d Innisfail-Eacham 18,

Grand final: Townsville Stingers 48 d Mount Isa-Mid West 12.

Curtain-raiser: Palm Island Barracudas 40 (Tabua Oui 3, C Geia, A James, N Mosby, Darryl Pearson tries; Tabua Oui 5, Darryl Pearson goals) d Bowen 4.

Meanwhile, the North Queensland Marlins team selected from the Foley Shield teams to be coached by former NSW State of Origin and NQ Cowboys coach Graham Murray is: Townsville: Scott Gibson, Leo Faugutu, Nathaniel Bowman, Lee Maclean, Roy Baira, Quinton Mitchell, Craig Snell, Mackay: Dean Tass, Adam Wright, James Bryant, Innisfail-Eacham: Alex Sala, Josh Blatch, Brendan Stout, Mike Huraki, Mt Isa-Mid-West: Ben Watt, Davin Crampton, Cairns: Quincy Toto, Steve Singleton, Kaine Manehera.



Exhausted Torres-Cape players gasp for oxygen as a team-mate awaits medical treatment.



A Mount Isa-Mid West player (in yellow) in a battle for possession with Torres-Cape fullback Teleke Kofe.



Mount Isa-Mid West's Davin Crampton after his hat-trick of tries against Torres-Cape. He scored four tries against Mackay.



Mackay forward Roger Tafua.



A Mount Isa-Mid West player carries the ball against Townsville.

regain Foley Shield



The winning Townsville side with the Foley Shield.



Mount Isa-Mid West stars Cody Saltmere, left, and Davin Crampton relax in an ice bath after the draw with Mackay.



Cairns players in green wrap up an Innisfail-Eacham attacker.



Injured Barracuda Costa Sam.



Mount Isa-Mid West forward Tim Daniels in action against Torres Cape.



Mount Isa-Mid West players, from left, Dwayne Holt, Tim Daniels and Roy Auda.



Back row, from left, Picpah dancer Jai Cummings, Genus Passi Snr and Xavier Passi with a junior Aboriginal dancer, front.



Bowen Indigenous players, from left, Lucas Womal, Darryl Nahow, Nigel Yasso, Vivian Pope, Nathan Lea and Hayden Lea.



● LEFT: A Townsville player is tackled by Mount Isa-Mid West opponents in the grand final.

● RIGHT: The scoreboard says it all... Torres-Cape after their loss to Mackay.



Form reversal

By ALF WILSON



A REJUVENATED Jets and reigning premiers Butler Bay Bulls have emerged as favourites in the Palm Island domestic rugby

league competition – but the form of new clubs Mundy Bay Warriors and Hornets in round two was promising.

In round-one fixtures, Butler Bay Bulls defeated Mundy Bay Warriors 52-4, Brothers narrowly beat Raiders 42-40, and Skipjacks rolled Hornets 70-6.

Jets had the bye.

After the season opening games, it may well have been considered that the Palm Island population of about 3500 was not enough to accommodate seven clubs.

Mainland Townsville has a population of more than 160,000 and also has seven clubs.

But round-two matches on 8 May turned that thinking on its head.

Mundy Bay Warriors and Hornets improved sharply after both sides lost by huge margins in the opening round.

In round two, Raiders beat Hornets 36-34.

Hornets coach Rio Walsh told *The Koori Mail* his boys played with spirit and passion and he expected wins to come soon.

Walsh said all of his lads played well, but when pushed to nominate the best, he named second-rower Christian Richardson, hooker Robert Schneider, utility Gavin Bramwell, prop John Owens, and backs James Georgetown and Patrick Clark, who formed a great combination in the halves.

Former north Queensland

representative and Mount Isa Foley Shield star Josh Geia made a comeback after two years to play for Hornets beside his 18-year-old son Daniel.

Another son, Caleb Geia, was near best on the ground for Jets later in the main game.

That two-point win by Raiders was the first game in round two and if the large crowd thought that was the end of the excitement, they were wrong.

In the second game, Mundy Bay Warriors scored their historic first win by downing hot favourites Brothers 36-30 after trailing at half time.

Delighted

A try in the last minutes by speedy John Olaff sealed the victory for Mundy Bay Warriors, and coach William Blanket was delighted.

