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Rivers stoush

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP



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On Thursday, the Government announced that it would ask the House of Representatives Economics Committee to examine the impact of the laws.

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National Congress nominations reopen

First in the



THE National Congress of Australia's First People will reopen nominations for the first national meeting of its members, after complaints the original nomination period was too short and clashed with community commitments.

The historic gathering was to be held in Melbourne next month but is now likely to go ahead in the first

half of next year, possibly in May.

The Congress interim board will continue on until then, although one of its co-chairs Kerry Arabena is scheduled to take up a position elsewhere before the end of the year.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin has been advised and is said to be relaxed about the postponement.

"We respect the judgement of the interim national executive about when it is best to hold the first meeting," a

spokesperson for her office told *The Koori Mail* on Saturday.

As well as nominations for 120 delegates, the fledgling organisation had sought nominations for the first election of male and female co-chairs.

Interim co-chairs Sam Jeffries and Dr Arabena said 'a good number' of nominations were received by the end of the nomination period but there'd also been a flood of requests to re-open the process, and the board had listened.

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High-flying Magpie



SHARROD Wellingham after scoring a goal for Collingwood in the 2010 AFL grand final re-match between St Kilda and Collingwood at the Melbourne Cricket Ground last Saturday. Wellingham was the lone Indigenous face in the 2010 Australian Football League (AFL) grand final re-match after Leon Davis was dropped in the week leading up to the re-match. Wellingham, playing just his 51st AFL match, was a shining light as the Magpies stormed to a 126.12 (108) to 7.10 (52) win. — AAP image

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My FAMILY

Jamie Wake – Tieri, Qld

THIS photo was taken at the Indigenous All Stars versus the NRL All Stars rugby league match on the Gold Coast in February.

My wife Troy and I have been together for 19 years. We met at school, so I guess you could say we were teenage sweethearts. We have two sons, Lachlan, who's eight, and Macaulay who's six.

I'm Aboriginal and South Sea Islander, with English heritage too. And Troy's background is Welsh. We're both 36 and grew up in Bowen, where my mum, brother and sister and a lot of extended

family still live, including the Wakes and the Bobberts. My family is originally from around Proserpine and the Whitsundays area.

Troy, me and the boys live in a small mining town called Tieri, which is three hours west of Mackay and about an hour from Emerald. The population of Tieri fluctuates between 2000 and 2500 people.

I'm an underground miner, in the coal industry. I've been doing that for about eight years, and Troy is a nurse and works at Clermont, an hour or so north of Tieri.

I work shift work, on a rotating roster of

a week of nights and then a week of days. It's not too bad because for a week at a time I get to take my boys to school and I also get to spend days with them. It'd be a lot harder if I worked fly-in and fly-out.

We're a pretty active and outgoing family. Troy and I do triathlons together. We try to keep fit and be a good influence on the boys.

It's important for Aboriginal people, especially, to stay healthy because things like diabetes can run in our families. Troy is also a diabetes educator so we know a bit about it.

In the summer, the kids do swimming through the swimming club and during winter they play rugby league. I love rugby league, the Central Highlands is a big region for it, and my team is the Broncos. But I don't push the kids towards it, I'm just happy for them to be active and healthy.

As a family, we go camping and fishing a fair bit. And we have a holiday shed at Airlie Beach, a four-and-a-half-hour drive away, so we head to the coast when we can.

Tieri is pretty remote and, because we were born and raised on the coast, it's nice to escape to the beach.

We'll be going to next year's All Stars game too. In fact, we've already got our tickets. We'll go as a family again, the boys loved it last time.



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OUR CHILDREN



A classic photo pose from these Hopevale kids, who were amongst 60 people who joined parts of a walk from the Cape York community to nearby Alligator Creek last month. The local men's group organised the trek, in the interests of health and togetherness. After the walk, the group enjoyed lunch on the beach complete, with... you guessed it... oranges for dessert. See page 43 for more.

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A Deadly night



Some of Indigenous Australia's biggest stars and favourite achievers on stage during the grand finale of the 2010 Deadly Awards. Photo Ben Symonds, Courtesy of Vibe Australia.

The very best of our best recognised at awards night



IT is one of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australia's nights of nights and plenty of the mob turned out to the Sydney Opera House last week to see first hand who would take home the 2010 Deadly Awards. The popular awards, now in their 16th year, recognise excellence across Indigenous sport, the arts, education, health, employment, cultural advancement, leadership and more. This year's big winners included the feature

film *Bran Nue Dae* and some of its stars. The film won Film of the Year, young Rocky McKenzie was named Male Actor of the Year, and Deborah Mailman was named Female Actor of the Year. NITV CEO Pat Turner won the Leader of the Year category.

If you missed out on frocking up to the Deadlys in person, don't worry – there's always the sofa tonight, 6 October.

The Deadlys will be screened on SBS Two at 8.30pm.

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McAvoy named top legal eagle



ABORIGINAL barrister Tony McAvoy has won the inaugural Indigenous Legal Professional of the Year award.

Mr McAvoy is a descendant of the Wiri people of Central Queensland and has had 22 years experience in native title law, criminal law, land rights legislation and human rights.

Federal Attorney-General, Robert McClelland presented the award to Mr McAvoy at the

5th National Indigenous Legal Conference in Canberra on Friday.

"I am pleased to recognise Tony, who has undertaken many roles including solicitor, policy officer and barrister, to advocate on behalf of Indigenous Australians," Mr McClelland said. "This annual award provides an opportunity to highlight the significant contribution made by Indigenous legal professionals to Australia's justice system."

"Mr McAvoy has a significant

pro bono practice and in addition, runs a mentoring scheme for Indigenous law students. He has also been tireless in his support for addressing the rights and needs of Indigenous people."

The Government established the award to recognise outstanding Indigenous lawyers who have made a special contribution to the rights of Indigenous people or who have an exceptional commitment to providing legal representation, advice or assistance.



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Fellas full of cheer

By CHRISTINE HOWES



WHEN three far north Queensland teenagers decided to take on cheerleading they didn't do so half-heartedly and their dedicated approach is already paying dividends for them and their schools.

Tyrel Dulvarie, 17, Douglas Fewings, 18, and Jillibalu Barns-Riley, 16, took up cheerleading to improve their fitness and skills in the hope of developing their own performance art careers.

Their team, Cairns State High School, has already taken out first place in the 2010 World Cup Regional Championships held in Cairns earlier this year, followed with a first in the FNQ Regional State Schools Cheerleading Competition.

"My teacher said she needed some stronger males in the cheerleading team so we decided to help out," Jillibalu said.

"When we were small we were brought up just knowing one thing, and that was football, we all learned football. I still like football, but I notice I have strength in dancing.

"We also used to busk in the streets doing traditional dancing



Tyrel Dulvarie, Douglas Fewings and Jillibalu Barns-Riley.

in Kuranda, and I was good at that, keeping in time with the beat and putting 100 per cent in.

"When I started at Cairns High, in my last term of Year Eight, I had to do dance as a subject and I really enjoyed it.

"It was good fun and I progressed further and further."

As a result of his efforts, Jillibalu got to travel to China to participate with Tyrel in the Macau International Dance Festival.

"I started dancing before I did cheerleading and I performed for the school," Tyrel said.

"When we went to China we

mixed with other countries and we toured Singapore and Hong Kong as well. It was a fun experience, something different.

"We also did a couple of champion comps for cheerleading. The teacher asked me if I wanted to do it because I was in dance.

"It's an advantage to have us boys on the team because we can throw girls higher than the girls can throw the girls and we can do a lot more stunts.

"Cheerleading is more upper body strength, we actually bench press girls. I've also just taken up tumbling classes to help me learn how to flip.

"It's given us a lot of confidence in where we want to be and we can stand up in front of millions of people now and just perform. It's quite fun."

Tyrel said he hoped to pursue a career in performing arts and was working towards trying out for Brisbane's Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts (ACPA) next year.

Tyrel also participated in 'Creative Dance' in Brisbane with fellow cheerleader Douglas.

"We had to perform there for three thousand people," Douglas said.

As for the cheerleading, he said it was something different to his usual game of rugby league for local team the Edmonton Storms.

"The three of us are all friends and we're all related, and they were doing cheerleading so I got into it too," he said.

"I only did it to improve my fitness for football, but I got attached to it."

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Nominations for Congress reopen

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Mr Jeffries and Dr Arabena said members had said the timeframe for nominations – the first two weeks of September – was not long enough.

"And people sent emails, letters and phoned us to say that they would have nominated, but the timing clashed with AGMs, conferences and other commitments," they said.

"The Congress board is committed to a fair and inclusive process to ensure everyone has a chance to participate in this organisation.

"The board carefully considered all of the feedback we received and decided to extend the current timetable to give individuals and organisations more time to nominate.

"The board will consult with the Returning Officer and publish a new timetable as soon as possible to allow people to submit nominations."

The co-chairs said the affairs of the Congress were too important to rush, and the re-opening of nominations would ensure the first national meeting was more robust and representative of membership and the election process more democratic.



SAM JEFFRIES

"As we establish the organisation and our processes, we are determined to get it right," they said.

When the Congress was launched in May, there were concerns about whether six months would be time enough to convene the first national meeting. Since then, the board has undertaken a national information tour and recruited a chief executive officer and other staff.

"I think we were always time poor. Time was our poverty, and we have done a lot of great

work to deliver things to where we are now," Mr Jeffries said.

"Let's be real about it. The Congress started eight months behind when it was supposed to and the chance to do some of the work was logistically not there.

"But we're still on track.

We're still delivering an operational Congress in 2011, which is in keeping with the report.

"We're being responsive to the membership, they're the ones who'll shape the organisation. The board considered that a priority."

As of last week, the Congress had about 1050 individual members and 90 organisational members. Mr Jeffries said he expected those numbers to grow considerably by the time of the rescheduled national meeting.

The agenda for the meeting will include constitutional reform, closing the gap and the general Indigenous affairs policy environment.

Congress membership will remain free until at least after the first national meeting.

The new timetable for nominations etc will be published online soon. Membership forms can also be downloaded from www.nationalcongress.com.au

Parliament welcomes first Aboriginal MP



IT was Ken Wyatt's morning.

Wearing a traditional kangaroo cloak, the new West Australian Liberal MP, the first-ever

Indigenous Australian elected to the House of Representatives, was unofficial guest of honour at the welcome to country ceremony conducted at the opening of Parliament last Tuesday.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard especially greeted Mr Wyatt and welcomed him to Canberra.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott was even more effusive.

"Almost nothing gives me more pride than having within the ranks of the Liberal Party an Aboriginal member of the House of Representatives," he said.

Conducting the welcome ceremony, Ngambri Elder Matilda House also acknowledged Mr Wyatt, pointing out that he came to federal politics in the wake of two well-known Indigenous senators, Neville Bonner and Aden Ridgeway.

On each occasion Mr Wyatt's name was mentioned, the gathered MPs and senators clapped enthusiastically.

And then, in response to Ms House's invitation, the politicians lined up to be cleansed, trooping past a pair of smoking fires of eucalypt leaves on the Aboriginal mosaic artwork on the forecourt of Parliament House.

"It helps," Ms House said.

Ms Gillard walked with her arm around Ms House, flanked by Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin.

Mr Wyatt was flanked by Mr Abbott and Deputy Opposition Leader Julie Bishop, a fellow WA MP.

The welcome to country ceremony was first conducted at the start of Parliament in 2008 and, under changed standing orders, will now form a regular element of Australian political process.

Ms House said this was an act of recognition and respect for Aboriginal people.

"With this welcome I express the hope of a united reconciled nation, the oldest living culture, joined with the many diverse cultures of a modern successful Australia united in our love for this beautiful country and a desire for a better future," she said.



PM Julia Gillard (centre) pictured with Aboriginal Elder Matilda House and her son Paul House at the Welcome to Country Ceremony to mark the opening of the 43rd Parliament assembly, in Canberra last Tuesday. AAP Image/Mark Graham

Ms Gillard said the government would work to close the gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

"Friends, this welcome to country affirms a striking truth in the life of our nation – words and symbols matter.

"They do not substitute for practical action nor are they meant to."

Mr Abbott said it was fitting on a day redolent with Australia's British and European heritage to first acknowledge the original Australians.

"We like to think that grit and stoicism and generosity of spirit are a part of the Australian character.

"But no Australians have had more need of these qualities than the Aboriginal people for whom the arrival in this country of western civilisation has been a mixed blessing at best."

Parliament adjourned on Thursday until 18 October. -AAP

NSWALC wants more scrutiny on key Indigenous issues



THE New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) last week called for a Joint Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs

to be established as quickly as possible.

In a report released last month, the Senate Select Committee on Regional and Remote Indigenous Communities suggested a joint committee to comprise MPs from both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The Senate Select Committee also recommended five inquiries be referred to

committees in the new Parliament, relating to justice reinvestment in Indigenous communities, housing in regional and remote Indigenous communities, the extent of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder and ramifications of related government policy, Indigenous education, and Indigenous employment programs.

NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton said a joint standing committee would help to address the Government's failure to implement repeated Senate Select Committee's recommendations to advance Indigenous health, education, living standards and justice.

A 'measured' Wyatt is ready for challenges



Professor Lowitja O'Donoghue flew into Canberra to mark the occasion with Ken Wyatt.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



FOR Ken Wyatt, the next three years as Australia's first Aboriginal MP elected to the House of Representatives will bring many challenges. But, then, he has faced some already.

Some have observed that he 'copped it from both sides' during his now successful bid to win the Perth metropolitan seat of Hasluck.

Early on, the Noongar, Yamitji and Wongi man was accused by some Aboriginal detractors as being a 'coconut – brown on the outside and white on the inside'. And, after the final votes were tallied and he claimed the electorate, an otherwise celebratory moment was marred when he received racist hate mail from non-Indigenous community members, some declaring they would never have voted for him if they were aware of his Aboriginality.

However, he weathered the bumps in his own measured way, choosing to engage minimally with the media on the issue, and focusing rather on the task ahead. In many ways, he is already a polished political leader.

This was never more evident than during his maiden speech at Parliament House in Canberra last Wednesday. Draped in a 'bookha', a traditional ceremonial cloak of kangaroo hide given to him by Noongar Elders, and wearing the feather of a red-tailed black cockatoo, Mr Wyatt generated a rare moment in Australian political history when, after his maiden speech, both sides of politics joined to give him a standing ovation, echoed by supporters sitting in the public gallery.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard and the rest of the Labor Party contingent crossed the floor to congratulate him, an extraordinary sight in Parliament. However, it was the moment when former PM Kevin Rudd grasped his hand and simply said, 'thank you' when things truly hit home.

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Fed Govt announces Wild Rivers inquiry

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP



PLANS for a new federal parliamentary inquiry into Queensland's controversial Wild Rivers Act has further deepened a split in Aboriginal interests on Cape York.

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But other Aboriginal people and environmentalists welcomed the inquiry announcement, which topped off a tumultuous week around the issue.

The Wild Rivers Act was introduced in 2005 to protect the health of 10 Cape York river systems by placing some limits on development.

But Mr Pearson and the native title representative body for the region, the Cape York Land Council (CYLC), say the laws deny Aboriginal communities economic opportunities critical to their prosperity and the Government should

obtain Aboriginal people's consent before making Wild River declarations.

They say the current Indigenous land Use Agreement (ILUA) mechanism under native title would provide the means to negotiate appropriate consent.

Last Wednesday, the Anglican Church released an economic analysis highly critical of the Act's impact on Aboriginal communities.

Dean of Brisbane Peter Catt said the document showed the laws had severely compromised opportunities for development and wealth creation in Aboriginal Cape York communities.

Severely compromised

"The prohibitions and restrictions of the Wild Rivers legislation will adversely impact people's livelihoods by taking away, without their consent, the ability to derive income from sustainable development," he said.

"Without appropriate infrastructure and major changes to the Wild Rivers Act there will be neither significant infrastructure nor significant development in the future."

Premier Anna Bligh said she would look at the report but noted 100 development approvals had gone through since the laws were put in place, creating jobs for Indigenous people.

Nevertheless, the Pearson-backed

church report boosted Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott's resolve to introduce an amended private member's bill demanding the Federal Government overturn the Qld laws.

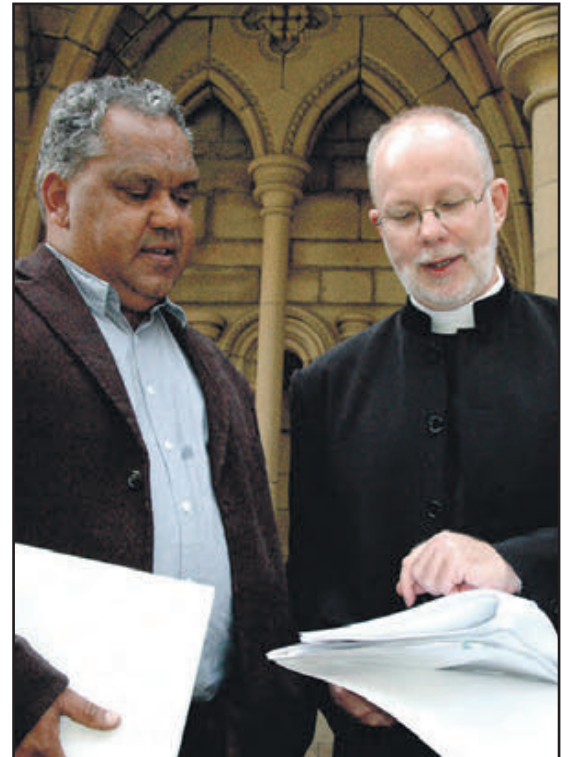
Qld Resources Minister Stephen Robertson flew to Canberra the day the Anglican report was released to brief influential independents about the laws. Also jetting in to lobby against federal intervention was a group of six other Aboriginal traditional owners from Cape York, who say the Wild Rivers Act is sensible legislation, which protects the environment as well as Indigenous cultural and economic interests.

The group included Gina Castelain, a 26-year-old Wik woman from Aurukun who manages a not-for-profit organisation that successfully operates a charter fishing and eco-tourism business on the Archer River, which has been declared under the Qld laws.

She told *The Koori Mail* that Tony Abbott's suggestion that most Aboriginal people in Cape York opposed the Wild Rivers Act was wrong.

"We totally reject Tony Abbott's intervention on wild rivers," she said. "We support sustainable economic development and we are keen to see the creation of employment opportunities for Aboriginal people."

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Noel Pearson and the Anglican Church's Very Reverend Dr Peter Catt look over the economic analysis into Queensland's Wild Rivers laws outside St Martin House in Brisbane last Wednesday. AAP Image/David Barbeler

Wyatt delivers emotional maiden speech

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"I had practiced the speech with no choking of emotions, but when I saw Kevin Rudd there my emotions doubled up," Mr Wyatt said. "He came over and put his hand on mine and said 'welcome'. It was very powerful."

In his speech, Mr Wyatt acknowledged the impact that the Apology had had on the Indigenous community and thanked Mr Rudd for honouring his commitment to the Stolen Generation.

"The Apology to the Stolen Generation has been a powerful instrument of both our people and our nation," he said. "When the former Prime Minister delivered the Apology on the 13th of February in 2008 in this chamber I shed tears for my mother and her siblings."

"My mother and her siblings, along with so many others did not live to hear the words delivered in the Apology which would have meant a great deal to them individually," he said, wiping away tears.

"I felt a sense of relief that the pain of the past had been acknowledged and that the healing could begin."

Indigenous leaders from across the country flew into the nation's capital for the historic occasion. Sitting in the public gallery, Professor Lowitja O'Donoghue said there wasn't a dry eye in the house, a sentiment later echoed by the Coalition's Deputy Leader Julia Bishop.

"It is with deep and mixed emotion that I, as an Aboriginal man with Noongar, Yamitji and



Ken Wyatt (right) takes the oath during the swearing in ceremony at the opening of the 43rd Parliament in Canberra last Tuesday. AAP Image/Mark Graham

Wongji heritage, stand before you and the members of the House of Representatives as an equal," Mr Wyatt told the House.

He referred to other Aboriginal politicians who had paved the way before him, namely the late Senator Neville Bonner who gave his maiden speech almost 40 years ago in 1971, and Senator

Aden Ridgeway some 28 years after that.

Mr Wyatt also spoke of his early family life as the eldest child of ten and his mother's experience of being taken to Roelands Mission near Bunbury in Western Australia, a reflection that caused him deep emotion.

"As a child, I used to listen to

the stories shared between my mother and her brothers and sisters about growing up in the respective missions they were sent to," he said. "I often wondered about the experiences that remained locked away in their memories and not talked about."

Mr Wyatt said he was now ready, with the support of his

Elders, community and family to not only contribute to the broader level of Government but also advocate for Indigenous issues.

"My Elders put the boohka on me last Thursday and said 'never forget you represent the seat of Hasluck, and Aboriginal people as well'."

"The fact is you don't lose your Aboriginal passion and desire for change. I have a resolve to make health and aging better for all Australians, I also have a commitment to look after the Elders and seniors within our community."

Mr Wyatt said the broader Australian society had a lot to gain from looking at the way Aboriginal people looked after and revered their Elders.

"Connection to Elders is critical for me. I don't know how any society can cast out the people who've given us so much, all that knowledge and wisdom," he said.

Pre-speech nerves were gone by the time the Liberals held an impromptu celebration in Deputy Leader Julie Bishop's office later that afternoon. Surrounded by his colleagues, supporters and other Indigenous leaders, Mr Wyatt said he was humbled and proud to be a part of such an historical day.

As a sign of respect and esteem, many of his Liberal party colleagues wore ties and scarves of Aboriginal design to mark the day.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott gave an informal speech congratulating the Aboriginal MP, saying the party welcomed him not only as the member for Hasluck but also as a proud Aboriginal man.

High-powered jobs

By DARREN COYNE



TWO Indigenous men have been appointed to head up the Australia's Construction

Forestry Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU).

Malcolm Tulloch was due to take over as the CFMEU Construction and General Division NSW State Secretary on Monday this week, while Rebel Hanlon will take over Tulloch's previous role as Assistant State Secretary.

They join continuing CFMEU president Peter McClelland and Assistant Secretary Brian Parker in the executive.

It is believed to be the first time that an Indigenous team has headed up the CFMEU, which was previously known as the Building Workers Industrial Union.

Mr Tulloch, 48, told *The Koori Mail* that under his stewardship, the union would continue to have a broad-based social justice agenda – local and international.

"We will continue our campaign against the Northern Territory intervention because it is wrong," he said.

"The Racial Discrimination Act was put in place to stop people being exploited, intimidated and treated without respect... Howard changed that and then Labor perpetuated it even though they tried to fiddle with it. But they haven't achieved anywhere near the goals they were expecting when they hyped it up."

The CFMEU Committee of Management elected Mr Tulloch and Mr Hanlon in August, and the union's monthly delegates meeting then endorsed the appointments.

He said his appointment should also act as a message to other Indigenous people that there should 'be no barrier to achieving their goals'.



Mal Tulloch, standing, and Rebel Hanlon, have taken leading roles in one of Australia's largest unions.

He also is a member of the University of Western Sydney Indigenous Employment and Engagement Board, former secretary of the Aboriginal Local Government Network and a member of the ALP Indigenous Policy Committee.

Mr Tulloch, who traces his own Indigenous heritage through his paternal grandmother, said he was honoured to be following 'a long line of great leaders of this building union'.

"Whether you are a building worker or part of your community, it is about a strong sense of social justice and it is about people being treated fairly and with dignity and respect," he said.

Mr Hanlon, 36, is also

Indigenous through his paternal side.

His great-grandmother was an Aboriginal woman from June, NSW, in Wiradjuri country, and his grandfather Stan, a World War II veteran, was employed by the Water Board following the war and lived in workers' accommodation at Warragamba Dam in the 1950s.

There, he formed close relationships with other Aboriginal workers and was active in fighting for Aboriginal workers' rights.

This year Mr Hanlon followed that tradition by helping to build a house for the Alyawarr people at a camp 400kms north of Alice Springs, in the NT, as part of a protest against the Intervention.

"We got the first one built, which I find obscene and sickening. I was talking with the uncles and aunties out there and all they wanted was job creation for their young people," he said.

Protest gathering

Mr Hanlon told *The Koori Mail* that a protest gathering of unionists and Indigenous activists would be held outside the Sydney Town Hall on 29 October from noon, calling for justice for all workers.

Outgoing CFMEU secretary Andrew Ferguson, who has led the union since 1994, said the new leadership team signalled a generational change at the union.

"The construction union has

always been at the forefront of labour history, so it is fitting that this landmark moment for Indigenous people has been achieved by the CFMEU," he said.

"Their endorsement by the delegates meeting shows their election is not some gratuitous appointment, but rather is the result of the hard work and success both have achieved in improving conditions for building workers in NSW."

Mr Ferguson is retiring from the CFMEU executive and will contest the 2011 State election as a Labor candidate for the Legislative Assembly.

He will continue to work for the union in the interim.

Wild Rivers campaigners in Canberra

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"But Mr Abbott's legislation in itself will do nothing to create employment, support and improve livelihood or economic independence. It will not protect the environment and it will do nothing to protect our heritage."

Ms Castelain said the people represented by the delegation believed the CYLC's vigorous campaign against wild rivers prevented it from objectively representing the interests of all Aboriginal people across the region. She said the land council had confused people by over-stating and misrepresenting the impact of the laws.

On Thursday, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and new Environment Minister Tony Burke announced that the Government would ask the House of Representatives Economics Committee to examine the impact of the Wild Rivers Act.

"...We respect the differing views of Aboriginal leaders in Cape York, and are committed to working across the Parliament and with all stakeholders to achieve a

lasting arrangement that delivers real outcomes for both Indigenous people and the environment," they said.

The Ministers said they expected the inquiry to report no later than March 2011, dependent on the impact of Cape York's wet season on committee hearings.

Mr Pearson reacted angrily, insisting the inquiry would largely repeat an inquiry undertaken by the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs earlier this year.

"The Government's proposal...virtually repeats the same exercise, doubling the cost, doubling the delay, doubling the energy of all of the parties that have already put an effort into the first inquiry," he said.

"I call on the Government to put aside its proposal for shunting the Wild Rivers issue off into the never-never land of another parliamentary inquiry," he said.

"The time for policy analysis, review and inquiry is over."

However, Gina Castelain, Managing Director of Wik Projects Ltd, welcomed the inquiry.

"We had input into its terms of reference and are happy with that outcome," she told



Gina Castelain during a press conference on the Archer River in Aurukun, Cape York, Wednesday, July 29, 2009. AAP Image/David Sproule

The Koori Mail. "We can speak for ourselves and we need to speak for ourselves."

"The inquiry will finally give all Cape York people an opportunity to get all the arguments and information on the table

properly. It will give us a real voice and give us an opportunity to look at native title reform as well as address issues of consultation and consent."

"This inquiry is much broader and will look at economic development on a broader level."

Another member of the Cape York delegation and a board member of Wik Projects, Janine Chevathun from Aurukun and Pormpuraaw, told *The Koori Mail* 'we want the inquiry to go ahead. We will all talk to them'.

"For me personally, this has been happening for too long, no-one is being heard from the communities who live in the communities who have to deal with everyday life."

Wilderness Society spokesman Dr Tim Seelig told ABC Radio he was comfortable the Act would stand up to any scrutiny, because it not only protected the environment but also allowed sustainable development.

Qld Natural Resources Minister Mr Robertson said the inquiry would give parliamentarians an opportunity to receive a balanced view of the laws.

'Share the profits'

Health experts call for slice of mining wealth

By DARREN COYNE



AROUND 300 public health experts from around Australia have called on the Federal Government to give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders a fair share of the profits generated by mining.

The resolution emerged from the 40th annual conference of the Public Health Association of Australia, held in Adelaide last week.

The conference called on the Federal Government to 'hypothesize not less than 2.5 per cent of the proposed minerals resource rent tax' to provide community-based essential services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

Hypothecation, in the context of taxation, is the dedication of the revenue of a specific tax for a specific expenditure purpose.

PHAA chief executive Michael Moore said there were a number of reasons for the Government to give the resolution serious consideration.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the traditional owners of the land," Mr Moore said.

He said mining companies profited from their extraction of resources from those lands, with little returned to the 2.5 per cent Indigenous population of the country.

"Colonisation, dispossession, racism and human rights breaches have created enormous disparities between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in physical, social and spiritual wellbeing," he said.

'Intolerable'

"It is intolerable that in a wealthy country such as Australia, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples still do not have adequate housing, infrastructure for essential services, sanitation, food security, education, employment and comprehensive primary health care."

"With the new minority Labor Government, we have an opportunity to do something a bit different that will help those most in need in our community."

Mr Moore said the PHAA would be writing to the Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, within weeks to outline the resolution.

Another speaker at the conference, Koori psychologist Associate Professor Dennis McDermott, told *The Koori Mail* that there were three 'sleeper' issues which made 'closing the gap' difficult.

He said the first was mental health, which had not been recognised as a major issue for Aboriginal communities because of under-reporting.

That's despite evidence showing that Indigenous people were at least twice as likely to be dealing with mental health issues as non-Indigenous people.

A second hurdle was racism.

"You might have 60 health professionals in a room and 55 of them are right with you, but there will be five sitting up the back making snide remarks (about Aboriginal people)," he said.

"Those five are then going out to work with our people. If you don't tackle racism, then you can't close the gap because it contributes to poor mental and even physical health."

Assoc Prof McDermott said the third factor was the workforce.

"It's not just a matter of training more Aboriginal doctors and nurses, but making sure the current non-Indigenous workforce can work with our people," he said.

"It's all about creating culturally safe workplaces."



MICHAEL MOORE



ASSOC PROF DENNIS McDERMOTT

Minister in the hot seat

Palm-police relations 'rocky', Roberts told

By Townsville Correspondent ALF WILSON



QUEENSLAND Police Minister Neil Roberts was asked some hard questions by Palm Island councillors during a visit to the

north Queensland community last week to open a new combined emergency services building.

Mr Roberts attended a 40-minute meeting on Thursday at the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council offices, where he was quizzed by Mayor Alf Lacey, Deputy Mayor Raymond Sibley and Councillor Hal Walsh. Also in attendance was Council's Acting CEO Jeff Brown.

First visit

It was Mr Roberts' first visit to Palm Island, and the island's Alcohol Management Plan (AMP), policing, the recommendations of a recent Crime and Misconduct (CMC) report, and the over-representation of Indigenous people in prisons were amongst matters discussed.

Mr Roberts was told that relationships between police people on Palm Island were rocky and was asked when disciplinary action would proceed against police officers around the investigation into the 2004 death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee.

"This has been a long saga and people need to know so they can move on and begin to have healing," Mayor Lacey told the Minister.

Mr Roberts advised the group that one of the current QPS Assistant Commissioners would soon be made a 'champion' for Indigenous Policing.

While Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson would decide which of his Assistant Commissioners would be given the role, the Minister said he thought the role would be given to an Assistant Commissioners from outside the greater Brisbane region.

"There will also be additional resources available and Commissioner Atkinson has made it clear he wants the best model we can get. I will be speaking again to him about it," he said.

Mr Roberts was told the AMP did not appear to be working on Palm, where 450 people recently fronted court there for alleged breaches.

"The AMP is clearly not working. We need a review," Mayor Lacey said.

New facility

Local Elder Jacob Baira was honoured during the Minister's visit, with the official opening of \$3 million joint emergency services facility named after him.

The Queensland Ambulance Service, Queensland Fire and Rescue, State Emergency Services (SES), Rural Fire Service have offices, vehicles and equipment at the Jacob Baira Emergency Service Centre.

The building façade features local art and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags are flown outside.

Mr Roberts said the facility was named in recognition of Mr Baira's significant contribution to emergency services over a 30-year period.

The former chairperson of the Palm Island Aboriginal Council



● ABOVE: At the opening of the centre, from left, Mayor Alf Lacey, Jacob Baira and Police Minister Neil Roberts.



● LEFT: Ambulance Officer William Obah receives his Assistant Commissioner's Award Commendation from Mr Roberts.



Local art adorns the new Jacob Baira Joint Emergency Services Facility.

was responsible for the management of rescue, sea rescue and fire services on Palm from 1976 until SES and RFS facilities were established.

While he retired in 2004, he still actively lobbies for improved community access to quality emergency services.

Cr Lacey said Mr Baira had made and continued to make an outstanding contribution to the community.

"It is very important that we recognise people like Jacob while they are still alive and not name something after them when they pass away like happens in many cases," he said.

During the 2009-10 financial year, the Palm Island Rural Fire Brigade responded to 41 incidents and the Ambulance Service responded to about 2400 incidents.

Mr Roberts presented ambulance officer William Obah with an Assistant Commissioner's Award Commendation for his good work during an incident involving a young man armed with a knife.

The community's new ambulance has been designed in line with the latest international best practice for emergency vehicle safety and is consistent with the department's zero harm policy.

It features a stretcher that can safely support patients weighing more than 200kg, ergonomic improvements, including revised driver and operator seating and the recently introduced highly-visible uniform design to improve driver recognition when ambulances drive under emergency conditions.

Hopeful of Federal intervention

By Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



A DELEGATION of Tasmanian Aborigines are hopeful that Federal Environment

Minister Tony Burke will help them stop the Tasmanian Government building a bridge over 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage in the south of the State.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre's legal director Michael Mansell, who was part of the delegation, said that last week's meeting in Canberra 'offered fresh hope that the heritage site at Brighton might be saved after all'.

"We could not have been more pleased with the meeting," he said.

He said the delegation never expected the Minister to grant the heritage area Federal protection on the spot, but they left the meeting with an impression that Mr Burke, and

Prime Minister Julia Gillard, were aware of the heritage issue and were sympathetic.

"We have to supply the Minister with more material and we understand that (Tasmanian Deputy Premier) Lara Giddings has pretty forcefully put the Tasmanian Government position already," Mr Mansell said.

Compromise

He said he felt that if the Federal Government could find a compromise, it would become directly involved.

"We pointed out to the Minister that without Federal Government intervention, the Tasmanian Government was neither interested nor motivated to resolve the impasse," he said.

"We told Mr Burke that it was vital for the Federal Government to get involved, if for no other reason, than to force the Tasmanian Government to the negotiating table.

"We think we got a very sympathetic hearing and came away pleased that we made the



CLYDE MANSELL

effort to see the Minister.

"It also became obvious that the efforts of the Greens and Andrew Wilkie have had a significant influence on the Federal Government's interest in the dispute.

"We expect further talks between the Greens and (Independent Tasmanian MP) Andrew Wilkie could help the Federal Government find a way to enable the bypass to be built but without having any incursion on the levee site at all."

The delegation, including

representatives from the Aboriginal Elders Council, the Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania (ALCT) and the TAC, are now expecting to hear something positive in the next couple of weeks.

ALCT chairperson Clyde Mansell, who was also a member of the delegation, believed Mr Burke was impressed with what he heard.

"He could have said no, which we half expected him to do, but he did not," Clyde Mansell told *The Koori Mail* on Friday.

Indication

"He said he has to check his legislation with a view to press the Tasmanian Government to sit down and find a reasonable outcome.

"We got an indication that he is keen to find an alternative route."

Mr Mansell also spoke highly of Andrew Wilkie, who sat in on the meeting.

"(Andrew Wilkie) was really strong, he was really putting our argument forward, it was good to

have him there," he said.

"Tony Burke said he and the Prime Minister were aware of the situation due to Andrew Wilkie."

The group were also hoping to meet with Infrastructure and Transport Minister Anthony Albanese, and Leader of the Australian Greens Senator Bob Brown.

"Because of the Senate timetable, we met with their advisers and gave them a rundown and they will take it back to their ministers and we are hopeful something will come out of that," Clyde Mansell said.

Pat Green, Dorothy Murray and Nola Hooper from the Aboriginal Elders Council of Tasmania and Phillip Beeton from the TAC were also part of the delegation that travelled to the ACT.

When asked to comment on the weekend, Minister Tony Burke told *The Koori Mail* that he 'had met with Michael Mansell at the request of Andrew Wilkie and had undertaken to look into the matters that were raised with him'.

Yuendumu families 'safe'



A GROUP of Aboriginal people who fled Yuendumu, in the Northern Territory, after an outbreak of violence, have moved to new accommodation in Adelaide until it is safe for them to return home.



About 70 adults and 30 children from one extended family left the remote community, 300 kms north-west of Alice Springs, on 21 September and travelled to Adelaide, where they were

housed temporarily at an Anglicare facility in Adelaide's north.

However, they moved on Friday to bigger accommodation at the Fort Largs Police Barracks in outer Adelaide and the State Government has said they will remain there for the foreseeable future.

Matt Clemow, a spokesman for SA Families and Communities Minister Jennifer Rankine, said the group had asked to move together and would stay in two large disused buildings on the site, where up to 120 people could be accommodated comfortably.

"We've made arrangements with police

that they can stay there until it's safe for them to go home (to Yuendumu)," Mr Clemow said.

Tensions between the family and another at Yuendumu escalated following the fatal stabbing of a young man in the Warlpiri town camp in Alice Springs. A 20-year-old man has been charged with murder.

15 arrested

After ensuing related violence at Yuendumu, police arrested 15 adults on charges varying from assault and riotous behaviour to being armed with offensive weapons. Those charged have been bailed to appear in court.

The NT Government is now mediating between the two family groups.

Widespread media coverage of the dispute focussed, at first, on who arranged and paid for the fleeing group to travel to Adelaide, but has since centred on traditional punishment which some community members reportedly insist is the only way to settle the matter.

Members of the family that has remained in Yuendumu are said to have drafted an agreement, signed by some traditional land owners, which seeks to ban some of the

exiled group from the community for life.

However, no-one from the other side has signed the agreement and Acting Senior Sergeant Shaun Gill, based at Yulara Police Station, said the enforceability of such an agreement was debatable.

He told *The Koori Mail* that police would like to see the matter mediated and for the Adelaide-based group to return to Yuendumu.

"I am confident this can be sorted out but it will take time, some pretty intensive mediation and leadership from within the community," he said.

Snr Sgt Gill emphasised that the police would not tolerate violence in any form, 'as evidenced by the fact that numerous people were arrested in relation to the unrest a couple of weeks ago'.

"And our approach to traditional payback is one of zero tolerance, we just don't support it. We have told both sides 'if you commit offences of any kind, you can expect to be dealt with by the law'."

Snr Sgt Gill said he was confident police could protect residents if there was further unrest in the community.

"Five officers are stationed at Yuendumu.

We also have extra police stations nearby and could send extra people in from Alice Springs at short notice if necessary," he said.

Meanwhile, South Australia's Commissioner for Aboriginal Engagement Klynton Wanganeen told *The Koori Mail* that local Aboriginal Elders were talking to the Yuendumu group in Adelaide.

Want to return

"People want them to be looked after while they are down here and for the conditions to improve so those who need to go back can go back," Mr Wanganeen said.

"Blaming anyone for the problem only adds to it. The issue has to be how to make people, everyone, safe and comfortable, and how to support them to get involved in mediation to resolve things. It's in no-one's interest for it to go on, nor for it to explode.

"We also don't want payback issues to happen down here. The (Yuendumu people) have a long life to live in their own country, like all of us — wherever we come from."

— *The Koori Mail*, with additional reporting by AAP

Alby goes for his life



A GUNDITJMARA Elder who overcame diabetes 2 by long-distance running and

cycling and continues to raise funds to improve diabetes awareness has won a 2010 Victorian Senior of the Year Awards

Albert (Alby) Clarke, 75, Warrnambool, received the 'Go for your life' Award for being an exemplary role model and advocate for healthy and active living.

In 2005, he became the first Aboriginal person to compete in the Cliff Young Australian Six-Day Race in Colac in his home State, declaring it 'easy' to

complete the 345 km.

The endurance athlete was one of 12 Victorian seniors recognised at a ceremony at Government House in Melbourne on Friday, which marked the lead-up to the annual Victorian Seniors Festival, which opened on Sunday.

Minister for Senior Victorians Lisa Neville said the awards were a great way to acknowledge and celebrate the contribution of Victoria's seniors to our community.

"Every single person nominated for these awards has made a positive impact in their communities and it's fitting that we recognise the seniors among us for their extraordinary service," Ms Neville said.

An 82-year-old retired TAFE teacher from Shepparton, Ted Kitto, won the Premier's Award for Victorian Senior of the Year, and 71-year-old former army Major John Vincent won the Veteran Community Award for his role in advancing veterans' welfare in the areas of disability support, mental health, hearing and aged-care.

Nine other Victorian seniors received Senior Achiever Awards from the Council on the Ageing (COTA).

● **RIGHT: Albert Clarke receives his 'Go for your life' Award from Minister for Senior Victorians Lisa Neville in Melbourne on Friday.**



Call for government help

By DARREN COYNE



THE Boys From The Bush Projects group, which places young Indigenous people in employment at abattoirs, has put out a call to the Federal Government for support in securing a new accommodation building.

The BFTB team has joined with Summit Employment and Training to establish the first school of work and training for Indigenous workers in the meat processing industry.

BFTB projects leader Milton James said the key to the venture was the purchase of a building named Bungoona, located in the main street of Narrandera.

Mr James said the building, once refurbished, could accommodate up to 20 residents.

He said Summit had agreed to purchase the building as a training centre, but was waiting for the Federal Department of Employment and Workplace Relations to agree to fund the refurbishment, estimated to cost \$130,000.

"Summit is the ideal organisation with which to collaborate to achieve this outcome," Mr James said.

"Apart from being a major job network provider in southern NSW, Summit is a recognised provider of short and medium-term affordable accommodation in the Riverina.

"Summit has existing accommodation facilities in Griffith, Leeton, Hay, Hillston and Temora.

"They have the relevant insurances, policies and procedures required to manage and support the centralised group accommodation model

that we have refined in Narrandera.

"Summit also understands the importance of helping young people living in remote western NSW towns, where there are minimal employment opportunities, to move to other places where there is work."

Meanwhile, the Federal Government last week announced it was spending a further \$198,000 under its Indigenous Employment Program with Fletcher International Exports, Australia's largest sheep meat processor and exporter.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib said the funding would provide 30 new traineeship positions for local Aboriginal people.

In addition to the \$198,000, Senator Arbib said Fletcher International Exports had received \$660,000 over the past two years to employ and support Indigenous employees in a range of positions in Dubbo.

"Since September 2008, Fletcher International has assisted 50 Indigenous workers into the meat processing industry," he said.

"This is a fantastic achievement."

Senator Arbib said the 30 new trainees would be mentored to ensure their opportunity for future employment is maximised.

Mr James said the funding for Indigenous positions was welcome, but he pointed out that the BFTB Projects had proven that abattoirs did not need to be subsidised to give young Aboriginal people jobs.

"It's great to see Fletchers taking on Aboriginal workers. I have always maintained that the meat processing industry is well



Jarvis Johnson has been working for Rockdale Beef for nearly six months.

suited to many young Indigenous people, particularly those from rural and remote communities who have a connection to this industry, and desperately need a job," he said.

"One of the things that differentiate BFTB Projects from the work done by Fletchers is that our government funding is used for recruitment and their off-site support and supervision.

"The participating abattoirs do not receive any funding, what they receive is willing workers, keen to learn the trade.

Tim Matthews from Summit Employment and Training said



● LEFT: Boys From The Bush projects leader Milton James said a building in Narrandera purchased by Summit Employment and Training could accommodate up to 20 workers and trainee workers if the money could be found to refurbish it.

Summit had put a funding submission to the Government a month ago, but had not heard back.

"We've had no reply to our submission yet... but we're hoping the Government can come to the party," he said.

WA won't budge on redress limit

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



THE West Australian Government is standing by cuts it made to compensation limits for people who were abused or neglected while in State care, despite the announcement last week of a startling \$831million budget surplus.

Last week the budget surplus in the resources-driven economy was revealed to be \$541 million more than May budget estimates, due to mining royalties, increased revenue from the North-West Shelf and public service wage cuts.

A spokesperson for WA Premier Colin Barnett said he would not comment on a bid by the Opposition last month to reopen parliamentary debate about the reduced payments under the Redress WA scheme.

However, following the announcement of the bonus surplus, Mr Barnett told local media he would not be reviewing the cuts to ex-gratia payments.

Opposition Leader Eric Ripper, said the 'cruel' slashing of



West Australian Premier Colin Barnett at the Redress protest in August 2009. Photo by Jo Murray

payments, now almost half the original figure, was distressing for the 'vulnerable group of people who have been let down by the State too many times'.

He said it was time for Premier Colin Barnett to reverse the decision.

"In a State as rich as WA and with the Barnett Government now expecting billions of dollars extra in royalty income, we should be about to do the right thing by the

Redress applicants and pay them what was promised under Labor," Mr Ripper said.

"Applicants revealed all about their unspeakable horrors because they thought the Government could be trusted.

"Now, applicants are even more outraged because they have been betrayed again."

Mr Barnett told Parliament that cutting the maximum payment from \$80,000 to \$45,000, was

necessary because insufficient funding was originally allocated to cover the numerous applications for the highest payment.

The Premier said the reduction had aggrieved some applicants because they had mistakenly thought that they would otherwise have been eligible for the maximum payment.

He argued that the Government had eased eligibility criteria, arranged minimum payments to next of kin for deceased applicants, facilitated independent reviews, removed psychological assessments, and scrapped legal waivers disallowing civil litigation.

Redress WA states that of 10,000 initial applicants, 5900 were eligible for assessment and the first payments occurred in February.

"A total of 1274 applications had been agreed and paid out to a total of \$22.9 million; another 366 applications are at the stage that they are probably about to be paid, and another 435 applications are being assessed," Mr Barnett said.

He said the other two-thirds of assessments would be completed by mid-2011.

Stolen Generations Alliance WA representative Dr Ian Robinson commended Mr Ripper's efforts to have the original payment amounts restored.

He said the evaluation process should also be reviewed.

"My impression is that people were treated much more harshly in the evaluation of their degree of abuse than was realistic, and I think that was done in the light of budget constraints," he said.

"I don't think it's a matter of just going around doubling everybody's payment.

"It should be done in camera, without further trauma to applicants."

He said that additionally, people removed by legal act had not been compensated for the trauma of removal.

"Redress simply attached responsibility to the worst cases of abuse in State care without adequately addressing that the removal itself, was a particular form of abuse, and has resulted in widespread trauma in almost every Aboriginal family.

"So we still have not redressed the trauma of the Stolen Generations."

An Erub child home at last



ABOVE: At the National Museum of Australia last week were, from left, Samantha Faulkner, Tesepa Law, Michael Zitha, Seri Stephen, Kapua Gutchen, Ned David, Donald Banu, Nepo Banu, Masepah Banu.

LEFT: Members of the delegation who collected the remains from the National Museum of Liverpool pay their respects to the remains at the National Museum of Australia. From left, deputy chair of the Torres Strait Repatriation Working Group Ned David, Erub Elder Kapua Gutchen and Working Group chair Seriako Stephen.



THE ancestral remains of an Erub (Darnley Island) child have returned to Australia, 161 years after they were taken to the United Kingdom.

A delegation of Torres Strait Islanders collected the remains from the National Museums Liverpool last week and brought them back to Canberra, to be stored at the National Museum of Australia (NMA) until Elders decide when to bury them at Darnley Island.

Elder Don Banu, a member of the delegation, said the return of the remains was an important achievement.

"We have been engaged with this one since September last year," he said.

"Torres Strait Islanders will feel discomfort until a loved one is put to rest in the appropriate way."

Joining Mr Banu overseas were Erub Elder Kapua Gutchen, Torres Strait Repatriation Working Group chair Seriako Stephen, and deputy chair Ned David.

The remains were first acquired by Captain Owen Stanley in 1849 during a visit to Darnley Island.

Museum

After his death in 1850, they were passed on to Sir John Peter Boileau, a Norfolk antiquarian and archaeologist, who gave them to the Norwich Castle Museum in 1854.

The remains were transferred to the World Museum Liverpool in 1956 and had since remained there in collection.

The Working Group is also lobbying for the return of 250 other Torres Strait Islander remains still held in the Natural History Museum and Cambridge University.

Before the delegation left, Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chairperson John T Kris said community consultations under taken by the Working Group had confirmed that Torres Strait Islander people wanted remains of their ancestors held in institutions 'returned to their rightful place'.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the Gillard Government was committed to the unconditional return of Indigenous remains from overseas countries and institutions.

"Since 1990, more than 1,150 Indigenous remains have been brought back to Australia from six countries," Ms Macklin said. "More than 1000 Indigenous Australian ancestral remains are still held in museums around the world."

"We believe repatriation must be culturally appropriate, unconditional and inclusive of Indigenous aspirations."

Suicides spark call

By **DARREN COYNE**



A SERIES of suicides in the Northern Territory in the last month have prompted a call for a Senate inquiry.

But the Federal Government maintains there has already been an inquiry and the recommendations from that inquiry are still being considered.

NT Senator Nigel Scullion, who also is the Shadow Minister for Indigenous Health, said more should be done to support communities and families affected by suicide.

Senator Scullion said seven young people, some aged as young as 14 years, had taken their own lives in the past month in the NT.

He said Indigenous people were

three times more likely to commit suicide than non-Indigenous people, according to official data.

NT Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance chairwoman Stephanie Bell told ABC Radio that more programs were needed, not another inquiry.

Ms Bell said more early childhood programs should be established to ensure children grew up in a protected environment.

A strong sense of identity was also important, she said.

Meanwhile, although responsibility for responding to the inquiry now rested with the Minister for Mental Health Mark Butler, Mr Snowden said the Labor Government was committed to helping prevent suicide. "One would have thought Nigel Scullion would have done his research and recognised there is already a



STEPHANIE BELL

Senate Inquiry into Suicide in Australia, which has recommended the development of an Indigenous specific suicide prevention strategy," Mr Snowden said in a statement.

"The Government is considering this recommendation."

"In the meantime, the Labor

Government is providing funding to community-based suicide prevention projects in the NT in Indigenous communities including Galiwinku; Borroloola; Yirrakala, Laynhapuy homelands, and Angurugu, through the National Suicide Prevention Program.

"The number of these projects will be expanded under our \$276.9 million mental health package (Taking action to tackle suicide), announced during the election, which is allocating \$22.4m to support additional community-led suicide prevention activities, including in Indigenous communities."

But Senator Scullion said the Government was not doing enough. "The Coalition had a \$1.5 billion package for mental health which would have significantly increased funding for frontline suicide prevention programs in the

NT," he said.

"We will seek every opportunity to progress our policy in the new Parliament."

A spokesperson for Mental Health Minister Mark Butler said he was unable to say when the Government would implement the Senate inquiries recommendations.

"The Gillard Labor Government's \$277 million suicide prevention package responded to a majority of the Senate inquiry's key recommendations," the spokesperson said.

"The Government is considering the recommendations and will provide a formal response in due course."

● Contact Lifeline on 13 11 14 if you are in need of assistance or the Suicide Call Back Service on 1300 659 467. The Kids Helpline is available on 1800 55 1800.

Indigenous arts

NGA opens 11 new specific galleries, art spaces

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



FRANCHESCA Cubillo is passionate about Indigenous art, and as the senior curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art for the National Gallery of Australia (NGA), she has seen some of the greatest works ever made.

But she still remembers the first time saw Aboriginal art.

"The first Aboriginal painting I ever saw was a beautiful watercolour landscape that my grandfather painted. It was in his house and, as a small child of five or six, I had no idea about anything other than Pop painted that," she said.

Ms Cubillo's grandfather passed away when cyclone Tracey hit Darwin on Christmas Eve in 1974, and with him one of the paintings was lost as well.

"My grandmother saved one of his other paintings though, and that's when I first started to make the connection with Aboriginal art and our ancestry, and why it's so important."

Challenging, rewarding

The Northern Territory woman has worked for a variety of galleries and organisations for 20 years now, but her latest role with the gallery has made the past 12 months one of the most challenging, yet rewarding of her life.

Last Thursday, the NGA celebrated the opening of 11 new Indigenous galleries and art spaces that will house the majority of the gallery's massive collection of Indigenous art, reportedly the largest collection of its kind in the world.

The official opening attracted art buffs, NGA staff and supporters and many of the artists whose work is showcased in the new galleries.

NGA director Ron Radford said the extensions were the most significant development to NGA since it opened in 1982 and the new Indigenous spaces were



Senior curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art for the National Gallery of Australia Franchesca Cubillo.

its first to be specifically designed for the display of different kinds of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art.

There are more than 600 works on offer from traditional and contemporary artists, many of which have never been seen before, with some new acquisitions.

The 11 galleries have been specially designed for a different geographic region or aspect of Indigenous art.

Emotional day

Ms Cubillo said the opening had been an emotional day, and a proud one for the gallery and the artists it looked after.

"I'm very honoured to be in this position, to be the custodian of a collection that celebrated the best of Indigenous art, art that has been created for more than 40,000 years, continuing to evolve and change."

"This tells the wider community Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

people are strong, sophisticated and we have so much talent, we're not only ancient, but dynamic and changing; it is art that is provocative and sublime," she said.

Ms Cubillo said art was more than just beautifully crafted pieces; they were important political statements made to capture and retell history.

She said it held the power to challenge mainstream views of Aboriginal people and to change perceptions.

"Within these spaces are our stories and our histories," she said.

"A lot of non-Indigenous people visit this gallery and some of them don't know a great deal about Aboriginal people, but they can look at some of these pieces in their own time and space, and go away with something to think about."

"Aboriginal art has always provided such a groundbreaking edge, has always been on the cutting edge, making statements and challenging, educating and promoting."

In fact, you need only move a few metres into the next art space to go from the deeply traditional works of Gali Gurruwirri to the pieces created by Tony Albert, or Rea's video series.

Natural light

Ms Cubillo said this was part of the beauty of the new space, which largely uses natural light to showcase the art works.

"I've been doing this for 20 years now, and what I've started to learn is that you can't separate Indigenous art from connection to ancestry, from history and culture, and what this collection proves more than ever is that people need to sit up and take notice," Ms Cubillo said.

The NGA collection showcases works from some of the masters, including Rover Thomas, Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri, Emily Kame Kngwarray and Albert Namatjira, as well as a collection of Torres Strait Islander works from artists such as Alick Tipoti and Richard Idagi.

The collection spans decades of works, from the 19th Century through to works created this year.



Gali Gurruwirri with one of his pieces.



Tasmanian artist Vicki West had to collect massive amounts of kelp to create this piece, and then hurry to weave it into shape while still fresh.



Torres Strait Island artist Alick Tipoti with one of his new mask pieces he created using weathered steel.



Artist Gali Gurruwirri performed a traditional dance for the opening.

get a boost



Torres Strait Island artist Sedrick Waia, from Saibai Island. He created this feather headdress, traditionally used in ceremonies to bring on the rain.



Celebrated far north Queensland artist Thanakupi.



Torres Strait Island artist Richard Idagi with his initiation mask.



Contemporary artist Tony Albert with his 'Ash on Me' piece.



Brenda L. Croft with her photograph of Michael Watson in Redfern on the long March of Freedom, Justice and Hope. Invasion Day, 26 January 1988.



National Gallery of Australia director Ron Radford.



Contemporary artist Rea created a series of video works for her latest piece, and said she used many mediums to tell her story.



Artist Djon Mundine with Richard Birrin Birrin walking through some of the poles. Mundine said they were a 'wonderful forest of souls'.

McPhee to probe NT housing 'progress'



THE Commonwealth Auditor-General has agreed to investigate Indigenous housing projects in the Northern Territory.

The Senate last May asked Ian McPhee to find out if Labor's \$672 million Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) was value for money.

In a letter tabled in Parliament last Tuesday, Mr McPhee said as SIHIP was part of the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing, he would conduct a performance audit on its implementation instead.

"The audit will focus on the achievements to date and the systems, processes and frameworks established by the Australian and Northern Territory governments to support achievement of the objectives and key outputs of the (partnership)," he said.

Responsibilities for rolling out the projects have been shared between the Australian and Northern Territory governments.

However, the Auditor-General is constrained in his ability to audit the activities of non-Federal agencies.

Mr McPhee said he expected the audit to be finished and tabled in Parliament in the Spring sitting period next year.

Meanwhile, NT Shadow Minister for Indigenous Policy Adam Giles said overcrowding and homelessness were escalating across the NT, with people in Alice Springs town camps still living in third-world conditions under tarpaulins and sheets of tin.

Mr Giles accused the Labor Government of failing to find a solution.

'Millions wasted'

"While construction has finally begun under the Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program, millions of dollars have been wasted on consultants and mismanagement," he said.

"Meanwhile, families are still homeless and living in sub-standard conditions.

"SIHIP had its genesis in the 2007 NT Intervention in response to an accommodation crisis in NT communities and town camps.

"Yet so far, only six communities have received any new housing, and no new houses have yet been built in Tennant Creek.

"It has taken three years for the Labor Government to build eight houses in Alice Springs.

"Labor's other approach is to spend \$11 million erecting a high fence on a block out of town, buying tents and swags and herding homeless Indigenous people to a so-called 'accommodation park'. That isn't a housing solution.

"The Territory is known for its rich source of Indigenous culture, yet successive Labor governments have failed to provide Indigenous people with even the most basic requirement of shelter."

Mr Giles said homelessness and overcrowding led to alcohol abuse and anti-social behaviour.

"In the Territory we all suffer as a consequence of that dysfunction," Mr Giles said.

"How can we expect families to be effective when there are no amenities or food preparation facilities, toilets, showers or kitchens?

"We have long known that the conditions in which these people live are a national disgrace. What sort of society are we living in if we can't even provide proper shelter for our most disadvantaged citizens?"

Mr Giles said supply was the immediate priority, yet government failure to release land in a timely fashion has prevented a mix of private, community and public housing solutions from filling the gap.

"Meanwhile existing public housing stock continues to deteriorate and there is a very limited budget available for repairs and upgrades," he said. — AAP, with The Koori mail



Dougie Mansell added atmosphere to the Black Parliament with some songs.

'Black Parliament' demands seats

By Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



'BIG Chief Premier' Jim Everett led his ministers at the first sitting of the Tasmanian 'Black Parliament' in Hobart on the 21 September.

While the mock event was – for the most part – jovial, it was staged to promote serious messages.

Legal Director of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Michael Mansell said the object of the event was to push for three seats in the next Tasmanian Parliament to be set

aside for Aborigines – an idea that was agreed upon at an Aboriginal community meeting a few days before.

He said the precedent had been set in New Zealand, where Maori representation in the Parliament has been in place since the 1860s.

"We are the original people, our lands were invaded, we have been dominated now for 200 years and still are not represented in the Parliament," Mr Mansell said.

He believes it would be a sign of maturity if Tasmania led the way in creating seats in parliament for Aboriginal people.

"There have been many examples of progress in

Tasmania on Aboriginal issues including land rights, compensation for the Stolen Generations and 25,000 people walking in favour of reconciliation in 2000.

"We must keep progressing."

He said it was not enough to encourage Aboriginal culture without giving Aborigines power to do just that.

"Decisions that directly affect Aboriginal people are made in the Parliament but there is not a single Aboriginal there to speak on our behalf," he said.

A small crowd that gathered at the mid morning event on the Parliament lawns clapped, laughed and interjected with the 'parliament'.

As well as political representation, other serious issues were discussed; the use of the Aboriginal flag, strip searches used in arrests for making political expressions, and protection of 42,000-year-old heritage in the path of the partially completed Brighton Bypass road.

There was even music and an impromptu dance from one member of the mainly Aboriginal 'public gallery', whom Minister for Ceremonies Clyde Mansell said was welcome to dance in the parliament any time.

In light of being strip searched after being arrested for trespass during a real life peaceful protest, 'Minister for Justice' Sara

Maynard suggested that all those entering the Parliament remove their clothes and squat.

Pointing to the parliament house only metres behind him, 'Big Chief Premier' Jim Everett suggested that if the Black Parliament's requests were not met a permit to destroy the historic building be sought.

A permit to destroy part of a 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage site to complete the bypass road at Brighton is currently being considered by the Tasmanian Government.

The inaugural sitting closed with an appropriately adapted sing along to Kev Carmody's classic *From Little Things Big Things Grow*.



Designer: Harold Thomas

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Designer: Bernard Namok.



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Circle Courts for five more NSW centres



A RADICAL justice scheme that brings Indigenous offenders face to

face with their victims and allows Aboriginal Elders to help decide sentences is being expanded across NSW.

The State Government announced on Thursday the rollout of Circle Sentencing to regional centres Moree, Ulladulla, Wellington and Coonamble, and the western Sydney suburb of Blacktown.

The expansion is in response to requests by Aboriginal community justice groups following a series of forums held late last year to discuss criminal and civil justice issues.

In all circle courts, the offender, their peers, the magistrate, victim and Aboriginal Elders sit in a circle for a hearing to determine a rehabilitation plan and provide advice on sentencing.

The method has proven effective in the ten NSW

locations where it currently operates, with more than 500 circle sentences being held in the past five years and 70 this year alone.

Since being evaluated in 2008 by the Cultural and Indigenous Research Centre Australia the program has undergone a number of improvements, including intervention plans which help

Hatzistergos said.

"It takes suitable offenders out of the traditional courtroom setting and into the community ... and directly connects Elders to justice outcomes."

Mount Druitt Circle Sentencing project officer and Indigenous community member Maree Jennings says the benefits are far-reaching.

"This program makes offenders accountable to their community and face the consequences of their crime," she said.

"I have seen first-hand how this program establishes a relationship

between offenders and Aboriginal Elders so that they are linked back to the community and programs that can help them."

Circle sentencing is currently underway in Nowra, Dubbo, Walgett, Brewarrina, Bourke, Lismore, Armidale, Kempsey, Nambucca and Mount Druitt. The new circles will begin operating within the next three months. - AAP

'This program makes offenders accountable to their community and face the consequences of their crime'

offenders tackle their behaviour.

It also enhances the long-term effectiveness of the program in addressing recidivism, NSW Attorney-General John Hatzistergos said.

"Circle Sentencing has been identified as an extremely important program by Aboriginal Community Justice Groups because it breaks down barriers between the justice system and Aboriginal communities," Mr

Custodial term no deterrent - study



PUTTING people in prison for burglary or assault does little to deter

them from re-offending, and in fact may increase the risk.

That's according to a new study by the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics.

The Bureau compared 96 matched pairs of convicted burglars and 406 matched pairs of offenders convicted of non-aggravated assault.

One member of each pair received a prison sentence, while the other received some form of non-custodial sanction.

All offenders were exactly matched on offence type, number of concurrent offences, prior prison experience, number of prior appearances in court and bail status at final appearance.

The study found that offenders who received a prison sentence were slightly more likely to re-offend than those who received a non-custodial penalty.

The difference was just significant for non-aggravated



assault but not significant for burglary.

Bureau director Dr Don Weatherburn said the results were consistent with a growing body of evidence that suggested that prison either does nothing to deter offenders or increases the risk of re-offending.

"This does not mean that prison should be abandoned and all prisoners set free," Dr Weatherburn said.

"Prison can be justified on other grounds, such as punishment and incapacitation."

Dr Weatherburn said the study simply showed that

sending people convicted of assault or burglary to prison was no more effective in changing their behaviour than putting them on some form of community-based order.

"In fact it might be slightly worse."

He said statistical methods were used to control for age, age of first conviction, gender, race, plea, number of counts of the principal offence, legal representation and prior breach of a court order. In the case of non-aggravated assault an additional control was included: prior conviction for a violent offence.



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When: Wednesday, 13th October 2010

Time: 10.00 am to 3.00 pm

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API proposes constructing and operating iron ore mines located north of Karratha linked by rail to a port and processing facility at Anketell Point, near Dixon Island.

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- Share and validate outcomes from the above work
- Gain further input about how the project can deliver maximum value to the local community

Anyone with an interest in API's proposed port and processing facility at Anketell Point is encouraged to participate in the stakeholder workshop.

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The Indigenous Department of Screen Australia and ABC Television are calling for Indigenous screenwriters from across Australia to submit episode ideas for a 6 x 1 hour drama series to be set in inner city Sydney.

Produced by Blackfella Films REDFERN NOW will be the first drama series written, directed and produced by Indigenous Australians. It will screen during primetime on ABC 1.

Jimmy McGovern, internationally acclaimed creator and writer of The Street, Cracker and The Lakes will collaborate with the team on the development of the series.

Each story will be one we know and understand but have never seen on TV before - how we love, care, fight, argue and live our lives day to day - funny, heartbreaking, sexy, human, truthful.

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Applications are welcome from experienced or emerging Indigenous storytellers.

For further details and application requirements please refer to REDFERN NOW TV Drama Series guidelines on Screen Australia's website:

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2009–10 reporting season for Indigenous corporations

AGMs: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (CATSI Act) must hold an annual general meeting before the end of November each year.

Lodging reports: corporation reports for 2009–10 are due now. All corporations must lodge their 2009–10 reports with the Registrar under the CATSI Act according to their registered size and income. ORIC recently wrote to all corporations advising them of their current registered size and 2009–10 reporting requirements. Contact ORIC if you need to check what your corporation's reporting requirements are.

Lodge online: there's a quick and safe way to lodge your 2009–10 reports—lodge online! It's easy and it saves you time. Go to <https://online.oric.gov.au>.

Don't be late: this year, the Registrar's compliance campaign is focusing on medium and large corporations that do not lodge reports on time. Large and medium corporations that fail to lodge their 2009–10 reports by 31 December 2010 could face prosecution, along with secretaries of large corporations. Under the CATSI Act the maximum penalties for each report not lodged are \$13 750 for corporations and \$550 for secretaries.

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Membership - Local Health Network Governing Councils

The NSW Government is establishing Local Health Networks as a part of its responsibilities under the National Health and Hospitals Network Agreement. Each Local Health Network will comprise a group of public hospitals, linked by a geographic or functional connection.

Governing Councils will be established for each local health network. Each Governing Council will be responsible for establishing and overseeing an effective governance and risk management framework for the network, setting its strategic directions, ensuring high standards of professional and ethical conduct are maintained, involving providers and the community in decisions that affect them, monitoring the service delivery and financial performance of the network against its targets and holding the network chief executive accountable for their performance.

The NSW Government is inviting applications from people interested in becoming a member of a Local Health Network Governing Council. Members will be expected to actively contribute to the effective governance of these significant public sector organisations which provide a broad range of health services to the NSW community.

Individuals should demonstrate the capacity to represent the interest of consumers of health services and the local community served by a network, and indicate any affiliations with universities, clinical schools or research centres, as well as skills and experience in one or more of the following areas:

- corporate governance;
- health management/health administration;
- business /financial management/public administration;
- clinical practice/provision of health services to patients;
- expertise, knowledge or experience in relation to Aboriginal health;
- understanding of local community issues

To apply, interested individuals are requested to complete an expression of interest indicating their skills and experience relevant to the role of a Member of a Governing Council.

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Uranium plan hits early snag

NT Govt to oppose mine near 'Alice'



A NORTHERN Territory Government decision to oppose a uranium mine at Angela Pamela, 20km south of Alice Springs, has disappointed the uranium industry, but has environmentalists rejoicing.

The Government had previously granted an exploration licence to Cameco. The uranium deposit is on a pastoral lease where the Native Title Act applies.

But a mine at Angela Pamela may not be off the cards, with NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson conceding that the final say on the matter rests with the Federal Government.

Mr Henderson announced his Government's decision last Tuesday, saying it was based on strong community opposition to such a mine which, given its close proximity, would have 'very real potential' to adversely affect the tourism market and the Alice Springs economy.

"We have listened to the concerns and views of the Alice Springs community and there is strong opposition to the mine," he said in a statement.

"Labor's Araluen candidate Adam Findlay has also been receiving this feedback very strongly while doorknocking in the electorate."

But Mr Henderson said that the decision did not mean that his Government was opposed to the establishment of new uranium mines elsewhere in the Territory.

Central Australia Minister Karl Hampton supported the decision to oppose a mine at Angela Pamela, in his Government role and as an Alice Springs local.

"A lot of Alice residents have expressed concern to me about the proximity of the proposed mine; this decision is a great step for Alice Springs," he said.

The Australian Greens, the Australian Conservation Foundation (ACF), the Arid Lands Environment Centre (ALEC) at Alice Springs all welcomed the news, saying it was

testament to the hard work done by opponents of the proposed development.

"(This decision)... closes the door on an unsustainable and unwanted industrial activity," said ACF nuclear free campaigner Dave Sweeney.

"The project joint venturers Cameco/Paladin should now accept the clear community and NTG verdict and cease operations.

"The joint venturers have exploration approval but do not – and have never had – any mining approval.

"Any application for a future mineral lease requires NT Government and Commonwealth approval. Today's announcement removes Northern Territory Government support for any future mining application and means the project is effectively ended."

Australian Greens Senator Scott Ludlam congratulated the NT Government on its decision, which he said was a credit to the Territorians and their supporters who had 'worked hard to expose the real and present hazards of uranium mining'.

"Our thoughts turn to those communities around the country who will take heart from this decision in their own work to halt the expansion of this industry," he said.

Pressure on Federal Govt

Senator Ludlam called on Federal Resources Minister Martin Ferguson to give an assurance that the Federal Government would not override the NT position.

The Federal Government has refused to do so, on the basis that there is no current application to mine uranium before the Commonwealth.

"As a form of insurance, the NT Government should indicate that they will never grant a mineral lease or any other approval to progress mining activity at Angela Pamela," Senator Ludlam said.

"This will provide certainty to the mining company and remove the ambiguity that the Commonwealth Government has introduced into the debate."

ALEC Project Officer Jess Abrahams also called for a permanent ban on uranium mining at Angela Pamela.

"Both Paul Henderson and Terry Mills must now categorically rule out that any government led by them would ever grant a mineral lease at the site," he said.

"... we call on both sides of Territory politics to match words with actions and permanently ban uranium mining at Angela Pamela."



● **LEFT:** Chief Minister Paul Henderson says the decision doesn't mean the Govt is opposed to the establishment of new uranium mines elsewhere in the Territory.



Central Australia Minister Karl Hampton says the NT Government decision to oppose the Angela Pamela uranium mine is a good one.

KLC has two chairmen



FOR the first time in its 32-year history, the Kimberley Land Council has appointed two chairmen – Tom Birch and Frank Davey.

Mr Birch had already been chairman for 11 years and Mr Davey was his deputy for the past eight years.

When it came to vote for the position at the annual meeting recently, the vote was tied.

"Since the KLC continues to grow, they decided two chairmen could be a good thing," a spokesperson said.

Also at the AGM, a petition was signed by more than 200 attendees in protest to West Australian Premier Colin Barnett's plan to compulsorily acquire land at James Price

Point, near Broome, to build a gas hub.

"We have the right to decide what happens to our land and sea country," the petition said.

The AGM, which was held at Milpa, outside Halls Creek, ran from 21-23 September.

As part of the gathering, a graduation ceremony was held to present Wungurr rangers with their Certificates in Conservation and Land Management from TAFE.

Ranger Neil Waina, from Kalumburu, was given a special mention at the graduation as he won the WA Indigenous Trainee of the Year Award, beating 6000 other entrants.

The Kimberley language Resource Centre and Kimberley Aboriginal law and Culture Centre also conducted their AGMs at Milpa.



Kimberley Land Council (KLC) Joint Chairmen Tom Birch (left) and Frank Davey (right). For the first time in the KLC's history, it will have two chairmen. Mr Birch has been chairman for 11 years, while Mr Davey had been his deputy for eight years.



Miner in deal to protect rock art



ONE of the richest rock art centres in the world – the Woodstock Abydos Reserve in east Pilbara – will have its cultural heritage values protected and managed under an agreement between

Aboriginal and mining interests.

The agreement between Palyku native title claimants and Hancock Prospecting relates to the company's proposed heavy haulage rail line to connect their Roy Hill project with Port Hedland, and provides financial and non-financial benefits.

Palyku Elder Terry Jaffrey said the protection of sacred sites had been important.

"In the negotiations, we made it clear that we don't want any of our special places to be disturbed," he said.

"Hancock has agreed to avoid all sacred sites, and to provide funds to protect the Woodstock Abydos heritage listed area."

Side benefits

The agreement also specifies a portion of the financial benefits to be used for an employment, training and education program and a Health and Elderly Support Fund. These programs are in addition to Hancock's commitment to implement a Pilbara Indigenous Employment policy, and provide contracting preferences for Pilbara Indigenous companies.

Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation's Acting CEO, Peter (Nyaparu) Jeffries, said Woodstock Abydos reserve had immense national and international significance, which Hancock Prospecting had recognised by committing to protect its heritage value and the environment throughout the course of the works connected with the railway.

"To us it's a very important place," Mr Jaffrey said.

"I spent most of my time over the past decade dealing with mining companies, looking after it, and I'll keep on looking after it.

"That's why we have to work with Hancock to make sure they don't disturb anything. It's very important to me and to our children's children."

The agreement with the Palyku people is the latest to be signed by Hancock over its rail corridor, which will affect several native title claims.



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New England deal signed



NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) deputy chair Tom Briggs has hailed a new agreement between a group of land councils and the Federal and State governments 'a line in the sand' in terms of working together to achieve outcomes for Indigenous people.

Federal and State Indigenous Affairs ministers Jenny Macklin and Paul Lynch were in Armidale on 23 September to sign a Heads of Agreement with the 14 local Aboriginal land councils (LALCs) in the New England region, as the precursor to the signing of the Regional Partnership Agreement later in the year.

Cr Briggs, who is also Councillor for the Northern Region, said the agreement would govern how the Federal and State governments engaged with Aboriginal people in crucial areas such as housing, culture and heritage, and economic development.

Work together

"This agreement represents a line in the sand – a statement that we all recognise the need to work together," he said.

"Of course, we should be fully aware that the eyes of Aboriginal people will now be focussed on achieving outcomes. Outcomes will be how we are measured by our mob.

"The hard work will now commence. We must focus on putting in place structures and programs which put our people at the centre of our work.

"In doing so, we look forward to a respectful and mutually beneficial relationship, where we come to the table as equal partners."

The land councils involved in the New



From left, Paul Lynch, Jenny Macklin, and NSWALC deputy chairman Tom Briggs in Armidale for the signing of the Heads of Agreement. Photo courtesy of NSWAL

England Regional Partnership Agreement are Amaroo, Anaiwan, Armidale, Ashford, Coonabarabran, Dorrigo Plateau, Glen Innes, Guyra, Moombahlene, Nungaroo, Red Chief, Tamworth, Walhallow, and Wanaruah.

To support the development of the new partnership agreement, the Federal Government will provide \$60,000 to establish a project management team to

drive employment and enterprise activities under the direction of the Northern Region Forum.

This team will identify opportunities for local employment, training and economic development and develop a business plan to maximise outcomes for local people.

The Government will also invest \$40,000 to build local leadership, leadership workshops for Aboriginal Elders from

across the region.

The Federal and NSW governments are also providing a further \$50,000 each to the Northern Region Forum to immediately assist Forum activities, including assistance to consult further with key stakeholders such as local Aboriginal consultative bodies and service providers, and the Indigenous community about what other priorities and actions will be pursued under the RPA.

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Filmmakers celebrated



From left, Pauline Clague (*First Contact* producer), Debra Miller (ScreenWest's Indigenous project officer), Rachel Perkins (*Bran Nue Dae* director and Screen Australia board member), Gillian Moody (Investment/development manager Screen Australia Indigenous Department), Sally Riley (Head of ABC TV's Indigenous Department), Erica Glynn (Head of Screen Australia's Indigenous Department), Adrian Wills (*Bourke Boy* director), Dr Ruth Harley (CEO Screen Australia).



SCREEN Australia has launched a list of films since the 1970s where

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians have played key roles.

Indigenous Australian filmmakers have broken through to achieve both critical and commercial success in recent years, and The Black List catalogues the work of 257 of those with credits as producer, director, writer, or director of photography on a total of 674 screen productions.

"In the 1970s, there were no feature films with an Indigenous Australian in a key creative role, and only one TV drama title. More than 20 years later, the first decade of the 2000s has seen Indigenous filmmakers contribute to nine features and 16 TV dramas," said Ruth Harley, chief executive of Screen Australia, which produced the catalogue.

"Indigenous filmmakers have broken through to achieve both critical and commercial success, with Rachel Perkins' *Bran Nue Dae* taking more than seven

million dollars at the Australian box office, Warwick Thornton winning the Cannes Caméra d'Or for *Samson & Delilah*, and multiple awards for programs such as *First Australians* and *The Circuit*.

"The Black List celebrates these contemporary screen storytellers and those who have gone before. It reveals how far the Indigenous filmmaking sector has come."

Black List

The listings go back as far as 1970 for feature films and telemovies, to 1980 for documentaries and mini-series, and to 1988 for shorts and series. Titles are indexed by year and by filmmaker, and the book also features a statistical summary and timeline of key titles and events.

Some of Australia's leading Indigenous filmmakers including Rachel Perkins, Darren Dale, Adrian Wills, Pauline Clague, Sally Riley, and Erica Glynn attended the list's launch in Sydney on 23 September.

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A Yarn With...



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Favourite bush tucker?
Fish, banana and wild yam.

Favourite other food?
KFC.

Favourite drink?
XXXX beer or tea without sugar.

Favourite movie?
Brave Heart, Zulu and Apocalypse Now.

Favourite books?
No time to read at the moment, except plenty of faxes.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
All of my family and friends because they are the most important people in my life.

What do you like in life?
I like to take my family out on an isolated sandbar in the evening, have a campfire, some music and a good yarn. That's the time when I write songs.

What don't you like?
I don't like the kids eating so much junk food. I'd like to stop all the junk food coming to the Torres Strait.

If you could, what would you do to make things better for Torres Strait Islanders?
I would try to generate employment for the young ones and encourage all parents to visit the schools their children are going to so that they are part of their education.

Quote



'I'm very honoured to be in this position, to be the custodian of a collection that celebrated the best of Indigenous art, art that has been created for more than 40,000 years, continuing to evolve and change.'

– Franchesca Cubillo, senior curator of Indigenous art, NGA

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Unquote

Some lows and some highs

As we've said before, it has been a big fortnight. Some of the most compelling activities for our mob during that time centred around the nation's capital, beginning with the official opening of the 43rd Parliament.

The inclusion of an Aboriginal Welcome to Country in the formal proceedings is a most welcome, if overdue, development. We can't help but wonder how the whole affair sat with those, including some politicians, who've cast aspersions on such welcomes or, indeed, acknowledgements of country.

The following day, the first Aboriginal person elected to the House of Representatives – Liberal MP Ken Wyatt – delivered his much-anticipated maiden speech.

Mr Wyatt later confided to *The Koori Mail* that he'd practised the speech many times without becoming emotional, but had been unable to hold back tears when he finally rose to his feet to tell those in the chamber about the experiences of his late mother, her siblings and thousands of other members of the Stolen Generations.

Mr Wyatt's words and delivery were dignified, a credit to his Noongar Elders who had given him the kangaroo fur cloak he wore on his shoulders. His observation that mainstream Australia could learn a lot from the reverence that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people usually pay to their Elders was especially insightful. The standing ovation, handshakes and hugs he received from both sides of the House were well deserved.



OUR SAY

The diversity of opinions and approaches within our own communities was more than apparent this fortnight.

Also walking the parliamentary corridors was an Aboriginal delegation from Cape York. Their diametric opposition to fellow Cape Yorkers Noel Pearson and the Cape York Land Council on the issue of Queensland's Wild Rivers will chew up airtime and news space for months to come, especially with the announcement of (another) federal inquiry into the controversial laws. And the impact of violence in the remote Northern Territory community of Yuendumu will also linger on. This difficult and sensitive situation won't be resolved through the media but with cool heads, time, and acknowledgement and respect for the realities of Aboriginal community life.

Lastly, the 2010 Deadly Awards provided a heartening affirmation of much of what is good about our communities. The awards ceremony was not without its hitches but, while there's always room for improvement, it still provided plenty of feel-good moments, laughs, and quite a bit of cheek. Congratulations to all of the winners, all of them worthy.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Rex plans to keep fighting for health

By MAHALA STROHFELDT

THERE is no doubt that Uncle Rex Marshall has lived a full and rewarding life. Full of the kind of challenges that makes life interesting and a career spanning decades that has seen him become a leader in Indigenous mental health.

And yet, despite all the accolades that have come his way, he says it is simply family – with whom to share the joys and triumphs – that matters most in the end.

The Grafton Elder, 67, had looked forward to retirement, spending time with his family, looking after his active grandchildren and sharing in the rich community life of his hometown.

That was until a massive heart attack landed him in intensive care at the Royal North Shore hospital for three weeks last year. Once he regained consciousness and discovered the 40-odd family members gathered around his bedside, he realised how close he had come to dying.

As the days of slow recovery turned into weeks and then months, the Elder had time to think back on his life. Returning home he realised more than ever the importance of family.

But worse news was yet to come.

Last month Rex was diagnosed with Asbestosis, a type of lung disease caused by inhaling asbestos fibres, a condition with a poor prognosis and no known cure.

Good attitude

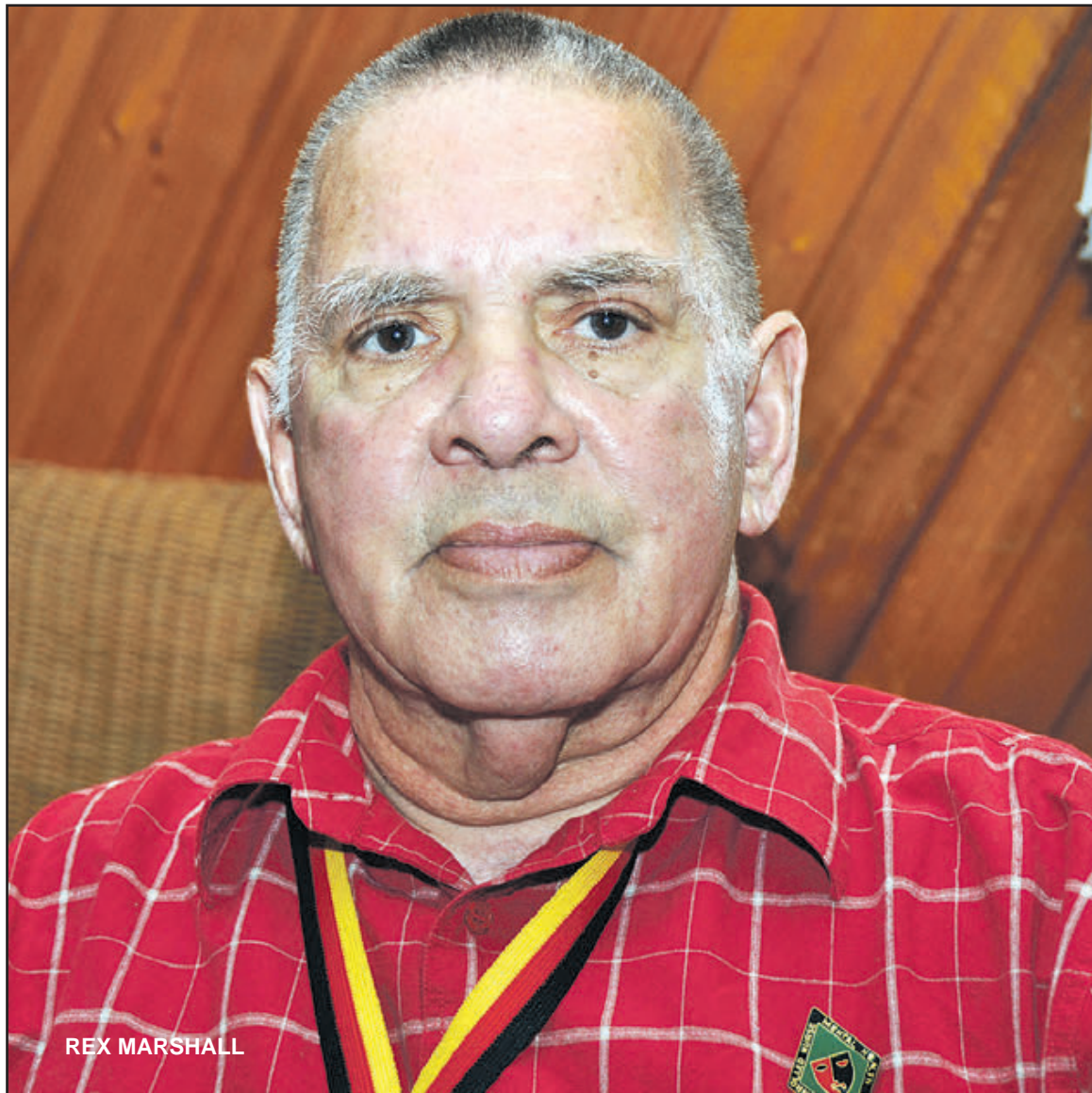
Rex's attitude to life, however, hasn't changed – he has vowed to keep laughing and enjoying life and to continue fighting for Aboriginal rights until his last breath.

"This has made me a stronger person, I know I'm going to die, the doctor has given me ten years," he told *The Koori Mail* last week. "I worked as a bagger for the Baryulgil asbestos mine when I was about 18 and that's where I got this from."

"I'm feeling at peace, when I die... well I'm expecting that to happen, I'm not denying it... I just think it makes you a better person and you enjoy every minute you've got left."

But don't think his work is done yet. As a mental health nurse and Aboriginal rights campaigner, Rex has spent his life caring for Aboriginal people suffering from mental illness and rallying against injustice.

It is a role he took up early on in life. He was 21 when he started his enrolled nursing studies in



1973 at the Armidale hospital.

The young 'Nurse Marshall', as he was known to his clients back then, held a passion for nursing but it was his own personal battle with mental illness that gave him the impetus to take his skills further and specialise in psychiatric nursing.

And he has remained there ever since, working with patients suffering from everything from the most severe schizophrenia to depression and other mood disorders and everything in between.

First diagnosed with severe depression in his early twenties, he spent the next few years trying to manage it.

At 67, he remains ever vigilant to those first telltale signs that a relapse is on its way.

"Major depression makes you feel like you want to withdraw. Even today I struggle with it, but it's been my family who know when it's time to start ringing or come around and tell me it's time to come out," Rex said.

"Family is so important to recovery and health and wellbeing for Aboriginal people."

Not one to take things lying

down – an approach he has taken towards most challenges his entire life – he channelled his recovery into information and knowledge – and used it to help others.

"I had always wanted to be a nurse, but that's part of the reason I became a mental health nurse, because I suffer from a mental illness myself, although I was stable. I was always up front about it and I think my work with clients has benefited from it, I knew where they were coming from."

Early days

But in the early days at least, the Aboriginal nurse faced many challenges. He admits he has seen the best and worst of the public mental health system.

"I've worked across a range of settings, in Broken Hill, Armidale and Kempsey. I've worked with the Wilcannia mob and at that stage they were going through a deaths in custody and that was difficult," he said.

"I also had to push to get the system to accept my position, I remember walking into the ward in Wilcannia with the sister to see an

Aboriginal patient and being stopped from actually seeing them, I had to fight against discrimination but I never let them get the better of me.

"Families also felt more comfortable coming to me about the treatment of their loved ones."

It was a hard-won respect that saw Rex move up in the state's mental health system, forging new ways of doing things in a system dominated by the medical model and battling to change people's attitudes to Indigenous people.

"Our way of healing is different than the mainstream," he said. "For one thing, we have 'clever men' who can talk to that spirit making that person sick, and families feel more comfortable talking to someone who understands the cultural perspective."

After a lifetime of work in the industry, Rex has been acknowledged for his efforts.

In 1989, he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia for his services to health, education and welfare. Last year he was a finalist in the NSW Aboriginal Health Awards for the Hall of Fame. He devised one of the first

mental health programs in New South Wales that ran successfully for more than two decades.

Most recently, his work with the Aboriginal Mental Health Awareness Program won an award in the Indigenous Mental Health Category in the 2010 Mental Health Matters Awards.

Despite all these accolades and awards, he remains adamant that his efforts have been driven by his love of Aboriginal people and the need to change things for the better.

"What drives me after all these years is my love for Aboriginal people. They've given me a lot and that gives me the reason to keep going, I'm very grateful to the Aboriginal community."

Grateful

While his early years were idyllic in many ways – 'born and bred in Grafton' into a close and loving family of ten siblings – he realised early on the disparities in Indigenous affairs and rallied against the system to try and change things.

"Growing up, colour was never an issue, if there was a colour problem in Grafton it was well hidden, but once I moved to Kempsey that's where I saw a lot of problems," he said.

"Race relations were very poor. I knew things were wrong and we weren't being treated right, and we needed to do something about the issues."

Incensed with the lack of Aboriginal voice in Indigenous affairs, Rex won a position on the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee (NACC) while he was still finishing his enrolled nursing.

"I was always motivated to try and change things for Aboriginal people, I saw things that just weren't right. I'll admit that I was a bit prejudiced myself, I hated some of those white people for what they were doing to us back then, the injustices were wrong."

But looking back on his life now, he has come to a sort of peace, with his life and all the challenges it has held, along with the triumphs.

"I'm a relaxed little blackfella. I'm proud of being an Aboriginal mental health nurse, I'm feeling at peace with everything. I've always been a positive person and that isn't changing now, I still laugh a lot, thank god I am what I am. All this had made a better me."

"My doctor said that one day I won't be able to leave the house. Well, until then, I'm just going to keep doing what I'm doing. I've led a happy life, I've been able to help people and done what I wanted to do."

"I think that when I die, I'll die a happy black man."

Heritage Act, 1977 Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

Newington Armament Depot and Nature Reserve - Holker Street, Sydney Olympic Park

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

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Transitional Case Workers
- 3) **Family and Children of Offenders Support Stream.**
Family Support Workers
Children's Support Service
Family Transport Service

The relevant Expression of Interest Information and Submission Package can be found at: www.correctiveservices.nsw.gov.au/offender_management/community_engagement

The closing date for applications is **5pm Thursday 11 November 2010.**

Please contact Karina Stuart A/Co-Ordinator, Community Funding Programs for further information on (02) 8346 1004 or via email at karina.stuart@dcs.nsw.gov.au

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Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program

Corrective Services NSW allocates a percentage from Corrective Service Industries annual generated income to the Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program. The program allows offenders to make reparation to the community by providing grants to eligible community agencies working with victims of violent crime.

Corrective Services NSW is now calling for Expressions of Interest from organisations for one-off funding for victims of violent crime projects and resources in 2010/2011.

Applications for funding up to \$15,000 under the 2010/2011 Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program are invited from eligible incorporated, non-profit, non-government, community-based organisations that provide services to victims of violent crime.

Applications which seek to assist children and youth, people in rural and isolated areas, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people from non-English Speaking backgrounds, people with a disability and older people are particularly encouraged to apply.

Application Packages for the Victims of Violent Crime Grants Program can be found at: www.correctiveservices.nsw.gov.au/offender_management/community_engagement

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Search goes on up north

So last week I was at the Gamarada Life Skills Program info session.

It was a great night full of speeches and a packed room of people.

I sat next to a nice looking fulla (we didn't yarn though) and when it was time to get up and get a feed I lost him in the sea of people.

He was there with a male friend of his.

I thought it was great that two young fullas came along to an info night for a men's group.

It shows you they are interested in self-improvement and connecting with other brothers.

That's very attractive!

I wore my black dress to make it easier for people to recognise me, but unfortunately I didn't meet anyone new.

If you were there but didn't come up and say hi, drop me



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an email, I'd love to meet you!

So even though I flashed my smile and said hi to a few people, I was unlucky and didn't meet anyone special. But I'm not all that worried.

I'll head along to the next Gamarada event and see what happens.

My next adventure in love

is still to come. And it might be sooner than later.

You see, I'm on holidays at the moment.

I've dragged myself out of the city and away from work for two weeks rest and relaxation.

I thought after a few years working hard for the money it was time I took some time out.

What I wanted was a nice little holiday in the country.

A little town that's close to the beach but not too close in case of tsunamis (I'm from a scared-of-the-beach inland mob).

And I wanted to stay somewhere with family so I can stay for free!

I've found the perfect little spot.

I'm staying at a lovely little town on the North Coast of New South Wales.

Maybe you've heard of it? It's Kempsey, famous for it's

traffic jams during school holidays, the RSL and the gaol.

While I'm here I'll head out to the famous RSL for a night or two to hopefully meet some of the locals.

Never know your luck in the big city of Kempsey!

I've known a few people who've found love here.

I'll just have to get one of my best cousins working to introduce me to some nice single fullas eh!

Imagine, my next column could be about how I found love at the Kempsey RSL club, bless.

Big city or country town, you never know your luck unless you get out there.

If you see me out, feel free to buy me a red lemonade.

I'll be the girl still rocking that black dress!

You on holidays too?

Post me a message at www.mskoorilove.com.au

Mari Nawi open



Photo by Sarah Herman, State Library of NSW.



LEFT: Matthew Doyle and Clarence Slockee performed the roles of historical Aboriginal figures Bennelong and Yemmerrawanne, as part of the opening of the Mari Nawi exhibition. RIGHT: Portrait of Bennelong by Waterhouse.

By MARGARET SMITH



A HUSH descended on the large crowd in the foyer of

Sydney's Mitchell Library, as performers playing historical Aboriginal figures Bennelong and Yemmerrawanne stepped onto the podium and began singing a long lost song.

Dressed in regency suits, performers Clarence Slockee and Matthew Doyle sang to the beat of their clap sticks, drawing rapturous applause from the audience.

The pair were at the opening of Mari Nawi, which celebrates the lives of Eora people and their maritime skills and sea voyages from 1790 to 1850 in an exhibition of archival paintings, sketches, notebooks, and a life size traditional bark canoe.

Exhibitions curator Keith Vincent Smith, had discovered the song in the

British Museum and believes that that it was the first Aboriginal song heard and performed in Europe.

It is purported to be a love song to Bennelong's English lover, sung at an official function in 1793 London where the two men were living having left Sydney a year earlier with the ailing Governor Arthur Phillip.