Blanket said his stand-out players were William Marpoondin, Fred Larry, Luke James, Tom Walsh, Vincent Palmer, Neil Fraser and Olaff.

Warriors back Mark James played with a bandaged head after being injured.

Jets beat arch-rivals Skipjacks 48-22 in the final game.

Man-of-the-match was classy Jets back Tabua Oui, who had represented the Palm Island Barracudas with distinction the previous Sunday when his side hammered Bowen 40-4 in a curtain-raiser to the Foley Shield final in Townsville.

Oui scored the majority of Jets' points and was well supported by centre Caleb Geia.

Skipjacks forward George Dabea also went well.

Points after two rounds were: Bulls 8, Jets 8, Skipjacks 4, Raiders 4, Brothers 4, Mundy Bay Warriors 4, Hornets 0.



Mundy Bay Warriors celebrate after their historic first win.



● LEFT: Warriors winger Mark James could still manage a smile despite his head injury.

● ABOVE: Skipjacks forward Walter Geia shows his muscles.



Jets centre Caleb Geia is tackled in the game against Skipjacks.



● ABOVE: Action from the Jets-Skipjacks match in the second round of the Palm Island rugby league competition. Jets (blue, red and white) won 48-22.



● LEFT: Mundy Bay Warriors back Mark James (with bandaged head) part of a three-man tackle on a Brothers player. The Warriors won 36-30

Different codes, but footy stars opt to stay put

Franklin still a Hawk



LANCE FRANKLIN

By PETER ARENT



LANCE Franklin is to remain with Australian Football League (AFL) club Hawthorn for

another three seasons – killing off speculation that he could switch to the new Gold Coast franchise.

Indigenous man Franklin has been a lynchpin at the Hawks, and in their 2008 premiership year became the first Indigenous player to kick 100 goals in an AFL season.

With the Gold Coast being able to sign one uncontracted player from each AFL club at the end of this season, Franklin's signature on a contract is coup for the Hawks.

Franklin, 23, and fellow forward Jarryd Roughead were the Hawks' first draft choices at the end of 2004.

Franklin, who ranks alongside key forwards Lions captain

Jonathan Brown and St Kilda champion Nick Riewoldt as the best power forwards in the game, was selected at number five by the Hawks' recruiters coming out of the West Australian program at the end of 2004.

He played a pivotal role in the 2008 flag-winning success.

From a personal perspective, Franklin won Hawthorn's best and fairest award, along with finishing his season with 113 goals and a Coleman Medal.

Leading kicker

He was also the club's leading goal kicker in 2007 and 2009.

In more than 100 games of AFL, he has averaged upwards of five scoring shots at game.

While not as dynamic as he was in 2008, Franklin last year finished third in the best and fairest, which is an outstanding effort for a side that struggled to be in finals contention.

Franklin had said he always wanted to get the deal done with his foundation AFL club and

never wanted to leave the Hawks.

He suggested on the club website that he was excited to sign for three years, saying he started at the club when coach Alastair Clarkson and fellow forward Roughead first arrived.

Franklin also said he never looked at proposals from any of the other AFL clubs.

"They've (Hawthorn) been great to me. I was never going to go," he said.

"Any good player in the AFL is going to get money from other clubs, as in Gold Coast or Sydney, but we've got such a great club here and great players, and to win premierships you've got to stick together."

Franklin and his fellow tall forward Jarryd Roughead had been touted as principal targets of the Gold Coast franchise, which will step into AFL competition next year.

There had been lingering media speculation about Franklin's future, but this

commitment closes the door for at least the three seasons after the 2010 campaign.

Insiders had suggested that Franklin was never going to leave the Hawks, saying he loved playing with his mates at Hawthorn and had enjoyed the journey since his debut back in round one 2005 against Sydney.

100 games

Now in his sixth season, Franklin, a 189cm, 92kg athletic dynamo, reached his 100th AFL game landmark game late last season.

He also said he was committed to the success of the Hawks and wanted to achieve more premiership success.

Senior coach Alastair Clarkson said the re-signing of three key players – captain Sam Mitchell, along with Roughead and Franklin – despite a poor start to the year sent a strong message to the rest of the playing group about where the club was headed.