Enormous debt

Filmmaker Rachel Perkins told the crowd she was honoured to open the exhibition, and owed Keith Vincent Smith an enormous debt for his research for the TV series *First Australians*, his books on Bennelong and Bungaree and for Mari Nawi.

"Keith has done some great detective work in the archives. He is mostly dwelling in another time zone – that of Aboriginal Sydney and the lives we see here in the exhibition – he has a dual existence," Ms Perkins said.

"What an extraordinary environment these Aboriginal people had.

"Their babies were brought up in canoes as their mothers fished and tended fires and cooked.

"The waterways were the Eora's highways...The Aboriginal people who went on voyages redefined the paradigm of the Australian explorer.

"They were the first Australians to go to Hawaii and Canada."

Ms Perkins said she was also proud to be associated with the Mitchell Library, which had a special focus on their Aboriginal collection through their Indigenous librarians Melissa Jackson and Ronald Briggs.

Upstairs in the exhibition, which spans two large rooms, the named portraits of many early explorers and their stories are displayed.

Bungaree's fifth generation descendant Robert Waterer revealed that he had only

discovered two years ago that his family was related to Bungaree, who circumnavigated Australia with Matthew Flinders.

Clarence Slockee told *The Koori Mail* that he had felt the weight of history and past ancestors on his shoulders when he was performed as Bennelong.

He and Matthew Doyle have recorded the song for the Conservatorium of Music.

"To be approached to sing it was an honour, and we hope they would have been proud of our effort," Mr Doyle said.

Shane Phillips from Sydney's Tribal Warrior told *The Koori Mail* that, 'As someone who has connections with blackfellas' vessels and our seafaring ancestors, they've breathed life into this again'.

The exhibition is free and continues in the Mitchell Library (part of the State Library of NSW) until 12 December.



Brad Higgins, of Yarrabah, urges a revamp at the Deadly Awards. His letter is on Page 24

A special place

OUR old people used to go to that site at kutalayna (Lower Jordan River Levee), near what is now called Hobart.

There are stone tools there everywhere. It's a very

special place to us, we want to go and stay there but we can't because the bridge is already started.

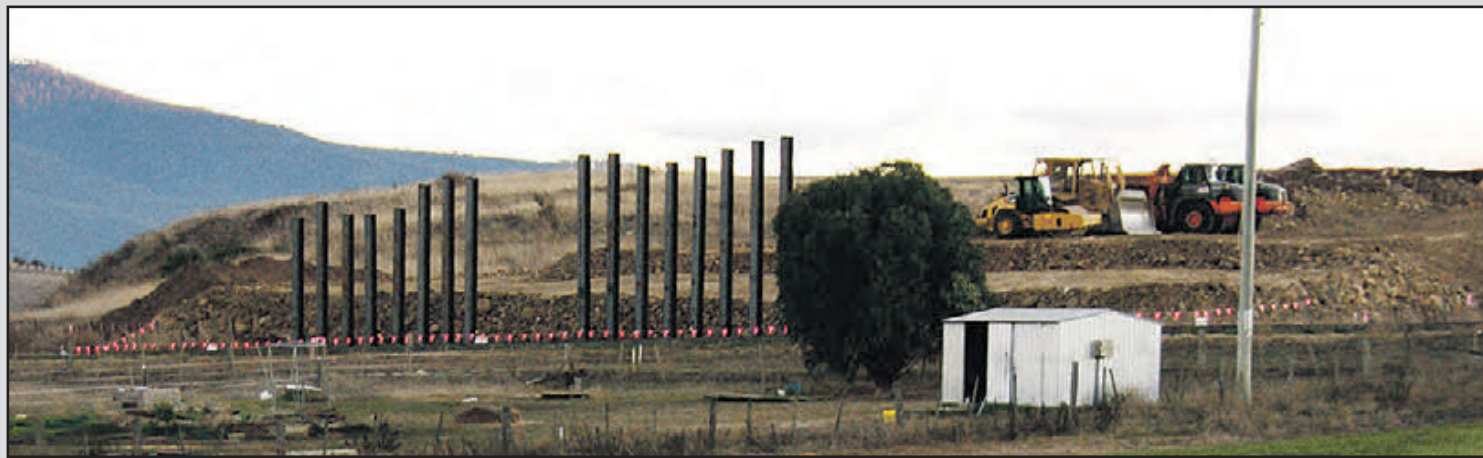
They shouldn't build the bridge because it's not part of the land. Building the

bridge isn't looking after it, it's going to make it worse.

The Government should listen to us. Us kids want to go down there and use the branches to make spears,

but we can't if the Government destroys it.

SHAYNELLE ARMSTRONG
Tasmanian Aboriginal community member
Aged eight



Pylons erected in preparation for the proposed Brighton bypass over the 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage site.

Photo by JILLIAN MUNDY

Reserve seats for Indigenous MPs

DAMIAN Voss (Mercury, Letters, 28 September 2010) is right about two things when he describes the democratic political system in Australia – that it's flawed and that it's there to represent the masses.

So how then, are Aboriginal people supposed to have fair representation in government when the overwhelming majority that make up the masses, are non-Aboriginal?

It is not 'ludicrous' to have Aboriginal reserved seating in Parliament, as Mr Voss suggests. What is ludicrous is to think that Aborigines are going to receive fair representation under the existing political system.

Mr Voss then goes on to say that he would vote for anyone regardless of who they were, their origins or the colour of their skin. I doubt that, considering he speaks of Tasmanian Aborigines as people who 'have some Aboriginal blood in them'.

ADAM THOMPSON
Aboriginal Political Action Group
Launceston, Tas

Who is serious about 'closing the gap'?

AS a concerned Aboriginal community member, I ask where were our Indigenous leaders leading up to the election?

Have we just sat down since the Government said 'Sorry'?

Do we have no more fight left in us?

Who is serious about 'closing the gap'?

Is it only Indigenous people, communities and organisations?

The Rudd Government said 'sorry' to Aboriginal people of Australia and the Government took on a new catchword in 'Closing the Gap' in health and wellbeing. Indigenous health became a major concern and priority for the Government.

In 2010, Indigenous issues weren't even on the election campaign agenda for the Gillard Labor Government. It was as if Aboriginal people didn't exist.

To add salt to the wound, although she later reinstated it, Prime Minister Gillard

axed the Indigenous health portfolio from Warren Snowdon, which further showed the lack of commitment from the Labor Government towards the first Australians.

Gillard compliments Jenny Macklin on the great job that she has done for Indigenous people. However, if it's not happening in the NT, Ms Macklin is nowhere to be seen, especially not in South Australia.

As Aboriginal and Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said (Sydney Morning Herald, 13 September 2010), 'It is vital that this focus be maintained as we cannot allow Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health to be forgotten in the push to establish (Labor's) health and hospitals network'.

WARREN MILLER
Adelaide, SA

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– EDITOR

YOUR POETRY

This Country

This country is my country. It is a land filled with hope, prosperity, and culture. It is a land that has spirit and untold stories from the past.

This country is where my ancestors lived for thousands of years, and left their undying love on rocks and caves sharing their secrets. Their spirits dwell amongst us, and they guide us to understand the truth of our heritage. Sometimes we listen, sometimes we ignore them.

This country has its people. Like the mother of a child, she holds her people to her soul, and protects the very essence of who we are. It nurtures us, and feeds us, providing the lessons we need to survive!

This country is beautiful, and offers a maze of widespread lands that is untouched, and unspoiled, and it is there, that you see the beauty of what we have, and can never give away.

This country is my country.

ED BAILEY
Queanbeyan, NSW

Pancreatic cancer

Darkness falls
beclouds my mind
Amidst the silence
your soul still shines

Beside the bed a photo
last year by the beach
Standing buff and bronze
you're smiling cheek to cheek

Now your bedridden body
is withered, sore and frail
Your lack of time outside
has left you looking pale

With seemingly ruthless ease
you're strangled by this disease
You even winch with pain
each time you have to breathe

I remember with perfect clarity
when the news arrived
I hung up the phone in disbelief
then sank to the floor and cried

To seek relief from the growing grief
I recall memories from the past
The camping trips, my hissy fits
your famous bellowing laugh

But now you're trapped in bed
Your body worn and broken
The whole world knows your fate
It's a word that's never spoken

Moonshine streams through
curtains parted
the darkness disappears
This lilac light soothes our soul
dispelling grief and fear...

JONATHAN HILL
Kensington, NSW



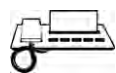
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Need for a revamp?

INDIGENOUS Australia's biggest night of nights – otherwise known as the Deadlys is gaining momentum, but are the awards 'genuine'?

The voting system has to be put under the 'microscope'.

The Deadlys were a low-key event before. Fast-forward to 2010 – it looks like a cavalcade of mainstream propaganda being held at the Sydney Opera House.

Some people may say, 'why bad-mouth the Deadlys?'

Firstly, I say that 29,000 votes don't count for a nation of nearly a million Aboriginal people.

These Deadly Awards are not what they are made out to be. They judge and recognise Indigenous talent in a lot of areas, including community, sports, the arts and music.

The credibility of these awards has to be judged. Why? Because, in my opinion, they don't recognise our real champions.

The nomination and voting system for these awards needs a whole revamp.

A total of 29,000 votes were counted, a record count, according to the organisers, but are all these votes genuine Aboriginal votes?

I started thinking about this last



year after watching Leah Purcell beat Marissa Gibson for the Female Actor of the Year Deadly.

Marissa was the young star of Australia's biggest earning movie *Samson & Delilah*, which was a winner at the International Cannes Film Festival.

Yet, she was not recognised in her own country at the Deadlys.

As for Leah, she is a stage actor and did not take the world by storm like Marissa.

I am sure that a lot of Marissa's mob in the Northern Territory

would have voted for her, but couldn't because of limited access to the internet. In fact, a lot of community-based grass-roots bama (people) would love the chance to be a part of the Deadlys nomination and voting process because so much of it is online.

This year was no different. Yarrabah product Fred Mudraby was snubbed big-time for a Deadly in the sports category.

Fred has been a professional Australian boxing champion for the past three years and is a

future world champion in the making. He has captured three Australian titles in three different weight divisions.

If that's not a champion, what is?

Fred lost out to NRL player Ben Barba, who has barely established himself in the starting 13 at the Bulldogs.

I wonder how long it will take before the organisers from the Deadlys will recognise someone other than a rugby league player or an AFL player.

Another one is singer Dan Sultan, who won a Deadly for Single of the Year for his song *Letter*.

I and many in my community have never heard of that song. If it was 'deadly' all us Aboriginal people would know him or his music.

Troy Cassar-Daley must be scratching his head wondering 'why'.

It goes to show a lot of the votes come from the mainstream city areas or non-Indigenous voters who have internet access - nowhere else.

Damn shame, that this is the way we have to recognise Indigenous talents, by voting through the net.

The award organisers needs to re-think this questionable voting and nominating system.

How can a non-Indigenous vote be counted for an Indigenous poll?

Finally, I hope the organisers of the Deadlys do their homework next year.

Let's see 'proper Indigenous recognition' for 'proper Indigenous awards'.

BRAD HIGGINS
Yarrabah, Qld



JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED

Graduating from the University of Newcastle's Bachelor of Medicine – Joint Medical Program in 2009 has put 33-year-old Beimop Tapim one step closer to his goal of facilitating change for Indigenous Australians.

Originally from Murray Island in the Torres Strait, Beimop enrolled at the University of Newcastle after 10 years as a medical sailor in the Royal Australian Navy.

"As the years went on I became more and more interested in the clinical side of what I was doing in the Navy and as a Phase Four Medic, I had gone as far as I could, so I decided to undertake a medicine degree and become a doctor."

"Coming from a small community to university was daunting, but The Wollotuka Institute provided a haven for me during my studies."

"Wollotuka is an extremely nurturing environment in which everyone is offered a lot of support."

"I was given help in finding accommodation, as well as tutorial assistance. For the five years of my degree, I felt at home at Wollotuka because the staff were so helpful and caring."

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The Wollotuka Institute wishes to congratulate all of the students who have graduated this year.

There are 16 places available each year for Indigenous students in the Bachelor of Medicine – Joint Medical Program (JMP). For enquiries about the JMP and alternative entry programs, please contact Luke Halvorsen on (02) 4921 8743 or email deadlydocs@newcastle.edu.au



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A moving experience

I HAD the pleasure of attending the production of *Ngurru-Milmarramirw/ Wrong Skin* by the Chooky Dancers.

I cried throughout the whole thing.

Yes, I'm a big sook and proud, I was blown away by the Chooky Dancers doing their *Zorba the Greek* dance.

I was deeply touched by this unique show, the standard

of the performers was above any I have seen to date.

I left the Opera House feeling very proud and honoured to have witnessed this amazing show.

From one proud Wiradjuri woman, thank you to those fantastic brothers and sisters from Elcho Island.

DORIS SLABB
Via email



The Chooky Dancers.
Photo courtesy of the Sydney Opera House.

Happy reader says thanks

IT was encouraging reading the success and victories, the preserving and the mentoring and leadership breakthroughs, in *The Koori Mail* of 25 August.

And also of a traditional owner and custodian who said 'no' to mining on his land, by a French company – caring for country instead.

As if our earth has not been violated and destroyed enough.

Thank you to Ms Koori Love for a fantastic laugh. Your humour and an interesting message all combined.

If a 'whitey' can comment, indeed the single ladies are a different and varied lot, and there must be other single ladies who are repulsed by straying husbands, out there.

For us, we have high respect for our married gender, whatever nationality, culture or skin colour. It's a sisterhood thing.

Thank you so much for all the voices that are in your newspaper. I need to learn and understand.

If only our air would stop being poisoned by these toxins and the foulness of cigarettes and marihuana smoke. It is really putrid, it's all over the country, coming over the fence and in to our homes and apartments. Kids and babies forced to inhale that rubbish.

It should not exist at all, the menace to us all, and the same with alcohol. What a mess this has caused in our world.

I still don't know who won the election. Those pre-election advertisements and 'charming' moments on television were really painful to watch, so I didn't. I turned it off instead.

What sort of people want to ruin the country and embarrass us all in the process of trying to gain votes, rather than taking care of country Australia and its peoples? It's scary.

Thanks again, *Koori Mail*. You're a worthwhile read.

A BLANCHE
Marsden, Qld

Decent representation

WHAT a shame, no other readers bothered to respond to my letter regards Legal Service failures (KM, Edition 484, 8 September 2010).

Yet our mob continues to be incarcerated by the truckloads each year.

My suggestion: Let's pool our national and state legal funding into mainstream law firms that are not associated with any governments, and through this way we ensure our mob get the right legal and professional representation.

GEORGE BLAIR
Brisbane, Qld



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Save the horses

THE West Australian Government is planning an aerial cull of thousands of wild Arab horses between Biluluna to Balga, near Lake Gregory, in the Kimberley. The cull is planned for October.

We cannot allow this to happen and we need to plead by petition and through our local Members of Parliament to forbid this pending cull.

The lands on which these beautiful horses run wild are managed by the Tjurabalin peoples under a pastoral lease. However, they are financially impoverished in terms of being able to manage the horses.

The Government alleges that the horses damage the land, which I do not believe. They have described that the land can be better utilised for cattle farming.

These are obviously sentient creatures, which are appreciated by far away sheiks who actually pick some of them for endurance racing. They value them as some of the best endurance horses in the world.

If they're culled, they will be sent to a South Australian slaughterhouse for food consumption. This is animal cruelty and inhumane. It is needless.

We can relocate them to multiple locations and we can offer many of them up for adoption.

There are stations and people who will want them and as my ten-year-old daughter points out, Western Australia is so vast that there are open spaces waiting for them. Please consider the plight of these beautiful wild horses and please find the time to advocate on their behalf.

Once again, as my daughter says, we need to speak up for these horses so we do the right thing by them. You can visit wildhorseskimberley.com

GERRY GEORGATOS
(With **CONNIE GEORGATOS, aged ten**)
Harrisdale, WA

Pilbara degradation

AN open letter to Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin:
The Pilbara region of Western Australia represents Indigenous communities of the Western Desert and the towns of Roebourne, Port Hedland Karratha, Newman and Tom Price.

Institutions are provided for Indigenous communities to sustain their human rights. The low incomes are rationed out to feed children and are supposed to provide for our families.

Indigenous autonomy is degrading in the Pilbara.

Regional empowerment should finance our higher education for Indigenous doctors and where Indigenous people can profit from the small businesses taking their welfare monies.

Native title legislation should integrate its policies with industrial relations affecting Indigenous communities and lands.

Welfare payments undermine

Indigenous land rights and freedom. Mining and government need to produce Indigenous doctors, paediatricians and small business sovereignty of welfare payments.

Gas and petroleum is a modern need for our systems.

Indigenous economic deprivation has outlawed our freedom and sabotaged our human dignity of Independence.

JUSTIN TESLING
Canberra, ACT

YOUR POETRY

The Block

My home on The Block
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Ain't that bloody sweet?
After many years living in hell
In them run down houses
That Mickey thought were swell.

And now the redevelopment
Is finally here after all these bloody years waiting?
Wanting a new home
But only to be told I have to leave and vacate The Block.
A 60 days eviction notice
Is all I bloody get instead?
Of a new house in this place
I once called home
The Block!

NAME WITHHELD
Sydney, NSW

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My culture and beliefs have been outlawed.
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as a boy.
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Our children will not be hungry, outcast or imprisoned.

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ARE YOU READY FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY CAREER?

Fresh wages push

By ALF WILSON



THE Queensland Council of Unions (QCU) and Indigenous leaders will this week present Townsville MP and State Roads Minister Craig Wallace

with a petition that they hope will convince the Government to settle outstanding stolen wages claims.

QCU Townsville Provincial Council president Les Moffitt told *The Koori Mail* last week that several local Indigenous leaders would also attend the meeting with Mr Wallace in Townsville this Friday 8 October.

Mr Moffitt said the meeting was part of an ongoing QCU community and political campaign.

"This meeting will be attended by local QCU representatives and two local Indigenous Elders. We will be presenting Mr Wallace with a petition which has been signed by more than 1500 people calling on the Government to do the right thing and settle the stolen wages case," he said.

Mr Moffitt said a request has also been forwarded to Premier Anna Bligh for a similar meeting when she visited Townsville next week.

"Despite the Queensland Government claiming it is not accountable to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workers for wages which were stolen, the Queensland Council of Unions (QCU) will continue its campaign for wage justice," he said.

"The QCU is continuing to support

Uncle Conrad Yeatman in his legal case against the Queensland Government. Union solicitors worked hard to put a substantial response together against the Government's defence."

Uncle Conrad is a former carpenter and labourer whose wages were withheld from him since he began work at 14.

"His story is one of hundreds we have heard about Aboriginal people throughout Queensland," Mr Moffitt said.

Mr Moffitt said that QCU was campaigning for full recovery of the \$55.4 million stolen wages reparations, originally promised in 2002 by former Premier Peter Beattie.

"In 2002, Peter Beattie estimated that



QCU Townsville Provincial President Les Moffitt is between claimant twins Paul and Arthur Ahwang at the August Stolen Wages meeting.

up to \$500 million in wages could have been stolen from Aboriginal workers over the years and offered \$55 million in reparations," he said.

"The State Government cannot even honour its promise to pay this amount to these workers.

"Even though the Government re-opened the Stolen Wages Reparations Scheme in 2008, they still siphoned off more than \$20 million into an education fund for Indigenous children.

"We have no problem with the setting up of the fund. However, we do not believe it should be established using workers money.

"The \$55.4 million was set aside to repair the significant and long-lasting

damage inflicted on workers whose wages were stolen and it should be used for that purpose and no other.

"All we are asking is that the Government come good on its promise to

pay these workers what was promised to them."

In early August, more than 100 Indigenous people attended a Townsville meeting organised by the QCU and many urged the Government to immediately pay stolen wages.

General Secretary Ron Monaghan and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Industrial Officer Gwen Taylor attended the meeting, where the petition was signed and further copies were distributed for relatives and friends to sign before presentation to the Government.

Only a small minority of claimants at that meeting had been paid any money. Many feared they would die before receiving their claims.



Queensland Roads Minister Craig Wallace.

Business award popular

MORE than 80 nominations have been received from around Australia for the first national Indigenous business award, which will be announced as part of the 2010 Ethnic Business Awards in Perth on 7 November.

The winner of the Indigenous in Business Award will receive a crystal trophy, two business-class tickets on the V Australia network, \$10,000 from the National Australia Bank, and other prizes.

Mayor of the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) Regional Council Joseph Elu will be a member of the judging panel, which

now has the job of determining the five finalists for the award.

Held for 21 years, the Ethnic Business Awards have to date celebrated the achievements of Australia's migrants.

Awards founder Joseph Assaf said they would now afford similar recognition to the country's first people.

"We've been inundated with nominations from all corners of Australia for the inaugural Indigenous in Business Award," Mr Assaf said.

The gala awards presentation will be held at the Burswood Entertainment Complex in Perth and broadcast on SBS.

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Leadership boost for Stolen Generations



THE first accredited leadership course tailored to the needs and skills

of the Stolen Generations, Indigenous people subjected to past removal policies and practices, wrapped up in Canberra last week.

Nineteen members of the Stolen Generations completed an intensive Certificate II course in Indigenous Leadership at the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC).

The nine women and 10 men, selected from more than 100 applicants across Australia, were taught a range of subjects throughout the course, including communication, negotiation and governance skills.

AILC chief executive officer Rachelle Towart said the course had been a powerful reminder of the capabilities and potential of members of the Stolen Generations, despite the trauma and dislocation that each had endured.

"This is an extraordinary group of Australians," Ms Towart said.

The Federal Government provided 25 scholarships for members of the Stolen Generation to undertake the Certificate II as part of a funding package announced in February this year by Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin.

Marking the second anniversary of the Apology to the Stolen Generations, Ms Macklin said the Australian Government would invest in the leadership



Graduates from the first accredited leadership course tailored to the needs of the Stolen Generations, in Canberra last week.

skills of the Stolen Generations to support them as positive role models in the community.

"This leadership program will assist members of the Stolen Generations continue their journey of healing and also become inspirational leaders for their children and their children's children," Ms Macklin said then.

AILC Chairman Tom Calma congratulated graduates of the unique course.

"Before any of us can lead, we must know ourselves. This seven day program has encouraged the group to identify and begin to expand their limits and capabilities," Dr Calma said.

"In order to become truly effective as leaders, they must learn to operate across demographics or 'to walk in both worlds'."

Ms Towart said further support for the AILC was

essential in order to help close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

"It is vital that the private, Government and community sectors continue to support the AILC in growing Indigenous Australians' confidence in taking their place in community halls, board rooms, Parliamentary chambers and other places which history has deemed largely out of reach," she said.

The AILC is an independent non-profit organisation and Australia's only provider of accredited leadership training. More than 800 emerging Indigenous leaders have developed skills in communication, negotiation and governance through the Centre's courses.

The Centre also delivers a range of specialist short courses, including mentor training.

Greens target Racial Discrimination Act

AAP, and *The Koori Mail*



THE Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (RDA) would be properly reinstated under a new bill before

Federal Parliament, according to Australian Greens senator Rachel Siewert.

Federal Government legislation reinstating the Act from next January was passed by the upper house in June, but Senator Siewert said last Wednesday that those laws didn't go far enough.

"(It) does not ensure that the Racial Discrimination Act actually applies to the measures and actions undertaken pursuant to the Northern Territory Intervention," she said.

The RDA was suspended when the Howard Government intervened in remote Indigenous communities in 2007. The move allowed welfare recipients living in prescribed Aboriginal communities to be forced onto compulsory income management, where half of their incomes are quarantined for spending only on 'primary



RACHEL SIEWERT

needs' or essential household bills.

Senator Siewert said her bill would include a clause stating that the Act would prevail if ever there was any uncertainty or contradiction between it and laws surrounding the NT Intervention.

"Without the inclusion of a notwithstanding clause or some functionally equivalent mechanism, the government legislation can only represent a partial reinstatement of the Racial Discrimination Act," she said.

Senator Siewert's bill would require any actions taken as part of the continuing NT Intervention



BARBARA SHAW

to benefit Aboriginal people and be compliant with the Act.

Debate on the Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Restoration of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2010 was adjourned.

Meanwhile, opponents of income management have accused Centrelink of selling the BasicsCard – a tool of compulsory income management – like a product, 'as if it were Avon or something people want'.

And they declared offers of \$500 a year to NT pensioners to

stay on the controversial card as nothing more than 'bribery and coercion'.

Income management has now been expanded beyond prescribed communities to Indigenous and non-Indigenous welfare recipients throughout the Territory, and administration of the scheme over the next four years is expected to cost \$350 million.

Alice Springs town camp resident Barbara Shaw said welfare recipients weren't being given a choice about staying on the BasicsCard.

"People should be free to choose, not be pushed and bullied," she said.

"We are being told our rent won't be paid if we cancel our BasicsCard but there was an effective system prior to the BasicsCard called Centrepay. If we can't pay our rent we risk being evicted."

"Let those who say they like it stay on it but don't push others to be on the BasicsCard when they want to be free to run their own lives."

Marlene Hodder from the Intervention Rollback Action

Group (IRAG) said Aboriginal pensioners wanting to regain control of their Centrelink income were being offered \$500 a year to stay on the BasicsCard.

She said clients with limited English skills were not being offered an interpreter when approaching Centrelink to request cancellation of their BasicsCard.

"Centrelink needs to treat people fairly and respectfully, offer them interpreters and listen to what they are saying," Ms Hodder said.

"They have a duty of care to ensure clients understand fully that their so-called 'bonus' will only be paid after at least six months and will also be income managed."

Ms Hodder said Centrelink needed to ensure that rent payments could automatically be deducted from Centrelink payments – as happens for the rest of the community – and that people could have their BasicsCard cancelled if they wanted.

"The system should not be used as an excuse for denying people their rights," she said.

Winning formula to construction career



JAKE Williams has big plans for the future and they involve working in the construction industry both here and overseas.

And the 17-year-old is off to a flying start, having spent the past month working at the new Gold Coast University Hospital.

Mr Williams is one of five Indigenous trainees taking part in a joint venture between Queensland unions and construction companies.

The others are Shaun Kelly, Ricky Thompson, Dean Stapleton and Chris Thamm, and they have been undertaking on-site maintenance tasks, and setting the formwork for a massive concrete pour at the new 750-bed facility.

Mr Williams said the training and job had been very rewarding.

"I hope to finish off my apprenticeship here and then head overseas," he said.

The joint venture involves the Builders Laborers Federation, the Queensland Council of Unions, the State Government, construction giant Bovis Lend Lease and the Construction Skills Training Centre.



Ricky Thompson, Dean Stapleton, Jake Williams, Shaun Kelly and Chris Thamm have been busy building careers in the construction industry.

BLF state secretary Greg Simcoe said it was important that unions and major employers worked together to help advance the building of skills and self-esteem among Indigenous trainees.

"These guys have shown great application and hard work to

progress in their chosen careers and they are leading the way for other Indigenous kids," Mr Simcoe said.

The participants first completed a Certificate I in Construction, other job preparation training and two weeks on-site work placement to get them ready for entry-level

work. Several are now progressing to undertaking Certificate III level qualifications.

QCU Indigenous Employment project officer Gwen Taylor said the union movement was committed to working very closely with government, both state and federal, and employers to develop

pre-employment programs.

"These programs result in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people attaining the necessary skills and also finding employment in a particular trade or industry," she said.

"It has been a most rewarding working with the BLF and the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation (DEEDI) on this project. It's outstanding that nearly 80 percent of the participants have been placed in employment.

"We need to congratulate companies like Bovis Lend Lease, for its commitment to this project, not only the pre-employment training program, but also the fact that most of our mob, who completed this course, have found employment on the Gold Coast University Hospital site," she said.

Indigenous Employment and Training Manager Duncan Kerslake said it was great to see the team that came together to develop and support the project.

"Lend Lease Senior Site Manager Peter Kyte has been extremely supportive of the concept well before the project commenced," Mr Kerslake said.

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The MDBA is holding community information sessions in towns and cities to provide information on the Guide and hear people's views and respond to questions. These meetings will also provide an opportunity for communities to discuss what will be included in the proposed Basin Plan.

Representatives from the MDBA and other government departments will be available. For further information on when and where the meetings will take place, please visit our website www.mdba.gov.au or call our hotline 1800 230 067.

Kids big on bikes



THIRTY highly excited kids from the remote Northern Territory community of Mt Liebig, about 340 km west of Alice Springs, have taken

delivery of brand new BMX bikes, courtesy of a donation by the Bikes for Bush Foundation.

And the bikes are expected to last for years to come, with their management and maintenance forming the basis of a local community project that is helping to bring old and young together.

Engraved with their owner's name, the bikes will be used as a reward for school attendance and good behaviour.

Bikes for Bush is the joint initiative of Pegasus Racing and Art Equity, and supported by Foundation sponsor Lumo Energy.

On 18 September, Art Equity director and Bikes for Bush Foundation co-founder Ralph Hobbs, along with Lumo Energy CEO and Bikes for Bush sponsor Simon Draper personally helped to deliver the bikes to the kids in



Three Mt Liebig youngsters with their new bikes.

front the Watiyawanu Artists of Amunturrngu community art centre that had played such a big role in getting the bikes to Mount Liebig.

The pair seemed just as thrilled as the kids themselves.

"The kids' reaction was simply

ecstatic," Mr Hobbs said.

"This was the first time for some kids that they have something to call their own."

"The Bikes for Bush vision is very simple," said Chris White, Director of Pegasus Racing and Bikes for Bush co-founder.

"Riding a bike promotes a healthy lifestyle and is fundamental in the prevention of the onset of certain diseases, not to mention just plain fun."

"While our vision is to primarily encourage healthy and happier communities, who knows, we

might even see a young Indigenous cyclist on the Champs-Élysées one day."

More bikes are planned for children of remote Indigenous communities.

Monies will be raised to buy them through an auction of several high end carbon fibre racing bikes that have been painted by renowned artists from the Western Desert, including Wentja Napaltjarri, Nyurapayia Nampitjinpa (Mrs Bennett) and Yannima Tommy Watson.

With all participating artists commanding upwards of six figures for their highly collectable paintings it is hoped that these unique ride ready bikes will achieve a \$100,000 plus for the Foundation.

The auction of the 'ride-ready' art racing bikes was to have been held in Melbourne on Friday but, regrettably, had to be postponed due to the AFL grand final replay.

The Koori Mail will publish details of the rescheduled auction, when they become available.

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Delfin Lend Lease in consultation with the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) is planning for the future upgrade of The Northern Road from Andrews Road to north of Borrowdale Way, Cranebrook.

As part of the conditions of approval for the redevelopment of the former ADI site, Delfin Lend Lease is to upgrade The Northern Road. The RTA is the approving authority for this road upgrade.

An Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will be undertaken for this project and may result in the RTA applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and may also be used in undertaking an environmental assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

The RTA invites Aboriginal people and/or Aboriginal groups to register who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects(s) and/or place(s) relating to the Northern Road upgrade.

Registrations from Aboriginal people and/or Aboriginal groups wishing to be consulted must be received by phone or in writing by Friday 29 October 2010.

To register your interest, please contact:
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The awards provide the opportunity for both communities and the NSW Government to recognise the tireless effort being made by Aboriginal people and organisations across the State.

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Desert tourism market option

BY DARREN COYNE



A PhD candidate has suggested Indigenous people could tap into the growing market of four-wheel drive enthusiasts who are retracing the path of European explorers in the Northern Territory.

Damien Jacobsen, who will receive a PhD from Charles Darwin University this month, said that following the footsteps of explorers gave purpose to many tourists beyond simply going off-road.

He said such tourists could be crucial in determining the involvement of desert Aboriginal people in tourism.

"If we generate deeper insight into how desert four wheel driving is linked to history and 'Australianness', we could tap into this motivation," he said.

"Most importantly, this PhD recognises how tourism can play a vital role in reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in this country."

Mr Jacobsen told *The Koori Mail* that his research indicated that many people travelling in the NT were driven by the nostalgia of witnessing the landscape through the eyes of the people who were themselves creating history many years ago.

By tapping into that market, he believes Aboriginal communities could increase their economic participation in tourism.

"What I am saying is that there could be more diverse opportunities there other than just 'Aboriginal tourism'," he said.

"This would not have to lead away from cultural experiences because they are always relevant but there are other opportunities as well."

Opportunities

Former Senator Aden Ridgeway, who is now an Indigenous consultant to Tourism Australia, said any such focus on European explorers would have to be handled sensitively.

Mr Ridgeway said some Indigenous tourism operators were already tapping into the four-wheel drive market by organising tours through their traditional country, mostly for non-Indigenous people.

However, he said the main focus for Indigenous tourism operators was sharing their traditional country and culture with overseas visitors.

"It varies from place to place but the NT has built an entire campaign which is based around Indigenous tourism, whereas in NSW, the emphasis is more on the natural environment," he said.

'It would have to be handled sensitively'
- Aden Ridgeway

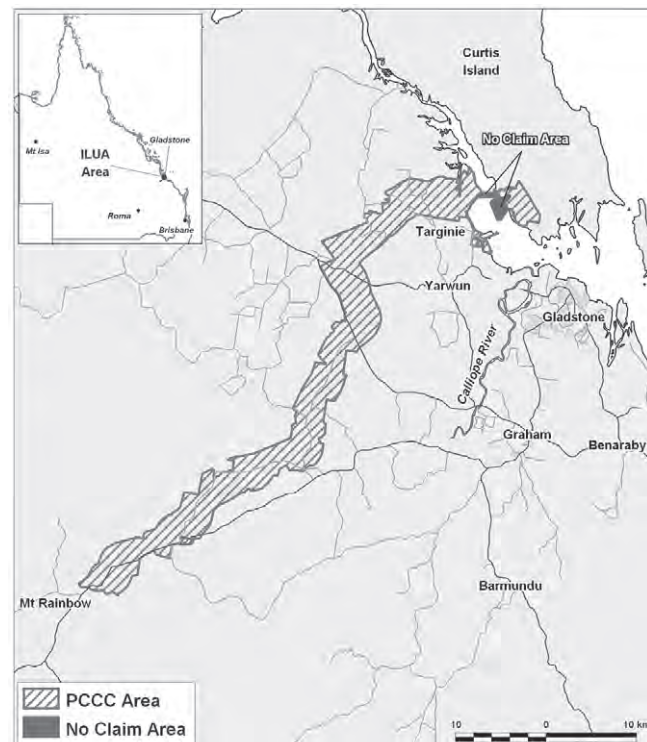
Australia Pacific LNG Project

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION MEETING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (AREA AGREEMENT) UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) FOR PART OF THE AUSTRALIA PACIFIC LNG PROJECT

Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited (APLNG) proposes to develop a world scale, long-term CSG to LNG project in Queensland (Australia Pacific LNG Project). The Australia Pacific LNG Project comprises 3 components: the further development of APLNG's Queensland-based coal seam gas (CSG) fields in South Central Queensland (Gas Project); the construction and operation of a high pressure underground gas transmission pipeline system from the gas fields to a liquefied natural gas (LNG) facility on Curtis Island near Gladstone where the CSG will be liquefied (Pipeline Project); and the construction and operation of the LNG facility and of ancillary onshore and marine facilities including a marine offloading facility and an export terminal containing specialised LNG loading facilities and berths so that the LNG can be exported to international markets (Plant Project).

APLNG proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (ILUA) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (NTA) with the Port Curtis Coral Coast (PCCC) native title claim group in relation to that part of the Pipeline Project and the Plant Project shown in the map below (ILUA Project).

The majority of the proposed ILUA area is covered by the PCCC registered native title claim (NNTT No. QC01/29, Federal Court No. QUD6026/01). The PCCC native title claim group is described in the claim as the descendants of Dina, Jessie, Johnson Matemate and George Swain, Sandy and Fanny, Dulhu/Doolan, Buller Tolsen (Norman Buller), Alice Murray, Jane, Betsy, Rosie, Elsie Myers, Maggie Little, Rosie Blackman, Emma Jones and Mary Anne. Part of the proposed ILUA area located between the Queensland mainland and Curtis Island is not currently covered by any registered native title claim. The proposed ILUA area is intended to comprise both the "PCCC Area" and the "No Claim Area" as shown on the above map.



The ILUA will provide for the consent of the native title parties to certain Agreed Acts to be set out in the ILUA including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for the ILUA Project and the undertaking of the ILUA Project. While APLNG will generally be seeking that the non-extinguishment principle apply to the proposed Agreed Acts, APLNG will be seeking the extinguishment (by surrender to the State) of native title rights and interests in, and the conversion to freehold land, of a small part of the "No Claim Area" adjacent to Curtis Island that will be required for the Plant Project.

Authorisation of the ILUA by the PCCC native title claim group and any other persons who hold or may hold native title in the ILUA area is sought in accordance with the NTA. As a result of responses to public notices and other enquiries, the PCCC native title claim group has been identified as the persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA area.

Details of ILUA Authorisation meeting

An authorisation meeting will be held as follows:

Date and Time:	Saturday, 30 October 2010, 8am registration and a meeting start time of 10:00am.
Place:	Bundaberg PCYC, 37D Maryborough Street, Bundaberg Qld 4670.
Purpose of the Meeting:	To authorise the ILUA between APLNG and the PCCC native title claim group.

You are invited to attend the meeting if you consider that you fall within the description of the PCCC native title claim group referred to in this notice. If you intend to come to the authorisation meeting or have any questions in relation to it, please contact **Michelle Smith at Port Curtis Coral Coast Aboriginal Corporation on (07) 4151 6999 by 4.00pm Friday, 22 October**, if possible, so that arrangements can be made for the purposes of catering. Travel assistance will be made available upon satisfying eligibility criteria.

If you consider you hold or may hold native title in relation to land or waters within the area of the ILUA Project, but do not consider that you fall within the description of the PCCC native title claim group referred to in this notice please contact Charlotte Bigge, Native Title and Cultural Heritage Co-ordinator, Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited on (07) 3867 0907.



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Return of land the aim for Mona Mona

By Cairns Correspondent
CHRISTINE HOWES



DREAMS and aspirations for the former Mona Mona Reserve were high on the agenda at a recent meeting in Kuranda, particularly with the news of a recent \$1 million infrastructure grant from the Queensland Government.

Residents, descendants, supporters and the odd tourist dropped in on the 40-strong meeting, representing about half of the fully paid up members of a new corporation charged with taking care of details.

In December last year the Queensland Government offered the people of Mona Mona a 30-year lease, thereby securing the community's future after a long struggle for access and control over the entire 1600 hectare reserve.

Queensland Minister for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Desley Boyle said then that the people of Mona Mona would need to form an incorporated body representing the interests of Aboriginal people connected with the reserve.

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

"This outcome is the result of many years of committed lobbying by the Mona Mona people.

"The aspirations of the Mona Mona people to secure this land will be realised and their descendants will continue their connection to the land which remains strong to this day."

A new body Mona Mona Bulmba Aboriginal Corporation (Bulmba means home) has now been formed, after consultations in nearby Mareeba, Cairns, Kuranda and Mona Mona itself.

"The biggest piece of news we had was we've been allocated \$1 million for infrastructure such as roads, rubbish, slashing and house repairs," said board member Glenys Grogan.

June Grogan said the infrastructure



Residents, descendants and supporters of Mona Mona at the meeting last month.

funding meant the community might be able to go home again.

"What I'd like to see in Mona Mona is a place we can all go back home again, because it's been our home and we long to be there again," she said.

Elder Rosemary Richards agreed.

"I'm so happy about the Mona Mona situation," she said. "I'd like to go back there and stay."

Activist

Long-time activist, Mona Mona resident and board member Rhonda Brim said the recent developments were very positive.

"We've done most of the hard work leading up to the transfer of the land," she said. "There's more work to be done but I'm very pleased, as a director for Mona Mona, that we're going ahead."

"We'll get there and eventually be independent and hopefully we'll get our freehold for our people."

The meeting also discussed the revival

of a 1999 development plan, which Elder Merv Riley was especially keen to see revisited. He said it made him feel 'glad inside to see my old birth place come into sight'.

"Not only me, there's quite a few other Elders there, who would like to see the place come into focus," he said.

"Years ago we had our own poultry farm, we had our own veggie farm, we had our own timber industry and the school – this has kept in my mind ever since I went to school up there. I'll pray that we'll see (Mona Mona) develop again."

Glenys Grogan said that what was hoped would be a final draft of the lease was now in the hands of Mona Mona Bulmba's lawyers.

"We've made all our changes and recommended changes," she said. "They want us to hurry up and sign it because the department has to report back to Cabinet in November."

"We had hoped to have the handover

ceremony in October but now it will be either November, December or January, depending on how fast we can come to an agreement.

"When we get going the first thing we're going to be looking for is money to revisit the plans done in the 1990s so we have a way to move forward into the future for the betterment of all our people

Involved

"We've had a few little projects we've started for ourselves as well, we've had a busy-bee day where everybody went out and we shared lunch and mowed. So we're not just waiting for government money, everyone is involved and we're actively doing things now."

"We already have funds to put up historical signage, and a cemetery project which is already started as well."

Mona Mona Reserve was the site of a former Seventh Day Adventist Aboriginal Mission, which closed in 1962.

Uluru handback anniversary looms



Uluru, which was handed back to Anangu traditional owners in 1985. The community of Mutitjulu is in the foreground (file pic).



ANANGU people will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the handback of Uluru-Kata Tjuta later this month.

Parks Australia, Anangu traditional owners, local businesses, residents and visitors will join together to celebrate the milestone on 26 October.

It'll be the anniversary of both the handback and an agreement between Anangu and the Australian government to establish and jointly manage Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

The National Park was recognised as a World Heritage area in 1987 for its outstanding natural environment, and secondly in 1994 for its immense cultural significance.

Today, Uluru-Kata Tjuta attracts approximately 400,000

visitors every year from around the world.

The festivities at Uluru on 26 October will include a special exhibition looking at the history of the handback, an official ceremony with the symbolic exchange of specially commissioned artworks, community and local business stalls, Indigenous artists at work, performances by local bands, and numerous activities for children to enjoy, from spear throwing lessons to arts and crafts.

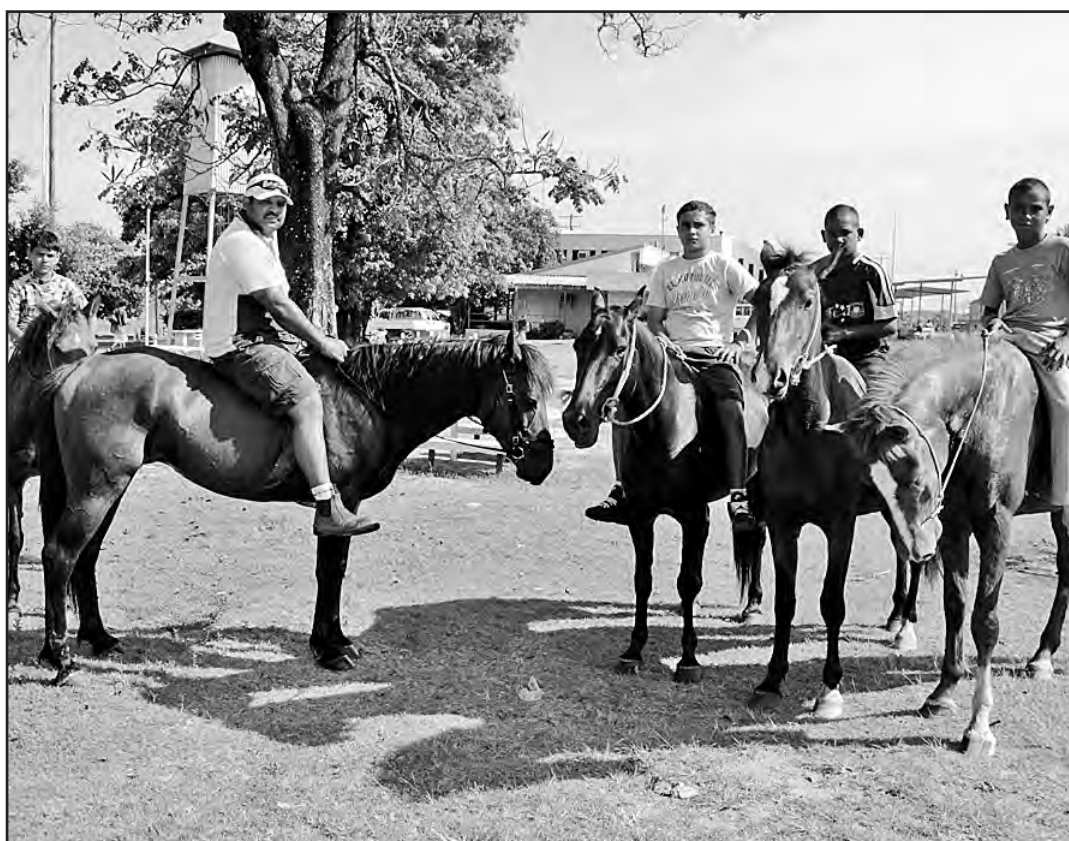
Voyages Hotels & Resorts, which operates luxury accommodation at nearby Yulara and Ayers Rock Airport, is supporting the celebrations.

The company's CEO Chris Tallent said the day was set to be 'a great celebration of a successful collaboration and a real showcase of Anangu culture'.



Raoul Miller rounding up wild horses in the Palm CBD area.

Brumby chase



From left, Mislam Sam, 11, animal control officer Fred Bulsey, Waylon Sam, 12, Isaac Bulsey, 10, and Arona Miller, 10.

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON



IT looked like the famous Australian poem 'The Man From Snowy River' had come to life as Palm Island animal control officers Raoul Miller

and Fred Bulsey thundered across a park and streets rounding up wild brumby horses last week.

Horses had gathered in big numbers in the park across from the Palm Island Council early last Thursday and could have been a danger to the many children who walk past on the way to school.

Mr Miller sprung into action with whip cracking as he started to round the horses up.

It proved a difficult task as some gathered in the nearby PCYC grounds and other bolted around to a road near the school.

Riding bareback, Mr Bulsey joined the exercise as the horses galloped at speed along the esplanade road as people looked on yelling out to their heroes.

Looking very much like the Man from Snowy River in the poem

made famous by Banjo Paterson, Mr Miller and his horse rounded them up.

"We have to put them in a holding yard on another part of the island as we didn't want them injuring anybody by galloping on them. There are about 100 of them getting around the community," Mr Bulsey said.

Round up

Lending a hand in the round-up were young Palm riders Mislam Sam, 11, Waylon Sam, 12, Isaac Bulsey, 10, and Arona Miller, 10.

"They are very good with horses and have helped here today," Mr Bulsey said.

Former Palm Island Mayor Erykah Kyle witnessed the incident and described Palm horse riders as the 'equal of any in the country'.

"They just have a wonderful way with wild horses," Ms Kyle said.

Dogs have also been proving a problem on Palm Island recently with some strays seen wandering onto the airstrip.

"We'll be on the lookout for those dogs to place them in another holding area too," Mr Bulsey said.

Service for Stolen Generations opens in Melbourne



A NEW Indigenous organisation called Connecting Home, which provides services to members of the Stolen Generations in Victoria, will be officially opened on 21 October.

The service will provide a range of healing and referral

services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from its new premises at 14 Gipp Street, Collingwood.

Connecting Home also aims to raise awareness about issues affecting Stolen Generations members, and is engaged with a range of educational programs.

Connecting Homes chief executive John Dommett said the

service would provide support to people affected by past policies through new and innovative programs.

Education role

"We also have a role in educating the broader community and in particular mainstream service providers and schools about the Stolen Generations, and

how we are all responsible for the reconciliation of Australian society," he said.

Mr Dommett invited people to become involved in the new organisation, saying 'Connecting Home has a strong commitment to work in partnership with community who will guide and assist us through the challenges that lay ahead'.

The service will operate on a state and interstate level, with other agencies such as Link Up, the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation and the Department of Families, Housing, Communities and Indigenous Affairs.

For information contact (03) 86790777.



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Request for Tender (RFT) AGD 2010/30

Safe Aboriginal Youth Activity Program (SAY), Wilcannia

The NSW Department of Justice & Attorney General is seeking to engage auspice agencies to manage the Safe Aboriginal Youth Activity Program (SAY) in Wilcannia over a three period commencing late 2010.

The SAY Activity model is a community-based service that provides supervised recreational and structured activities as well as access to food for young people. The program aims to reduce the risk of young people becoming victims or persons of interest in relation to crime. Other community youth service providers; Police, Aboriginal Liaison Officers and community members are also encouraged to link children with the program. The program is budgeted to include the costs associated with the use of a vehicle to transport children to and from the program.

Funding will be provided for the program to operate on a Friday and Saturday night for an average of 12 hours per week. Additional funds are provided to cover peak periods including school holidays plus start up and operational costs.

All inquiries are to be directed to:

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Senior Aboriginal Project Officer
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Copies of the RFT can be downloaded

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A Tender may be submitted by any of the following methods:

1. Electronically, via the Department's e-tendering site on the following web site: <https://tenders.nsw.gov.au/ag/>

2. Hardcopies of a Tender may be hand delivered to the Tender Box, and addressed:

Tender Box
Ground Floor,
Justice Precinct Offices
Department of Justice and Attorney General
160 Marsden Street,
Parramatta, NSW 2150

3. By Facsimile to Tender Box Facsimile, on: 02 8688 9666

Applications will close: 11am Tuesday 26 October 2010 in Sydney.



Human Services
Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Senior Systems Analyst

Clerk Grade 9/10

Monitoring & Evaluation Unit

Social Justice Group

Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Head Office, Surry Hills

Temporary Full-Time

Position No. 10/AA_1586

Total remuneration package valued up to \$108,318 per annum (Salary: \$89,076 pa - \$98,159 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The position is to map the use of the national standard protocol for determining the Indigenous status of people using NSW Government services. Specifically the role will review how this information is captured on data collection forms and information systems within NSW Government agencies.

The project will also report the scope of work required across NSW Government agencies to establish compliance with this standard.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated knowledge of and experience in working with government agency client information management systems.
- Demonstrated capacity to work in a collaborative manner with multiple stakeholders in order to achieve defined project outcomes.
- Understanding of processes involved in capturing accurate and reliable client information.
- Demonstrated project management skills.
- Qualifications related to information technology, business or systems analysis.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period up to 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.

Accurate identification of Aboriginal status among people engaging with NSW Government service is essential if the Government is to be responsive to the needs of Aboriginal people within NSW. A set of questions has been established by the Australian Bureau of Statistics and is recognised as the national standard to determine the Aboriginal status of people engaging with services. This position is working to map the presence of this standard within client information management systems and the business rules by governing how responses are recorded.

Accurately identifying Aboriginal people using services is also essential for measuring progress against Council of Australian Government's Closing the Gap Targets and NSW State Plan priorities. This position is funded through COAG as a component of work to improve data gaps that currently exist and impair accurate and reliable reporting.

Enquiries: Peter Ryan (02) 9219 0717 or email: peter.ryan@daa.nsw.gov.au

Applications to be emailed to: peter.ryan@daa.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 15 October 2010

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Lex Wotton with Deniece Geia.

Mates heap praise on Lex Wotton

By ALF WILSON



LEX Wotton has gained employment with the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council as the officer-in-charge of laying new pipes as part of a \$600,000 sewerage upgrade on the north Queensland community.

The Koori Mail caught up with Mr Wotton on Palm Island last week, as he and his team prepared to place new pipes in the ground as part of the project.

Mr Wotton was released from the Townsville Correctional Centre on parole on 19 July. He had served nearly two years of a six-year sentence over his involvement in a riot on the island in November 2004, during which the Palm Island police station and an officer's residence were burned down. The unrest was sparked by the death in police custody of local Aboriginal man Mulrunji Doomadgee a week earlier.

Mr Wotton's parole conditions, which incensed civil libertarians, prevent him from speaking to the media, attending public

meetings on Palm Island without prior approval, and gambling. He must also attend the Men's Elders Group.

A qualified plumber, Mr Wotton could not speak to *The Koori Mail* but was happy to have his picture snapped whilst toiling hard in the burning sun and 35 degree temperature.

However, several others including his workmate Wes Lenoy were willing to heap glowing praise on Mr Wotton.

"Lex is a great worker and a good team member," said Mr Lenoy, a bobcat operator. "He is in charge of pipe laying and is a big part of the project."

Manager of the Palm Island Red Cross office Deniece Geia said Mr Wotton was a hard worker doing a vital role in an important project for the community.

"This is really a major sewerage upgrade and some of the pipes are 25 years old. Lex is the ideal man for the job with his plumbing experience and love of the island," Mrs Geia said.

Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey said the project was a major upgrade and the Council was pleased to have Mr Wotton involved.



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Information Officer Level 2 (Aboriginal)

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Salary Package: \$70,382 pa. Package includes salary (\$58,249 - \$63,781 pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Location: Parramatta

Job Status: Permanent Full-Time

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977. An eligibility list will be created to fill future permanent and temporary vacancies.

Responsibilities:

The Information Officer Level 2 primarily acts as a contact centre operator within the Service Delivery Group of the Fair Trading Information Centre (FTIC) and provides quality information and assistance to customers (consumers, traders and the general community) on a range of matters that require:

- problem analysis
- identification of options
- the exercise of judgement

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality is a key criteria for this position and it is essential that applicants address this in their application.
- Demonstrated experience in a high volume contact centre environment where strict performance standards are required to be met.
- Excellent computer/keyboard skills and experience in using computer based systems.
- Excellent communication and negotiation skills including experience in effectively handling difficult or emotive situations.
- Demonstrated capacity to interrogate databases and other resources to provide factual information and assistance to customers with complex inquiries.
- Excellent problem solving skills and the ability to foster these skills in customers.

Enquiries: Laura Soares (02) 9895 2038 OR Tamara Bellel-Mayers (02) 9372 7672

Closing Date: 18 October 2010

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Ref: 000009D8

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Crazy ant work recognised



DHIMURRU Aboriginal Corporation has been announced as a finalist in the 2010 Banksia Awards for its work eradicating Yellow Crazy ant infestations in Arnhem Land during the last five years.

The Corporation has also been nominated for the Banksia Peoples' Choice Awards. Based in Nhulunbuy in the Northern Territory, the Corporation, in partnership with CSIRO, Rio Tinto Alcan and the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and Arts has been nominated as a finalist in the Indigenous - Caring for Country category.

The 22 year-old Banksia awards recognise and celebrate Australia's leading environmental or sustainable initiatives across business, government and community organisations.

NT CSIRO ecologist Dr Ben Hoffmann said Yellow Crazy ants formed multi-queened 'supercolonies' in which ants occurred at extremely high densities over large areas.

"This makes them a serious pest of agriculture as well as the natural environment," he said.

Banksia Environmental Foundation executive director Graz van Egmond said, the awards received hundreds of submissions every year, so the finalists represented the very best sustainable practice in the country.

Voting is now open for the Australia Post sponsored Peoples' Choice Award through www.peopleschoice.com.au, where background information on finalists is available for review.

The Banksia Award winners will be announced at an awards ceremony to be held on 15 October at Sydney Town Hall.



A NAISDA College dancer on stage during the closing ceremony, which brought all performers, presenters and artists to the stage to sing and dance along to Ali Mills' *Waltjim Bat Matilda*.

PHOTOS by MAHALA STROHFELDT and TIA DALTON, *The Koori Mail*, and AMANDA JAMES and BEN SYMONDS, courtesy of Vibe Australia.

It was 'one of the best'

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THE 2010 Deadly Awards were held last week in Sydney with almost 30 nominees taking home the ultimate prize.

Held at the Sydney Opera House in front of a capacity crowd, the awards recognise the best and brightest in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sport, music, entertainment and community, with additional categories joining the ranks this year.

The Last Kinection's Naomi Wenitong joined Luke Carroll in co-hosting the event – which celebrated its 16th year – kicked off by comedian Kevin Kropinyeri who got the crowd laughing along with his antics.

Among the stars on the 'black carpet' this year was NSW Governor Marie Bashir, rugby league star Timana Tahu and journalists Jeff McMullen and Karla Grant.

Singer Christine Anu joined a host of others including Ali Mills, Frank Yamma, Dan Sultan, Archie Roach and NAISDA dance college to entertain the crowd this year.

Roach gave a stirring performance in a tribute to his wife, the late Ruby Hunter, who passed away suddenly this year. A single chair and microphone sat next to the seasoned performer as he sang Ruby's song *Kutjeri Lady*.

The Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music went to Wilma Reading, while the Ella Award for Lifetime Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres



Aaron Fa'aoso, Marlene Bryson and Janelle Wenitong at the Deadlys After Party. See more photos from the party on Page 39.

Strait Islander Sport went to paralympian Kevin Coombs.

While not everything went to plan this year and with a move to a weeknight raising the ire of serious partygoers across the country, executive producer Gavin Jones described the awards night as the one of the best.

He said that with a record 29,000 votes in the general award categories this year, there was strong support across the

country for the Deadlys.

Revellers celebrated well into the night at the After Party, with a special performance by House of BlackSTAR.

The 2010 Deadlys were broadcast on Sunday, and will be re-screened tonight, 6 October at 8.30pm on SBS Two.

● More coverage from the Deadlys on the next four pages

● Editorial, Page 20

And this year's winners are...

Most Promising New Talent in Music: Busby Marou.

Album Release of the Year: *Archie Roach 1988* – Archie Roach.

Single Release of the Year: *Letter* – Dan Sultan.

Live Production of the Year: *The Sapphires*.

Outstanding Achievement in Literature: *Manhattan Dreaming* – Anita Heiss.

Television Show of the Year: *Message Stick* – ABC TV.

Television Personality of the Year: Wendell Sailor – *The Footy Show*.

Dancer of the Year: Yolande Brown.

Visual Artist of the Year: Walangari Karntawarra.

Film of the Year: *Bran Nue Dae*.

Male Sportsperson of the Year: Timana Tahu – NRL.

Female Actor of the Year: Deborah Mailman – *Bran Nue Dae*.

Male Actor of the Year: Rocky McKenzie – *Bran Nue Dae*.

Outstanding Achievement in AFL: Nathan Lovett-Murray.

Outstanding Achievement in NRL: Jamal Idris.

Female Sportsperson of the Year: Josie Janz – netball.

Female Artist of the Year: Naomi Wenitong.

Outstanding Achievement in RnB and Hip Hop: The Last Kinection.

Most Promising New Talent in Sport: Ben Barba – NRL.

Band of the Year: The Medics.

Male Artist of the Year: Dan Sultan.

Outstanding Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health: Dr Peter O'Mara – Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association.

Indigenous Health Worker of the Year: Colleen Carwood – Prince of Wales Hospital, New South Wales.

Aboriginal Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment: Swim for Life Program – (YMCA Perth).

Outstanding Achievement in Cultural Advancement: Shane Phillips.

Community Broadcaster of the Year: Glen Crump.

Leader of the Year: Pat Turner – NITV.

Outstanding Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education: St Theresa's Agricultural College (Abergowrie Queensland).

The Ella Award for Lifetime Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sport: Kevin Coombs.

The Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music: Wilma Reading.

The Deadlys 2010 – Winners



Kyah Simon, Rocky McKenzie, Denise Wilson and Dizzy Doolan celebrate Rocky's win as Male Actor of the Year at the 16th Deadlys. Photo by Amanda James



Naomi Wenitong receives her Deadly for Female Artist of the Year from NSW Governor Marie Bashir, and 16th Deadlys executive producer Gavin Jones. Photo Ben Symonds



Jimmy Little Lifetime Achievement Award winner Wilma Reading accepts her award. Photo by Ben Symonds



Anita Heiss won the Outstanding Achievement in Literature for her novel *Manhattan Dreaming*.



Timana Tahu after receiving his award for Male Sportsperson of the Year. Photo Amanda James



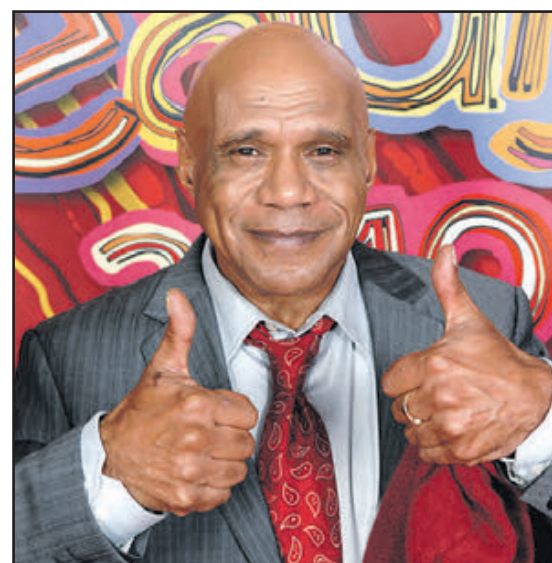
Archie Roach and others perform on stage. The empty seat was a tribute to Roach's late wife, Ruby Hunter.



Thomas Busby and Jeremy Marou accepted the honour of Most Promising New Talent in Music after winning against Lady Lash, Jess Beck and The Medics. Photo by Ben Symonds



Wendell Sailor picked up the award for Television Personality of the Year. He was competing against a stellar field of Grant Hansen from *Marngrook Footy Show*, Karla Grant for *Living Black* and Mark Olive's *The Outback Café*. Photo by Amanda James



Archie Roach, after receiving his award for Album of the Year. Photo Amanda James



Christian Gordon receiving St Teresa's Agricultural College, Abergowrie, Deadly for Outstanding Contribution to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education.

Photo by Amanda James

The Deadlys 2010 – People



Some of the organisers and stars of this year's Deadlys start the celebrations early.



Stan Yarramurra with actor Leon Burchill and his sister Tahlia.



Darren Dale and Rachel Perkins were there.



The crowd were taken with Frank Yamma's performance during the awards.



Ali Mills gave a rousing performance when she sang *Waltjim Bat Matilda*.



16th Deadlys co-hosts Naomi Wenitong and Luke Carroll worked the crowd during the jam-packed evening. *Photo Ben Symonds*



Becky Chatfield models a Caressa designed outfit.



Deadly Leader of the Year NITV's Pat Turner with Terri Janke and Brenton Turner.



Some of the Chooky Dancers and team from *Wrong Skin*.

The Deadlys 2010 – People



Cara local Leetitia Harris, Wilcannia residents Leroy Johnson and Smacka Whyman, and Victoria Haines, of Sydney.



Sydney girls Corinne Riley, Kellie and Brittany Madden.



Nominee for Outstanding Achievement in AFL Nathan Lovett-Murray, from Melbourne, and Damien Bani, from the *Indigenous Intrudaz*.



Emelda Davis, from Tweed Heads, with Sonya Parter, of Bowen and Trish Stuart and Anita Selwyn of Woy Woy.

Photos on this page by THERESA DALTON



Melbourne's Tammy Hunter and Chicka Turner.



Lismore locals Aunty Charlotte and Tina Williams.



La Prouse women Lauren Lester (second from right) with daughter Dorothy Taoffe and nieces Coleen Bateman and Michele Stewart.



Erina lad Ben O'Moore had a great night.



Chef Mark Olive with *Koori Mail* Directors Trevor Kapeen, left, and Graham Randall.



Living Black's Larteasha Smith and Kodie Bedford looking deadly.



Christine Anu performing on stage.



Adelaide man Peter Buckskin, Kevin Kropinyeri and Jye Karpany.

The Deadlys 2010 – After Party



Elle Tyson, Nathan Brake, Nellie Dargan, Ben Fraietta, Miah Wright and Yirrigee Morgan-Kanak ready to party.



Damien Bani and MC Thorn.



From Adelaide, Jye Sansbury-Karpany with his sister Amber Sansbury-Romeril.



This group of friends from Coffs Harbour, NSW, made a mini-holiday out of the Deadlys with a trip on the Tribal Warrior part of their celebrations.



Ricky Walford and Neil Appo.



Charline Emzin-Boyd, Lee Towney, Kimberley Eulenstein, Robert Adamson, Phyllis Bird and Anthony Galluzzo.



Dave Dow and Joanne Saladaga.



Selina Rueben, Timeika Slockee, Amy Minchin, Anna Jovanovic, Jinny Smith and Rowena Welsh were there.



Tyson Jolly, Preston Campbell and Malcolm Webster were at the party.



NSW Community Services Minister Linda Burney joined in the fun of the after party.



Karla Grant with her son John.

Jury selection process challenged



THE way in which juries are selected has been brought into question with the trial of two men charged with murdering a prominent Northern Territory motor-sport identity.

The trial of Graham Woods, 25, and Julian Williams, 23, both of whom have pleaded not guilty to the murder of Edward Hargrave in April last year, had been set down to begin in Alice Springs on 14 September.

Lawyers for the pair addressed the full bench of the Northern Territory Supreme Court in Darwin on 21 September about the 'complete systematic failures' they say exist in the NT's jury selection process.

Jon Tippet, QC, asked the court to consider whether his clients, both Aboriginal, would be denied the right to a fair trial with a jury empanelled from the array which was summoned.

He said a jury should be representative of the community, adding that 21 per cent of the

population in Alice Springs is Indigenous.

A statement of agreed facts tendered to the court said that of the 350 people who were initially selected, 25 per cent were not eligible to sit on a jury as a result of spending time in jail.

The statement pointed out that about 83 per cent of the NT prison population in 2008 was Aboriginal.

Justice Dean Mildren said that serving a term of imprisonment – even for 'minor or trivial' offences – disqualified a person from jury duty for seven years,

resulting in a 'multiplying effect'.

The statement pointed out the difficulties in delivering summonses to itinerant Aboriginals and people living in town camps in Alice Springs. The electoral roll, from which a random array of possible jurors is selected, does not include information regarding a person's ethnicity.

The full court will examine whether the NT Juries Act is inconsistent with the Racial Discrimination Act and whether it infringes the Constitution.

Earlier this year, lawyers for the

men applied to have the trial moved to Darwin, citing the 'historically racially skewed composition of juries in Alice Springs' as one of their reasons.

In July, Justice Jenny Blokland denied the request. The reasons behind her decision cannot be published until after the trial.

The jury that was selected for the trial has been placed on stand-by until the matter before the full court has been resolved.

It is believed the hearing is the first of its kind in Australia. The hearing continues. – AAP

Better shopping in store on Mabuia

Story by ALF WILSON

Photos by VELMA GARA, *Torres News*



TINY Mabuia Island in the Torres Strait now has a brand new community store regarded by many as the equal to any on the mainland. The IBIS store was officially opened last

month, jointly funded by the Island Industries Board (IIB) trading as the Island Board of Industry and Service (IBIS) which contributed \$950,000, and the Queensland Government which put in \$550,000.

The Government established the New Store Program in 2006. Mabuia, with a population of about 300, and Dauan were the last two Torres Strait stores to be upgraded, with \$2.2 million remaining in the coffers, but Ugar (Stephen Island) needed a new IBIS store and the Murray Island IBIS store needed an expansion.

"So an extraordinary agreement was reached by Mabuia and Dauan by agreeing to give Ugar \$450,000 and Mer \$850,000 of their allocated \$2.2 million leaving \$300,000 for Dauan and \$550,000 for Mabuia," said IBIS chair Peter Rice at the Mabuia store opening.

Mr Rice said the Mabuia and Dauan communities needed to be congratulated and acknowledged for their kind and generous act.

"I wish to acknowledge Margaret Mau, Luisa Guise, their communities Dauan and Mabuia, and the Island Coordinating Council. We stand here with this magnificent store and manager's accommodation that has cost \$1.5 million and been built by Gateway Constructions. This money comes from profits from the IBIS group and communities of Torres Strait," he said.

The IBIS Board consists of eight members with four Torres Strait representatives – Terry Waia, TSIRC Mayor Fred Gela, Ron Laifoo and Phillemon Mosby who are joined by Mr Rice, Neil Castles, Mark Johnston and Deborah Kuchler.

Mayor Gela officially opened the new IBIS store by cutting the ribbon and unveiling the plaque, along with Cygnet Repu, Terence Whap and Keith Fell.

"I'm proud to be opening this state-of-the-art building which has a range of accessible items for the community," Mayor Gela said. "It's a long-term vision that islands can supply and sell to IBIS locally produced fruit and vegetables."



Officially opening the IBIS Store, from left, traditional owner Cygnet Repu, PBC Chair Terence Whap, Torres Strait Island Regional Council Mayor Fred Gela and Cr Keith Fell.

Representing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle at the IBIS store opening was the Member for Cook, Jason O'Brien.

He said the Government took seriously the security of essential foods and employment in Torres Strait Islander communities.

"And IBIS is committed to protecting the Torres Strait environment by removing rubbish in partnership with SeaSwift and Amcor," the MP said. "This means that recyclable materials will be returned to Cairns for processing instead of going into landfill dumps on the Outer Islands."

"I congratulate all responsible for this wonderful store, IBIS management, the Prescribed Body Corporate and the Torres Strait Island Regional Council."

Two people who were very happy

about the big new IBIS store were Manager Frank Genai, who has been with IBIS for 18 years, and staff member Margaret Larry, who has been with the company for 12 years.

"Everyone is excited about the new store being bigger and having a variety of stock," Mr Genai said.

The previous store had only two rows whereas the new one has five, with a wide range of items from groceries, fruit and vegetables, a large fridge section for cold stock, cigarettes, ATM and white goods.

The store is open from Monday through to Saturday.

Mr Genai, Ms Larry and Tigi Bani are the full-time staff and the part-time staff members are Maryann Whap, Harriet Bani, Jack Whap and Jason Williams.



Local residents in the new store.

TV series on Redfern



INNER-city Indigenous life is the subject of a new television series called *Redfern Now*.

ABC TV and the Indigenous Department of Screen Australia are developing the series, which will be written, directed and produced by Indigenous Australians.

Set in Redfern, the series will be developed in collaboration with Jimmy McGovern, the creator and writer of *The Street*, *Cracker* and *The Lakes*.

Six episodes

And the award-winning Indigenous production company, Blackfella Films, responsible for *First Australians* and *Lani's Story*, will produce six one-hour episodes to be aired on ABC1.

The producers of the series are calling for 'hard-hitting, truthful and emotionally engaging story ideas centring on a diverse group of individuals, exploring the themes of strength, resilience and flaws'.

Jimmy McGovern will be in



Blackfella Films directors Rachel Perkins and Darren Dale.

Australia in January 2011 for a story workshop, at which he will take writers through an intense development process.

Production is expected to begin in late 2011.

Head of ABC TV's Indigenous Department Sally Riley said the project was an exciting groundbreaking project for Indigenous film-makers wanting to expand their skills

into TV drama.

"We are equally thrilled Jimmy McGovern has agreed to collaborate on *Redfern Now*," Ms Riley said.

"He has a long history of

mentoring and developing new and emerging writers in the UK and he is one of the world's most influential TV writers.

"His stories have a depth rarely seen on television and his experience and generosity of spirit will be an inspiration."

Head of Screen Australia's Indigenous Department Erica Glynn said Indigenous filmmakers were achieving growing critical and commercial success across feature film, documentary and short film.

Human stories

"*Redfern Now* offers our talented practitioners an opportunity to hone their skills in TV drama and audiences everywhere will intimately identify with the human stories this prime time series will portray," she said.

Redfern Now is being developed in consultation with Redfern community organisations.

For application details and guidelines go to www.screenaustralia.gov.au/redfernow

Award 'complete surprise' to Cherbourg woman

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A CHERBOURG Elder who is one of the driving forces behind the community's Ration Shed project has won a Premier's Award for Seniors.

Sandra Morgan was recognised for her work with the Historical Precinct Group and contribution to the project.

Ms Morgan said her award had come as 'a complete surprise' because she hadn't even known she'd been nominated.

She was nominated for her involvement in the local community and planning of some memorable activities. She co-ordinated the passage of the 2000 Olympic Torch Relay through Cherbourg and organised Golden Oldies, an annual Cherbourg reunion which this week celebrates its 20th anniversary.

Ms Morgan is also the chairperson of the Cherbourg Historical Precinct Group, and co-produced a film about the Ration Shed.

She said the historic Ration Shed was appealing for sponsors, to fund a paid administrative role and for further restoration of the remaining buildings.

"We have three original buildings in our precinct here, and we are looking for money to complete more of the building restoration, and to restore our history," she said.

"We have the last remaining dormitory in Cherbourg and the admin office, where all the control was from in the community, and the Ration Shed where everyone received their rations every week."

Last year's Q150 celebrations yielded a grant for the project, used to partially restore the office building and part of the Ration Shed.

But Ms Morgan said funds were also needed to complete the restoration of the historic site.

"We also need funds for employment

for admin – employment is a big thing, too, in our vision here because we need that to keep it up and running," she said. "Part of our vision here is to create employment."

The active senior said that all work at the Ration Shed was done on a voluntary basis.

Ms Morgan facilitates storytelling sessions and meetings with artists, and opens the museum for visitors daily, telling stories about Cherbourg history to school student groups.

Although events are held at the Ration Shed for locals and visitors, a lack of administrative staff has meant the new website rationshed.com.au hasn't been able to be updated.

Ms Morgan said an administrative assistant was essential for the project to continue efforts to teach visitors about Cherbourg and to reconnect locals with their history, through strategies such as The Memory Project.

"People can come in and research family history or add to it," she said.

At present one sponsor, Clermont Mining, was helping to support the Ration Shed to keep the archival work going.



Sandra Morgan with her Premier's Award.



The Ration Shed at Cherbourg.

Qld airstrips to undergo upgrades



A NUMBER of airstrips in remote communities in Queensland are to be upgraded with the help of Federal Government funding.

The Government said the upgrades would secure the delivery of vital food and medical supplies to communities in the Torres Strait, Cape York and the Gulf.

Queensland Labor Senator Jan McLucas said \$663,000 would be spent replacing the fencing at three Torres Strait airstrips and resealing a strip in the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA).

Another \$240,471 would be spent resurfacing runways, fencing and lighting in four Cape York Communities – Chuulangun, Gilberton Station, Hope Vale and Bramwell Station.

Five communities in the Gulf area – Burketown, Croydon, Doomadgee, Hughenden and Richmond – will also receive a share of \$465,166 to complete infrastructure upgrades.

Senator McLucas said the Federal Government had invested nearly \$20 million in 145 airstrips, delivering safety projects worth more than \$39 million through its airstrip program.

"Local airstrips provide a lifeline for remote communities," he said.

"That is why we are investing in these upgrades to make sure they remain safe and accessible for aircraft."

"Having a safe airstrip is absolutely critical for transporting food, medicine, mail, emergency and basic supplies and to fly doctors, teachers, nurses and residents in and out of remote communities."

"This is particularly important, in the case of the NPA airstrip where road access is disrupted for extended periods due to weather."

Senator McLucas said the investments were part of the Gillard Government's commitment to regional, rural and remote communities.

Program to keep victims safe



LINDA BURNEY (File pic).



NSW COMMUNITY Services Minister Linda Burney has announced State Government support for an

domestic violence program that allows victims to remain safe in their home and community. The funding will be used to support women and children in the inner Sydney suburbs of Redfern and Waterloo.

"One reason women return to violent partners is the difficulty they face setting up a new life. It is daunting and expensive. Often, they feel their only option is to return home, even when there is heartache, chaos and abuse," Ms Burney said.

"Women with children may be reluctant to uproot their kids, taking them away from their school community, friends and family.

"I'm confident that when this service gets off the ground, it will help many women in Redfern and Waterloo to permanently end the cycle of violence in their lives and their children's lives."

Ms Burney made the announcement during a visit to The Shop Women and Girls Service (South Sydney Youth Services), which has been awarded the \$450,000

tender to run the Staying Home Leaving Violence (SHLV) service for three years in the local area.

"Staying Home Leaving Violence helps to prevent homelessness by supporting women and children to remain safely in their own homes," Ms Burney said.

"This program is about providing a range of supports to women, from something as simple as improving home security, to helping them through the complicated legal system."

Range of supports

Other supports include comprehensive risk assessment and safety planning; court support; liaison and collaboration with the police, housing and other agencies; case work to address financial, tenancy and other personal issues; referrals to legal advice, counselling and other support services; community information and awareness.

Ms Burney said the program had been trialled successfully in Bega and Eastern Sydney and has been expanded to 18 sites across NSW, bringing the NSW Government investment in the SHLV program to \$8.1 million by 2013.

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Swine flu claims two lives in NT



THE NT has experienced what is believed to be the first swine-flu fatalities this year, with the recent deaths of two elderly men, both of whom had serious underlying health problems.

It takes this year's national total number of known swine flu-related deaths to 14, compared to 191 in 2009.

According to the latest Australian Influenza Surveillance Report, since the first case of swine flu in May 2009 up until September 10 this year, there have been almost 40,000 confirmed cases of H1N1, or swine flu, in Australia.

The report showed that only 2300 of those cases occurred in 2010.

In August the World Health Organisation declared an end to the global swine flu pandemic, which originated in Mexico early in 2009.

However, NT health officials have released a statement advising that swine flu remained a serious threat to public health, particularly among people with pre-existing medical conditions.

The NT Health Department declined an invitation to release details about the men's cases, such as age and ethnicity.

Peter Markey, from the NT Centre for Disease Control, said the pre-existing medical conditions suffered by the two men had placed them in a high risk category for severe disease.

"It is especially important for those at high risk to get a flu shot," he said.

"This includes people with serious health conditions who are at risk of greater complications from the flu, and also includes the people looking after them.

"Flu vaccination is also very important for pregnant women, people with obesity and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders."

Vaccination important

Dr Markey said the most common strain of influenza circulating the Territory this year was H1N1, or swine flu.

This year there have been 173 influenza notifications in the NT, with 139 of them being H1N1. About 45 of the reported swine flu cases have occurred in the past week, 17 of which required hospitalisation.

Dr Markey said his organisation had, in the lead-up to the Top End's annual flu season, been advising people to get vaccinated.

"It is recognised that influenza is more likely to occur in places where vaccination rates are lower," he said in a statement.

"Recent monitoring of flu activity has shown a steady increase in the number of cases reported."

Dr Markey advised people suffering from flu to stay at home, wash their hands regularly and to cover their mouth when coughing and sneezing. — AAP

Yarnin' on the road

By CHRISTINE HOWES



IT might be 35km from Hopevale to Alligator Creek, but no less than 60 people trekked it enthusiastically recently in the interests of health and togetherness.

The walk was organised by the local Men's Group.

"It was a community event because there was participation by children and old people, and it was a chance for me to catch up with some people on the road – walking and talking," said one of the walkers – Hopevale Mayor Greg McLean.

"The walk encouraged everyone to get out there and was organised by the Men's Group here, which is part of the community and the big picture of being healthy and being strong."

With plenty of back up and support – and lunch waiting at the beach end of things – walkers were keen and happy to take part.

It is hoped that the walk will become an annual event under the theme 'Gulbuuygu Nganthaan Thamaalbi Thadaara, Wawu Dabaar-gurranu' – All Together, We Walk for Life.

At the beach end of the walk.



Terel Bowen (front) and from left, Branston Deeral, Sayron Rosendale, Jolain Yora, Laekon Pearson and Jason Deemal.



Hopevale Mayor Greg McLean and Men's Group secretary Don Elphick



A spectacular fig tree on rock at the Sackville Mission site.

Volunteers wanted for Sackville clean-up



VOLUNTEERS are needed to take part in two working bees to clean up the former Aboriginal mission site at Cumberland Reach, in the Hawkesbury region of NSW, on 24 October and 20 November.

The Sackville Mission site is culturally significant for many local Aboriginal people who had relatives who lived there between 1889 and 1946.

Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment Management Authority (HNCMA) catchment officer John Lennis said they were encouraging non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal community members to join in the first couple of work days.

"The site is very special for the local Aboriginal community and they decided they want to have regular working bees

to control weeds and look after the area," he said.

Land Management Officer at Hawkesbury Council Nicola Booth said there were a range of weeds impacting on the cultural heritage of the site.

"In particular, lantana and balloon vine are smothering bushland at the site," she said.

"Work will take place directly on the Hawkesbury riverbank and will protect endangered bushland communities of Eucalypt River Flat Forest and species indicative of Western Sydney Dry Rainforest."

The working bees run between 10am-1pm and lunch will be provided. Volunteers should meet at Holmes Drive Reserve, Holmes Drive, Cumberland Reach. For more information contact Nicola Booth at Council on (02) 4560 4531.

Bundjalung clubs welcomed home



THREE historically and culturally significant wooden clubs collected from northern New

South Wales about 150 years ago have been returned to their original Bundjalung country.

With the support of the Clarence Valley Council and its own gallery foundation, the Grafton Regional Gallery purchased the beautifully crafted clubs through Sotheby's auction house in Melbourne.

Local Aboriginal people and other community members attended a morning tea last month to welcome the clubs home.

Such artefacts are considered very rare and offer a unique insight into the style and quality of tools used by the Bundjalung people in the 1850s and 1860s.

The clubs are in very good condition and can be traced back

to Alexander Stewart, one of the first European settlers from the Malara Goldfields in the Timbarra region, between Baryulgil and Tenterfield.

The 68cm Lil Lil Club, the 79cm narrow club and the 58cm bulbous headed club are made of hardwood with the narrow club having a diamond concentric pattern engraved into it.

The oral history that was passed down through the Stewart family tells that Alexander Stewart obtained the clubs by direct trade with the local Bundjalung people. They were purchased by the vendor selling at the auction directly from Alexander Stewart's great grandson.

The clubs are the first Aboriginal artefacts from the 19th Century in the gallery's public collection, making them accessible and preserving them for future generations.



● ABOVE;
People gather
around the
clubs at a
welcome event
held for them at
Grafton
Regional Gallery
last month.

● LEFT:
Clarence Valley
artist Bevan
Skinner with
one of the
clubs.

● RIGHT: The
three
Bundjalung
clubs, circa
1850s.



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Robert Appo and Digby Moran inspect one of the clubs.

Sultan, Roach up for ARIAS



FRESH from a win in last week's Deadly Awards, singer Dan Sultan has scored four nominations in the country's top music awards, the 2010 ARIA Awards.

Angus & Julia Stone, Sia, Birds of Tokyo, Guy Sebastian and Washington lead the nominations in this year's ARIAs race, each receiving six nominations.

Sultan got a nod in the Best Male Artist, Most Popular Australian Artists, Best Independent Release and Best Blues & Roots Album categories, the latter for his album *Get Out While You Can*.



Dan Sultan has been nominated for four ARIA Awards this year.

Archie Roach's album *Music Deli Presents Archie Roach 1988* has scored a Best World Music Album nomination.

A record 31 awards will be presented this year, at a star-studded ceremony at the Sydney Opera House on 7 November.

Four new categories – Most Popular Australian Single, Most Popular Australian Album and Most Popular International Artist – have offered fans a first-ever opportunity to vote in the awards, and tickets to the ceremony have also been made available to the public.

General public tickets are on sale now through Sydney Opera House Box Office (02) 9250 7777, www.sydneysoperahouse.com, www.ticketek.com.au or 132 849



Pecan Summer cast and crew with Deborah Cheetham (centre).

Opera tells resistance story



IT will be one of the most keenly anticipated events that Shepparton will see for a long time.

And front and centre in the audience at this weekend's premiere of Deborah Cheetham's opera *Pecan Summer* – Australia's first Indigenous opera – will be Yorta Yorta people to whom the story means the most.

The genesis of *Pecan Summer's* story is the 1939 walk off Cummeragunja Mission when 200 Aboriginal men, women and children crossed the Dhungala (Murray River) in defiance of their persecutors.

Pecan Summer tells of the consequences of the walk off – culminating with its final scene in Federation Square on Apology Day 2008.

Internationally acclaimed Cheetham describes the opera, which she wrote and composed, as one 'for the 21st century, a contemporary opera for Indigenous Australians, and a story for all Australians'.

While researching the history of the walk-off, she discovered her own relatives were at Cummeragunja –



Deborah Cheetham and Pecan Summer cast members.

including her uncle, country singer Jimmy Little.

A member of the Stolen Generations, and adopted by a white Baptist family, Cheetham was obsessed with opera from the age of 14. Taken to the Opera House in 1974 to see Dame Joan Sutherland in *The Merry Widow*, Cheetham knew she had found her vocation in life.

She spent two years travelling Australia to 'discover' the *Pecan Summer* cast members – most of whom

had never sung professionally, but who had the passion to pursue their dream when given the opportunity.

The cast has been in full-time rehearsal in Melbourne for weeks now.

Pecan Summer will premiere at the Westside Performing Arts Centre, Mooroopna, near Shepparton on Saturday, 9 October, with a matinee the afternoon before.

These will be the only two performances this year, before it tours in 2011.

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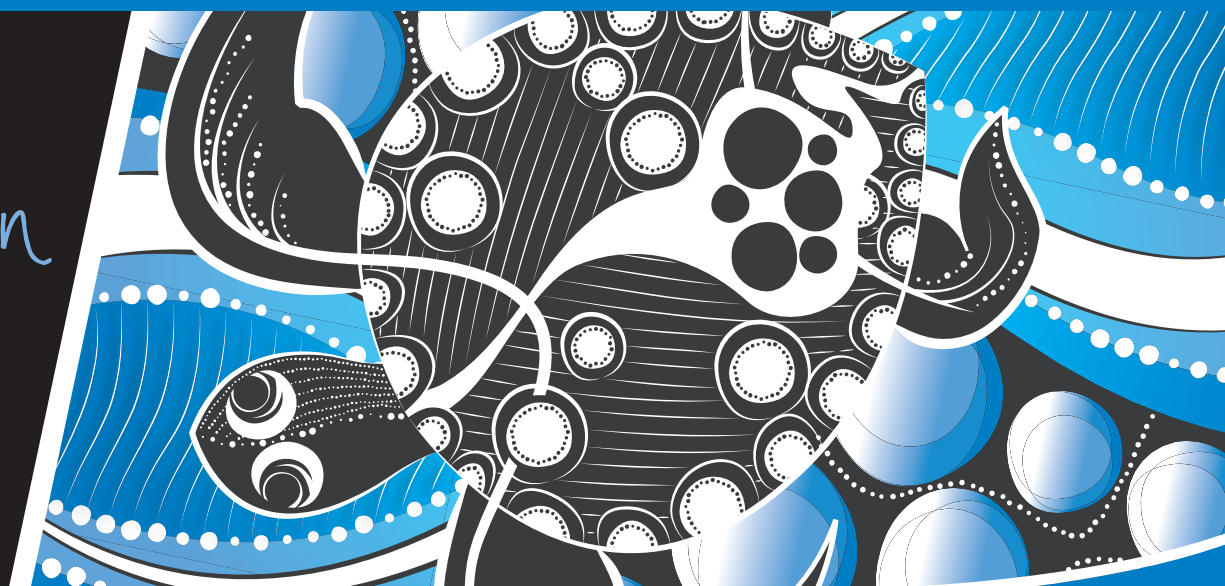
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Purcell's touch on revamped play



A NEW presentation of the play, *The Story of the Miracles at Cookie's Table*, will be on show at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre from 14-30 October.

Starring Leah Purcell, who is also the director, the play is a 'powerful family saga spanning four generations'.

It begins in the 1870s when a girl is born under a tree, which is cut down to become a kitchen table. Generations later, a young man and his mother fight for ownership of the table.

Written by Wesley Enoch, who was recently appointed as Queensland Theatre Company's new artistic director, won the Patrick White Playwrights Award 2005, and has been shortlisted for the New South Wales and Victorian Premiers' Literary awards.

Purcell, who won a Helpmann Award for her portrayal of its main character Annie, said the play explored themes of ownership, heritage, culture and sexuality.

"I am very proud of winning a Helpmann Award because I worked extremely hard to bring Annie to life, but being conscious of

not making her character a cliché.

"This play is a universal story for all. It's gutsy, it packs a punch or two, it's laugh-out loud funny and takes you on an emotional journey as Annie and Nathan re-connect from being estranged for many years," said Purcell.

"*The Story of the Miracles at Cookie's Table* is a great yarn and a theatre experience worth seeing, whether you are a regular to the arts or if you are experiencing theatre for the first time, this is something worth seeing."

Cultural significance

QPAC chief executive John Kotzas said QPAC was pleased to be presenting the work because of its cultural significance for Queensland and the Centre's longstanding relationship with Bungabura Productions.

"*The Story of the Miracles at Cookie's Table* is an immensely important piece of theatre – a story about families that transcends cultures," Mr Kotzas said.

The play also stars Nathan Ramsey and Roxanne McDonald, and will be staged at QPAC's Cremorne Theatre. For bookings, ring 136246 or go to www.qpac.com.au



Leah Purcell, star and director of *The Story of the Miracles at Cookie's Table*, to be staged at QPAC this month.

Artist puts his stamp on exhibition



● ABOVE: Teho Ropeyarn: "As an artist, I believe we have to be different because then we become unique within our own body of work."

● RIGHT: The Injinoo Dancers performing at UMI Arts Big Talk One Fire Festival 2010 in Cairns.



'EXPLORING Two Worlds' is an exhibition of paintings, lino-cut prints and ceramics that tracks Teho Ropeyarn's journey from practising the cultural arts of his community, through to studying at the College Of Fine Arts in Sydney.

It opens this Friday 8 October at UMI Arts in Cairns and the launch will feature a special guest performance by the Injinoo Dancers, who were a headline act at the recent Cairns Indigenous Arts Fair and won the 2009 Laura Dance Festival.

Teho comes from the Injinoo community, on the tip of Cape York Peninsula, in far north Queensland. His traditional country is Angkamuthi,

on the west coast, and Yadhakana, on the east coast, and he's a descendent of great, great grandmother Kanomie, a Woppaburra woman of Great Keppel Island.

He also has traditional connection to the Torres Strait Islands of Badu and Murray.

"The major theme in my artwork is animals from my region and my clans," he said. "I work from a contemporary Indigenous style collaborating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patterning and design, creating my own style through to realistic western style of painting in oil."

"As an artist, I believe we have to be different because then we become unique within our own body of work".

Teho's exhibition is the culmination of his participation in the UMI Arts Exhibition Ready Program, a skills-based program that provides artists with training in the 'nuts and bolts' of how to prepare and present their artwork for exhibition and sale.

UMI Arts is a not-for-profit company featuring an all-Indigenous board of directors and is the peak Indigenous arts and cultural organisation for far north Queensland.

The 'Exploring Two Worlds' exhibition will run from 8 October to 19 November at UMI Arts, 335 Sheridan Street, North Cairns, and is open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm. This Friday's launch starts at 6pm and is open to the public.



Kelp creation

Story and photos by
Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY

ENVIRONMENTAL messages are a central theme of the creations by Tasmanian Aboriginal artist and storyteller Vicki West.

Inner Resistance, her large kelp installation, is the striking centrepiece of the *rrala manta manta* exhibition of Tasmanian Aboriginal artworks, showing until tomorrow, 7 October, at Launceston's Design Centre.

West's installation gives a sense of being somewhere else, the long strands depicting an underwater kelp forest, inside which a wearable kelp cloak is suspended.

Her message is passionate. "People are very aware that the land forests are at risk, this is very much about the sea forests being at risk," she said.

"We've got to be aware of what we are doing to the sea as well as the land, they are both at risk and we need to be aware of the connection between both and what we are doing as people.

"In a time dominated by global debate over issues of climate change, it is critical that we engage with these issues on a local and regional level.

"We must also understand the consequences of inappropriate or disrespectful development for future generations.

"I believe that we are now on the edge of a critical balance, and that country is being compromised by greed and power.

"Kelp is a metaphor of survival and how we rely on the sea as well as the land for survival. It is a really important resource that our ancestors used."

She also works with land-based plant fibres, and makes small intricate pieces but, of late, has become better known for her larger kelp work.

Having practiced an array of crafts including crochet, knitting, lace making and basket weaving as a child, Vicki turned her hand



VICKI WEST

to kelp and other native Tasmanian fibres after making a traditional kelp water carrier at a community workshop.

"I liked the water carriers and wanted to see how much I could push it. I draw on the tradition of how kelp was used, but use it in a contemporary way.

"It is amazing to work with. I just love the material, and collecting it. And I only collect what's washed up."

Inspired to see how far she could push kelp as a medium while at art school, West has been making large-scale installations for the past 13 years.

She graduated with a Masters of Fines Arts in 2008.

"University gave me confidence to be more daring and looking at what other people were doing and challenging myself."

She has made one other kelp cloak, which was worn in the theatrical performance *Gathering Ground*, about Pemulwuy, in Redfern earlier this year.

Footage of the performance is projected onto the wall behind *Inner Resistance*.

That first cloak is now a permanent feature in the 'new look' National Gallery of Australia, which opened in Canberra last week. (See pages 12 and 13 for more on this).

West's artwork is held in a number of private and public collections around Australia. In 2000, she was short-listed for the



Vicki West's kelp installation *Inner Resistance* stands at the centre the *rrala manta manta* exhibition at Launceston's Design Centre. The exhibition finishes tomorrow, 7 October.

Telstra Art Award.

She is passionate about exhibiting outdoors in places where people do not get to see

art very often, such as the Jackeys Marsh Forest Festival.

Meanwhile, Arts Tasmania has approved funding to develop

a touring program for *rrala manta manta*, and organisations interested in hosting should call 03 6331 5505.

WA music school needs students to survive

By DARREN COYNE



WESTERN Australia's only Indigenous music college is in danger of closing unless it can boost its student numbers.

The college, Abmusic, was formed in 1986 to train Indigenous students for a career in the music industry.

Outgoing chief executive officer Bruce Devenish told *The Koori*

Mail that the college could close by the end of this month if more students were not found.

Mr Devenish said the college had been doing it tough for some time because declining student numbers meant the college had been forced to use its funding reserves to stay viable.

He said pressure from the minerals boom in WA meant that Indigenous students were in high demand from other, more lucrative sectors.

Mr Devenish blamed an

outdated business model which required the college to have around 150 students enrolled.

"The ideal number is 50 to 70 students but to be economically viable we need to train around 150 and that's never going to work," he said.

"As students numbers have been shrinking, so have staff numbers. We used to have 22 staff and now we have just 6 full time staff, with seven other part time or casual staff."