Salary cap minefield for 'JT's' manager



LEADING player agent Sam Ayoub said he had to do the deal to keep Johnathan Thurston in the National Rugby League (NRL) with his 'hands tied' by salary cap

restrictions.

With the league's marquee players up in arms about stars quitting the code, the struggle to keep the man regarded by many as the best in the game was highlighted as Thurston recommitted to North Queensland last Tuesday.

"It's disgraceful, we work with our hands tied," Ayoub said of Thurston coming close to joining French rugby union club Biarritz.

"We work with our hands tied to keep the players in the game when realistically there's very little support given to help keep the players in the game."

Cowboys coach Neil Henry said stitching a deal together for an elite player like the Test halfback was tough.

Realistic

"It's difficult, there's no doubt the marquee players' (allowance) and the cap does limit you, but we have to be realistic about what the game generates too at the moment until we move on with the new television/media deals," Henry said.

Thurston said he hoped his decision to re-sign would help convince the likes of former Test centre Israel Folau to stay with rugby league.

"I'd like to see him stay, he's only 21 and certainly what the game could do for him when he finishes playing footy, it's endless," Thurston said.

Penrith captain Petero Civoniceva met Rugby League Players Association (RLPA) boss David Garnsey last Tuesday amidst a report that NRL stars were planning secret talks about their concerns.

The Test prop said players would back the RLPA as the players' voice.

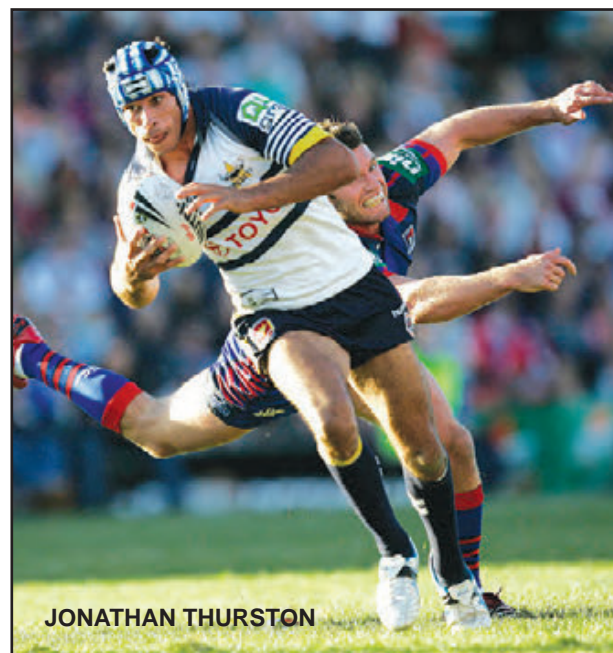
Garnsey said the players' main issues – code-switching, salaries, third-party sponsorship restrictions and the penalties meted out to Melbourne after the club's salary cap rort – were all being addressed in negotiations for a new collective bargaining agreement.

"There's no crisis, there's obviously a lot of issues that people are interested in talking about at the moment and they're going to be rolled into our collective bargaining agreement negotiations," Garnsey told Sky Sports Radio.

"We need to have the players earn what they deserve and also they want to feel as though the code values them so that they are more inclined to stay than go elsewhere."

"We can find ways to make this game more lucrative or attractive."

"There are third party opportunities and there should be flexibility there." – AAP



JONATHAN THURSTON

Life after football key to Thurston staying in league

JONATHAN Thurston had made up his mind in February to walk out on the National Rugby League (NRL) and earn in French rugby union twice what he had been offered by North Queensland.

On the table was a massive deal from Biarritz, the club former Brisbane star Karmichael Hunt had joined before his switch to Australian football.

"In February when we sat down, he said we should just take it and his decision was to move," Thurston's manager Sam Ayoub told reporters last Tuesday.

"It shook me a little, but the gap was so great at that stage so it made me realise I had to do a lot more work in a sense to ensure that we tried to keep him in the NRL."

Ayoub said the Test halfback, rated by many as the best league player in the world, could have earned double anything the NRL had come up with.

"At that stage definitely," Ayoub said.

"Before anybody talks about greed, he's no different to any one of you people, myself or anybody else."