"One of the problems is that we

have trouble getting schools to recommend us because a lot of people don't consider being a musician a good career move because musicians are mostly self-employed."

Another person pushing for the survival of the college is the WA Shadow Minister for Culture and the Arts, John Hyde.

Mr Hyde said the next four weeks would be crucial to the college's survival.

"I urge all Indigenous people to encourage interested family and

friends to enrol to save the facility," he said.

"It will be a sad day for the Indigenous, cultural and wider community if Abmusic has to close its doors at the end of October through lack of enrolments."

The college had an open day last week and a spokesperson said a number of new students had signed up, but there was room for more. Anyone interested in studying music should contact the college on 08 9458 9077 or online at www.abmusic.org.au.

Pilbara on show



From left, Nan Rickards, Allery Sandy, Marlene Harold, Nina Smith, Donna Willis and Toni Salmon.



THE majesty of Western Australia's Pilbara region came alive last month during the annual *Colours of our Country* Aboriginal art exhibition in Perth.

For the fifth consecutive year, mining company Rio Tinto transformed the foyer walls of Central Park in St Georges Terrace to house a gallery of diverse work from accomplished and emerging artists throughout the rugged region.

The showcase event, launched this year by Premier Colin Barnett, began in 2006 to coincide with Rio Tinto's 40th anniversary.

Chief executive Iron Ore and Australia Sam Walsh said the exhibition was an important showcase for traditional culture and arts.

This year, 57 Pilbara Aboriginal artists showcased 232 paintings, artefacts and textiles at the exhibition. All work was for sale, with all proceeds returning free of commission back to artists and art groups in the Pilbara.

By last week, more than 150 works had been

sold for a total of more than \$180,000.

Yinjaa-Barni artists group chairperson Allery Sandy said events such as *Colours of our Country* presented opportunities for the artists and Perth audiences.

"Many of the artists featured in the exhibition have family members in Perth, who rarely have the opportunity to see our paintings," Ms Sandy said.

"Art is a wonderful way for us to speak about our country. The stories behind many of the paintings provide people outside the Pilbara with a small insight in to our heritage and our culture."

Exhibition co-ordinator Nan Rickards said it had been amazing to see the transformation of artists who had been involved in the exhibition for the past five years.

"Skills and confidence levels are through the roof and locally there is a real pride in what they have accomplished and the exposure they are bringing to the region," she said.

Colours of our Country closed on Sunday after a two-week showing.



The *Colours of our Country* Aboriginal art exhibition. Photos by CHRISTIAN SPROGUE

Nominate now for the Yvonne Cohen Award



APPLICATIONS are being sought for the 2010 Yvonne Cohen Award for Creative Indigenous Australian Youth.

The annual national award offers \$5000 to aid in the creative future potential of a talented young Indigenous Australian artist 30 years of age or younger.

The late Yvonne Cohen was a successful non-Indigenous artist who bequest a significant amount of money towards the establishment and fostering of the award over the next 25 years. Ms Cohen lived a large part of her life on Timara Island, north Queensland.

Each year, the trustees of the Yvonne Cohen Award, Aunty Joy Murphy-Wandin and Michelle Evans, bestow this financial encouragement to one individual, enabling them to continue and enhance their artistic work.

Last year's winner was Brisbane-raised Torres Strait Islander mother-of-two, emerging artist and broadcast journalist Michelle Tyhuis.

Nominations for the 2010 Yvonne Cohen Award should address the selection criteria and close on Monday 8 November. For more information, contact Sue Davies at email suedavies@pacific.net.au



From left, Kaye Warrie, Judith Coppin, Dickon Oxenburgh, Lureen Samson and Keith Churnside.



Premier Colin Barnett, Sam Walsh and Allery Sandy.



Winner of last year's Yvonne Cohen Award, emerging artist and broadcast journalist Michelle Tyhuis.

Diversity key to exhibition

By MARGARET SMITH



TAFE's Eora College in Sydney's Redfern and nearby Amnesty International have created a rich and diverse show of student work for the Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative.

Titled *Impressions*, the exhibition conveys the artists' reactions to the Northern Territory Intervention.

More than 60 people attended the opening, where nine paintings were sold – some making direct political comment; others more emotional and spiritual in their response.

Lynette Riley from Sydney University's Koori Centre sang the welcome to country, telling the crowd that the exhibition showed that Aboriginal people in NSW had a lot of culture and their art was alive.

She was followed by Anthony Mitchell, from Amnesty, who praised the artists and the initiative of Cathy Gill for bringing the two organisations together, which were working to support Aboriginal people in the NT and to have the Racial Discrimination Act reinstated there.

Nicole Watson, from University of Technology Sydney's Jumbunna Centre, also spoke and congratulated the students.



Eora Director Darryl Griffin with teacher Chico Monks. Photos by Sharon Hickey

"The Federal Government endorsed the UN Declaration on Indigenous Peoples throughout the world, and their right to self-determination, land, and freedom from discrimination," she said.

"But on 17th August 2007, the NT legislation was passed in Federal Parliament which seized Aboriginal land and introduced income management.

"The vast majority of Australians know very little about what is happening in the NT. Artists are very important because they speak to our humanity, and what we might become."

Boomalli's Bronwyn Bancroft looked round the large space and the walls brimming with art and declared: "These are the artists of the future. These stories are there for them to tell."

Afterwards, *The Koori Mail* spoke with Mark Hampton, whose work 'Intervention' was one of the most direct of all the works. He and his partner had travelled from the Torres Strait to study at Eora.

He revealed he usually preferred working in sculpture, but was attracted to doing something political about the NT that showed the BasicsCard, which people forced onto Income Management, had to use.

Another artist Lynette Pitt said she was inspired to do something that showed the impact on the lives of NT Aborigines.

Eora Director Darryl Griffin was proud that the college had partnered Amnesty. He said they were teaching students to be professional in their artwork.

"This exhibition gives (the students) a taste of the real world and what they could achieve. We hope to give them the skills to manage their art, their exhibitions and future commissions," he said.

Some of Eora's past students such as Elaine Russell and Adam Hill had led the way, he said.



Elaine Russell is one of the finalists in this year's art prize. This is one of her pieces, 'Sunset series' 2010.

Art alive and well in NSW



ABORIGINAL artists from New South Wales have been described as a diverse and rich group, and some of the best new works are now up for the Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize 2010.

The NSW Parliament, in conjunction with the Campbelltown Art Centre, recently announced the finalists for the annual exhibition, showcasing the breadth and diversity

of contemporary Aboriginal artists from across New South Wales.

This year a total of 43 works by 37 artists have been selected from a range of mediums, including painting, sculpture, photography and drawing.

The art works will be on display at NSW Parliament until 28 October, with the winner to be announced on 20 October, claiming a cash prize of \$20,000.

The top 43 art works will go on regional tour of art centres across the State, with the winner going on to become part of the Parliament's permanent art collection.

The prize was established in 2005 for Aboriginal artists born or living in NSW.

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Richard Torbay said the prize was a great way of recognising and nurturing Indigenous artists in the State.

"The prize provides a fantastic opportunity to showcase the great talent and creativity of contemporary Aboriginal artists in New South Wales," he said.

"We are pleased to be able to support the continued recognition and growth of this incredibly artistic community."

In addition to the Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize, a second award – the College of Fine Arts (COFA) Professional Development Award – will be announced at the opening on 20 October.

The award includes a two-week residency and solo exhibition at the EPS Gallery at COFA's campus in Paddington.



Finalist Leanne Tobin's work 'Colebee's dilemma' 2010.



Lynette Pitt with her painting 'Coming Home'.



Mark Hampton with his painting 'Intervention'

Deadly kids do well



THE 2010 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards

were announced last month, celebrating the academic and leadership achievements of 122 Aboriginal students in Sydney Region Public Schools.

The awards highlight the many Aboriginal students who are role models for all students across the 228 schools, and were nominated by their school principals.

Former Olympic swimmer Ian Thorpe and journalist Jeff McMullen joined Sydney schools regional director Phil Lambert to present them.

"It is wonderful to see the children being recognised for their work

across all aspects of learning in the classroom and seeing the families so proud of their child's achievements," Mr Thorpe told a big crowd.

"The Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards are a fantastic way to be able to celebrate for everyone – for the kids, you can see their pride in what they have accomplished, and for the families and teachers."

Award-winner Charlotte Edwige, a Year 6 representative on the Leadership Council at Darlington Public School, said she was proud to receive her award.

"Receiving this means so much, not only to me, but also to my family and my school," she said. "I believe that it is so important to always do



Darlington Public School Koori Dance Group members, who have been working with artists from Bangarra Dance Theatre.

your best, help others and care about your school because these are the things that are going to help you through your life."

School Captain at Matraville Sports High School Steven Foster spoke of the need for Aboriginal students to

never give up.

"Don't sit back in that comfort zone where you don't push yourself to do your best," he said. "Remember that education is the key... to open doors that have been closed to our people in the past. I believe that it is a privilege and the responsibility of each one of you to get this key, to open these doors, and become leaders for future generations of Aboriginal people."

The awards featured performances by students from Miranda Public School, Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design and Darlington Public School, and were MCed by Newtown High School of Performing Arts Year 9 student Simone Armstrong and South Sydney High School Year

11 student Nathan Fitzgerald.

Mr McMullen said he wished the whole of Australia could see so many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families ecstatic about their children's education successes.

"The Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards challenge the misconception that Aboriginal families don't have high expectations for their children," he said.

"These little stars at so many different schools are going to light the way for thousands of children to follow them."

One proud grandmother described the awards as 'one of those magic moments'. "I thank you so much for giving me that memory. Cycles are changing," she said.



Dr Phil Lambert, Ian Thorpe and Jeff McMullen with students at the 2010 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards.

ABC TV offering new internship



CREATIVE young Indigenous program makers who have experience as a writer, producer, director, researcher or editor are invited to apply for ABC TV's inaugural 2010 Indigenous Internship.

Designed to assist with career development, the internship will be structured as a job placement in the ABC's Television Division, based at Ultimo in Sydney, and the successful applicant must be ready to start in late 2010 or early 2011.

Director of TV Kim Dalton said the internship demonstrated ABC TV's commitment to building the capacity of the Indigenous media industry and would provide a significant opportunity for career development.

"This 12-month internship will cover a comprehensive program utilising the full mentoring capabilities of ABC TV, and will be customised around the successful applicant's experience and interest," he said.

Applications must include a completed application form, a current resume including two referees and non-returnable examples of recent work supplied on DVD. Applications close on 5 November.

For more information, go to www.abc.net.au/careers and search for job number - 491894; contact ABC TV People Development Advisor Frances Green on (03) 9626 1574; or register for an information session by contacting Erinn Carney on (02) 8333 2559 (session times and dates to be advised).

Scholarships available at Gold Coast TAFE



GOLD COAST TAFE is offering five Indigenous scholarships, including course fees and \$500 towards

learning materials, for mature-aged and school leaver applicants in 2011.

2009 Indigenous Scholarship winner Tabatha Watego drew on personal experience when she said one of the benefits of winning a scholarship was that it eased the financial burden of study.

"I had already completed a Certificate III in Community Services with

Gold Coast TAFE when I applied for an Indigenous scholarship," she said.

"Thanks to the scholarship, I have now had the opportunity of continuing my studies by undertaking a Diploma of Community Welfare Work."

Last year, Ms Watego went on to be named as a finalist at the regional Queensland Training Awards.

"I can't stress enough the importance of obtaining an education ... I have obtained a thirst for knowledge and now wish to attend university to obtain a degree to pursue my chosen career

in the health sector," she said.

"With these qualifications I feel I can make a valuable contribution to the welfare industry and to the Indigenous community."

In her spare time, Ms Watego volunteers at events such as Homeless Connect, the Princess Party for disadvantaged youth and works at her church providing food supplies for the disadvantaged.

Scholarship applications close 3 November. For more info, contact the Gold Coast TAFE Indigenous Support Officer Gavan Logan on 0422 004 831.

Students meet a real high-flyer



LOCKRIDGE student Steven Pickett and Swan View student Isaac Alexander were amongst those from 51 WA schools who recently met Australian-born astronaut Andy Thomas at the University of Western Australia.

Year 10 student Steven, and Year 9 student Isaac are in the Aspire UWA and Follow the Dream programs, which encourage and support students to undertake tertiary education.

They wanted to know how astronauts stay in touch with their families, what subjects to study to become an astronaut, and what it is like living on the International Space Station.

Dr Thomas was born in Adelaide in 1951 and completed his doctorate in mechanical engineering at the University of South Australia in 1978. NASA recruited him in 1992.

Four years later, he took his first flight



With astronaut Andy Thomas are, from left, Lockridge SHS Year 10 student Steven Pickett, Swan View SHS Year 9 student Isaac Alexander, Girrawheen SHS Year 9 student Claire Bonney and Hamilton SHS Year 12 student Lewis Teixeira. Photo by Paul Ricketts, UWA

in space on *Endeavour*. He trained at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Centre in Star City, Russia, in preparation for a

long-duration flight. In 1998, he served aboard the Russian space station *Mir* for 130 days.

From August 2001 to November 2003, Dr Thomas served as Deputy Chief of the Astronaut Office. He completed his fourth space flight on STS-114 and has logged more than 177 days in space. He is currently working for the Exploration Branch of the Astronaut Office.

Dr Thomas was in WA as part of a visit organised by philanthropic and education organisation the Fogarty Foundation. He spoke to scholars and scientists, primary and secondary students and teachers.

His visit also raised awareness of the Square Kilometre Array (SKA), a \$2.5 billion international global science project by a consortium of institutions from 20 countries.

The SKA is a radio telescope that aims to help answer fundamental questions in physics and cosmology and provide insights into the formation and evolution of the universe.

If the Australia-New Zealand bid to host the SKA is successful, the core of the project will be based in WA.

Melbourne Uni side too good at Games



THE University of Melbourne claimed the Indigenous University Games title after four days of competition in Newcastle last month, becoming the first Victorian university to do so.

The squad of 12 beat 14 other teams and more than 200 students to claim the Games' 15th championship, held at the Wollotuka Institute at the University of Newcastle from 13-16 September.

It was the first time the University of Melbourne had entered a team in the Games, which featured squads facing off against each other in

soccer, touch football, basketball and netball.

The team lost only two of their preliminary games on their way to the trophy, eventually beating the University of NSW 23-20 in basketball and the University of Western Australia 13-6 in the grand finals to claim an overall victory.

Bonnie Smith was named the tournament's most valuable player in the basketball, while Jerome Cubillo was named the same for soccer.

Team manager Courtney Bannister, from the Melbourne University's Department of Academic Enrichment Services, said it was a

great effort by the squad.

"The team showed great commitment and dedication, and showed true team spirit. It was rewarding to be first-time entrants and beat some teams who had won the championships five times in a row," she said.

"As a result, we've been offered the chance to host the event ourselves next year, and with the support of Trinity College we've accepted that offer."

Captain Steve Hanning says he couldn't be prouder of the team's achievement.

"I am so proud to be a part of the team. I'm looking forward to winning again in 2011 on home turf!" he said.



The winning team from the University of Melbourne.

League inspires award



THE success of this year's inaugural NRL Indigenous All Stars game has inspired a spin-off – a new award to recognise

Indigenous youth who excel in school, take on leadership positions and support their peers.

Federal Sports Minister Mark Arbib announced the Learn. Earn. Legend! award at the National Rugby League's One Community Awards night last week.

The award takes its name from the Learn. Earn. Legend! initiative, a partnership between the Federal Government and the National Rugby League, which targets young Indigenous Australians and has built on the success of the NRL Indigenous All Stars match.

Senator Arbib, who is also Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister, said the Learn. Earn. Legend! initiative aimed to encourage young Indigenous Australians to stay in school or training so they could become a legend in their own community and go on to get a great job.

The new award, which will be presented for the first time next year, would recognise Indigenous youth who stayed in school and gave themselves the best chance of a bright future, he said.

"The partnership between the



MARK ARBIB

National Rugby League and the Gillard Government has proven very successful in motivating Indigenous youth," Senator Arbib said.

"Australia's Indigenous sportspeople have succeeded through hard work and determination. They are inspirational role models for young Indigenous Australians.

"We know that the best thing all kids can do is get a good education, because the more education you have, the more likely you are to get a good job.

"The Learn, Earn, Legend! initiative is a key part of the Gillard Government's commitment to halving the gap in education and employment outcomes for Indigenous Australians."



Award-winning engineering student Nickeeta Masatora.

Education the key to engineering

By JILLIAN MUNDY in Hobart



AWARD-winning engineering student Nickeeta Masatora is keen to see more Indigenous people and women in her

field.

The petite 30-year-old has completed her Certificate 4 in Civil Engineering and is set to achieve Diploma level by the end of the year at the Polytechnic in Hobart.

Her efforts were recognised last month when she won the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award at the Tasmanian Training Awards.

"I would like to see more Indigenous people in engineering, there are so many support mechanisms and there are scholarships," she told *The Koori Mail*.

"There are so many opportunities, especially in the Kimberleys, where my Dad comes from."

She also encourages more women to enter the engineering industry.

Nickeeta says women have some obvious advantages in the field dominated by men, such as ability to multi-task and their attention to detail.

While she understands that it may appear daunting being outnumbered by the opposite gender in class – on an average of one to ten – Nickeeta said she was treated just the same.

"If anything, the teachers love you more because most women have neater handwriting and a longer attention span," she said cheekily.

A self confessed tomboy, all her friends grew up to gain a trade, and after a decade of working in administration she is loving the switch to study and a new field.

"All my uncles are tradesmen, I talk the lingo, it's what I talk about and enjoy talking about."

Ultimately she would like to graduate from university with a Degree in Structural Engineering, something she considered doing as a school leaver, but lacking the pre-tertiary qualifications she doubted her own ability.

"Returning to study gave me confidence in myself, I look forward to learning now, it's a fresh start. I hated school as a kid, I used to watch the clock all day.

"Now I appreciate our education system, we should never take it for granted," she said, reflecting on the stories told to her by international students she met when she began studying in WA in 2008.

Great income

While Nickeeta enjoys the challenge engineering brings, she doesn't hide the fact that it also offers a great income.

Being a qualified engineer will allow her to lead a life style she dreams of, travelling between her families in Tasmania and Western Australia.

The long hours and hard work has been well worth the rewards, Nickeeta says, and attributes her training award to her teachers and Jan Langridge at Aboriginal Services at the Polytechnic for their moral support and keeping her motivated.

Other finalists for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year award were Tasmanian Polytechnic students Chris Medcraft studying community services work, Shaun Brewer studying conservation and land management and St Brendan-Shaw College student Luke Vanderfeen studying General Construction.

Nickeeta will represent Tasmania at the Australian Training Awards in Sydney next month.

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The Centre for Aboriginal Studies is calling for applications for its Honours Program in 2011. The program is available to graduates and provides specialised research training with a focus on Indigenous knowledge and on research practices geared towards both professional and academic environments. Honours at the Centre for Aboriginal Studies will assist you in consolidating and extending the work you have done in your undergraduate degree.

The Honours Program is offered either part-time or full-time on a block release basis. It can be completed in one year studying full-time or in two years studying part-time. The part-time format is designed to help you to study with minimal interruption to your employment.

The Centre for Aboriginal Studies is an Aboriginal-managed academic school established at Curtin University in Western Australia in 1983. The Centre promotes the participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in tertiary studies, and aims to create new ways of learning and working that are culturally appropriate for the benefit of all people.

If you're looking to further your studies, look no further than the Centre for Aboriginal Studies at Curtin.
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Koori Tertiary Scholarships

An initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement

- Are you an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person undertaking full-time study?
- Are you interested in getting paid while you study your diploma, advanced diploma or degree?

The Department of Justice (Victoria), as part of the Koori Justice Units Koori Recruitment & Career Development Strategy is offering two Koori Tertiary Scholarships to commence in Semester One, 2011.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students undertaking full-time study at a Victorian tertiary institution in the following fields of study are encouraged to apply:

- Criminology ■ Para-Legal ■ Psychology ■ Law
- Psychiatry ■ Social Work ■ Mental Health

Other justice-related fields of study are encouraged to apply.

Applications close 5pm Friday 29 October 2010.

Eligibility Criteria apply.

Please contact Jeffrey Gray at the Koori Justice Unit on (03) 8684 1751 or email jeffrey.gray@justice.vic.gov.au for information and/or for a copy of the 2011 Scholarship Guidelines and Application Form.

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\$5 million centre for mums, bubs



INDIGENOUS community-controlled health organisation Mookai Rosie Bi-Bayan officially opened its new \$5 million facility at Edmonton, just south of Cairns, last month.

The organisation has been caring for mothers and babies for nearly three decades, but its new centre increases its capacity from 12 to 24 residents, and provides new state-of-the-art technologies for the delivery of child and maternal health education.

CEO Lillian Simpson said Mookai Rosie, which was established by Auntie Rose Richards in the early 1980s, had been leading the way with its innovative approach to service delivery for Indigenous women and children from remote and rural areas.

She said the new centre was recognition of the commitment of staff, partners and supporters to ensure Indigenous women and their babies received culturally appropriate pre and postnatal care.

"Mookai Rosie Bi-Bayan fills an important gap in the health sector," she said. "Patients who come to Cairns to have their babies want to

stay at a caring place which has the resources and staff to ensure that their health and social wellbeing are of the utmost importance, and this new facility is a great addition."

Auntie Rose Richards said the Government's investment and recognition of Mookai Rosie provided the opportunity to continue making a real difference to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mums and their bubs.

Homage

"Many of the people who walked alongside me over the past 27 years at Mookai Rosie have now passed away, and this new centre pays homage to their efforts and hard work for us over the years," she said.

Ms Simpson said it had been a long journey for Mookai Rosie.

"Over the past 26 years we have cared, nurtured and supported thousands of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their beautiful babies," she said.

"It's incredible to think that many of those babies are now mothers themselves and our service not only gave them the best start to their lives, but now their children and for generations to come."



● **ABOVE:** Mookai Rosie founder Auntie Rose Richards and Senator Jan McLucas shared ribbon-cutting duties at the opening of Mookai Rosie Bi-Bayan's new facilities.

Bowen health co-op wins ANTaR award



THE Girudala Community Health Co-operative has been recognised for its success at providing holistic health services to north Queensland's Bowen and the surrounding regions.

The organisation was due to pick up ANTaR Qld's fourth annual Close the Gap award at a ceremony at Parliament House today, 6 October.

Recently Girudala opened the Herbert Street Family Medical Centre, which operates like any other GP service, but directs any profits back into the community. Girudala runs many health programs, like the 'Living Strong' and the 'Garden Tucker Box' (GTP) programs, to promote good health in the whole local community.

'Living Strong' encourages people to make healthier food and drink choices and to participate in regular physical activity. The Living Strong participants work in Girudala's communal vegetable garden, which is part of the GTP and aims to promote and facilitate healthy eating practices.

Girudala CEO Michelle Hooke said school-age children weren't able to work in the garden unless they kept their attendance rates up at school, and being allowed to work in the garden was proving to be a strategy that assisted all students, as well as disengaged youth – 'the guys who are suspended or

expelled and walking the streets and getting into trouble', according to Ms Hooke.

"The garden is also a place where Elders can come and share time and their stories, which is culturally so important," she said.

She said Girudala had strived to ensure the 'grassroots' of their community benefited from what they had to offer and that since its establishment in 1974, the co-op had been actively closing the gap in health differences between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

ANTaR Qld Chairperson Kitty Carra said the annual award aimed to showcase to politicians and policy implementers the very creative and imaginative ways in which Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people tackled the challenges in their lives.

"This year's ANTaR Close the Gap Award focuses on the many grassroots, persistent and culturally appropriate programs, which the team at Girudala have been running with wonderful success," she said.

Last year's winner was Goori House, a men's recovery centre in West End, Brisbane.

Goori CEO John Close said winning the award had raised their profile considerably.

"It made all sides of government aware of us and what we were doing and it taught us to use the award as another source of credibility for all that Goori, the staff and the team do," he said.



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Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship Support Scheme (NAHSSS)

On line applications for the Allied Health Streams of the NAHSSS opening on Friday 1 October 2010 and closing on 5 November 2010.

Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health (SARRAH), the Scholarship Administrators for the NAHSSS Allied Health Streams are pleased to announce the opening dates of the following Scholarships. These scholarships support Australian citizens and those holding permanent residency interested in either obtaining an allied health qualification or already providing an allied health clinical service within Australia. These allied health scholarships provide practical support at the health service delivery level.

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Postgraduate Scholarship – Enhancing the skills and knowledge of allied health professionals who provide a clinical service within Australia. Study at the graduate certificate, graduate diploma and masters level is eligible. The Scholarship is valued at up to \$15,000 (FTE) for a maximum of 2 years. Visit the [Postgraduate Home Page](#) for information about eligible professions, selection criteria, rural and remote status, the application process, and the scholarship guidelines.

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SARRAH is committed to supporting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health workforce through these Scholarships. Please visit the home pages for each scholarship for specific details and eligibility criteria.

www.sarrah.org.au

The NAHSSS is funded by the Australian Government
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Condoman now in animation



Damon Leftwitch and performer Sam Savage at the launch of the animated version of Condoman. Photos courtesy of Visual Obsession



CONDOMAN put in a guest appearance at last month's launch of his latest incarnation as a

high-quality animation, with voice-over, music and sound effects.

The animation production by HITnet has retained the comic book format and also features a theme song *Don't be Shame, Be Game*, by Will Kepa.

The animation is based on the popular Condoman character, initially created by a group of Townsville health workers in 1987, and resurrected in comic book format in 2009 by the 2 Spirits Project.

HITnet program director Helen Travers said they were proud and excited to launch the Condoman animation.

"Our audiences relate to highly engaging, localised content, particularly when it has an inbuilt sense of humour," she said.

"To build upon the huge following of the comic book, and have an Indigenous superhero deliver sexual health messages in an interactive media format – featuring Indigenous voices and soundtrack – is an incredibly powerful and effective way to deliver these important health messages."

She said the launch, which was held on the opening day of the 2010 Creating Futures

Conference in Cairns, provided an opportunity to give thanks to all of the talented artists and technical staff involved in the production, and to celebrate the evolution of the Condoman character over the years.

Condoman will be broadcast on the HITnet touchscreen kiosks installed in urban and remote settings across Australia.

It is also available on DVD and for preview via social media sites facebook and the HITnet website.

Deadly nominee

The animation was nominated for a 2010 Deadly Award in the Health and Education categories.

The HITnet Development Program began in 2001 and is an Information and Communications Technology for Development (ICTD) program that produces and broadcasts health and wellbeing content across its national network of touchscreen kiosks to inform disadvantaged Indigenous communities across Australia.

This HITnet Condoman animation project has been funded primarily by the WA Health Department's Sexual Health and Blood-borne Virus Program with additional funding support from Queensland Health, Offender Health Services and the Queensland Association for Healthy Communities 2 Spirits Project.



Samantha Lopez and Helen Travers, both from HITnet.



Condoman and some old friends



Performer Louisa Taylor, creator Brendon Leishman, and superhero Condoman.

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Bacteria 'a serious threat': Researcher



RESEARCH by a PhD candidate has found that a potentially lethal antibiotic-resistant strain of golden staph bacteria is becoming a serious threat to the health of remote Indigenous

Australians.

Research Fellow with the Menzies School of Health Research Dr Steven Tong, who will be awarded a PhD from Charles Darwin University at its upcoming October graduation ceremony, said the annual incidence of golden staph bloodstream infections was six-times higher in the Indigenous community compared with the non-Indigenous population.

He said that overcrowded houses, poor hygiene and high rates of skin infections were the most likely reason for the emergence of antibiotic-resistant strains.

"It is likely that these antibiotic-resistant golden staph strains have arisen in remote Indigenous communities where staphylococcal disease is highly prevalent," he said.

"Investigations into alternative treatments effective against these strains of staphylococcal skin disease in remote communities are under way."

Dr Tong said the number of infections in Aboriginal communities was reaching epidemic proportions.

"To actually combat this, we need to get out into the communities and have community level interventions," he said.

"And in particular in the Northern Territory that will involve improving housing and housing standards, making sure that houses have adequate facilities to actually wash children and improve their skin hygiene."

Support officer available



AN Aboriginal Community Support Officer is now available to assist Aboriginal groups working in natural resource management on the Central Coast and Hunter region.

Darkinjung/Wiradjuri woman Deborah Swan recently took on the role, which is based in the Gosford office of the Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority (CMA).

She will be encouraging groups interested in starting new projects in 2011 to talk to her about potential opportunities, helping them to source funding, develop and implement on-ground works and also gain skills in record keeping, group organisation, and communications.

"It is very important to me that our people are empowered to look after their own country and I look forward to inspiring and supporting groups and helping them to develop rewarding projects together with

the CMA," Ms Swan said.

Recently, CMA funding brought together Aboriginal women from all over NSW to participate in weaving workshops, learn what plants to harvest and why and how harvesting plants for weaving helps to sustain water purity.

These and other skills were shared by participants, with the series of workshops jointly organised between the CMA and the Mirring Aboriginal Corporation's Weaver's Society.

Ms Swan said this was a wonderful example of how Aboriginal groups and the CMA had worked together in partnership on the Central Coast to impart skills and knowledge within both the Aboriginal and wider communities.

CMA General Manager

Fiona Marshall said Deborah Swan had always lived in Darkinjung country and her experience in natural resource management and working with Aboriginal communities was a great asset.



DEBORAH SWAN

Palmerston office supports detainees



THE North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) has announced

the official opening of its new office in Palmerston, on the outskirts of Darwin, which will provide a base for a program aimed at tackling the problem of re-offending.

NAAJA CEO Priscilla Collins said Throughcare, which began in February this year, sought to reduce re-offending by supporting Aboriginal prisoners and juvenile detainees six months before and six months after their release from prison or detention.

"We are very pleased to have the support of the Commonwealth



NAAJA CEO
Priscilla Collins.

Government for our Throughcare project", Ms Collins said.

"And by having a new presence in Palmerston, we are not only creating an independent base for our Throughcare Project, but also improving our clients' access to our services."

Throughcare provides

intensive pre-and post-release rehabilitation and reintegration services for Aboriginal prisoners from the Darwin Correctional Centre and Don Dale Juvenile Detention Centre.

The program provides case management and referral services for individual prisoners to help them access opportunities upon release and address their diverse transitional needs including rehabilitation, accommodation, employment, education, training, health, life skills, reconnection to family and community and social connectedness.

NAAJA's Palmerston office is located at Unit 2, 41 Georgina Crescent, Yarrowonga.

Trade cert well worth the effort



INDIGNEOUS man Dean Wynne has become the first person to gain a trade certificate as a qualified painter on the WA State Government urban renewal project Phoenix Rise, in the Perth suburb of Hamilton Hill.

Mr Wynne had worked on the Phoenix Rise project since it started in 2004. He then decided to become a mature-age apprentice, and has been undertaking his apprenticeship for the past three years.

Mr Wynne's family has been heavily involved in the Phoenix Rise project, with his father Dean Wynne Snr establishing Indigenous Workabout Pty Ltd to help mentor young Aboriginal people interested in becoming employees in the building industry.

WA Housing Minister Bill Marmion said a number of Indigenous people had been employed to work on the Phoenix Rise Hamilton Hill Project as part of the Department of Housing's commitment to providing employment and education

opportunities for Indigenous people.

"The department strives to generate and integrate Indigenous employment and training initiatives as part of its business operations and we have made this conditional in a number of new projects," Mr Marmion said.

"I congratulate Mr Wynne on undertaking his apprenticeship and achieving his trade qualification.

"He's an inspiration to other young Indigenous people and a great example of the positive benefits that the Government's pro-active approach to Indigenous employment and training is having."

Dean Jnr's brother Marcel is also doing his painting apprenticeship at the Phoenix Rise project and will double the number of qualified painters in the family business once he is finished.

The apprenticeship has been facilitated and funded by the department, with support from the Satterley Property Group, Department of Treasury and Finance, and Skill Hire.



Dean Wynne receives his trade certificate as a qualified painter and is congratulated by WA Housing Minister Bill Marmion.

Non-lodgement of reports results in fine



THE Western Desert Puntukurnuparna Aboriginal Corporation has been fined \$2000 after it failed to lodge its 2008-09 annual reports with the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations.

The corporation pleaded guilty in the Perth Magistrates Court and was convicted of one offence for non-lodgement of a general report and one offence for non-

lodgement of a financial report and was fined \$1000 for each offence.

All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations are required to lodge reports each year by 31 December unless exempted by the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations.

"Reporting under the CATSI Act is important to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the public data base of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

corporations," said the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations, Anthony Beven.

"Each year my office conducts a compliance program to identify corporations that do not lodge their annual reports by 31 December. This year the program will be focusing on medium and large corporations."

The maximum penalty a court can impose on a corporation for non-lodgement

of reports with the Registrar is \$13,750 per report.

Charges against Western Desert Puntukurnuparna Aboriginal Corporation were brought by the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations and prosecuted by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions.

For further information about reporting obligations see ORIC's Corporation reporting guide.

SBS's *The Circuit* picks up award



SBS' second series of *The Circuit* was awarded Best Direction in a Television Drama Mini-Series at the Australian Directors Guild Awards late last month for the opening episode 'Sorry Business'.

The Circuit series two broadcast on SBS in December 2009, and starred Aaron Pedersen, Kelton Pell and Gary Sweet.

Drew Ellis (played by Pederson) is an ambitious city lawyer tackling the legal system of the remote Kimberley.

It's a sweaty, dusty journey for Drew and the travelling Circuit team, struggling for justice in a world where one law for two cultures doesn't equal a fair go.

Director Steve Jodrell, who also directed the first series of *The Circuit*, is well-known as a drama director with considerable experience in theatre, film and television.

RIGHT: A scene from the SBS television series *The Circuit*. Aaron Pederson, left, plays the central character Drew Ellis. He is seen here with actor Leroy Parsons.



Saving languages



From left, Queensland Indigenous Language Advisory Committee panel Leonora Addi, Faith Baisden, Suzy Wilson, (Chair) and Bridget Priman.



A LARGE audience turned out to the State Library of Queensland last month to hear a panel of energetic Indigenous women speak about the race to save Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages in Queensland.

Members of the Queensland Indigenous Language Advisory Committee (QILAC) Bridget Priman, Leonora Addi and Faith Baisden shared information about Queensland languages and the work being done to revive and support them in community projects, and they also provided examples of contemporary resources for teaching languages.

The panel discussion was part of the Brisbane Writers' Festival and was chaired by Suzy Wilson, founder of the Indigenous Literacy Project, which is taking an active role in providing books for remote Indigenous communities around Australia.

Byrock Rock Holes come in for a spruce up



AN Aboriginal place of significance 70km south of Bourke, in Western NSW, has been given a spring lift, with maintenance works carried out at the Byrock Rock Holes Aboriginal site.

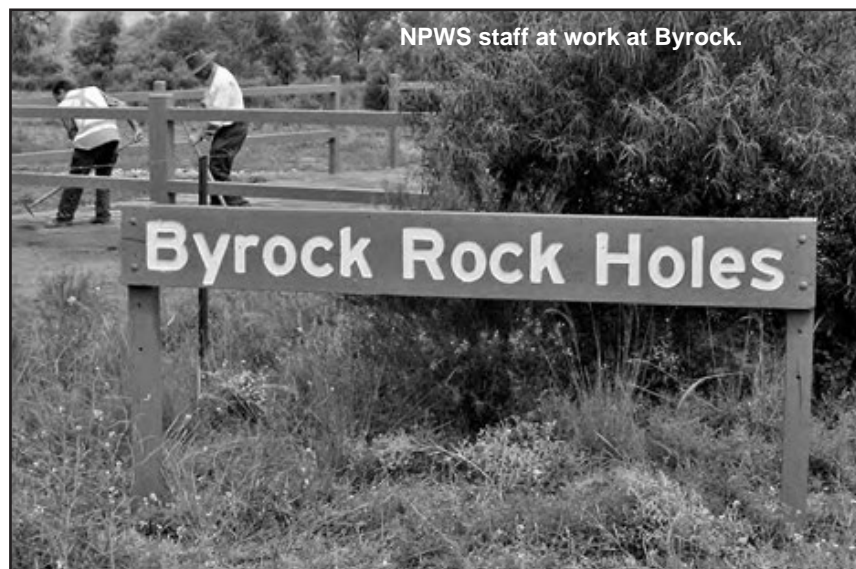
National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Area Manager Nerida Green said a number of works had been undertaken, including installing a new boundary fence, carrying out weed control and undertaking walking path maintenance.

"Byrock Rock Holes was officially recognised as an Aboriginal Place in 2008, signifying the special significance the site has to Aboriginal culture," she said.

"Byrock Rock Holes are an important site for the Ngemba people. It was a place where Dreaming stories were told and cultural law was taught.

"The area contains a connection with a number of Baiame (the creator) and Wawai (the rainbow serpent) Dreaming stories, including the creation of animals.

"The cultural features are still intact today, allowing stories to be passed on by Ngemba knowledge holders."



NPWS staff at work at Byrock.

RIGHT: NPWS staff give the shelter a new coat of paint.



WA justice denied



THE West Australian Opposition has called on the State Government to introduce legislation recommended following an investigation into the 2008 death in custody of Goldfield Elder Mr Ward. Coroner Alistair Pope recommended that the Inspector of Custodial Services' powers be extended to issuing 'just cause' notices to the Department of Corrective Services.

Labor Opposition leader Eric Ripper said the Government

promised a year ago to do so, but had failed to deliver.

Mr Ripper said Labor would work with the Government to ensure legislation implementing the Coroner's recommendation was passed quickly.

"Corrective Services Minister Christian Porter claimed that every recommendation was being fulfilled but we are still waiting for legislation to implement the central tenets of the Coroner's report," Mr Ripper said.

"I am pleased that many of the recommendations have been considered by the Government,

but we need this legislation introduced as a matter of priority.

"It really is a question of priorities."

Mr Ripper said Labor had opted not to pursue its Private Members Bill after Mr Porter assured Parliament that comprehensive legislation would be introduced as a priority.

"Labor moved quickly to introduce the changes that the Coroner recommended, but Mr Porter made it clear it would not support it because his own legislation was on the way.

"It is very disappointing that

one year on we are still waiting.

"We support the Government's response to the recommendations and I make it clear that Labor is prepared to work cooperatively with the Government to make sure the legislation proceeds through the house as quickly as possible."

Meanwhile, the fight for justice for Mr Ward continued in Melbourne last Tuesday, with a public meeting organised by the Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA).

The meeting heard from Bruce Campbell, a member of the Deaths in Custody Watch

Committee in WA, and members of Mr Ward's family from Geelong.

The meeting passed a unanimous resolution expressing 'our deepest solidarity with immediate and extended family of Mr Ward, and the Justice for Mr Ward campaign and the Deaths in Custody Watch Committee (WA)'.

The meeting also demanded that the transport company, G4S, be stripped of all contracts it had been awarded in Victoria, that the head of G4S be charged, along with the WA Corrections Minister, and the officers involved in Mr Ward's transportation.



Controlling weeds along the Fitzroy River were from left, John Knight (volunteer), Gary Hunton, Ben Ansell, Craig Popperwell, Dudley Michael, Martin Meldon (volunteer) and Gareth Hoare (front).

Blitzing Fitzroy River weeds



WA Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) has spent three weeks blitzing weed-infested areas from environmentally sensitive areas along the Fitzroy River.

The work was part of an annual program to eradicate major weeds, and this year's work focused on Willare, 45kms south west of Derby, and Geikie Gorge National Park, 30kms north east of Fitzroy Crossing.

DEC project coordinator Bel Catcheside said a large

infestation of rubber vine (*Cryptostegia grandiflora*) at Willare was the subject of two weeks of rigorous control works and surveys, involving day-long walks along the Fitzroy River through riparian vegetation.

National significance

"Rubber vine is a Weed of National Significance, and DEC continues to target the infestation at Willare, with this year's work consisting of on-the-spot control of known populations as well as surveys of new areas to determine the extent of the infestation," Ms Catcheside said.

"One enormous seeding rubber vine had climbed eight metres into the native tree canopy and we spent two hours pulling its towering form down. This one plant alone had the potential to spread more than 24,000 seedlings."

At Geikie Gorge, the focus weed was rubber bush (*Calotropis procera*), which was removed using chainsaws.

"The team spent a week removing the noxious weed, and in that time also removed a number of large trees that posed a safety risk to visitors at the popular national park," Ms

Catcheside said.

The project was part of DEC's Remote Regions Nature Conservation Program. Under the program, DEC employees based in the south-west are deployed to DEC's remote regions to help implement on-ground parks and visitor services, nature conservation and infrastructure initiatives.

The project saw four Perth-based crew members from DEC's Swan Region travel to the Kimberley to participate over the three weeks, while two staff from the West Kimberley District headed up the team.



Assoc Prof Peter O'Mara

Doctors' website for kids



INDIGENOUS primary school children interested in a medical career can now log onto a website

aimed at boosting the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors.

Called Kids Space, the website uses culturally appropriate content and images of successful Indigenous role models to showcase the wide range of rewarding career options open to them.

Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association president Associate Professor Peter O'Mara said health and education sectors needed to work together to create real opportunities for Indigenous children to work in the medical or health professions.

"Sometimes it takes just one person – often a teacher – to make all the difference, but we can't just leave this to chance," he said.

"Schools, principals and governments all need to work with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents and communities to ensure that our kids, not just the lucky few, get a good education and gain the confidence they need to succeed in life.

"The Kids Space website will be of great assistance to young people to show that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women are joining the medical profession and having satisfying and enjoyable careers that benefit themselves and their communities." To view the website go to www.aida.org.au and click on the Kids Space link.



Dale Chapman from the Dilly Bag Bush Tucker Program.



Kabi Wakka and African-American woman Jennifer Thompson.

Dadirri healing therapy

By DANIELA BANDELLI, as part of the Indigenous Voice Project



TRADITIONAL healing is being employed as emotional therapy for the wellbeing of both Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Brisbane.

The art of Dadirri, which means deep listening, is at the basis of the therapeutic methods used by Jennifer Thompson, a Kabi Wakka and African-American woman and founder of the Jenwakka Indigenous Counselling Service.

Taken away from their land and put into missions and reserves, many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people weren't allowed to connect with their own culture.

However, Elders' knowledge has been passed through the generations.

Aunty Jennifer said that, in urban areas especially, Indigenous people in need were often limited to counselling by psychologists and psychiatrists.

But awareness around traditional healing seems to be growing.

"There are a lot of people asking for healing. As healers we have to take the step out and actually start to do things," said Ms Thompson, from the South Burnett region.

While working with people she 'deep listens' to them.

"I tap into my ancestors. I'm constantly listening to spirits," she said.

Ms Thompson said the art of Dadirri worked even through circles, where people listened and told stories to strengthen their values.

"It's what non-Aboriginal people would call contemplation," she said. "It's the way we sit and take time and go in deep..."

"That's the practice that has been happening for thousands of years. And, as (fellow Aboriginal woman) Miriam Rose wrote, it is a gift we give to Australia, to non-Aboriginal people."

Dianne Ryan, the owner of the Junjarina Centre with which Jenwakka Centre is associated, said Aboriginal culture had a richness that non-Indigenous people could do more to embrace.

"(Aboriginal healers) have a lot to teach us in how to be interconnected with everything: the animals, the plants, and the whole wellbeing of interconnectivities," she said.

"The Dadirri is a way to take advantage of this knowledge. It requires people to stop, look, listen and learn."

Healthy eating

By DANIELA BANDELLI, as part of the Indigenous Voice Project



POVERTY stops many Australians, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, from accessing

healthy food.

It's a fact that Sunshine Coast Aboriginal chef Dale Chapman has been working for a decade to help overcome through increased knowledge and appreciation of traditional Australian foods.

The Kooma woman from south-western Queensland is a

qualified chef with 25 years experience.

In 2000, she formed a company, The Dilly Bag Bush Tucker Product and Learning Programs, aimed at encouraging her people to rediscover bush tucker and make it a cuisine known to the Australian public.

She wants to see the potential of the natural resources in remote Indigenous communities tapped by residents with the added benefit of improving health and connecting with culture through a good diet.

"I think that what we really need to do is start to look at the Indigenous groups in remote

areas, what they grow on their lands and how they can potentially turn into commercial business," she said.

Ms Chapman said it was essential that people living in their communities harvested the food for employment, income and to reconnect with its significance.

She said bush tucker was more accessible than a decade ago when she started her work and she had to plant trees herself to get the fruits, herbs and nuts.

But even today, people are familiar with only a small number of the huge variety of natural products that Australia offers.

Wendy Foley is a nutritionist research officer at the Inala Indigenous Health Service.

Young Indigenous people had inherited a taste for the very inferior food that earlier generations had been given on missions, reserves and farms, she said.

And, while bush foods represented a health opportunity, displacement from their lands made it difficult for some Aboriginal people to access them.

Ms Foley has carried out research in Inala, south-west Brisbane, and her data showed poverty was still a main factor hindering access to healthy food.

Factoring tradition into wellbeing



MENZIES School of Health Research in Darwin has developed what it says is a new approach to strengthen mental health and wellbeing in Aboriginal

communities.

Research Fellow at the Menzies School of Health Research Associate Professor Tricia Nagel recommends development of 'wellbeing pathways' for communities.

According to Menzies research 'wellbeing pathways' help bring together community-based activities and treatment services and promote social connections and social inclusion.

"The pathways focus on Indigenous culture and an understanding that language, art and craft, and hunting are linked with a person's wellbeing," Assoc Prof Nagel said.

"These things can help people to combat a range of wellbeing concerns from depression and

substance misuse to self harm and suicide."

Menzies School of Health Research developed the process through a six-year research program of the Aboriginal and Islander Mental health initiative.

"The wellbeing pathways build upon the results of trials in two remote communities, which tested a holistic approach to individual and family care planning for mental illness," Assoc Prof Nagel said.

This showed improvement in mental health, wellbeing and substance dependence."

"Participants developed goals and steps which reflected self-identified strengths and worries and promoted connection between family, culture, community activities and services."

Assoc Prof Nagel said the wellbeing pathways approach could be used by practitioners as well as family members and co-workers to combat depression in remote communities.

High hopes for kidney disease education



A MIX of ancient sand-drawing techniques using fencing wire and modern projection

technology will be used to educate Aboriginal people about kidney disease in a project that aims to save lives in Australia's Western Desert.

The Western Desert Kidney Health Project, to be launched in Kalgoorlie tomorrow, aims to reduce disease and diabetes by 20 per cent over three years in ten Aboriginal communities.

A multi-disciplinary team of Aboriginal health, medical and community development workers and artists will run a major health education campaign over an area the size of Victoria and populated by about 7,500 people representing six language groups.

The project's Chief Investigator is respected

senior Wongutha woman Annette Stokes of The University of Western Australia's Kalgoorlie-based Rural Clinical School.

Sand-drawing was traditionally done by women using a story stick (and more recently fencing wire) to tell narratives. In this project, the drawing will be animated and project workers will use the images to describe how an improvement in diet, an increase in exercise, and stress-management would improve health outcomes.

Funding comes from Government partners and BHP Billiton Nickel West has funded a Community Development Officer to work on issues such as the supply of fresh fruit, vegetables and safe drinking water.

The project will be delivered by the Rural Clinical School of WA; Bega Garribirringu Health Services; the Goldfields Esperance GP Network and Wongutha Birni Aboriginal



EIGHT Indigenous women were declared 'queens of the day' during a moving and emotional ceremony in Townsville late last month.

The 'Queen of the Day – Honouring our Unsung Heroes' project was the brainchild of local Aboriginal woman Fay Gee-Hoy and culminated in a presentation ceremony at St Teresa's Church in the suburb of Garbutt on 24 September.

Six Aboriginal and two Torres Strait Islander women were honoured on the day: Aunty Mary Twaddle, Aunty Nina Benn, Diane Wilson, Fay Thimble, Florence Onus, Lillian Burke, Helen Akee and Karen Loban, who was the youngest.

Ms Gee-Hoy undertook the project as part of her studies, an Associate Degree in Indigenous Community Health course at the Centre for Aboriginal Studies, Curtin University in Perth.

"As part of our course, students are required to develop, plan, implement and complete a health promotion project in our community," Ms Gee-Hoy said.

"And my project goal has been to honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women who have done so much for their families and communities but never get recognition for their deeds.

"Many of our women are quiet achievers and they do not seek the rewards they so richly deserve. They're survivors of domestic violence, trans-generational traumas, Stolen Generations and even life itself. They've endured hardship in order that their children had a roof over their heads, food in their bellies and a good education.

For the project, Ms Gee-Hoy chose eight women she had met on her journey through life.

Remarkable

"These women shared their remarkable stories with me and allowed me to share them at a luncheon I organised in their honour, with the help of my Critical Reference Group," she said.

Ms Gee-Hoy said the project was about the need to acknowledge such women before they left this world, 'to let them know that they have not lived in vain and that all their achievements will not go unrecognised'.

"I decided on the title 'Queen of the Day' after I had a conversation with a member of our community where I had apologised to her for not being at another sister's funeral.

"My friend said 'She was never treated like a queen when she was alive, but we sent her out in style like one'.

"I thought to myself 'why should we have to wait until these women die to honour them?' We need to honour them when they're alive...they need to be treated like this by their families as well, it's no good waiting until they're gone."

One of the 'queens', Fay Thimble gave an emotional speech about being the victim of domestic violence and also of being beat up whilst in a dormitory on Palm Island. She said that, in her younger years, she'd been forced to wear raggedy clothes so it was 'good to feel like a queen'.

The youngest 'queen', Torres Strait Island woman Karen Loban was the first

'Queens' get deserved recognition



Fay Gee-Hoy (front row, second from left) with 'Queen for a Day' recipients, members of her project reference group, and some guests on the day.

female to work with the AQIS (Quarantine) in the region, and is now based in Townsville.

Murray Islander woman Helen Akee also lived on Palm Island for some years and has been a long time community worker.

"I have a passion for helping our people and I make sure they and their communities are advised of these programs," she said.

"Women are the backbone of families."

Healing Foundation chairperson Florence Onus, one of the eight women honoured, also gave a speech.

Ms Gee-Hoy thanked the 'deadly'

women of her Critical Reference Group – Marilyn Smith (Link-Up), Isobel Jones (QIFVLS), Jodie Vincent (ATSIWLS), Hazel Illin (Community member), Shazza Mallie (Inclusion Works), Gail Barry (GBRMA), Enid Surha (Relationships Australia) and Aida David (QIFVLS).

She said she also appreciated the support of Relationships Australia Queensland (RAQ), TSIWLS, QIFVLS, TAICC, TAIHS, Yumba-Meta, NQDVRS, Townsville Cultural Centre and Warrina Newsagency.

It's hoped the project might generate an annual event.

– By Townsville Correspondent
ALF WILSON



Dorothy Savage and Fay Gee-Hoy.

Program gives men a road map for life



BUILDING the skills and confidence of young Aboriginal men in the

Nambucca Heads region is the aim of a new program that has received a \$7500 commitment from the NSW Government.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul

Lynch said the Road Map for Young Men project would provide a mix of life, health and social skills for 10 young Aboriginal men.

"Those young men who are still at school will receive support to catch up with school work," Mr Lynch said last week.

"The others will be given help to find a job or enrol in a

TAFE course."

Labor MLC for Oxley Kayee Griffin said the project would also expose the young men to positive male role models.

"The influence of positive male models will play a critical role in encouraging these young men to reach their potential," Ms Griffin said.

"The Road Map for Young Men also has a strong emphasis on activities, sport and healthy pastimes."

The Road Map for Young Men project will be run in partnership with Nambucca Valley Youth Services Centre (NVYSC), Wesley Mission, ACET Employment, the local Division of

General Practice, NSW Police and NSW Health.

The Nambucca Valley Youth Services Centre funded the first stage of the program, contributing \$6000.

Party Smarty provided funding of \$14,000 and other organisations have helped with small amounts.

Cyclone dance



PAINTED Aboriginal dancers decorated with leaves and earth colours move rhythmically to the beat of sticks and the song of Elders.

Although the cadences feel ancient, the Gurrir Gurrir ceremony depicts a more recent event in Australian history, when the town of Darwin was levelled by Cyclone Tracy in 1974.

It shows how contemporary events are part of Aboriginal tradition, says Hetti Perkins, senior curator at the NSW Art Gallery.

"If people think about Aboriginal culture as locked in the past and not relevant today, something like the Gurrir Gurrir ceremony, which to all appearances looks very traditional, defies that categorisation," Ms Perkins said.

It's the first time the dance has ever been staged on the East Coast of Australia and it was performed at the NSW Art Gallery to kick off the *art+soul* exhibition.

The 14 artists, aged from 20 to 78, and four Elder singers were led by Patrick Mung Mung from the East Kimberley Aboriginal community of Warmun, otherwise known as Turkey Creek.

The ceremony was inspired by a dream that came to late Aboriginal artist Rover Thomas after the devastating cyclone which struck late on Christmas Eve in 1974, flattening the city and killing at least 65 people.

In the dream, a woman who died in the disaster reveals to Thomas her journey across the Kimberley, back to her home in Warmun where she witnesses the Rainbow Serpent's destruction of Darwin.

The woman's spirit endowed Thomas with the songs, dances and images that make up the performance.

Cyclone Tracy was interpreted by many Aboriginal people as a manifestation of the ancestral Rainbow Serpent and a warning to all Aboriginal people not to forego their culture.

"It's a way of communicating the power and significance and the value people have for their culture and ideally it inspires respect from the audience," Ms Perkins said.

Director Warwick Thornton was also present at the ceremony.

"What is important about the Gurrir Gurrir is that it is actually not very old – not all stories come from the Dreamtime, they can be created tomorrow or yesterday," he said.

"This is showing how Aboriginal culture can survive."

The ceremony was repeated during the NSW Art Gallery's Open Weekend over the long weekend during the *art+soul* exhibition which showcases Aboriginal Art. It coincides with the documentary series *art+soul* created by Mr Thornton and Ms Perkins which screens on ABC1 tomorrow. — AAP



A dancer performs during the Gurrir Gurrir, an Aboriginal ceremonial performance at the opening of the *art+soul* exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW on Friday. AAP image

Outback legend's fitting farewell



AS the dusty old boots of outback adventurer Malcolm Douglas laid on the stage at his public memorial, the

question everyone asked was who could fill them?

Hundreds, including journalist George Negus and Channel Seven boss Kerry Stokes, turned out to remember Douglas at his Broome Wilderness Wildlife Park on Saturday.

The 69-year-old was killed at the park on September 22 when he became pinned between the door of his four wheel drive and a tree.

The tune of Douglas's ground-breaking documentary *Across the Top* opened the memorial, as the boots and iconic wide brim hat of the original crocodile hunter lay on stage.

Aboriginal man Neil McKenzie welcomed gatherers to the country and urged people to continue what Douglas long fought for, environmental conservation.

"We need to conserve, preserve and maintain this country as Malcolm did," he said.

"If no-one has taken a leaf out of his book in any way, I'd be ashamed of the people who haven't."

Looking at Douglas's boots, Mr McKenzie said: "It would take a lot of feet to fill these shoes."

"I'm trying to stretch my feet and everyone else's to try and fit them."

"This environment has no hand and it has no feet and can only survive if we can protect and look after it."

The dozens of crocodiles at the park did not go hungry, with a special feeding of barramundi and chicken which sent the crocs into a frenzy.

In a tearful tribute to his older brother, Stuart Douglas, who said he wasn't holding up too well, told the story of when they grew up in Nauru.

Malcolm had borrowed a spear from the family's houseboy after promising him he would look after it, Stuart said.

However after an attempt at spearfishing, the spear got lodged in a fish and sank to the bottom.

"He dived and dived and dived and he got it and when he came up, blood started coming out of his ears and nose," he said.

But he had promised the houseboy the spear would be okay.

"I just wanted to let you know what sort of bloke he was," Stuart said.

"I would have just said sorry."

"Mum's still going at 97. She used to say I wonder when he's going to get a proper job. She never got her wish, but she was pretty proud of him." — AAP

Students to build house



YOUNG construction trainees will build a house from the ground to lock-up in just three days in Darwin this week. Students from the Marrara Christian College's Fabrication and Construction Trade Training Centre – which includes 65 per cent Indigenous students – will build the revolutionary flat-pack wooden house over three days at the training centre at the school.

The quick build home uses a unique panelised building system that allows a home to be constructed on site by trainee construction workers under supervision, perfect for remote communities where labour and accommodation costs can be high.

Marrara Christian College Trade Training Centre Manager Richard Hart said the new

building system enhanced the training centre's capacity to offer real jobs to young construction trainees.

"The time and skills required to construct residential homes using conventional building systems is one of the most important challenges facing the housing market today, particularly in remote communities," Mr Hart said.

"Traditional on-site construction methods are constrained by the availability of trades, coordination of the delivery of products and services to the house site and weather related delays."

"With this new wood panelised building system, we can build a house from the ground to lock-up in just three to five days using construction trainees under the supervision of qualified tradesmen."

The Marrara Christian College Fabrication

and Construction Trade Training Centre trains students still attending school to receive a vocational certificate in the construction, building and metal fabrication industry, while earning money at the same time.

The business opened a new training centre in Darwin in June this year to provide training for up to 50 students each week in the metal building and fabrication industry.

There are 32 trainees and three apprentices completing their competency training with up to 20 qualified tradesmen and trade assistants.

The trainees are Year 11 and 12 students drawn from all senior schools in Darwin, along with others from as far as Arnhem Land and the Kimberley region in Western Australia.

The home will be constructed at the training centre at the school in Amy Johnson Avenue, from Tuesday through to Thursday this week.



Uncle Jack Charles as he appears in *Jack Charles vs The Crown*.
Photo by Bindi Cole

300 'Black bums on seats'

FIFTEEN Indigenous students taking part in the Mumgu Dhal leadership course at Victoria University have launched a project to get 300 'Blak Bums on Seats' in an effort to engage the community with Indigenous theatre.

The students are all doing placements with community organisations and are urging their friends and colleagues to go to the Melbourne International Festival to see the play, *Jack Charles vs The Crown*, which was written by, and

stars, Uncle Jack Charles, of the Ilbjerri Theatre Company.

As an incentive, anyone attending a special Indigenous Community Preview of the show will get their tickets half price.

The show will be presented this Friday 8 October at 7.45pm.

● Tickets are \$20 and are available in person at The Arts Centre, 100 St Kilda Road, City, or online at www.theartscentre.com.au or by calling 1300 182 183.

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

2-4 November: National Indigenous Land and Sea Management Conference. The Aboriginal community of Broken Hill invites all to take part in this National Indigenous Conference. Over three-and-a-half days, through plenaries and workshops, conference delegates, discussions and debates over themes such as caring for country-land and caring for country-water, governance and leadership, climate change and carbon markets and economic development and innovation and more. Held at the Regional Event Centre, Broken Hill. Details: (03) 5021 5100 or (03) 5021 5100 or visit www.caringforcountry.com

NSW-ACT

Until 19 November: The Tweed Valley GP Network is running an art competition. The artworks may be used for promotional display purposes for the Closing the Gap (CTG) Program. Competition will be judged by Elders and community members. Make sure all entries are in before the closing date for plenty of prizes to be won and all winners will be advised on 30 October. Original artwork only will be accepted. Must live in the Tweed or surrounding areas or be connected to this area. Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 6672 5158 or email cmartin@tvgnp.org.au

6-16 October: Children's Cheering Carpet-Salt Bush. A great children's play, for kids aged from four to eight. A interactive journey through the diverse Australian landscape, celebrated through dance, song and stories. Costs for tickets. All welcome. Held at Sydney Opera House. Details: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneypoperahouse.com

9 October: Ballina Healing Fair. This event will include free talks, information stalls, yoga and belly dancing demonstrations and more. A fee will apply for the workshop. Held at the Ballina Community Services Centre, Ballina. Details: (02) 6687 4324.

11 October: Gamarada issues an invitation to the premiere of their documentary. Three years in the making, the documentary captures the interesting formation and development of the Gamarada program. All welcome held at the Redfern Community Centre. Details: (0433) 346 645 or visit www.gamarada.org.au

14 October: Seed Propagation Workshop. The Kempsey Family Community Centre will be offering a workshop as part of the Community Greening Program. Participants are invited to bring along a picnic lunch and explore the community garden at their leisure. Free and all welcome. Held at 48 Yarravel St, Kempsey. Details: (02) 6562 1911.

20 October: Reconciliation in Parliament. Take part in a question and answer session. This event is being convened by Penny Sharpe, MLC, Robyn Parker, MLC, NSW ANTAR and the NSW Reconciliation Council. No bookings required. Free and all welcome. Held Jubilee Room, NSW Parliament House, Sydney. Details: (0410) 080 434

21-23 October: Aboriginal art exhibition. North Coast National celebrating its 125 years in 2010 is holding an art feast of all

kinds of artwork. Three days to enjoy workshops, exhibitions, competitions, children activities and much more. Free and all welcome. Held at Lismore Showground. Details: (02)6621 5916 or email lissshow@bigpond.net.au or visit www.lismoreshow.org.au

22 October: Northern Sydney Region and Bangarra Dance Theatre present an evening in conversation with acclaimed choreographer France Rings and film screening of Bangarra highlights. Celebrating 21 years Bangarra bases its creative spirit on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders traditions and stories, producing a powerful new traditional and contemporary. No bookings necessary. Free and all welcome. Held at Dougherty Centre Auditorium, Chatswood. Details: (02) 9482 2994 or (02) 9428 1197.

27 October: Adventures In Love – Ms Koori Love fundraiser. This is an event to raise funds for two very exciting initiatives, production of a series of books with Ms Koori Love's *Koori Mail* columns and contribution for MKL's fees at the school for social entrepreneurs. There will be raffles, auctions and signed Ms Koori Love pictures to buy. Bar and free gourmet snacks are available. All welcome. Tickets are available on the door. Held at the Red Rattler 6 Faversham St, Marrickville. Details: email mskoorilove@mskoorilove.com.au

29 October: Rally for jobs with justice: Support NT Aboriginal Workers. Stop the NT Intervention. All welcome. Held at Town Hall, Sydney. Details: (0449) 646 593 or visit www.stoptheintervention.org

30 October: KARI gala dinner-dance 2010. KARI Aboriginal Resources Inc is hosting a gala dinner in celebrating Aboriginal pride and culture. Entertainment by Blake Raph, Sarah Bertram, and includes performances and bands and plenty more. Evening wear dress code. All welcome. Tickets from \$40, meals and beverages included. Function room, Liverpool Catholic College, Hoxton Park. Details: (02) 8782 0300 or harry.callaghan@kari.org.au

30 October: Gala presentation dinner. NSW-ACT Regional Achievement and Community Awards invites you to the presentation of the award winning for the eight award categories for NSW Land & Property Management Authority Crown Reserve Trust Managers Award, The NSW Industry & Investment Business Enterprise Award, The NSW Industry & Investment Events and Tourism Award, The Peabody Environment and Land Care Award and more. Prizes included for all winners. Costs for tickets do apply which include three-course meal, light refreshment and all beverages. All welcome. Held at the City Beach Function Centre, Wollongong. Details: 1300 735 445 or visit www.awardsaustralia.com

Northern Territory

Until 24 October: Desert Mob Exhibition – Aboriginal art event, celebrating Desert Mob 20th year in 2010. Showcasing Aboriginal artworks from central Australian artists. Will feature more than 300 recent works from 34 Aboriginal art centres in central Australia. Refreshments. All welcome. Held at Ararlun Arts Centre, Larapinta Dr, Alice Springs. Details: (08) 8951 1120 or email araluen@nt.gov.au or visit www.araluenartscentre.gov.au

Until 7 November: 27th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award. The award is one of the premier national events in the Australian Indigenous arts calendar and aims to recognise the important contribution made by Indigenous

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Depictions of masculinity the focus of show

AN exhibition featuring the work of six of Australia's leading Aboriginal photographers will be on display at the Lismore Regional Art Gallery from 9 October to 27 November.

Titled *More Than my Skin*, the exhibition was created by the Campbelltown Arts Centre, and explores what it means to be an Aboriginal male, and how Aboriginality masculinity has been constructed through the photographers' viewpoints.

The photographers include Michael Aird, Ricky Maynard, Mervyn Bishop, Peter McKenzie, Gary Lee and Michael Riley.

The exhibition will have its official opening this Friday 8 October.

The Lismore Gallery is also holding a number of corresponding events.

There will be a continuous screening of *Ningla A-Na*, a film which documents the activism of

the Black movement in south-east Australia in the 1970s. It will be shown for the duration of the *More than my Skin* exhibition.

On Friday 8 October, between 5.15 and 6pm, there will be discussion panel featuring exhibition curator Djon Mundine (chair), Michael Aird, Peter McKenzie and Mervyn Bishop. They will speak about photography as it reflects Aboriginal masculinity and how this has been constructed in recent times.

And on 14 October, Philip Noyce's first film, *Backroads*, will be screened. It tells the story of two outsiders on the run, fusing a story of urban Aboriginal people with an American-style road movie.

The gallery opening hours are from 10am to 4pm Tuesday to Saturday, with an extra two hours on Thursday from 10am to 6pm.

Admission is free and the gallery is located in Molesworth Street, Lismore.

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artists and provides a platform to showcase the best contemporary Indigenous art on a national level. All welcome. Held at the Museum and Art Gallery, Conacher St, Fannie Bay, Darwin. Details: (08) 8999 8203 or (08) 8999 8264 or visit www.magnt.nt.gov.au/natsiaa

Queensland

Every Wednesday: Culture night for the preservation, promotion and presentation of Aboriginal culture and heritage. Culture night aims to enhance community cultural identity and enhance the self-esteem and identity of our youth and our future. This event includes plenty of activities art workshops, storytelling, traditional songs, corroboree and much more. Free and all welcome. Held Musgrave Park Cultural Centre, South Brisbane. Details: (07) 3846 5700 (0434) 545 475 or email admin@musgravepark.org.au

6 October: FOGs Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo, Townsville. 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 or email admin@fogs.com.au or visit www.fogs.com.au

13-14 October: 2010 QIECC annual forum. The Queensland Indigenous Education Consultative Committee is hosting its fourth annual forum to recognise the importance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples involvement in education, training and higher education decision making. Register now and have your say. All welcome. Held at the Hotel Grand, Surface Paradise. Details: 1800 263 836 or email annual.qiecc@deta.gld.gov.au or visit www.qiecc.eq.edu.au

20 October: Murriajabree Kids. Celebrating its fifth year in 2010, Murriajabree Kids is holding an event to promote pride and culture. This event will include a range of activities for all ages. Free and all welcome. Held at Barujugan Park, North Brisbane. Details: (07) 3293 1539 or email lynda.murriajabree@gmail.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 close 8 October. All welcome. Held at the Tully Cricket Grounds. Details: (07) 4066 8300 or Stan Lenoy on (0437) 635 124 or email rainforestcup@gmail.com or visit www.members.westnet.com.au

South Australia

Until 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. Held at Tandanya, National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Adelaide. Details: (02) 9320 6000 or visit www.aboriginalartnews.com.au

Victoria

Until 7 November: *20 Years Bold. Black. Brilliant.* An exhibition of its achievements as the longest running Indigenous theatre company in Australia invites you to join us in celebrating the

power of Black voices telling Black stories, as we enter an exciting new era of Indigenous theatre. This exhibition will feature elements of production sets, props, costumes and photography from throughout the company's rich and unique history. Cost will apply. All welcome. Held at Bunjilaka at Melbourne Museum. Details: 13 11 02 or visit www.museumvictoria.com.au

8 October: The Long Walk Women's Luncheon, celebrating Indigenous women's leadership over lunch with great entertainment and conversation at the fifth annual Women's Luncheon. Funds raised through the luncheon will contribute to the Long Walk's Indigenous Cultural Exchange in 2011. Special guests included. Costs involved. All welcome. Held at Peninsula at Central Pier, 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands. Details: (03) 9230 0362 or admin@thelongwalk.com.au

9-10 October: Woman's Business gathering. All woman are invited to attend a two-day bush camp along with a group of senior Pitjantjatjara woman who are coming to share their knowledge and culture. This event is being hosted by Rhonda O'Donnell, a traditional Kureinje woman, and other local woman Elders. A wonderful experience for all women. Organisers are seeking donation per attendee. Held on a bush property near Nangiloc, north-west Victoria. Details: (0488) 321 258.

12-17 October: *Jack Charles v The Crown.* Powerful one-man show, which tells the tale of a living legend's colourful past, while also looking to the future where Jack is passionate and determined to help those heading down a destructive path. Entertaining and uplifting story on stage. All welcome. Costs do apply. Held at the Art Centre, Melbourne. Details: 1300 182 183 or visit www.theartscentre.com.au

15 October: The VIPA Awards 2010. The Victorian Indigenous Performing Arts are calling for nominations. Nominate an Indigenous theatre practitioner or community member who has made a significant contribution to Indigenous theatre. Award winners will be announced at the VIPA Awards on 5 November, celebrating loud and proud with music, comedy and much more. All welcome. The VIPA Awards held at Bunjilaka at Melbourne Museum. Nomination venue: Ilbjerri Theatre Company, 5 Blackwood St, North Melbourne. Details: (03) 9329 9097 or email: info@ilbjerri.com.au

27 October: The Law Institute of Victoria, the peak body for lawyers in Victoria with more than 14,500 members, invites members of the Victorian Koori community to attend a meeting to discuss whether the LIV should commit to a Reconciliation Action Plan. We would like to hear Koori voices on what role the LIV could play in improving relationships and increasing respect between Indigenous and other Australians and creating opportunities for Indigenous Australians. Light refreshments. Free and all welcome. Held at the LIV Conference room, Level 2, 470 Bourke St, Melbourne. Details: (03) 9607 9489 or email jstrickett@liv.asn.au

18-21 November: Australasian World Music Expo. Bringing together musicians, industry representatives and festival audiences from across Australia and around the globe for three days of the finest music from the Australasian region and beyond. Welcome to country, bands, musicians and performances and loads more. Cost involved. All welcome. Held in and around Melbourne CBD. Details: (03) 9329 1533 or email info@awme.com.au or visit www.awme.com.au



Vincent Brady leads a protest march, Brisbane, 9 December 1987.
Courtesy the artist Michael Aird.

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



● **MAIN PICTURE:** ALOC trainee Nathaneal Janiak (front) with fellow trainees Carl Kedrayate, Brenton Carter, Leon Dodd and supervisor Tim Jenkins (back) at one of the many tree planting sites at Monarto Zoo managed by the trainees, who are gaining training and accreditation in Natural Resources Management.

● **INSET:** Attending the launch of the Aboriginal Learning on Country (ALOC) project at Monarto Zoo were, from left, SA MDB NRM Board presiding member Bill Patterson, RDA and SA MDB NRM Board representative George Lovegrove, SA MDB NRM Board NRM education co-ordinator Chris Koolmatrie, ALOC trainees Nathaneal Janiak, Carl Kedrayate, Brenton Carter, Leon Dodd, Zoos SA Wild Africa director Peter Clark and ALOC supervisor Tim Jenkins (front).

Sewing seeds for a future



A CAREER in land management, conservation or eco-tourism beckons for four Aboriginal trainees who have started a 12-month Aboriginal Learning on Country (ALOC) project at South Australia's Monarto Zoo.

The trainees are now working towards conservation and land management accreditation.

Facilitated by the South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management (SA MDB NRM) Board through the Aboriginal Partnership Project, the ALOC project is based at Monarto Zoo, a 1000-hectare open-range sanctuary 40 minutes south-east of Adelaide.

Zoos SA President Heather Caddick said at the project launch, that the ALOC project

was a 'very exciting extension of our 12-year Indigenous education program at Monarto Zoo'.

"This initiative allows Indigenous trainees to attain TAFE qualifications, while working at Monarto Zoo, which could extend to future employment in land management, conservation and eco-tourism," she said.

SA MDB NRM Board Aboriginal NRM project officer Chris Koolmatrie is collaborating with project partners to mentor participants throughout the traineeships and to assist them with accessing employment opportunities beyond the one-year scope of the formal training.

Mr Koolmatrie said the project worked with the strengths of Aboriginal people and drew upon their strong connection

to the land.

"While employed by Monarto Zoo, ALOC participants will undertake activities such as seed collection, plant propagation, revegetation, fencing, pest plant and animal control, development of cultural plant gardens and tourism, along with obtaining vehicle license training," he said.

More conscious

ALOC trainee Nathaneal Janiak said that participating in the ALOC project had made him more conscious of natural resources management and environmental issues.

He welcomed the opportunity to not only expand his knowledge of native species, but to also develop new skills.

"We are learning about native plants' common and botanical names and I am enjoying

learning about the land that I come from," he said.

Mr Janiak said that at the conclusion of his training, he hoped to teach other Aboriginal people through the ALOC project.

"We'd like to see other Indigenous people step up to the plate and take an interest in conservation and land management," he said.

Zoos South Australia Wild Africa director Peter Clark said Monarto Zoo was excited to be a part of the ALOC program.

"It not only reinforces the zoo's work with conservation and land management, but also enables personal growth for our Indigenous trainees," he said.

Regional Development Australia (RDA) Murraylands and Riverland economic development officer and SA MDB NRM Board

member George Lovegrove, who helped to set up the ALOC program, said accredited training in a real work environment would build life skills and hopefully lead to sustainable employment for the participants.

"Through a partnership approach, we are working together to teach and mentor the trainees and to help them develop a range of skills and increase confidence," Mr Lovegrove said.

The project is a partnership between the SA MDB NRM Board, Monarto Zoo, MADEC Employment and Training, Workskil, Regional Development Australia Murraylands and Riverland Inc, and the Department of Further Education Employment Science and Technology through the South Australia Works initiative.

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Enquiries: Patricia Seymour on (02) 9265 4925

Information Pack: Daphne Fernandes on (02) 9265 3883

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Executive Officer (Policy), Central Metropolitan Region, NSW Police Force, Level 7, Sydney Police Centre, 151-241 Goulburn Street, Surry Hills NSW 2010.

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Closing date: 13/10/2010

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Closing date: 15/10/2010

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For more information and selection criteria please contact Hendrick Lay on (02) 8303 6695 or email: hendrick.lay@alsnswact.org.au.

These positions are Aboriginal Identified positions.

JARJUM

A Jesuit Aboriginal School Redfern, NSW

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An information booklet can be obtained from Ailsa, or by accessing the St Aloysius' College website www.staloyisus.nsw.edu.au

Applications close on Friday, 15 October 2010.



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Women & Children Service Coordinator

An exciting position is available for a **Women & Children Services Coordinator** based out of the head office in Katherine. You will be responsible for the mentoring, training and formulation of women's committees and Children's Services. Enjoy a **competitive salary \$55,068 - \$57,401 + remote area allowance, 6 weeks leave & more!**



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Derby Aboriginal Health Service (DAHS) has an exciting opportunity for a **Social & Emotional Well Being (SEWB) Youth Worker** to join its SEWB team in the Derby region, WA. You will focus on preventative health activities targeting a healthy transition to adulthood for Aboriginal Youth. In return, you'll receive an **attractive salary package circa \$53,430 + salary sacrifice up to \$30k!** Enjoy **district & relocation allowances, 5 weeks leave, annual airfares & more!**



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The Richmond Fellowship of NSW (RFNSW) is seeking FT & PT **Community Mental Health Support Workers & Community Mental Health Rehabilitation Workers** to join their dedicated team in Homebush. These roles will focus on **supporting people with psychiatric disabilities and mental health problems** living in their own homes. You will be rewarded with **attractive remuneration + salary sac up to \$16,050, generous leave, study assistance, career development + MORE!** Finish each working day knowing you have improved the lives of others - **Apply Now!**



EMPLOYMENT OFFICE rfnsw.applynow.com.au
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MIDWIFE

A position is available as a MIDWIFE based at Orange Aboriginal Medical Service (OAMS), Murundhu dharaa program. Murundhu dharaa seeks to establish a culturally safe and sensitive primary care based continuum of care for mothers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and their families. This program builds on and strengthens existing child and family services and will provide a coordinated and integrated service that will encompass health promotion, antenatal care, birthing options, post natal care, early childhood and family support and children's health checks through to early adolescence. The position is Fulltime (Temporary) until 30th June 2012.

Essential Criteria:

- Current NSW Drivers License;
- Current Registration with the Nursing & Midwifery Board of Australia;
- Demonstrated effective oral and written communication skills;
- Demonstrated understanding of Primary Health Care;
- Demonstrated capacity and commitment to undertake any additional relevant training in Midwifery;
- Commitment to supporting and promoting breastfeeding;
- Demonstrate ability to work effectively with vulnerable families within a family centered framework;
- Previous experience working in a community-based setting;
- Current clinical skills within birthing suite, High and Low risk care;
- Autonomous Clinician;
- Sound interpersonal skills;
- Sound knowledge and contemporary understanding of Aboriginal social and emotional issues;
- Knowledge and understanding and commitment to the principles of continuous quality improvement, EEO and OH&S.

Desirable

- Experience working within all areas of Maternal and Infant Health.
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- ALSO training in last 3 years
- Immunisation Certificate
- Child & Family Health qualification/experience
- Venepuncture & Cannulation experience
- Basic knowledge of local health and community services.
- Basic computer skills (email, word processing and internet).
- Recognised lactation qualifications;

Enquiries:

Please call Tracey Foster, Clinical Nurse Consultant, on 6393 9000 or 0457 883 832.

Applications close Thursday 21st October 2010 at 5.00pm.
(funded by OATSIH)

Dandenong and District Aborigines Cooperative Ltd.



Aboriginal Health – Regional Tobacco Coordinator, Aboriginal Outreach Worker, Tackling Smoking and Healthy Lifestyle Positions (5 positions)

If you are motivated to help improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Victoria, here is a great opportunity to join the team at Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd (DDACL).

These non-clinical positions with a focus on health promotion and practical activities will be based primarily in Hastings on the Mornington Peninsula with some work from Dandenong to develop and deliver activities that will positively address the health of our community in relation to access of services, tackling smoking and helping people to make healthier lifestyle choices.

1. **Regional Tobacco Coordinator:** Will be required to develop, deliver and coordinate a range of positive and culturally appropriate health promotion activities and events with the Tobacco Action Worker in collaboration with other key players. The ideal candidate will have qualification minimum Cert Level IV in health promotion/management or related fields. Experience in health promotion programs and working with Aboriginal communities is essential. The candidate must be able to exemplify non-smoking and quit smoking behaviors.

2. **Tobacco Action Worker:** Will be required to work with the Coordinator to deliver a range of positive and culturally appropriate health promotion activities and events aimed at smoking prevention, cessation, reduction and the benefits of smoke-free environments. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III (or commit to obtain); and able to work with Aboriginal communities and their leaders respecting traditional culture, values and ways of doing business.

3. **Aboriginal Outreach Worker:** Will be required to establish links with Aboriginal individuals with in the community in order to encourage and support people to make better use of available health care services and provide practical assistance for follow up appointments, specialist services, and other aspects of health care. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III (or commit to obtain); and able to work with Aboriginal communities and their leaders respecting traditional culture, values and ways of doing business.

4. **Healthy Lifestyle Worker (2 Positions):** Will be required to support and assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island individuals, families and groups to consider the benefits of, and participate in healthier lifestyle options especially in relation to physical activity and nutrition. The ideal candidates will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III (or commit to obtain); and able to work with Aboriginal communities and their leaders respecting traditional culture, values and ways of doing business.

For more information about these positions and a copy of position description please contact Practice Manager, Dandenong and District Aborigines Cooperative on (03) 9794 5933 or email practicemanager@ddacl.org.au.

Applications Close: Friday 22 October 2010 and must note the position applied for and address the key selection criteria in the position description.

Entry-level Administrative Jobs (Administrative Officer levels 1/2)

About the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC)

The CMC is located in Brisbane and works to:

- Prevent and combat major crime
- Promote a trustworthy public sector
- Provide a witness protection service.

About the job

From time to time we have vacancies for entry-level administrative jobs, which may be for casual, temporary or permanent positions.

We are seeking applications from talented people who can:

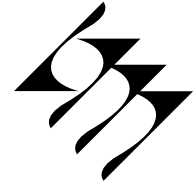
- Communicate well with others
- Work with IT systems such as Word, Excel and Outlook
- Organise their work and time
- Work in a team environment

A driver's license is preferred (but is not essential).

We'll provide training, experience and mentoring to further your career.

The CMC is an equal opportunity employer and aims to have a workforce that is representative of the wider community. **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.**

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QUEENSLAND

GPO Box 3123 Brisbane 4001
Telephone 07 3360 6060

Please contact Elsja Dewis, Indigenous Advisor, Research and Prevention or John Lorenzo, Indigenous Integrity Services Officer on (07) 3360 6060 or email <Elsja.Dewis@cmc.qld.gov.au> or <John.Lorenzo@cmc.qld.gov.au> if you have further enquiries.

If you'd like to submit an expression of interest, please send your resume to <HR@cmc.qld.gov.au>. We'll keep it on file and consider you for any suitable positions that become available.

www.cmc.qld.gov.au

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Full Time Position No. 50010082, Salary – \$62,451 - \$71,369

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Closing Date: 15 October 2010

For further information, applicants must obtain an information package from Khalid Javed on 02 6604 9353

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Surveillance Officer

Located at Grafton

Full Time

Position No. 50010086

Salary – \$72,922 - \$76,961

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Human Services
Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Senior Project Officer

Clerk Grade 9/10

Monitoring & Evaluation Unit

Social Justice Group

**Newcastle Regional Office or Sydney Head Office
& Dubbo Regional Office**

Temporary Full-Time (2 positions)

Position No. 10/AA_1585

Total remuneration package valued up to \$108,318 per annum (Salary: \$89,076 pa - \$98,159 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The incumbent will work with Aboriginal communities to understand possible concerns with identifying as Aboriginal when engaging with NSW Government services. And to work with both communities and these service providers to overcome barriers to reporting. The intended outcome of this work will be to reduce instances where Aboriginal people choose not to identify as Aboriginal, and therefore reduce under reporting in service delivery statistics.

Selection Criteria:

- Superior understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture and issues impacting on Aboriginal people including an understanding of the sensitivity that may exist among Aboriginal communities in identifying their Aboriginality when using government services.
- Sound understanding of Government policy direction and objectives, and service delivery functions, particularly in relation to Aboriginal programs.
- Demonstrated negotiation, problem solving and facilitation skills.
- Ability to manage complexity, ambiguity and pressure in a changing environment.
- A demonstrated track record of working successfully with Aboriginal communities and government agencies.
- An understanding of the value of accurate service utilisation data in service planning and delivery.

Job Notes: There are two Temporary Full-Time positions available for a period up to two years under the terms of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Further information about these positions is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

This position will require working closely with a number of NSW Government agencies responsible for service provision. Success of the project will depend heavily on the degree of cooperation from these agencies. A critical factor in this project will therefore be to establish a positive working relationship with key contacts within these agencies.

The project will require the incumbent to address barriers identified by Aboriginal as reasons for not identifying as an Aboriginal person when utilising government services. It is intended that successfully addressing this issue will overcome under-identification of Aboriginal people accessing NSW Government services.

Enquiries: Peter Ryan (02) 9219 0717 or email: peter.ryan@daa.nsw.gov.au

Applications to be emailed to: peter.ryan@daa.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 15 October 2010

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Project Co-ordinator

Essential Criteria:

- Aboriginality (documented)
- Demonstrated project management skills
- Proven ability to build relationships with Aboriginal communities.
- Ability to establish and co ordinate community focus groups
- Knowledge of current Aboriginal OOHC and Child Protection issues, legislation and policies
- Demonstrated experience in communication, negotiation and time management skills, and ability to work as part of a team
- Demonstrated computer skills including databases
- Ability to travel throughout NSW & hold a current NSW driver's licence
- Understanding of OH&S

Desirable Criteria:

- Tertiary qualifications in relevant human services field or equivalent knowledge and experience

Job Notes:

The position is 38 hours per week. The position has been classified under the Social and Community Services Employee (State) Award as a Community Services Worker Grade 5 Year 1.

Salary Package:

\$53510 - \$59033. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti- Discrimination Act 1977.

Enquiries and information pack:

Contact Natasha Laurie: Administration 02 66483680 admin@abcare.org.au

Applications should be addressed to:

The Chairperson Abcare P.O. Box 521 Coffs Harbour NSW 2450 and marked "Confidential"

Closing date:

4pm Friday 15 October 2010.

Closing Date: 22 October 2010

ADMIN/MANAGEMENT

Aboriginal Administrative Officer (Level 2)

Ref: 62484/1. Salary: \$44,743-\$46,318 pa.
F/T at Liverpool/Fairfield Community Health Services.
Enq: Mark Tierney, (02) 9794 1700.

- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

Apply online at: www.sswahs.nsw.gov.au

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Aboriginal Hostels Limited

Deputy
Regional
Manager

Alice Springs

Regional Office

APS Level 6

\$61,626 - \$69,319 pa,
plus superannuation
Non-ongoing, up to 30 June 2012

Duties

- Be responsible for the effective and efficient operation of hostels in Central Australia (CA).
- Provide leadership and direction to staff within CA.
- Ensure that financial, banking and payroll processing is carried out within required timeframes, standards, policies and procedures of AHL.
- Provide advice, recommendations and reports to Regional Manager and Central Office as required.
- Represent AHL within CA and liaise and negotiate with staff in other similar organisations and within the community.

Want to know more?

Contact Jean AhChee on 08 8952 6544.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone
Jean AhChee on 08 8952 6544.

How to Apply

Send your written application 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, 22 October 2010.

Assistant
Project
Officer

Canberra

Central Office

Finance and Property Division
Construction and Maintenance
Section

APS Level 4

\$50,665 - \$54,175 pa,
plus superannuation

Duties

- Under limited direction, assist with the development, review and implementation of AHL's operating manuals and guidelines.
- Assist with property acquisition and disposal, new works, major maintenance and equipment and furniture.
- Assist with related OH&S matters and project file management.

Want to know more?

Contact Tarun Sharma
on 02 6212 2051.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone
Tarun Sharma on 02 6212 2051.

How to Apply

Send your written application 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, 22 October 2010.

Senior
Houseparent

Kununurra

Kununurra Hostel

APS Level 3

\$48,698 - \$51,677 pa,
plus superannuation

Duties

- Responsible for the 24-hour operation of the hostel whilst on duty.
- Ensure that appropriate recreational, educational and other support facilities are available to the students.
- The successful applicant is required to hold a current Working With Children Check card.

Want to know more?

Contact Gavin Websdale
on 08 9349 2548.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone
Kristel Websdale on 08 9349 2548.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, 2/47 Cedric Street, STIRLING WA 6021 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm, 22 October 2010.

This is a Secondary

Education hostel.

Assistant
Hostel
Manager

Melbourne

Fitzroy

George Wright Shelter

APS Level 2

\$312.44 - \$331.55 per week,
plus superannuation

Duties

- Part time, 15.20 hours per week.
- Operation of the hostel.
- Provide a quality service to our residents.
- Supervise staff.
- Manage a budget.
- Provide reports to Regional Manager.

Want to know more?

Contact Robert Rudnew
on 03 9419 8648.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone
Rebekah Zechner
on 03 9642 2775.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, Box 486G, MELBOURNE VIC 3001 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm, 22 October 2010.

This is a Homeless
(Men Only) shelter.

Weekend
Cook

Melbourne

Fitzroy

George Wright Shelter

APS Level 1

\$178.95 - \$193.70 per week,
plus superannuation

Duties

- Part time, 10 hours per week.
- Prepare and cook meals for the residents of the hostel whilst ensuring a high level of cleanliness.

Want to know more?

Contact Robert Rudnew
on 03 9419 8648.

Application Documents

From our website or telephone
Rebekah Zechner
on 03 9642 2775.

How to Apply

Send your written application addressing the selection criteria to Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, Box 486G, MELBOURNE VIC 3001 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

Closing date

By 5pm, 22 October 2010.

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(Men Only) shelter.

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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Human Services Community Services

Community Program Officer, Aboriginal, Clerk Grade 7/8 Dubbo

Permanent Full-Time
Salary package from
\$86,229 - \$95,451

Implement the Agency's funding and performance management policies and procedures with funded services; undertake service planning and development, ongoing monitoring and review of services and oversights service improvement processes; and develop and maintain relationships within the community.

Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge of current trends in human services and community management and an understanding of a range of relevant legislation (e.g. Community Welfare Act, Child Care and Protection Act, Complaints and Appeals Monitoring Act).
- Demonstrated understanding of contracting and contract management in a funding environment.

Join us now.

To apply online visit
www.community.nsw.gov.au/careers
Refer to job: 10/CS_1662

Enquiries: Mark Shervashidze
(02) 6826 7400

Applications close:
Friday 15 October 2010

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Education & Training

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Aboriginal Education Consultant

Senior Education Officer 1 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time, Maitland
Position number 123288

Total remuneration package valued to: \$112,269 p.a. (salary \$93,972 - \$101,739 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing advice and support to schools on the implementation of Aboriginal education policies and programs.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Teaching qualifications and recent school based experience. Demonstrated ability to develop and implement programs and initiatives that contribute to improving Aboriginal student learning outcomes. Experience in implementing Aboriginal education/studies, professional development activities and providing support to personnel in schools and across the region. Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team, effective communication and interpersonal skills. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: John Oates (02) 4348 9122

Email: John.Oates@det.nsw.edu.au

Information packages: Lesley Hurst (02) 4348 9100

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:

Mr John Oates, Regional Consultant, Aboriginal Education and Engagement, Department of Education and Training, Level 3, 40 Mann Street, GOSFORD NSW 2300.

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 October 2010

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NATIONAL MANAGER RespectED PROGRAM

Are you a leader in your Community?

High profile program

Australian Red Cross is rolling out an innovative violence prevention, education and capacity-building program in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

You will be responsible for driving the delivery of this exciting new program, working directly with the Head of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Strategy on the implementation. Ideally you are a leader in your community with the relevant skills to manage and inspire your team to deliver outcomes to local communities.

This is a start-up role and requires you to be able to coordinate and lead your team remotely. You will be delivering a program that will grow and develop in its' importance to communities. Comprising a number of modules it will become an integrated blue print that will provide real support and results. These programs have been an enormous success in indigenous communities internationally over the past decade. You will become the Australian advocate and subject matter expert for this high profile program. You will have a working knowledge and experience of humanitarian programs that deliver best practice to regional, remote and urban Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Additionally, you will have experience in analysis and reporting on the success of the program combined with strong business management principles including financial management.

Salary will be commensurate with your experience. For further information please call John Irwin on 0417451949 or email your resume to john.irwin@chandlerwoods.com.au

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ChandlerWoods executive search



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| • Mine Foreperson | • Service Crew | • Mobile Maintenance Fitters | • Surface Pastefill Operators |
| • Shift Supervisors | • Grader/Water Cart Operators | • Services Technician | • Underground Pastefill |
| • Jumbo Operators | • Charge Up Operators | • Accredited Underground Trainer | Construction Crew |
| • Long Hole Drillers | • (Production/Development) | • Underground Mining | • Pastefill Supervisors |
| • Bogger Operators | • Underground Electricians | Superintendent | • Pastefill Engineer |
| • Truck Drivers | • Underground Safety Advisors | • Raisebore Operators | |

To apply for these golden opportunities, please visit Newmont.com/join-our-team and search under Asia Pacific region, Tanami.

newmont.com



Indigenous Research Training Fellowship

An exciting new opportunity exists at the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person (VCAT Exemption A15/2010) to contribute to ACER research and development projects (both Indigenous and non-Indigenous) whilst undertaking postgraduate study. The purpose of the Training Fellowship is to develop research expertise through involvement in ACER research projects. ACER's mission (see www.acer.edu.au for an overview about ACER) is to create and promote knowledge and tools that can be used to improve learning across the lifespan. Included in this work is research that focuses on the improvement of educational outcomes for Indigenous students.

As the successful Indigenous candidate you will need to possess:

- Some research experience, such as through research units taken as part of studies, and/or experience in a community research project;
- An undergraduate degree, preferably with major studies in psychology, social science, mathematics or the educational disciplines and eligibility for, or current enrolment in, postgraduate study;
- The capacity to be creative and solve problems, whilst demonstrating strong analytical and conceptual abilities (especially in relation to collecting and analysing information);
- Good written and verbal communication skills;
- The ability to work within and contribute to a team; and
- Experience using computer-based statistical analysis tools (preferred).

ACER has a supportive workplace culture, team environment and opportunities for professional development including access to on the job training, short courses and further higher education. Approximately half of your time would be available for post graduate study commitments.

Appointment is for an initial term of 12 months at the level of Research Officer 1 \$53,724 - \$59,381 (plus superannuation).

Copies of the position description and details on how to apply can be obtained from ACER's website at www.acer.edu.au/employment.

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please call Stephanie Armstrong or Gina Milgate, ACER Indigenous Liaison Officer on 03 9277 5473

We will begin reviewing applications from November 2010 and continue the process until the position is filled



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NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

General Administrative Support Officer

Aboriginal Targeted
The Hills Local Area Command, North West Metropolitan Region
Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-Time
CASTLE HILL
NSWPF 10/157

Salary Package:

\$62,507. Salary: \$52,104 - \$56,644. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Support front line policing by providing administrative functions as part of the Command administration team. Duties to be performed are rotational between general administration and customer service. Provide support within the Local Area Command focussing on quality advice and high level customer service to members of the public and other staff of NSW Police Force. Provide administrative, clerical and keyboard support within the Local Area Command.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- This position operates under a non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken on a rotational basis, morning/afternoon shifts in accordance with flexible rostering guidelines. Generally required to work Monday to Friday but may be rostered to work weekends.
- 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 in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Records check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated computer keyboard, data entry and word processing skills.
- Ability to prepare routine / minor correspondence.
- Ability to operate the corporate records management system.
- Demonstrated high level communication and customer service skills.
- Broad knowledge of systems and administrative practices and procedures.
- Experience in the use of switchboards.
- Demonstrated possession of high integrity standards.
- Demonstrated understanding of responsibility and personal accountability.
- Ability to work in a team environment and work unsupervised.
- Understanding of the importance in maintaining confidentiality.