"If the opportunities are there, you owe it to yourself and your family to look at those options and go from there."

Thurston, who also had four NRL clubs waiting in the wings to table offers, was eventually convinced to sign a three-year extension by third-party sponsors, bumping the deal up to a reported \$2 million.

"It's sort of like a business now," the 27-year-old said.

"The way I treated it, if the money was substantially a lot better (in union) and I was

guaranteed to have a bit more of a life after footy, then I would have really considered it.

"It was mainly just all money-based and that was certainly a lot higher than what I could get here."

"But the advice that I've been given from my manager and close friends is to stay in rugby league and certainly life after football, I'll be able to explore more options there."

Ayoub said those options would be possible because Thurston would forever be identified with the 13-man game.

"At the end of the day, if he packs his bags and heads overseas, he comes back, the game doesn't have ownership of him, nothing has ownership of him," Ayoub said.

"But, by staying in the NRL, I think at the end of the day the game will have some ownership and reward him in other ways."

Opportunities

Ayoub said that included opportunities with the independent commission which would eventually run the NRL, and the setting up of Thurston's own foundation to benefit Indigenous communities.

"We've spoken to some major companies and corporations who are prepared to get behind it and at this stage hopefully some government bodies as well," Ayoub said.

Thurston, who has played 15 State of Origin games for Queensland and 16 Tests, said the chance to win a premiership with the Cowboys was also a factor.

"If that happens and I happen to be the captain when it happens, no one can take that way from me so it certainly did weigh in my decision," he said.

"I wouldn't have re-signed if I didn't think we have the players to win a comp and the coaching staff." – AAP



Rob de Castella with some of the Indigenous runners in Outback Australia.

Run, run run!



SIX Aboriginal teenagers from remote outback Australian communities are to run in one of the world's most famous races – the New York Marathon.

They have been hand-picked by former top Australian marathon runner Robert de Castella.

During de Castella's running days, his greatest rivals were black runners from African nations like Kenya.

De Castella has had the opinion that Indigenous Australians – given the opportunities – could leave a mark on the international marathon stage.

With this belief and in his capacity as CEO of SmartStart for Kids, de Castella organised a nation-wide search for Indigenous athletes who had the potential to be marathon runners.

After an exhaustive process, 11 potential runners from remote communities in the Northern Territory have been chosen.

This number will be reduced to six and the chosen six will run in the New York Marathon in November.

De Castella said he had run against people from every race and culture.

"While we have seen a wonderful representation of Indigenous athletes in the explosive sports such as Australian football, rugby league, boxing and sprinting, I've been surprised by the lack of Indigenous representation in distance running or the marathon," he said.

No avenues

"Research has shown that there are no avenues or opportunities for Indigenous long-distance runners. At the moment, there's no real culture of distance running amongst Indigenous Australians, but I believe there is potential given the history of endurance evidenced by a nomadic existence, traditional hunting and recorded history of an extraordinary ability to cover vast distances."

When de Castella put the word out that he was on the look out for Indigenous marathon runners, about 300 people put their hands up.

That number has been whittled down to 11. They come from Santa Teresa, Alice Springs, Atijira, Kunnunurra, Maningrida, Ramingining and Croker Island.

Those who don't make the cut for the New York Marathon still will have the opportunity to run in an Australian major city fun run or half marathon.

De Castella is being supported by national athletics coach John Bell – a man with more than 30 years experience in remote communities and who still holds the NT marathon record.

Police in the Northern Territory are playing their part in assisting the young athletes. The term 'running them out of town' takes on a new meaning, with the police in remote communities driving the runners five kilometres from their communities so that they can run back over

a measured distance and have their times recorded.

The preparation also includes a two-week intensive program at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

Among the 11 athletes still in the mix are Juan Darwin, 21, of Maningrida, Charlie Maher, 17, of Alice Springs, Caleb Hart, Reuben Brown and Joseph Davies.

TV documentary

De Castella's project is being filmed and will be the subject of a documentary following the athletes' year-long journey to New York.

It is planned to be screened on ABC TV. De Castella's company SmartStart for Kids is a not-for-profit health, lifestyle and fitness program working with children, adults and families at increased risk of physical and mental illness and disease.

Sources: Reconciliation News and our own resources

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