Enquiries/Information Pack:

Lyn Sale on (02) 9680 5331 or
sale1lyn@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to:

The Local Area Manager, The Hills Local Area Command, corner Castle & Pennant Streets, Castle Hill NSW 2154

Closing Date: Friday 8 October 2010

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Queanbeyan
City Council

Regional HACC (Home and Community Care) Development Officer

Aged and Disability Services
Permanent Full Time - 35/38 hours per week
\$59,082.40 - \$65,286.00 per annum (plus 9% superannuation)

Contact Officer:
Amanda Charles - (02) 6298 0285.

Closing Date:
4.00pm, Monday 11th October 2010.

For further information please visit:
www.qcc.nsw.gov.au/positionsvacant

Senior Resource Officer (Remote Indigenous Service Delivery) (Specified)

Regional Service Delivery Operations

(One temporary full-time position available until 30 June 2012. Specified – Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Communities

Salary: \$78 811 – \$84 318 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/DOC25176/10

Key Duties: This role ensures high quality community capacity and sector program development, with a focus on remote Indigenous communities.

Enquiries: (07) 3006 7675

Closing Date: Friday, 15 October 2010

Indigenous Enterprise Development Officer (Specified)

Science, Agriculture, Food and Tourism and Regional Services

(Temporary until 30 June 2011 with possible extension. Specified – Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Employment, Economic Development and Innovation

Salary: \$78 811 – \$84 318 p.a.

Location: Weipa

REF: QLD/EED110861/10

Key Duties: To provide advice, identify strategic business opportunities, manage projects and deliver outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients.

Skills/Abilities: Well developed communication and interpersonal skills; well established networks; knowledge of Queensland economic, trade, investment and business environment; awareness of Indigenous cultures.

Enquiries: Jonathan Fabila (07) 3237 1739

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 2010

Cultural Liaison Officer (Identified)

Custodial Operations, Capricornia Correctional Centre

(Identified – Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Community Safety

Salary: \$50 125 – \$55 896 p.a.

Location: Rockhampton

REF: QLD/DCS1106/10

Key Duties: Ensure offender's individual, cultural and social needs are met; Provide assessments, programs and reports on request; Liaise with staff, community groups and visitors.

Skills/Abilities: Community engagement, communication, interpersonal and problem solving skills.

Enquiries: Graham Smith (07) 4912 6290

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 2010

Police Liaison Officer

Queensland Police Service, Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$41 795 – \$44 754 p.a. (\$24 365 – \$36 830 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

Location: Woorabinda

REF: QLD/PO1156/10

Key Duties: Knowledge and understanding of local cultures, customs and community organisations. The capacity to be accepted by the local community.

Skills/Abilities: Learn and apply relevant laws, Queensland Police Service and other government policies. Problem solve and organise. Effectively communicate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities.

Enquiries: Senior Sergeant Stephen Crouch (07) 4935 0155

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 2010

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



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.

Enrolled Nurse/Endorsed Enrolled Nurse

Nursing, Muswellbrook

Perm Part Time, 20 hpw and Casual positions with creation of an eligibility list for Future Perm/Temp, Full/Part Time vacancies Position No: 69258
Enquiries: Hilary Walker, (02) 6542 2022.
Closing Date: 29 October 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



Government of
Western Australia
Department for Child Protection

Business Manager

Country Services

Web Search No: 007044

Level/Salary: Level 5, \$70,037- \$77,405 pa

The Business Manager is responsible for managing the day to day financial, physical, and human resources aspects of the district's operations, and administers all district support activities, including information management and risk management.

This position also provides advice and consultancy to the District Director to develop the district's business plans and oversees the district's business performance against those plans.

To Access Detailed Information: Please visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Natasha Bargeus on Ph: 9160 2400.

GROH is available to eligible applicants. Aboriginal applicants are preferred for this position and strongly encouraged to apply.

Location: Port Hedland or Karratha.

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 2010 at 5.00pm.

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Education
& Training

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Aboriginal Training Coordinator

Clerk Grade 7/8

Temporary Full-Time, Bankstown
Position number 144440

Total remuneration package valued to: \$95,451 p.a. (salary \$78,142 - \$86,498 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Developing, monitoring and evaluating Aboriginal programs and VET applications, projects and programs. Liaise with key stakeholders on the operation of Aboriginal vocational training programs and policies.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Teaching qualifications and recent school based experience. Demonstrated ability to develop and implement programs and initiatives that contribute to improving Aboriginal student learning outcomes. Experience in implementing Aboriginal education/studies, professional development activities and providing support to personnel in schools and across the region. Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team, effective communication and interpersonal skills. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment for a period up to 30 June 2011. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977

Inquiries: Robert MacMaster (02) 8707 9607

Email: robert.macmaster@det.nsw.edu.au

Information packages:

Robert MacMaster (02) 8707 9607

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:

Mr Robert MacMaster, Department of Education and Training, PO.Box 3515 BANKSTOWN NSW 2200.

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 October 2010

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Awabakal Aboriginal Medical Service is seeking experienced full-time Aboriginal Health Workers (AHW) to support our multidisciplinary team of dedicated health professionals. These positions will be based at our Hamilton clinic.

Aboriginal Health Worker (AHW) Drugs & Alcohol Program

The AHW Drug & Alcohol is responsible for delivering a program to members of the Aboriginal community experiencing life challenges in alcohol and substance abuse. This position works in conjunction with other health workers, and medical staff to advocate and refer clients to services, as well as to provide culturally appropriate programs in group settings.

Aboriginal Health Worker (AHW) Hearing Health (Otitis- Media)

The purpose of this role is to implement the 'NSW

Otitis Media Strategic Plan for Aboriginal Children' (1996). The role involves working with a network of health professionals, coordinating a proactive program of early detection, and intervention, referral and follow up and ongoing education. You will need to become trained in the testing of children's hearing.

Aboriginal Regional Tobacco Coordinator

The Regional Tobacco Coordinator will develop networks and coordinate and implement a range of community based smoking prevention and cessation support activities. The person will work in conjunction with Tobacco Action Workers to deliver positive and culturally appropriate programs and events.

These positions are Aboriginal identified positions; you must be Aboriginal to apply. Authorised by s14d Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

All information packages can be obtained from Awabakal Administration, please phone 02 49 69 4711. Closing date is 5pm Friday 22nd October 2010.



Networks' 2011 apprentice intake

Are you looking to start your career? Come and join the ActewAGL team.

ActewAGL is seeking applicants for electrical fitter, electrical line worker and electrical cable jointer apprentice positions. These positions will allow you to gain qualifications to construct, maintain and carry out emergency repairs on ActewAGL's electricity distribution network.

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- well developed communication skills
- the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships
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- a current class C drivers licence
- a commitment to gaining the prescribed job competencies.

Along with submitting an application to ActewAGL, applicants are required to sit a one-hour pre-selection assessment conducted by EE-Oz Training Standards. Applicants must call 02 6154 5180 during office hours to arrange a weekday booking no later than 27 October 2010. A group sitting will be held on Saturday 16 October 2010, places must be booked at least one day prior. A \$25 administration fee applies.

Reference numbers: 102/2010 Electrical Fitter Apprentice

103/2010 Electrical Lineworker Apprentice

104/2010 Electrical Cable Jointer Apprentice

Contact: Charlie Flask 02 6293 5739

Closing date: Friday 29 October 2010



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How to apply

A detailed position description and selection documentation is available by calling voicemail 02 6270 7616, emailing recruitment@actewagl.com.au and quoting the reference number, or visiting actewagl.com.au/jobs

ActewAGL values workplace diversity and encourages individuals from all backgrounds to apply. We pride ourselves on our commitment to our employees and aim to promote a culture that values and utilises the various perspectives our employees bring to the workplace.



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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 emailing SI.Recruitment@tafensw.edu.au or calling 9217 4152.

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, 29 October 2010



PhD scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

Four PhD scholarships, each worth \$22,500 per annum, are available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. We are offering one scholarship for each academic group:

- Arts, Education and Law
- Business
- Health
- Science, Environment, Engineering and Technology

The scholarships are open to suitable candidates with first or second class honours (2A) degrees (or equivalent) in a relevant field. For additional information, please contact Margaret Grenfell from the Indigenous Research Network (07) 3735 4166, m.grenfell@griffith.edu.au.

Application forms can be downloaded from griffith.edu.au/rhd

Applications open until 31 October 2010

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YOUR PLACE TO BE

INDIGENOUS RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OFFICER

Vacancy Reference Number: 29345

Nullooyumbah

CQUniversity Rockhampton

Continuing, Full-time

CQUniversity is committed to the improvement of employment outcomes for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people with a target to reach 2.4% employment by December 2012.

Total remuneration range from \$75 072 to \$82 108 per annum includes salary from \$64 164 to \$70 178 per annum and employer superannuation plus annual leave loading.

CQUniversity is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to lead Nullooyumbah in the recruitment and retention of Indigenous students; and to improve Indigenous student wellbeing and academic progress including facilitating a successful transition into university life for our diverse Indigenous student community. Travel is a requirement of the position.

Enquiries: Mrs Vicki Pascoe

Acting Co-Director, Nullooyumbah

Phone: 07 4930 6818

Email: v.pascoe@cqu.edu.au

Applications close: Thursday 14 October 2010

How to Apply: Visit our website <http://cqu.edu.au/careers> and complete the online application form. Current CQUniversity staff must apply through ESSO. To ensure that your application is deemed as complete and able to be considered, you must upload the following documents:

- Your current CV or Resume
- Your responses to the Selection Criteria

BE WHAT YOU WANT TO BE

CQUniversity is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes diversity in the workplace. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply



MANAGER Person, Place and Planning

(full time position located in Darwin)

Lifestyle Solutions is a National Disability and Out of Home Care Service provider that seeks to support and work alongside people in creating lifestyle opportunities that provide dignity and community.

We are seeking to employ an energetic, resourceful and committed person, for an immediate start, to provide support to adults with a disability with high and complex needs, living in our Darwin residential accommodation services.

You will be experienced in working with people who have disabilities with challenging behaviours and high needs in a residential care. You will be responsible for leading a team that provides care to young people and adults, in a personalised environment, as part of a multi disciplinary team. As a Manager PPP you will be responsible for ensuring that the needs of individual plans and necessary administrative tasks are completed as required.

Salary is paid in accordance with the NT SACS Award with salary packaging available.

Application pack with selection criteria is available from kylie@lifestylesolutions.org.au

For specific information relating to these positions, please contact Steve De Frasz on (0419) 046 822.

Lifestyle Solutions is an EEO employer and welcomes applications from people from ATSI and CALD backgrounds. All applicants are required to undergo employment screening prior to commencing.



Walk the road with our mob

RTA School Crossing Supervisor – Nowra Aboriginal identified part-time position

Work with your community – an important person in a young child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they learn to cross the road with safety.

You will need: community spirit, good communication skills, reliability, an alert and professional work attitude and a patient and caring personality.

The hours are usually 8-9:30am and/or 2:30-4pm, Monday to Friday during school terms. These casual hours and having school holidays free would certainly suit a parent or grandparent, a retiree or anyone wanting meaningful community work, but not full-time. The rate of pay is \$18.98 per hour for permanent staff and \$22.77 per hour for casual staff.

All training for the role is provided by the RTA.

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.

For an application or for more information about this job opportunity, call Jodie Crehan on (02) 4221 2584.

Applications close 8 October 2010.

For further enquiries
www.rta.nsw.gov.au/careers



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Director Oorala Aboriginal Centre

The University of New England (UNE) is Australia's oldest regional university set in the beautiful New England Tablelands halfway between Sydney and Brisbane. UNE has an enviable reputation for student satisfaction, and is committed to offering the best experience for domestic and international students whether on-campus or studying via distance. The University has research strengths in many areas including rural science and educational administration and is committed to using this depth of knowledge to strengthen the community it works within.

The University of New England, according to Strategy 2 of the Equal Opportunity Management Plan, has identified this position specifically for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander peoples in accordance with section 122K of Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

The Oorala Aboriginal Centre is the University's first point of contact for prospective Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and communities. Oorala assists Aboriginal people seeking access to the University by providing academic and personal support within the University. The Centre strives to expand the access and participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at UNE through the development and provision of alternative entry pathways. The Centre currently consists of a range of permanent, temporary and casual staff appointments and provides support for both internal and external Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

The Director will be responsible for the leadership and management of the Centre, ensuring the design and delivery of programs aimed at recruiting and retaining Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

The successful applicant will have appropriate tertiary qualifications combined with extensive relevant experience; or relevant knowledge, training and experience. Postgraduate qualifications are desirable but not essential. Demonstrated extensive experience with, and knowledge of, a diverse range of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, communities and organisations and their integration into an education system is also essential.

Informal enquiries may be directed to Ms Eve Woodberry, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Students and Social Inclusion), telephone (02) 6773 3897 or e-mail pvca@une.edu.au

Reference No:	210/078r
Remuneration:	This position is offered as a five year contract, with a salary package including 17% superannuation, optional salary packaging and a bonus arrangement.
Closing Date:	5pm Monday 18 October 2010

Please obtain an application package from www.une.edu.au/recruit or Human Resource Services, telephone (02) 6773 3972.

www.une.edu.au

Equity principles underpin all UNE policies and procedures.



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ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER

Salary: \$58k to \$62k per annum
* Idyllic coastal location 1.5 hours north of Sydney

The position is responsible for identifying the needs of Aboriginal residents of the City, and developing and implementing services, programs, and strategies to meet these needs.

As the Aboriginal Community Development Worker, you will enjoy the challenges of working in a multi-disciplined team and with community, government and other stakeholders.

Aboriginality is an essential criterion for this position.

Closing date: 9.00am Monday, 8 November 2010.

To Apply: Visit www.lakemac.com.au for a complete application package or telephone Stephen McAlister on 02 4921 0262.

NOTE: Please ensure you address ALL the selection criteria listed in the Position Description, as outlined in the Application Information.

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- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Identified Position
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- 9-day fortnight

Join our diverse and vibrant Citizens' Service team in providing front-line customer service in our call centre and counter operations following a roster system.

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Enquiries: James Melissinos on (02) 9335 2222.

Closing Date: Wednesday, 20 October 2010.

For a Job Info Pack, visit www.marrickville.nsw.gov.au or call James Melissinos on (02) 9335 2222. Apply by the closing date and follow the instructions in your pack.

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Employment Opportunities

CatholicCare NT is a provider of family, employment and drug/alcohol services in the NT. CatholicCare NT has offices in Darwin, Palmerston, Katherine, Tennant Creek, Alice Springs, Wadeye and Nguiu.

Our staff are supported to provide quality outcomes through professional training and supervision. A flexible workplace and commitment to work life balance.

Client Service Coordinator - Alice Springs

An opportunity to work in our Family Well-being program. You will support and supervise a team providing family based mental health services. Strong program development and supervision skills are essential.

Client Service Coordinator - APY Lands

PHaMS in the APY Lands is a program which aims to work with people of all ages to assist them to better manage mental health issues. The program works from a strengths perspective. You are required to lead and supervise a team and the ability to develop and manage the program is essential.

Professional Counsellors - Alice Springs

Several positions are available. Qualifications and experience required and the ability to facilitate group work including domestic violence and/or parenting is an advantage.

Money Business - Tennant Creek

Are you interested in supporting people to develop money management skills? Training is available and Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

For a detailed list of opportunities
(including role descriptions and selection criteria),
please refer to our website www.catholiccarent.org.au
Kim Moon Ph: (08) 8944 2000
Human Resources Admin
kim.moon@catholiccarent.org.au



Government of
Western Australia
Department for Child Protection

Senior Child Protection Worker

Country Services

Web Search No: 007716

Level/Salary: Level 2, Specified Callings \$75,392- \$83,322 pa

The Senior Child Protection Worker works in the areas of child protection, children in care and family support and is responsible for responding to concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of children and applying the provisions of the Children and Community Services Act 2004. The position also takes legal action to promote the safety and wellbeing of children where necessary.

To Access Detailed Information: Please visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Natasha Bargeus on Ph: 9160 2400.

New and generous regional incentives such as free GROH rent is available. Aboriginal applicants are preferred for this position and strongly encouraged to apply.

Location: Onslow.

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 2010 at 5.00pm.

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Legal Aid NEW SOUTH WALES

Senior Solicitor

Legal Officer Grade V, Family Law Division,
Aboriginal Identified, Parramatta Regional
Office, Permanent Full-Time
(Job Ref No.: FL10/109)

Total remuneration package valued to \$119, 528 pa including salary (\$106, 236 - \$108, 317), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Job Description: Provide management assistance to the Solicitor in Charge of Parramatta Legal Aid Office to ensure that high quality legal advice and representation is provided to legally aided in-house clients in family law matters and that the service is delivered in an effective and efficient manner.

Notes: The position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

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: Frances Neilson on (02) 9407 2904

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications to: All applications must now be submitted online via the www.jobs.nsw.gov.au website.

Closing date: 13 October 2010

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Human Services
Community Services

Senior Regional Strategies Officer (Aboriginal)

Metro West Region, Parramatta

Temporary Full-Time

Salary package from \$98,295 - \$108,318

This position is responsible to the Manager Regional Strategy for community engagement and project management to support the establishment of two Integrated Children and Family Centres for the Blacktown/Mt Druit area, funded under the National Partnership on Indigenous Early Childhood Development.

Requirements:

- Project management skills with experience in children's services and human service delivery components.
- Demonstrated experience in working collaboratively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and community organisations.
- Extensive knowledge of the evidence based for prevention and early intervention strategies for children, youth and families.

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Refer to job: 10/CS_1551.

Enquiries: Ross Beaton on (02) 9354 1675

Applications close: Friday 15 October 2010

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Aboriginal Family Health Worker – Safe Families

TFT (jobshare considered), up to 11/06/12, **Salary:** Aboriginal Health Education Officer – Non Graduate: \$835.80–\$1,231.00 pw, **Recruitment No:** 4075, **Enquiries:** Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or Sue.Burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au **Close:** 22/10/10. Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification for this position and is authorised under section 3(2h) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

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Aboriginal Health Worker – Safe Families

TFT (jobshare considered), up to 28/09/12, **Salary:** Aboriginal Health Education Officer – Non Graduate or Graduate: \$835.80–\$1,569.30 pw, **Recruitment No:** 4462, **Enquiries:** Sue Burke, (02) 6363 8020 or Sue.Burke@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au **Close:** 22/10/10. Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification for this position and is authorised under section 3(2h) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

For an Application Kit or to apply online please go to <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

We are committed to Equal Employment Opportunity Ethical Practices, the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a smoke-free environment. Appropriate criminal record and child protection checks conducted for all positions. All employees (except casuals) are eligible to Salary Package.



MUSEUM VICTORIA

HEAD, INDIGENOUS CULTURES DEPARTMENT

Museum Victoria is seeking an innovative leader for the Indigenous Cultures Department to ensure it continues to build on Museum Victoria's reputation in Indigenous research, collections and public engagement.

The successful applicant will be responsible for leading and producing high quality research of international repute, enhancing Museum Victoria's Indigenous cultures collection, and developing engaging learning experiences in the field of Indigenous cultures.

Key knowledge and skills required:

- A substantial research and publication record in a field relevant to Indigenous Cultures.
- Extensive experience working with Indigenous communities.
- Demonstrated leadership in research and collection development projects in the field of Indigenous Cultures.
- Ability to plan strategically, and manage staff and budgets.

HOW TO APPLY?

To view the position description, go to <http://bit.ly/MuseumVicJobs>. For more information, contact Dr Robin Hirst on (03) 8341 7241. To apply, please send your Resume and a Covering Letter that addresses the Key Selection Criteria to jobs@museum.vic.gov.au quoting position number MV/6050 by Friday 5th November.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

This is a rare opportunity to lead an organisation that creates impact supporting the community and making a difference in the lives of local indigenous people. You will challenge yourself to thrive within an environment that has many demands but also big rewards for your achievements.

The CEO is responsible for the overall management and performance of the organization including financial viability and has the specific role of ensuring the organization meets the compliance requirements associated with various funding agencies.

Set in the riverside community of Robinvale, Victoria, the position is accountable to a Board of Directors and requires a commitment towards the development of the local Aboriginal community through a range of community programs across Primary Health Care, Family Services, Youth Programs, Housing and Child Care arenas.

In this senior level role you will demonstrate strong leadership qualities that will motivate and inspire others. Your sharp communication style is essential in networking with key stakeholders and representing the interests of the organisation. Sensitivity in understanding Indigenous community health and cultural issues is a key element for success. Sound knowledge in financial management and reporting, and in particular compliance with funding requirements is required.

To enquire on this opportunity please contact Prestige Staffing Personnel for Position Description outlining the selection criteria. Ref: 6989. Applications close 29 Oct.

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Communities

ARTS NSW

Indigenous Cultural Development Officer

Sydney
Clerk Grade 9/10
ART1075-000008GZ

The Arts NSW Indigenous Cultural Development Officer leads and manages the development and implementation of the NSW Aboriginal Arts and Cultural Strategy

You will identify, assess and develop a range of projects across Arts NSW and Communities NSW to support a vibrant NSW Aboriginal arts and cultural sector.

You will advance and facilitate the development of strategic partnerships between Indigenous artists and communities in NSW and key Government, cultural and community agencies. You will also influence and collaborate with staff from across the Division and Department to ensure their work is sensitive to Indigenous people and communities and enables Indigenous participation.

You will contribute to development of policy and policy advice regarding Aboriginal arts and cultural sector at state and national level.

Notes: This position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. A background check, including relevant criminal and employment records and relevant AVO will be conducted on recommended applicants. No offer of employment will be made until all relevant clearances are finalised

Applicants MUST obtain an information pack and complete all relevant paperwork and address the selection criteria.

For Information Package & to Apply On-Line: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Judith Bowtell (02) 9228 5541 or judith.bowtell@communities.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Sunday 24 October 2010

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Australian Government Aboriginal Hostels Limited



Residential Youth Worker

Hobart

Indigenous Youth Mobility Program (IYMP)

APS Level 4

\$582.73 - \$623.10 per week, plus superannuation

Non-ongoing, up to 31 December 2012

Part time, 3 days (22.80 hours) per week. We are seeking a motivated person to provide high quality care and support within a residential setting to Indigenous young people aged 16 to 24 from rural and remote areas who will be undertaking apprenticeships or similar training. Experience in working with young people is an advantage.

The duties may include weekend work. Residential Youth Workers are required to work with minimal supervision and sleepover onsite on days of duty.

Duties

- Managing the day-to-day running of the accommodation.
- Assisting residents to develop living skills (e.g. cooking, budgeting) and a healthy lifestyle.
- Liaising with training providers, parents and communities to assist residents to adapt to living and studying away from home.
- Applicants who hold a Certificate IV in Youth Work will be highly regarded.
- The successful applicant must hold a current Working With Children Check card.

Further inquiries: Natalie Hocking

Telephone No: 0409 867 107

Selection documentation: Rebekah Zechner

Telephone No: 03 9642 2775

or from our website at: www.ahl.gov.au

The successful applicant may be required to undergo a medical assessment during the 6 month probation period. The successful applicant will be required to satisfactorily complete a Federal Police records check and be able to meet State/Territory government requirements for working with young individuals.

Written applications addressing the selection criteria close **5pm, 22 October 2010** and should be sent to: Regional Manager, Aboriginal Hostels Limited, Box 486G, MELBOURNE VIC 3001 or email to recruitment@ahl.gov.au.

THE INDIGENOUS YOUTH MOBILITY PROGRAM

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.

Working with Indigenous people for Indigenous people

Aboriginal Hostels Limited improves Indigenous quality of life through the delivery of hostel accommodation to enable access to education, employment, health and other services.

Conditions of Employment

The successful applicant is required to be an Australian citizen and to satisfactorily complete a medical assessment and police records check. A probationary period applies.

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Human Services Housing NSW

Senior Project Officer

Clerk Grade 9/10

Policy & Program Implementation Team

Head Office, Ashfield

Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 10/HNSW_1665

Total remuneration package valued up to \$108,318 per annum (Salary: \$89,076 pa - \$98,159 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

This position is responsible for developing and managing projects to implement operational client policy, processes and business systems used by Client Service Teams within the Housing Services Division of Housing NSW.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated project management experience including experience in developing and monitoring project plans, coordinating resources and managing budgets.
- Proven research, analytical and problem solving skills, including ability to recommend solutions to support the development of key projects.
- Strong oral, interpersonal and written communication skills, including proven experience in preparing a range of project related documents.
- Demonstrated experience in managing relationships with a diverse range of internal and external stakeholders, and demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with business partners.
- Tertiary qualifications in Human Sciences, Business Administration or related discipline or equivalent experience.

Job Notes: This position is in the Client Service Operations branch of Housing Services Division. Client Service Operations develops, manages and implements client related projects, programs and policies within Housing Services Division including: implementation design and planning; delivery; and on-going maintenance and management once in business as usual. This includes formulating business rules, support tools and procedures; managing policy or program roll-outs; and monitoring trends and issues in the delivery of the client policies and programs.

Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Jo Mann on (02) 8753 8918 or Dominic Gibson on (02) 8753 8837 or Email: jo.mann@housing.nsw.gov.au or dominic.gibson@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package and to apply visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Closing Date: Friday 15 October 2010

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NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

Senior Program Officer – Aboriginal Family Violence

Field Operations, Major Events and Incidents Group

Operational Programs

Clerk Grade 9/10

Permanent Full-Time

PARRAMATTA

NSWPF 10/218

Salary Package:

\$108,318. Salary: \$89,076 - \$98,159. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

To work with local Aboriginal community organisations, police personnel, and the Aboriginal community grass roots people, supporting and assisting victims of family violence with an aim to increase reporting of family and domestic violence and sexual assault offences.

Job Notes:

- This position is 35 hours per week.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- In accordance with the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998, applicants for this position will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration and the preferred applicant will be subject to the terms of the Act, persons who have been convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position as it involves child-related employment.

Applicants must:

- Include date of birth and other supporting documentation;
- 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 in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and sound knowledge of Aboriginal heritage, culture and society.
- Relevant tertiary qualifications or demonstrated practical experience in a related field.
- Knowledge of issues related to Aboriginal family violence, law enforcement and their impact on Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system.
- Proven research, analytical and problem solving skills.
- Demonstrated high level oral and written communication skills & proven word processing skills.
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain networks with key stakeholders.
- Demonstrated ability to review, prepare and advise on briefings, submissions, reports and correspondence.
- Hold a current Drivers Licence with a clear driving record over the last 12 months; and prepared to travel.

Enquiries:

Superintendent Helen Begg on (02) 8835 8001 or begg1hel@police.nsw.gov.au

Information Pack:

Dorothy Rodrigues on (02) 8835 8141 or rodr1dor@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to:

The Commander, Operational Programs, NSW Police Force, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2150

Closing Date: Friday 8 October 2010

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The Settlement Neighbourhood Centre

CO-ORDINATOR

Responsible for leading the operations of The Settlement Neighbourhood Centre. Full time. 70 hours per fortnight. \$67,000 + super, salary sacrificing package available.

Desirable Experience: Working with Aboriginal people and communities.

Qualifications: Relevant tertiary studies and professional experience in community work and program management.

Contact:

Joel on 0406 435 290.

Email jrule@ozemail.com.au or

administration@settlement.net.au.

Full description on website at www.settlement.org.au

NSW HEALTH SOUTH EASTERN SYDNEY ILLAWARRA

Female Aboriginal Mental Health Professional

Permanent Full Time

Mental Health Services, Maroubra

Enquiries: Helen O'Leary, 02 9366 8711

Ref No: 4830

Closing Date: 17 October 2010

Administrative Officer Level 2 - Female Aboriginal

Temporary Part Time - 19 hpw (up to 02/09/2012)

Royal Women's Hospital - Randwick

Enquiries: Elizabeth Cox on 9382 6019

Ref: 2839

Closing date: 17th October 2010

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

**Apply online at:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au**

or email application quoting Ref. No. to:

jobs@hss.health.nsw.gov.au or

send application to:

Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 6004,
HRMC NSW 2310.

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Legal Aid NEW SOUTH WALES Solicitor

**(Career Development Program for New
Solicitors), Aboriginal Identified, Legal Officer**

I-III, Head Office, Metropolitan Sydney,

Temporary Full-time, Job Reference No:

EX10/112 – 2 positions

Total remuneration package valued to \$74,529

pa including salary (\$62,399 - \$67,539)

**employer's contribution to superannuation and
leave loading.**

We are looking for a bright, hard working newly admitted solicitor to join our two-year rotational Career Development Program working as a legal practitioner in two practice areas in our Criminal, Family and Civil divisions.

Notes: This position is temporary full-time under Sections 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002, for a period up to February 2012. This position is identified for an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Note that the placements may be in either the Haymarket office in Sydney CBD or in a Sydney metropolitan office and the rotations may involve placements in different offices.

Inquiries: Anita Fredkin on (02) 9219 5954.

Information Packages: Natasha Marcuccio on (02) 9219 5024 or www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

Applications to: online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Friday 29 October 2010.

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Nimbin Health & Welfare Association Inc Auspicing Nimbin Aged Care and Respite Services

Aboriginal Support Worker

(Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977)

Part time position hours to be negotiated

SACS Award applies (relevant to experience)

Purpose of Position: The Aboriginal Support Worker will work as part of the Nimbin Aged Care and Respite Services (NACRS) team and with the support of the Nimbin Health & Welfare Assoc. Inc (NH&W) management committee to continue the work of developing and supporting the delivery of services to older aboriginal people and their carers in the Nimbin area.

Closing date:

18th October

**For information package including selection criteria
phone Rose 6689 1709 or admin@nimbinagedcare.org**



Justice &
Attorney General

NSW TRUSTEE & GUARDIAN

Aboriginal Court Liason Officer (ATSI Identified)

JAG10/1118

Clerk Grade 5-6

Armidale, Permanent full time

Salary range: \$68,761 - \$75,870

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$83,723

Provide a vital link between the Local Court and the Aboriginal community to coordinate the Circle Sentencing program. The role of the Project Officer is to assist the magistrate in coordinating Circle Sentencing sessions and to assist Aboriginal people when appearing at court.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and extensive knowledge of local Aboriginal culture and community;
- Knowledge of the NSW justice system, particularly sentencing;
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and orally with people of all socio-economic backgrounds;
- Experience in negotiating with Aboriginal organisations, and government departments;
- Experience in organising information sessions, workshops and other educations forums;
- Current driver's licence.

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) means a person who:

- is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and
- identifies as an Aboriginal person, and
- is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Aboriginal person

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line. Please quote JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries:

Brad Delaney (02) 8688 8656 brad_Delaney@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 22 October 2010

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Justice &
Attorney General

COURT SERVICES

Aboriginal Court Liaison Officer (ATSI Identified)

JAG10/1123

Clerk Grade 3-4

Broken Hill Local Court, Temporary Full Time up to

12 October 2011

Salary range: \$58,249 - \$63,781

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$70,382

The Aboriginal Client Service Specialists Programme (ACSSP) seeks to provide targeted and responsive service delivery to Aboriginal clients in order to improve access and equity to Aboriginal people within the justice system.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Ability to work effectively with local Aboriginal communities, service providers and other government/ non-government agencies;
- Knowledge of community resources in the legal, advocacy, community and welfare sectors;
- Well developed oral and written communication skills, including the ability to develop material, organise and deliver information to groups;
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.

Job Notes:

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983) means a person who:

- (a) is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and
- (b) identifies as an Aboriginal person, and
- (c) is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Aboriginal person

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Please quote JAG reference number when submitting application.

Inquiries:

Annette Hennessy (02) 8688 7360

annette_hennessy@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 22 October 2010

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CatholicCare NT

**A Social Service
Agency of the Catholic
Diocese of Darwin.**



Employment Opportunities

CatholicCare NT is a provider of family, employment and drug/alcohol services in the NT. CatholicCare NT has offices in Darwin, Palmerston, Katherine, Tennant Creek, Alice Springs, Wadeye and Nguiu.

Our staff are supported to provide quality outcomes through professional training and supervision. A flexible workplace and commitment to work life balance.

Professional Counsellors

Several positions are available in both Darwin and Alice Springs. Qualifications and experience required and the ability to facilitate group work including domestic violence and/or parenting is an advantage.

Money Business

Are you interested in supporting people to develop money management skills? Training is available for these positions located in:

- Darwin/Wadeye
- Tennant Creek
- Katherine

Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Tenancy Support Program (TSP)

A Case Manager position is available in Katherine. The successful applicant will have either a relevant qualification or experience in casework.

**For a detailed list of opportunities
(including role descriptions and selection criteria),
please refer to our website www.catholiccarent.org.au
Kim Moon Ph: (08) 8944 2000
Human Resources Admin
kim.moon@catholiccarent.org.au**

TAFE WESTERN CHANGING LIVES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are sought from suitably qualified persons for the following full time vacancies. These are Aboriginal Identified positions.

Teacher Indigenous Land Management

Salary: Total remuneration package of up to \$90,107 pa, including salary (\$68,853 – \$81,656) employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading

Job Ref No: W 10-81

Status: Temporary full time up to 12 months

Location: Dubbo

Inquiries: Richard Ingham 6393 2626/0428 161 232

Closing Date: 5 PM, 22 October 2010

Commercial Administrator IPROWD

Grade: Clerk Grade 3/4

Salary: Total remuneration package of up to \$70,382 pa, including salary (\$58,249 - \$63,781 range pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Job Ref No: W 10-76

Status: Temporary full time up to June 2012

Location: Orange

Inquiries: Sandra Gray 6391 4005

Closing Date: 5 PM, 29 October 2010

Application Form:

Download from: www.wit.tafensw.edu.au/jobs



www.wit.tafensw.edu.au



Indigenous Technical and Design Theatre Professional Development Program

• \$46,800K package • Full-time 9 month contract from Jan-Sep 2011

Urban Theatre Projects and Belvoir are offering a professional development opportunity in the area of Technical Theatre production and design.

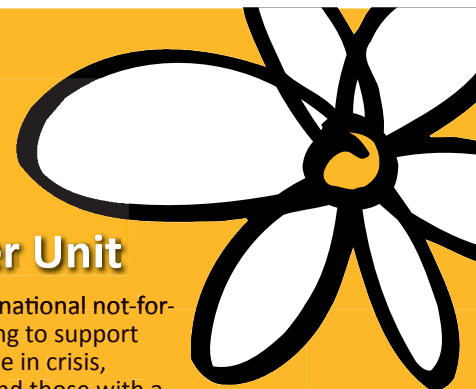
The successful Indigenous candidate will work across both companies' programs, gaining experience in a wide range of areas.

Information package available from bibi@urbantheatre.com.au or pearl@belvoir.com.au

Call 02 9707 2111 or 02 9698 3344

Applications due by 5pm Monday 8 November 2010

Sydney Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Unit



Life Without Barriers is a national not-for-profit organisation working to support children and young people in crisis, people with a disability and those with a mental health issue. We are a leading provider of care in Australia and are renowned for providing our clients with support in a flexible and innovative way.

In line with our commitment to reconciliation, we are establishing a new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Unit to deliver specific services and programs to ensure Aboriginal children in out-of-home care receive culturally sensitive support.

We are currently recruiting for a number of Aboriginal identified positions within this new Unit.

MANAGER CASEWORK, ABORIGINAL

You will lead a team of case managers who will develop and implement quality case management services to Aboriginal children and young people in out-of-home care.

MANAGER CARER SUPPORT, ABORIGINAL

You will lead a team of Supporter of Carers to strengthen carer capacity to Support Aboriginal children in out-of-home care. You will be responsible for the allocation of case loads and the coordination and monitoring of foster care assessment, reviews and recruitment.

CASE MANAGER, ABORIGINAL

You will be the lead worker in the placement team, which is dedicated to the safety, welfare and wellbeing of the children and young people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage in out-of-home care, through the support and development of positive, stable, foster and residential care placements. As Case Manager you will oversee the day-to-day provision of services to the child or young person to ensure that it is effective, efficient and in accordance with the child or young person's case plan.

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL SUPPORT PLANNER

You will be responsible for the development of cultural support planning for Aboriginal children or young persons in out-of-home care. You will also develop relationships between Life Without Barriers' operation's regions and local Aboriginal communities and service providers.

Further Information

Life Without Barriers considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). The successful applicants must have a current drivers licence.

An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful applicants which includes excellent salary packaging options.

All applications must include a resume and address the selection criteria.

To download an information package, please visit our website at www.lwb.org.au
For all enquiries, contact Adrienne Nally on **(02) 9508 4077**.

Applications close 5 November 2010.

The successful applicants will be required to undertake suitability checks. Life Without Barriers is committed to the principals of EEO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background and people with a disability to apply for these positions.

www.lwb.org.au



ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

The Aboriginal Medical Service in Redfern is an Aboriginal community controlled health organization. The AMS has a number of programs that include Drug & Alcohol services.

ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER (MALE) – Drug & Alcohol Unit

This would be a rewarding and satisfying position for a person who has compassion and a desire to work within the Aboriginal community.

The position is based in Redfern but the selected applicant must be prepared to do outreach.

The selected applicant will be required to represent the organization at meetings etc.

Essential Criteria

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Certificate III in D&A work, willing to undertake further training
- Current Driver's License
- Ability to work as a team member as well as unsupervised when instructed.
- Ability to deal with challenging behaviour.
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Must be reliable and responsible
- First Aid Certificate or willingness to gain one
- Report writing and record keeping skills
- Computer Skills
- Comply with AMS Confidentiality Policy

There may be occasions when you may be required to work outside of normal working hours.

RECEPTIONIST – DRUG & ALCOHOL UNIT

This would be a rewarding and satisfying position for a person who has compassion and a desire to work within the Aboriginal community.

The position is based in Redfern,

Essential Criteria

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Current Driver's License
- Ability to work without supervision and as part of a team.
- Ability to deal with challenging behaviour
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Computer skills
- Reliable and Responsible
- First Aid Certificate or ability to gain one

Successful applicants will require a Working with Children Check and a Criminal Record Check.

Salary and conditions are based on the Health Service Union of Australia (Aboriginal Health Workers) Award. Usual hours of work will be 9.00 am – 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.

Contact Officer: Mr. Brad Freeburn – phone 02 698 4303, fax 02 9698 4642 Email: bfreeburn@amsredfern.org.au

Applications close on Friday 5th November, 2010 and should be sent to the CEO, Aboriginal Medical Service Cooperative Limited, P.O. Box 1174, Strawberry Hills, NSW 2012.

Emailed applications marked for the attention of the CEO and sent to amsredfern@amsredfern.org.au

Aboriginality is considered a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.



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The NSW Government has created a range of traineeships, apprenticeships and cadetships to kick start your career. This position will provide customer service to support the administrative functions of the Campus.

Trainee, Business (Office Administration) – Level A

Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Position. This is a temporary full time position for 12 months.

Location Primary Industries Centre, North Wagga Wagga

Job Reference No. 261765

Salary Total remuneration package valued to \$29,825 pa, including salary (\$13,201 – \$27,028), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

NB: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence or a registrable offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Applications Close Friday, 22 October 2010

Applicants **MUST** obtain an information package which includes an official job application form from our website.

For further enquiries call 02 6058 2920.

www.rit.tafensw.edu.au/rijobs

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Community Correction Officers

making a difference to our community

Indigenous Community Corrections Officer

- **Morwell Community Correctional Services**
- **Ongoing, Full time position**
- **Unqualified Trainee: \$40,771 plus**
- **Qualified Trainee: \$44,080 (relevant tertiary qualifications)**
- **CCO: \$47,390 - \$52,357**

Indigenous Community Corrections Officers (ICCOs) monitor and supervise Indigenous and non-Indigenous offenders who are on parole or a community based order.

As their case manager, you ensure they get back on track. Your key responsibilities include:

- providing culturally appropriate guidance and advice to Indigenous and non-Indigenous offenders;
- developing strong links with Indigenous and non - indigenous agencies;
- linking Indigenous and non-Indigenous offenders in with support programs to assist with their rehabilitation and reintegration into the community;
- conduct assessments and prepare reports for the Courts including Koori Court and the Adult Parole Board.

Community Corrections Officers bring a range of life skills, which enable them to act as a positive role model for their community through the work they will be required to do. There is no previous case management experience required as a comprehensive training program is in place and provided to the successful applicant.

How to Apply:

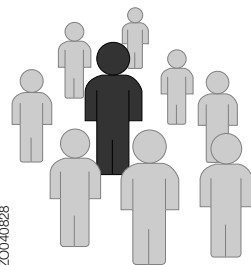
Enquiries about the position should be directed to Emma Burton on 03 8684 0053.

The role is an Identified Position in accordance with policy direction of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au and apply directly to job reference number 3836

Applications close:
midnight 14th October 2010

For more information visit:
cvcareers.com.au



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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Castlereagh Local Area Command, Walgett
Field Operations, Western Region

Clerk Grade 3/4
Permanent Full-Time
WALGETT
NSWPF 10/212

Salary Package:

\$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer has the responsibility for providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command. Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer's assist in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing of programs that brings about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy. Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers also work closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal Community Organisations and other service providers in their day-to-day activities and promotes an awareness of the NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- This position is 35 hours per week.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- All applicants must include date of birth and other supporting documentation.
- In required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration and the preferred applicant will be subject to the terms of the Act, persons who have been convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position as it involves child-related employment.
- 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 in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and a sound knowledge of Aboriginal heritage and culture.
- Ability to work effectively with local Aboriginal communities, service providers and Police personnel.
- Knowledge of the issues impacting on Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system.
- Effective written and oral communications skills and ability to participate in the development of local community strategies.
- Experience in program development/management, word processing or other computer applications.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision and prepared to work shifts on a 24-hour rotational basis.
- Prepared to undergo further training and to attend courses appropriate to the position.
- Holder of a current Drivers Licence, with a clear driving record for the past 12 months.

Inquiries/Information Packs: Ben Salt on (02) 6828 2801 or salt1ben@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The Local Area Manager, Castlereagh Local Area Command, PO Box 312 Walgett NSW 2832

Closing Date: Friday 9 April 2010

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ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES

Community Based Corrections

Indigenous Probation and Parole Officer

Administrative Services Officer Class 6

Salary Range: \$64,583-\$74,188

PN: 46200

Duties: Provide case management, supervision and monitoring for people on court and parole orders with the objectives of reducing the risk of further criminal conduct, maintaining community safety and administering court orders. Provide written and verbal reports to the Courts, releasing authorities and other bodies in relation to offender management, risk and intervention.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Experience working with offenders and relevant tertiary qualifications are highly desirable. Understanding of and sensitivity to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural issues and issues relevant to other minority groups is essential. Eligible candidates will be required to undergo a criminal history check. Applicants will be required to undertake psychological aptitude testing as part of the assessment process. A current driver's licence is essential. Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered essential (Section 42, Discrimination Act 1991).

Selection documentation and application information is available at: www.jobs.act.gov.au/jobs_by_agency/justice_and_community_safety

For further information regarding the position, please contact Ms Jaymie Midegs, ACT Corrective Services.

Phone: (02) 6205 3411

Email: jaymmie.midegs@act.gov.au

Applications close on Thursday 21 October 2010 and should be forwarded to:

jobs@act.gov.au or mailed to
Shared Services Centre, Recruitment Services,
GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601



Senior Aboriginal Youth Mental Health (Spiritual Wellbeing) Clinical Advisor

Eastern Health Child Youth and Family Mental Health Service (CYFMS) is seeking a specialist to support the effective provision of mental health (spiritual wellbeing) services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Melbourne's Outer East.

This three and a half year position is funded by the Eastern Metropolitan Region (EMR) Department of Health through the Closing the Health Gap strategy.

The project aims to improve mental health outcomes for Aboriginal young people by:

- Utilising an early intervention model to improve access and successful engagement of young Aboriginal people with mental health services.
- Supporting the agencies that work with Aboriginal young people to recognise and respond to potential mental health difficulties in the young people they support.
- Promoting Aboriginal cultural competence into the Child, Youth & Family Mental Health Service.

With a focus on services in the local government areas of Yarra Ranges, Maroondah and Knox the successful applicant will:

- Provide clinical mental health services, support and referral to young Aboriginal people
- Co-ordinate and provide clinical consultation and education relevant to individual and community needs.
- Contribute to the capacity building of the broader health and Aboriginal services sectors.
- Develop partnerships between agencies that address the social determinants of Aboriginal health including Aboriginal specific agencies, housing, education, justice and employment.

Candidates will be assessed on the following competences:

- Have extensive experience working with the Aboriginal community, demonstrated cultural competency or are of an Aboriginal background.
- Hold an appropriate tertiary qualification (e.g. social work, nursing).
- Experience in working in a mental health setting.

People interested in discussing this position are encouraged to call **Julie Blacker**, Eastern Health Community Engagement Team Manager on (03) 9895 4069 or (0419) 571 342.

People with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are strongly encouraged to apply.

All applications to be made on line:

www.easternhealth.org.au

Reference Number: 82738.

**Or send to: Human Resources, Eastern Health,
251 Mountain Highway, Wantirna, VIC, 3152**

Closing Date:

22 October 2010



MANAGER Person, Place and Planning

(full time position located in Darwin)

Lifestyle Solutions is a National Disability and Out of Home Care Service provider that seeks to support and work alongside people in creating lifestyle opportunities that provide dignity and community.

We are seeking to employ an energetic, resourceful and committed person, for an immediate start, to provide support to adults with a disability with high and complex needs, living in our Darwin residential accommodation services.

You will be experienced in working with people who have disabilities with challenging behaviours and high needs in a residential care. You will be responsible for leading a team that provides care to young people and adults, in a personalised environment, as part of a multi disciplinary team. As a Manager PPP you will be responsible for ensuring that the needs of individual plans and necessary administrative tasks are completed as required.

Salary is paid in accordance with the NT SACS Award with salary packaging available.

Application pack with selection criteria is available from
kylie@lifestylesolutions.org.au

For specific information relating to these positions, please contact Steve De Frasz on (0419) 046 822.

Lifestyle Solutions is an EEO employer and welcomes applications from people from ATSI and CALD backgrounds. All applicants are required to undergo employment screening prior to commencing.



Aboriginal Child, Family & Community Care State Secretariat NSW (AbSec)

AbSec is primarily funded by Community Services (NSW) and is recognised as the peak Aboriginal organisation providing child protection and out-of-home-care (OOHC) policy advice to the government and non-government sector in NSW.

An organisational review and expansion of AbSec services related to Keep Them Safe initiatives requires the creation of the following new positions.

Policy Advisor - projects

(Full Time – 1 year contract - possibility of extension)

The successful applicant will need to demonstrate exceptional advocacy and policy writing skills and will be able to communicate and interface at a senior management level with Government and Non-Government stakeholders. A thorough knowledge of the OOHC & child protection sector (with a focus on Keep Them Safe initiatives) is required to obtain best practice outcomes for Aboriginal children, young people, carers, agencies and communities. The successful applicant will need to be able to undertake some travel and will require a current NSW driver's licence.

Project Assistant - Foster Care Support

This newly created position will work with the Foster Care support project team to provide administrative and other support. The position would ideally suit a person with clerical or administration experience who is looking to advance their career into project management. A grounded knowledge of or experience working in the OOHC or child and family sector is essential to this position. A current NSW driver's licence is required.

Capacity Building Manager

(Full Time – 2 year contract - possibility of extension)

This role entails working with established Aboriginal agencies within NSW to assist them to grow their capacity to deliver Child and Family Services. The successful applicant would require extensive knowledge of the Aboriginal and non Aboriginal service delivery sector and a proven track record of Aboriginal community and agency engagement. The ability to work collaboratively is an essential requisite. A current NSW driver's licence is required and the ability to undertake extensive travel throughout NSW is a genuine requirement.

Receptionist – Admin Assistant

The successful applicant would have experience in a similar role or have a desire to further their career in financial and office administration. AbSec would consider a traineeship for a suitable applicant.

Training Manager

(Full time – 1 year contract – possibility of extension)

The position holder would be required to review, critique, evaluate and promote training packages developed for Aboriginal carers by external agencies. They would advise those external agencies on learning/training strategies/techniques appropriate to Aboriginal carers. They would also assist those agencies in sourcing appropriate trainers (and training packages) to deliver training to Aboriginal carers. It is envisaged that the successful applicant would hold work place training and assessment or adult education qualifications.

Over award and competitive salary packages (including salary sacrificing) are available for these positions and are commensurate with the experience required to undertake these roles. If any further information regarding the scope of these positions is required contact Samantha on the details below. Before applying for this position, applicants will need to request an information package containing the selection criteria and other relevant information from execasst@absec.org.au or by phoning (02) 9264 0088 and speaking to Gail.

Applications close 29 Oct 2010.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification of these positions and is authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

CENTRECARE

Centrecare is a not-for-profit organisation committed to delivering quality professional counselling, support, mediation and training services. We offer you an opportunity to share in this commitment.

Counsellor/Support Worker Ref # ESP 003

Full or Part time. \$51,252 - \$57,827 plus an entertainment allowance of \$2,000 per annum.

Centrecare is currently seeking a Support Worker for our Indigenous Substance Misuse program in our Esperance Office. The main responsibilities of this role are to provide a high quality assessment, counselling and referral service for clients and their families in accordance to agencies policies. It is preferred that the successful applicant is of Aboriginal or Torres Islander decent (Section 50D of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984) to provide culturally appropriate care. For job specific information please contact Rosemary Hunt on (08) 9091 1833.

Additionally, Centrecare offers all its employees additional personal leave, paid maternity leave, the option to participate in an attractive salary packaging scheme and the ability to develop further through training programs.

Centrecare recognises that living in the Goldfields has its own challenges and therefore staff receive an additional zone and entertainment allowance.

JOB APPLICATION PACKAGES can be obtained by visiting www.centrecare.com.au/employment or by phoning Human Resources on (08) 9325 6644.

Applications close 5pm Monday 11th October 2010.

People Making Time for People



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Applications close 5pm Monday 18th October 2010

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Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

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MUSEUM VICTORIA

Coordinator Indigenous Initiatives

Museum Victoria is seeking a Coordinator of Indigenous Initiatives to assist Museum Victoria in the development and implementation of a Reconciliation Action Plan.

ABOUT THE POSITION: The primary responsibility of the Coordinator of Indigenous Initiatives is to ensure that Museum Victoria actively engages staff in opportunities that recognise and enhance awareness of Indigenous cultures, increase Indigenous employment within Museum Victoria, seek input from, and encourage positive relationships with Indigenous staff.

The successful applicant will have well developed oral and written communication skills, excellent project management skills and a proven ability to provide professional support to Indigenous staff, particularly related to areas associated with employment, personal and career development.

HOW TO APPLY?
To view the position description and Key Selection Criteria, please visit <http://bit.ly/MuseumVicJobs>. For more information about this position, please contact Melinda Viksne on (03) 8341 7503.

To apply, please send your Resume and a Covering Letter that addresses the Key Selection Criteria to jobs@museum.vic.gov.au quoting position number MV/6783

Closing date Friday 15th October 2010.

Victoria
The Place To Be

Re-advertisement

INDIGENOUS MONEY MENTOR

Full Time
\$65k plus 9% super
(Fixed Term - 2 years)

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service Co-op Ltd (VAHS) is a Community Controlled Organisation operating since 1973. At the VAHS we use a holistic approach towards health management by providing primary and preventative health care, including physical, emotional and social support to the Aboriginal Community.

We have an exciting new position that is part of the Money Mentor Program. This program is funded and supported by the National Australia Bank and is being piloted in a number of communities throughout Australia with high Indigenous populations in the belief that these challenges can be significantly reduced when face-to-face is made more accessible.

As the Indigenous Money Mentor the key role is to:

- Engage in casework with clients to improve the clients' financial wellbeing. This will include clients in financial crisis and supporting the client to adopt preventative strategies.
- Provide ongoing financial literacy education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities using culturally appropriate materials and education techniques.
- Facilitate access to microfinance products (NCLS, 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.

This position will be based in Northcote at our Family Counselling Services and is close to public transport and shops.

Salary Packaging Benefits available

Indigenous Applicants are encouraged to apply

For a copy of the key selection criteria and position description please contact Narelle Carter / Lesley Day on (03) 9419 3000 or if you would like to find out more about the position please contact Helen Kennedy on (03) 9403 3300.

Closing Date: Friday 15th October 2010

Applicants must address the key selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to:
Mr Rod Jackson, CEO, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service,
186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy, 3065.

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Queensland Government

Careers with Queensland Health

Advanced Health Worker (Child, Youth and Family Health)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service, Division of Community Health Services, Toowoomba, Darling Downs - West Moreton Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$69 812 p.a., comprising salary between \$55 492 - \$61 187 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (005) (Applications will remain current for 12 months. Previously advertised as H10TW04487. Previous applicants need to reapply.) JAR: H10TW09399. **Duties/Abilities:** Advance the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents and children within the Toowoomba region using a Primary Health Care model that incorporates a multi-disciplinary, collaborative care planning approach to meeting individual and family needs. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be a female person who is indigenous to the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Helen Cook-Bland (07) 4616 6822.

Application Kit: (07) 4616 6258 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 25 October 2010.

Advanced Health Worker (Sexual and Reproductive Health)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service, Division of Community Health Services, Kobi House, Toowoomba, Darling Downs - West Moreton Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$61 632 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for 12 months. Previously advertised as H10TW06496. Previous applicants need to reapply.) JAR: H10TW09540. **Duties/Abilities:** Assist with the development, delivery, implementation and evaluation of strategies and programs within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population within the Darling Downs - West Moreton Health Service District to enhance the baseline sexual and reproductive health of this population and reduce harm associated with unsafe sexual activities. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal and/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: Helen Suey (07) 4616 5575.

Application Kit: (07) 4616 6258 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 25 October 2010.

Health Promotion Officer – Senior (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nutrition) (Identified)

Darling Downs Public Health Unit or South West Public Health Unit, Southern Regional Services, Toowoomba or Charleville, 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: H10HL09248. **Duties/Abilities:** Coordinate components of the development, implementation and evaluation of multi-strategy, multi-sector health promotion programs and relevant initiatives as part of the Nutrition team across Southern Regional Services, with a focus on nutrition interventions that will contribute to improving life expectancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through healthy lifestyles, in line with relevant national, state and department policy directions. 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. Charleville is an attractive town situated on the banks of the Warrego River, in the heart of Queensland's mulga country. Toowoomba offers a relaxed lifestyle and easy access to Brisbane and the Gold and Sunshine Coasts.

Enquiries: Vivienne Holman (07) 4631 9888.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4545 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 25 October 2010.

Health Promotion Officer (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nutrition)

Brisbane Southside Public Health Unit or Gold Coast Public Health Unit or West Moreton Public Health Unit, Southern Regional Services, Brisbane, Gold Coast or Ipswich, Division of the Chief Health Officer. Remuneration value up to \$43 729 p.a., comprising salary between \$26 075 - \$38 326 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP3) (Temporary part time position up to 31 December 2011, 38 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) JAR: H10HL09380. **Duties/Abilities:** Undertake components of the development, implementation and evaluation of multi-strategy, multi-sector health promotion programs and relevant initiatives as part of the Nutrition team across Southern Regional Services, with a focus on nutrition interventions that will contribute to improving life expectancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through healthy lifestyles, in line with relevant national, state and department policy directions. 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: Angela Simons (07) 3000 9132.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4545 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 18 October 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.



**Education
& Training**

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Aboriginal Education Consultant

Senior Education Officer 1 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time Riverina Region
Position number 123336

Total remuneration package valued to: \$112,269 p.a. (salary \$93,972 - \$101,739 p.a) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing advice and support to schools on the implementation of Aboriginal education policies and programs.

Selection Criteria: Teaching qualifications and recent school based experience. Demonstrated ability to develop and implement programs and initiatives that contribute to improving Aboriginal student learning outcomes. Experience in implementing Aboriginal education/studies, professional development activities and providing support to personnel in schools and across the region. Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team, effective communication and interpersonal skills. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Administrative hours and conditions apply. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*. Location within the Riverina to be negotiated with successful applicant

Inquiries: Thelmerie Rudd (02) 6937 3815

Email: thelmerie.rudd@det.nsw.edu.au

Information packages: Thelmerie Rudd (02) 6937 3815

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:

Ms Thelmerie Rudd, Regional, Department of Education and Training, Level 2, 76 Morgan Street, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650.

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website:

www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 October 2010

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Human Services Housing NSW

Senior Policy Officer Clerk Grade 9/10 Asset Planning Unit Asset Strategy Planning & Performance Head Office, Ashfield Permanent Full-Time (2 Positions)

Position No: 10/HNSW_1666

Total remuneration package valued up to \$108,318 per annum (Salary: \$89,076 pa - \$98,159 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The role of Senior Policy Officer sits within the Asset Planning Unit located within the Assets Division in Housing NSW (Ashfield). The Asset Planning unit is responsible for developing and managing the asset planning framework & processes for Housing NSW. The Unit also provides specialist advice to ensure local asset management plans are effective and reflect wider strategic priorities. The Unit works towards the development and implementation of the HNSW integrated asset strategy.

The Asset Planning Unit consists of a Manager, two Senior Policy Officer Clerk 9/10 positions, an Asset Planner and a Project Officer. The unit works closely with other areas within the agency, in particular Portfolio Strategy and Planning, Community Housing Division and Housing Services Regions. These positions would suit somebody with a background in or understanding of strategic planning, policy analysis and/or project management within a government context.

Selection Criteria:

- Knowledge and understanding of broader strategic government/organisational directions and how these can be translated into functional operational policies.
- Combines high level research and analytical skills with the ability to identify gaps in information and/or practice to then recommend solutions.
- Demonstrates high level written skills with an aptitude for communicating complex technical concepts to a variety of audiences, including both internal and external stakeholders.
- Experience in applying project management principles within a multi-skilled work environment.
- Demonstrated experience in policy development, implementation and review, ideally within an asset planning context.
- Strong skills in stakeholder engagement and the ability to consult and liaise with a variety of audiences within a change environment.

Job Notes: We are seeking applicants for two Senior Policy Officer Positions in the Asset Planning Unit at the Head Office of Housing NSW. This unit has a central role in strategic asset planning across the social housing sector, providing direction and advice to ensure optimal service is achieved from a large and diverse portfolio.

Further information about these positions is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Sally Bassett on (02) 8753 8892 or Email: sally.bassett@housing.nsw.gov.au

Information Package and to apply visit: www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers

Closing Date: Friday 15 October 2010

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General Administrative Support Officer

Aboriginal targeted position
Field Operations, South West Metropolitan Region
Campsie Local Area Command
Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-Time
CAMPSIE
NSWPF 10/210

Salary Package:

\$62,507. Salary: \$52,104 - \$56,644. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

Job Description:

Provide support within a Local Area Command environment, focussing on quality advice and high level of customer service to members of the public and the NSW Police Force.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with *Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on front counter.
- Applicants must indicate willingness to work shifts and weekends, if required.
- 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 in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous criminal history record check prior to commencement.
- Online applications can be submitted via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated computer keyboard, data entry and word processing skills.
- Ability to prepare routine/minor correspondence.
- Ability to operate and maintain accurate recording systems.
- Effective communication and excellent customer service skills.
- Ability to work in a team environment but also as a member of a team.
- Possession of high integrity standards and ability to maintain confidentiality.
- Broad knowledge of systems and administrative practices and procedures.

Inquiries/Information Packs:

Robyn Rowlands or Therese Roberts on (02) 9784 9399

Applications marked "Confidential" to:

The Local Area Manager, Campsie Local Area Command,
58 Campsie Street, Campsie NSW 2194

Closing Date: Friday 8 October 2010

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Coffs Harbour Aboriginal Family Community Care Centre (Abcare)

Selection Criteria

Foster Care Support Worker

Essential Criteria:

- Aboriginality (documented)
- Demonstrated experience in child protection, foster care support, out of home care or child related discipline
- Ability to provide accurate reports through use of Microsoft office programs (either word or excel)
- Experience in Aboriginal community engagement and consultation
- Ability to engage with government stakeholders.
- Demonstrated advocacy, negotiation or mediation skills or willingness to undertake training
- Current NSW Driver's licence
- Demonstrated computer skills including databases
- Understanding of OH&S

Desirable Criteria:

- Tertiary qualifications in relevant human services field or equivalent knowledge and experience

Job Notes: The position is 38 hours per week and has been classified under the Social and Community Services Employee (State) Award as a Community Services Worker Grade 4 Year 2.

Salary Packages \$ 49283- \$54369. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Enquiries and Information Pack: contact Ms Natasha Laurie: Administration 02 66483680 admin@abcare.org.au

Applications should be addressed to the Chairperson Abcare P.O. Box 521 Coffs Harbour NSW 2450 and marked "Confidential"

Closing date for applications: 4pm Friday 15 October 2010.



CAPE Police Citizens Youth Club PROGRAM MANAGER (Cairns)

- Full-time, fixed term for 3 years
- \$65,208 per annum + super
- Plus generous tax advantages

The CAPE PCYC is a specialist program of the Police-Citizens Youth Clubs (Queensland) Indigenous Business Unit (IBU) which delivers crime prevention, suicide prevention, recreation, sporting, cultural and welfare programs to Australian and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The Program Manager must develop and deliver sustainable initiatives to Cape York and other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

We need a person to develop cost effective, professionally operated social development initiatives. You must have an understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures, social issues and sensitivities. You must have an undergraduate qualification in management, accounting or a similar discipline and be eligible for a Children's Commission Notice/Blue Card.

We offer a competitive salary, generous tax benefits and flexible working conditions. Intrastate travel is required.

A full Position Description detailing the key selection criteria (KSC) is located on our webpage www.pcy.org.au at Vacancies.

All applicants must submit a resume and address the KSC to vacancies@pcyc.org.au to be considered for interview.

For all enquiries contact Insp. Mike McKay on (07) 3909 9515.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Friday 22 October 2010

Police-Citizen Youth Clubs
Enhancing Communities Through Youth Development
FUNDED BY STATE GOVERNMENT
Department of Communities - Sport and Recreation Services



NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

SENIOR POLICY & RESEARCH OFFICER (Parramatta Based)

Attractive Remuneration Package, Benefits & Salary
Packaging Options

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council is seeking a Senior Policy & Research Officer to join its dynamic policy and research team in Parramatta. Applicants with a wide range of experience are encouraged to apply including those who have worked with either government or non-government organisations.

Understanding of Aboriginal issues and the ability to work in partnership with Aboriginal communities is essential. Position would suit a person with the ability to prepare advice and manage projects across a diverse range of issues, and have experience in one or more of the areas of focus: culture and heritage, natural resource management, land rights, human rights and economic development.

For detailed information about this challenging position, the benefits/conditions and how to apply, please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting Rose Gordon by email: rose.gordon@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4498.

Applications can be forwarded to rose.gordon@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Human Resources Officer
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1125
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Applications close:

15 October 2010

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

HEPATITIS VICTORIA

Educator/Project Worker

Indigenous Program Position (0.8 EFT/4 days per week)

Would you like to work in a small friendly organisation where support and on-the-job training is available? *If the answer is yes, please consider this position.*

Hepatitis C Victoria is a not for profit, community based, public health organisation. This position will work closely with our team of educators and in partnership with key Aboriginal organisations to deliver education programs about hepatitis C to Aboriginal people and workers. The position will be situated at VACCHO for an agreed part of each week.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Salary and conditions: Equivalent to SACS Award 2000 (CDW, Level 3), with above award conditions. Attractive salary packaging available. Call 03 9380 4644 for a position description or go to www.hepcvic.org.au

For a confidential discussion about the position call Emily Adamson (Programs Manager) on 0400 187 044.

Applications close October 22nd 5pm.



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Lowitja
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Australia's National Institute
for Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Health Research

*Incorporating The Cooperative Research Centre
for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health*

Program Manager, Brisbane

The Lowitja Institute is an innovative research body that brings together Aboriginal organisations, academic institutions and government agencies to facilitate collaborative, evidence-based research into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health.

We are seeking a Program Manager to work on one of three research programs in the Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, part of the Lowitja Institute.

This position provides operational support to the program leadership team of the Healthy Start, Healthy Life program. The program manager fulfils a facilitation role that ensures that the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other end-users are heard strongly in the process of developing and implementing research projects, provides a critical knowledge brokering function across the program's activities, and promotes utilisation and capacity development activity within each program.

For information about the Lowitja Institute and to obtain the position description, go to www.lowitja.org.au

**For additional information, contact
Jenny Brands on (0409) 284 066.**

Applications close on October 8, 2010 and should be sent to
jenny.brands@menzies.edu.au.

Applicants must address the selection criteria.

NSW ATSIECSAG Inc.



New South Wales Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Early Childhood Services Advisory Group Incorporated (ATSIECSAG Inc.) sponsors the ATSIECSAG Secretariat, who provides support to one hundred and fifteen NSW Preschool services receiving DEEWR IEP funding in NSW through the provision of training, resources, advice and consultancy.

PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (PACE) EARLY CHILDHOOD CONSULTANT

This position is a temporary appointment. Part-time 3 days per week. Salary package: \$44,200 plus employer's contribution to superannuation.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Aboriginality, Early Childhood qualification, excellent communication, liaison and interpersonal skills, proven organisational skills, ability to meet deadlines, demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Early Childhood issues, proven ability to collate and record data, high level of computer skills, knowledge and understanding of DoC's Centre-based and Mobile Children's Service Regulation 2004, current drivers licence, willingness to travel.

PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR

This position is a temporary appointment. Part-time 3 days per week. Salary package: \$26,000 plus employer's contribution to superannuation.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Aboriginality, excellent communication and liaison skills, proven organisational skills, knowledge and understanding of Early Childhood issues, proven ability to collate and record data, high level of computer skills, ability to meet deadlines, knowledge and understanding of DoC's Centre-based and Mobile Children's Service Regulation 2004, current drivers licence, willingness to travel.

Please Note: All positions will be employed on a contractual basis.

Applicants must be prepared to submit to a "Working with Children check".

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti Discrimination Act, 1977.

For enquiries and information package contact Lyn Stewart on 95164473 or email director@atsiecsag.org.au

Applications marked **CONFIDENTIAL** and posted to: The President ATSIECSAG P O Box 276 ENMORE NSW 2042

Closing Date: C.O.B. Friday 22nd October 2010



Caring for Australians and their communities for nearly 200 years.

We are a non-religious organisation working to bring about positive social change in response to community needs. As a leading not for profit, we deliver services to communities across NSW and South East Queensland and are currently looking for passionate people to join us as:

State Coordinator Kids in Focus

Lead this new family focused team committed to improving outcomes for children living in families affected by substance misuse

Child & Family Worker Kids in Focus

Be part of this new team working to improve outcomes for children living in families affected by substance misuse through intensive case management and support.

For more information about each position, visit our website.

We offer a \$16,050 tax free salary component which means more in your take home pay. You will also benefit from ongoing professional development, a supportive working environment and great flexibility including a monthly accrued day off for full time employees.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

This role offers challenge and opportunity to assist a community step towards progress. Located in the riverside setting of Robinvale, Victoria, success in this role will enable the community to better plan for its future.

This is a 3 year Government funded project which aims to support the processes that underpin building a strong and resilient community that is sustainable in the long-term.

In supporting, co-ordinating & developing current community processes you will consult & engage with local community members, indigenous organizations & various stakeholders to ensure solid relationships are developed.

Primarily this role involves leading and managing the partnerships and links between the community and key local stakeholders and government agencies to assist community strengthening.

In this challenging and significant role you will need to be alert and responsive to community needs with the ability to deliver practical solutions, encourage involvement and build relationships to effectively reshape how government responds to communities.

To apply for this position contact Prestige Staffing Personnel for the Position Description which outlines the criteria requirements. Applications close October 29, 2010.

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43 Lemon Ave, Mildura Ph: (03) 5023 3990

Email: deborah@prestaff.com.au



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Substance Misuse Counsellor (Drug & Alcohol Worker)

Aboriginal Health Worker, Grade 1/3
Wagga Wagga

RESPONSIBLE TO:

Chief Executive Officer through Team Leader/Supervisor

ROLE AND OBJECTIVES: Contribute to the delivery of Primary Health Care Services to the Aboriginal community by; the development, implementation and evaluation of program strategies and the identification of the resources necessary to meet the needs of the Aboriginal community in the areas of substance misuse and related illnesses; and liaison with relevant community groups, health professionals, organisations and agencies to meet service objectives.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the *Anti – Discrimination act 1977* for the above positions.

Selection criteria, information packages and any other information can be obtained from Karen Smith, HR Manager, 14 Trail Street, Wagga Wagga NSW 2650. Phone: 02 69235207.

Applications should be marked "Confidential and addressed to
Selena Lyons, Chief Executive Officer,
P.O. BOX 458, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650.

Applications close on the 20/10/2010.

Parramatta

The leading City in the heart of Sydney

Parramatta is Sydney's second CBD with a vibrant economy, diverse workforce, and a rich mix of cultural and recreational facilities. Council is strongly focussed on setting the city's strategic direction as a major regional hub for services, manufacturing, shopping and entertainment, while delivering the best possible services to our local community. We are seeking people with a team-oriented client service approach who will contribute to the continuous improvement of Council's facilities and services.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Project Officer

Ref No. 84/10

Are you an enthusiastic ATSI Project Officer keen to make a difference?

Want to be part of Council's dynamic Community Capacity Building Team?

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Project Officer will work with the Service Manager and Community Capacity Building Officer to develop and implement a program of projects that operate to improve the capacity and resilience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the Parramatta Local Government Area.

The position involves developing an understanding of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and developing a collaborative working relationship with local and regional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community leaders, community organisations, networks and community members.

This is an identified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander position (authorised under Section 14d, NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).

Salary: A salary range of \$61,089.74 - \$69,216.77 pa (plus super) is applicable depending on skills, knowledge & experience.

Closing Date: 4pm Monday 25 October 2010

HOW TO APPLY: Quoting the relevant Ref No., candidates MUST address the selection criteria outlined on our website at

www.parracity.nsw.gov.au/council/employment

OR call our Customer Contact Centre on **9806 5050**.



www.parracity.nsw.gov.au



ILLAWARRA INSTITUTE

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TAFE NSW - Illawarra Institute prides itself on the quality and experience of our professional staff. The following employment opportunities are available.

ABORIGINAL COORDINATOR

Remuneration package up to \$103,096 pa including salary (\$89,752 - \$93,426), employer's contribution to superannuation, and leave loading.

Your role as Aboriginal Coordinator has line responsibility to the Aboriginal Development Manager and is responsible for the development, implementation and monitoring of programs for Aboriginal people on lower southern region of Illawarra Institute.

Location: Moruya Campus

Job Reference No: I110/081

HOW TO APPLY

Information Package: Download from www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au, email illawarrarecruitment@det.nsw.edu.au or contact (02) 4221 8946.

Applications Close Friday 29 October 2010

Child protection legislation requires preferred applicants to be subject to employment screening.

Equality of Employment Opportunity and appointment on merit are TAFE NSW Policy.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply for these positions.



Producer Aboriginal Language Program

Sydney (Salary \$48,469 - \$63,313 pa pro rata)

A radio story: On radio we broadcast in 68 languages. We produce the most linguistically diverse radio in the world.

SBS Radio is looking for a Producer for the Aboriginal Language Program. This is a part time 16.5 hour per week ongoing position.

As part of a team, you'll be involved in creating and broadcasting audio content for the Aboriginal community. You'll be required to research, write, produce, sub-edit and present audio content on radio and online.

A background in journalism and broadcasting is preferred. These positions involve rostered shift work and successful candidates must be able to undertake shift work.

You'll find all the details about this opportunity and how to apply on our website.

Applications close 5pm on 25 October 2010.

sbs.com.au/jobs

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SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION - NOWRA, NSW



The South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation is a "Not for Profit Organisation" providing Health and Wellbeing services to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Shoalhaven area. We have several positions available, including several new positions as a result of expanding our services. All positions include an attractive salary package with access to salary sacrificing and 9% superannuation.

The Out of Home Care Service Manager

Full Time – Temporary until 31 August 2012 (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - The Out of Home Care Service Manager, position under the direction of the Senior Manager will be responsible for the Coordination and Management of the Recruitment, Training and Assessment of Foster Carers, Supervising and Coordinating Case Management with the caseworkers, and the day to day Service Delivery for the provision of Aboriginal Out Of Home Care Services for the Shoalhaven Region. Contact Person: Iris Mcleod – 02 4421 8426.

Out of Home Care Case Worker

Full Time – 2 positions – (1 Permanent and 1 Temporary until 31 August 2012 – Both Aboriginal Identified Positions)* - The Case Worker Out Of Home Care (OOHC) is responsible to the Function Manager Out Of Home Care and Family Support (OOHCFS). The Case Worker under the direction of the Manager and assists with providing the day to day service delivery and full case management for the provision of Aboriginal Out Of Home Care services for the Shoalhaven Region. With a particular focus on providing positive outcomes for Children. Contact Person: Iris Mcleod – 02 4421 8426.

Out of Home Care Training, Development & Finance Officer

Part Time (up to 30.4 hrs/wk) – Temporary until 31 August 2012 (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - The Out of Home Care Training, Development & Finance Officer position will work under the direction of the Out of Home Care Manager for Training and Development duties, and under the Senior Manager for Financial duties, in the provision of Services for the Out Of Home Care Service in the Shoalhaven Region. Contact Person: Iris Mcleod – 02 4421 8426.

Project Officer

Temporary Part Time until 30 June 2011 (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - The Project Officer will manage and implement the "Helping our Koori Kids on Their Way" Project to increase access to Early Childhood Education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children living in the Shoalhaven and outlying communities. The Project Officer will engage with the Aboriginal community (including a door knocking approach) and relevant agencies to firstly identify Aboriginal children not accessing Early Childhood services and then work with those families to support a connection with and enrolment in these services. This will include implementing sound strategies that reflect parental participation and cultural significance. The worker would also deliver small workshops to raise awareness of the benefits of early childhood education to families and communities. Contact Person: Iris Mcleod – 02 4421 8426.

Family Support Worker, Early Support

Full Time – Permanent - (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - This position provides Family Support to Aboriginal families in the Shoalhaven, focusing on children and early support. The position also supports Aboriginal families who need assistance in developing parenting skills and assists first time parents and teenage parents in providing support during and after pregnancy. Contact Person: Iris Mcleod – 02 4421 8426.

Applications close: COB Monday 18 October 2010

Sexual Health Worker

Full Time – Permanent - (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - The Sexual Health Worker (SHW) will be required to work as part of a responsive and dedicated health and substance use team and when required to on an individual basis with clients to provide Sexual Health services to Aboriginal people residing in the Shoalhaven Aboriginal Communities. The SHW will be required to provide contact tracing for sexually transmitted diseases when requested by the GP clinic, support, education and information, and an appropriate referral service for Aboriginal people in regard to HIV/STD's and Sexual Health. Contact Person: Jo Naughton – 02 4428 6666

Aboriginal Health Worker

Full Time – Permanent - (Aboriginal Identified Position)* - The Aboriginal Health Worker (AHW) will be required to work as part of a responsive and dedicated health team and when required will work on an individual basis with clients to facilitate and provide a range of health services to Aboriginal people residing in the Shoalhaven Aboriginal Communities. Jo Naughton – 02 4428 6666

Mental Health Carer Respite Manager

Temporary Part Time until January 2011 (Aboriginal Identified Position)* hours negotiable- 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. Contact Person: Peta Sutton – 02 4428 6666.

Youth Drug and Alcohol Workers (Male)

Temporary full time until 30 June 2012 (2 Aboriginal Identified Positions)* - Youth Drug and Alcohol Workers which aims to reduce the harm caused by binge drinking to Aboriginal Males in the Shoalhaven, Wreck Bay and Jerrinja areas The Project aims to reduce the number of Aboriginal young men between 12 – 24 years of age from binge drinking. It will focus on Aboriginal young men residing in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area. The Project will offer education and information sessions to raise awareness about binge drinking including risky drinking levels as described in the national alcohol guidelines, the dangers of drink spiking and the risky behaviours associated with binge drinking. One worker will be located and employed with The Oolong Aboriginal Corporation, Nowra. Contact Person: Peta Sutton – 02 4428 6666



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* Aboriginal Identified Positions. *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act. Proof of Aboriginality must be provided.*

For an Information Package containing position description, selection criteria and an employment application contact the Administration Section on 4428 6666 or (free call: 1800 215 099) or by email recruitment@southcoastams.org.au, or speak to the contact person.



Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation's Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND



Do you have a passion for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, culture and current affairs?

Volunteer Broadcasters

Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND broadcasts across metropolitan Sydney and has an estimated audience of 100,000 people a week.

We are currently seeking past and new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander broadcasters to be trained as volunteer Broadcasters with our deadly organisation.

If you think you are deadly enough and want to volunteer for a community radio station like Koori Radio and you live in the Sydney metropolitan area, then please email you details to: info@gadigal.org.au and we will send you a program proposal and membership form.

Digital Content Manager

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation is seeking an experienced Digital Content Manager for Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND. Already skilled in Indigenous community radio as a broadcaster and programmer, you understand the opportunities of digital radio and broadband for our communities and can't wait to take on the challenge to shape our future!

The person will be responsible for the day to day

operations of koori Radio, programming schedules, studio maintenance and training. Develop strategies for the utilization of digital broadcast and other platforms such as online, streaming and podcasting to ensure Koori Radio's position as a leading Indigenous media outlet. You are a top notch organizer and will know how to liaise and consult with the community and relevant stakeholders to determine the best use of digital broadcast capacity.

The person we seek will need to have an excellent understanding and experience in Aboriginal culture and protocol and experience in supervising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and culturally diverse volunteer broadcasters. You will need to have high level communication skills, excellent time management skills and be on call.

You will have a minimum two years experience in the industry, it is expected you have worked with a variety of broadcast and web software packages. A current driver's license is essential, as is the ability to work to multiple deadlines and remain calm under pressure.

An attractive salary package will be negotiated with the right person.

Broadcaster/Producer

Part Time 20hrs pw Blackchat

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation is seeking an experienced Broadcaster/Producer for Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND flagship program, Blackchat.

This is a part time position and the person will be responsible for the presentation/producing of Blackchat and will need to work closely with the Producer to deliver content daily. The person we seek will need to have minimum two years experience in producing and editing content for radio. You will have high presentation and oral skills and have experience and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and protocol. You will need to have high level communication skills and excellent time management skills.

The position will begin as a Producer part time with a gradual shift into the presenting role.

For further information, including position description and selection criteria, please contact Chris Bonney General Manager on (02) 9384 4000 by COB on Friday, 29 October 2010.

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation is home to Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND, Gadigal Music and Recording Studio, Young Black and Deadly, Klub Koori and Yabun Festival.



GIS is a not-for-profit, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community media and arts organisation operating from state-of-the-art premises in Redfern, Sydney.



Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Western Australia

Notification day: 20 October 2010



W12010/021 Looma Multi Function Police Facility

Description of the agreement area: The area subject to this agreement covers about 0.5 hectares and is located approximately 100km southeast of Derby within the township of Looma as shown on the locality map.

This agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of the Shire of Derby-West Kimberly.

Parties to agreement and their contact address:

State of Western Australia
Minister for Housing and Works
c/- State Solicitor's Office
Level 16, 141 St Georges Terrace
PERTH WA 6000

Kimberley Land Council
36 Pembroke Street
BROOME WA 6725

Nyikina and Mangala Registered Native Title Claimants on their own behalf and on behalf of the Nyikina and Mangala Native Title Claim Group
c/- Kimberley Land Council
36 Pembroke Street
BROOME WA 6725

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

3. Consent to Future Acts

3.1 Consent

The Claimants irrevocably consent to the doing of the following Future Acts:

- the grant of the Sub-Lease;
- the construction and operation of the Multi Function Police Facility and the GROH [means the Government Regional Officers Housing].

'Sub-lease' means the sub lease by the Looma Community Incorporated to the Minister of the land within the agreement area [substantially in the form set out in Schedule 2 to the agreement].

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body(ies) for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by **20 January 2011**.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Perth WA 6000 by 20 January 2011**.

Generally procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application,
call Karen Holmes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Youth Directorate Bimberi Youth Justice Centre

Team Leader

Administrative Services Officer Class 5

Salary Range: \$59,800-\$63,409 (PN: 19583, several)

The position involves assisting with the day-to-day operations of the Centre and being responsible for a number of allocated units by facilitating close interaction and supervision with staff and residents to meet client and Program needs in a unit-management model. The occupant of this position will require experience in working in a juvenile justice environment, the ability to supervise staff, set priorities and interpret and apply policies, procedures and regulations. The position occupant is also required to provide guidance and address any emerging issues by applying proactive intervention measures.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Possession of a current drivers licence and first aid certificate. Completion of Youth Worker Certificate 4, completion or partial completion in the Diploma of Welfare studies or qualification in the behavioural sciences highly desirable.

Contact Officer: Mark Stephens 02) 6207 3346 mark.stephens@act.gov.au

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Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Youth Directorate Bimberi Youth Justice Centre

Youth Worker

Administrative Services Officer Class 3/4

Salary Range: \$48,103-\$58,213 plus shift penalties (PN: 03310, several)

We are looking for people who have the ability to relate to people from different ethnic and cultural backgrounds; enjoy challenging and varied work with young people; will treat young people fairly, consistently and in a non-judgemental way and can be positive role models for young people in the youth justice system. Staff will receive an attractive remuneration package and the opportunity for professional development. Training will be provided.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Completion or partial completion of the Youth Worker Level 3 or 4 certificate or qualification in the behavioural sciences desirable. Applicants may be required to undergo psychometric testing as part of the recruitment process. Current driver's licence and Senior First Aid Certificate.

Contact Officer: Mark Stephens (02) 6207 3346 leanne.rourke@act.gov.au

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National Indigenous Television

Financial/Management Accountant, NITV

Contract until 30 June, 2011, potential to renew

National Indigenous Television seeks a highly organised, self motivated accountant to join its Finance team.

Reporting to the Director of Finance you will be responsible for a broad range of duties extending from data entry through to financial reporting and analysis. You will be responsible for the timely preparation of accurate monthly and annual departmental budgets, preparation of departmental management accounts including analysis of variances of actual costs from budgeted costs, communicating departmental information to management, and the preparation of production program cost reports.

You will assist the Finance Director with the preparation of monthly financial statements for the Board and Government, annual budget information, periodic cashflow forecasts, the annual audit process, and preparation of business case requests.


You will assist the Finance team with data entry for accounts payable and receivable, and general maintenance of asset registers,

depreciation schedules and program inventory schedules, as well as various reconciliations and financial analysis tasks.

The successful candidate will be Australian Accounting/Business degree qualified with a minimum of 5 years experience, possess excellent communication skills and have an eye for detail. Proficiency in MYOB and Excel is essential. Relevant experience in the media industry will be highly regarded. Experience or demonstrated knowledge of Indigenous people, organisations and cultural awareness is desirable. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

Remuneration will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The position description is available by contacting Jenny Grindell, Director Strategy and HR on email: jenny.grindell@nitv.org.au or contact ph: 02) 8423 5109. Expressions of interest outlining your experience and qualifications should be submitted by **Friday 29 October 2010.**



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Assistant Director

Office of Aged Care Quality and Compliance

EL 1 \$86,670 - \$98,849

CANBERRA Ref No: 10-1017 (several positions)

The Aged Care Workforce & Better Practice Programs Branch aims to improve the quality of care and services provided to older people in the community and in residential aged care services through the provision of specific workforce development, training and incentive programs for aged care nurses and direct care workers.

We are looking for energetic and committed people to join our busy and enthusiastic team. Successful applicants will have high level analysis and conceptual skills, well developed interpersonal, oral and written communication skills with demonstrated high level organisational skills and experience in leading teams, managing projects and working on policy development.

Contact officer: Bridget Carrick on (02) 6289 1360 or bridget.carrick@health.gov.au

For one of the jobs, specific knowledge of the issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and experience in delivering Indigenous policy and programs would be an advantage.


Selection Documentation: An application kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>

Applications close 21 October 2010, 7pm AEDT

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Departmental Officers

Office of Aged Care Quality and Compliance

APS 6 \$70,528 - \$79,567

CANBERRA Ref No: 10-1018 (several positions)

The Aged Care Workforce and Better Practice Programs Branch aims to improve the quality of care and services provided to older people in the community and in residential aged care services through the provision of specific workforce development, training and incentive programs for aged care nurses and direct care workers.

Several positions are currently available across the branch. We are looking for energetic and committed people to join our busy and enthusiastic team. These positions may include some or all of the following duties: contributing to policy and program development and implementation and/ or financial management.

For one of the jobs, specific knowledge of the issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and experience in delivering Indigenous policy and programs would be an advantage.

Contact officer: Val Still on (02) 6289 1360 or val.still@health.gov.au


Selection Documentation: An application kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>

Applications close 21 October 2010, 7pm AEDT

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**GOVERNMENT OF
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NOTICE TO GRANT GENERAL PURPOSE LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following general purpose lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO & PURPOSE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
59/43 Accommodation	Douglas Kimberley Cable	2.65 ha	0km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°15' Long 117°41'	Yalgoo


Nature of the act: Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 6 October 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 **6 January 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 6 February 2011**), there is no native title party in relation to the area of the leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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**GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

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
27/365	Pioneer Resources Ltd	352886	75.97ha	52km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°16' Long 121°41'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/641	International Petroleum Ltd	349196	25.65ha	90km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°05' Long 120°24'	Menzies
29/642	International Petroleum Ltd	349199	123.37ha	73km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°14' Long 120°28'	Menzies
		349200	21.26ha	73km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°14' Long 120°30'	Menzies
29/643	International Petroleum Ltd	349195	1.99ha	91km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°04' Long 120°24'	Menzies
29/644	Silvertree Nominees Pty Ltd					
	International Petroleum Ltd	349197	147.17ha	83km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°08' Long 120°25'	Menzies
	Silvertree Nominees Pty Ltd					
29/744	Peter Ronald Gibson	349867	574.22ha	56km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°21' Long 120°35'	Menzies
30/283	Barra Resources Ltd	352396	9.72ha	45km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°34' Long 120°35'	Menzies
31/814	Rubicon Resources Ltd	349905	119.93ha	107km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°41' Long 122°07'	Menzies
31/874	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	353121	549.24ha	67km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°26' Long 121°46'	Menzies
36/509	Audax Resources Ltd	349529	114.95ha	53km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°34' Long 121°02'	Leonora
53/1106	Avoca Resources Ltd	336208	64.78ha	66km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°56' Long 121°24'	Wiluna

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 6 October 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 **6 January 2011**. 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. 6 February 2011**), 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 INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971 SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **ILUKA (EUCLA BASIN) PTY LTD** (ACN 115 300 242) of Level 23, 140 St Georges Terrace, PERTH WA 6000 (and its successors or assigns) as holder of 10 contiguous mineral claims, MC 4117 to MC 4126 (inclusive) and as applicant for retention lease application number TO2768, in respect of the land the subject of those claims, and as mining operator proposes to carry out activities or operations under the retention lease applied for by us pursuant to such applications, upon the grant of such retention lease to us, (including any extensions, renewals, transfers, assignments or other dealings with such retention lease from time to time held with respect to the whole or any part of the area of the retention lease), such activities or operations to be carried out on the following land (land):

Block: 1006 (Crown Lease Volume 1184 Folio 9)

Hundred: Out Of Hundreds (Fowler)

Block: 406 (Crown Lease Volume 1602 Folio 27)

Hundred: Out Of Hundreds (Fowler)

Approximately 105 km northwest of Ceduna, being the land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of 28,9000 mE, 65,09800 mN, thence east to 29,3000 mE, 65,09800 mN, south to 29,3000 mE, 65,04000 mN, west to 28,9000 mE, 6504000 mN and north to the point of commencement. MGA94 Zone 53.

Area of Retention Lease: 2319.4 ha approximately.

The land is the present area of Mineral Claims 4117, 4118, 4119, 4120, 4121, 4122, 4123, 4124, 4125 and 4126. The land falls within the present boundaries of the Far West Coast Native Title Claim (native title determination claim in the Federal Court No SAD 6008/98)

The general nature of the proposed activities or operations that are to be carried out on the Land are as follows:

The activities and operations to which the lease relates are to be limited to operations which include exploration drilling, track creation, establishment of temporary exploration camp, geophysical surveys, environmental studies including flora and fauna surveys, metallurgical test work, feasibility study activities, including trenching, bulk sampling, drilling; exploratory drilling for water including pump testing and development of containment dams/tanks to prove water volumetric availability.

The proposed operations will be authorised by the retention lease when granted under the *Mining Act 1971* of which ILUKA (EUCLA BASIN) PTY LTD is the applicant.

AND TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that if, 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 holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, to which this notice relates ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED (or their respective successors or assigns) may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of 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 the proponent Iluka Resources Limited (or their respective successors or assigns) for the purposes of negotiating 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 if within four (4) months from the initiation of negotiations pursuant to Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED (or their respective successors or assigns) and any native title party or parties that have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the Mining Act 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operations on the land to which this notice relates.


Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact:

ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED

Level 23, 140 St George's Terrace, Perth WA 6000

Telephone: (08) 9360 4386, Facsimile: (08) 9360 4777

Contact: Ms Sue Palmer

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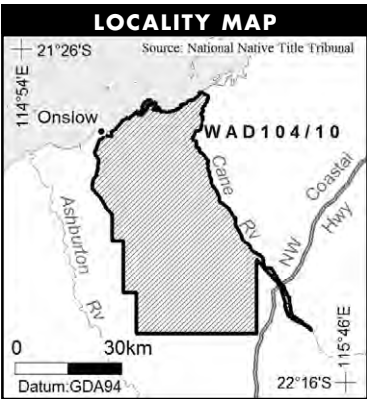
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Notice of an application for
determination of native title
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Notification day: 20 October 2010



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.
A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30 Perth WA 6837 on or before 19 January 2011. After 19 January 2011, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.
Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: John Fazeldean & Ors v State of Western Australia (Thalanyji 2)
Federal Court File No: WAD104 of 2010
Date filed: 6 May 2010
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has not accepted this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.
Location: The area subject to this application covers about 2030 km² and is located in the area adjacent to the determination of native title made on 18 September 2008 for WAD6113/1998 Thalanyji, and in the vicinity of Onslow as shown on the locality map. The application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Shire of Ashburton.

Data statement: claimant application boundary sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).
For assistance and further information contact Andrew Burke on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Table with 6 columns: LEASE, APPLICANT, AREA, LOCALITY, CENTROID, SHIRE. It lists various mining leases and their details.

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: 6 October 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 6 January 2011. 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. 6 February 2011), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the mining leases.
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH
NATIVE TITLE PARTIES
MINING ACT 1971 - SECTION 63M

1. PANDA MINING PTY LTD, ACN 137 548 237 OF PO BOX 1204 FREMANTLE WA 6959 proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land(s):
The land comprised within Exploration Licences 3946, 3973, 4138, 4139, 4246, 4247, 4550, and 4551, as described below:
EL 3946
Land located approximately 130km northwest of Olary in the area of Statton Hill and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°46'S and longitude 139°01'E, then south to latitude 31°47'S, then west to longitude 138°59'E, then south to latitude 31°54'S, then east to longitude 139°05'E, then south to latitude 31°57'S, then east to longitude 139°10'E, then north to latitude 31°53'S, then west to longitude 139°03'E, then north to latitude 31°49'S, then east to longitude 139°10'E, then north to latitude 31°46'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 3973
Land located approximately 60km southwest of Olary in the area of One Tree Hill and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°25'S and longitude 139°50'E, then south to latitude 32°29'S, then west to longitude 139°44'E, then south to latitude 32°33'S, then east to longitude 139°49'E, then south to latitude 32°35'S, then east to longitude 139°56'E, then north to latitude 32°25'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4138
Land located approximately 25km WSW of Olary in the area of Manna Hill and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°14'S and longitude 140°04'E, then south to latitude 32°19'S, then west to longitude 139°56'E, then south to latitude 32°25'S, then east to longitude 140°09'E, then north to latitude 32°23'S, then east to longitude 140°10'E, then north to latitude 32°18'S, then west to longitude 140°07'E, then north to latitude 32°15'S, then west to longitude 140°06'E, then north to latitude 32°14'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4139
Land located approximately 55km southwest of Olary in the area of Benda Range and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°30'S and longitude 140°00'E, then south to latitude 32°35'S, then west to longitude 139°56'E, then south to latitude 32°36'S, then west to longitude 139°51'E, then south to latitude 32°45'S, then east to longitude 139°56'E, then north to latitude 32°40'S, then east to longitude 140°03'E, then north to latitude 32°30'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4246
Land located immediately east of Leigh Creek in the area of Copley and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°30'S and longitude 138°27'E, then south to latitude 30°34'S, then east to longitude 138°25'E, then south to latitude 30°27'S, then east to longitude 138°27'E, then north to latitude 30°25'S, then east to longitude 138°30'E, then north to latitude 30°22'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4247
Land located immediately east of Leigh Creek in the area of Bibliando and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°49'S and longitude 139°03'E, then south to latitude 31°53'S, then east to longitude 139°10'E, then north to latitude 31°49'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4550
Land located approximately 40km southwest of Olary in the area of Manna Hill and bounded as follows:
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°25'S and longitude 139°56'E, then south to latitude 32°35'S, then east to longitude 140°00'E, then north to latitude 32°30'S, then east to longitude 140°02'E, then north to latitude 32°25'S, then west to the point of commencement.
EL 4551 – Areas A & B
Land located approximately 60km southwest of Olary in the area of Yunta and bounded as follows:
Area A: commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°33'S and longitude 139°44'E, then south to latitude 32°39'S, then east to longitude 139°51'E, then north to latitude 32°36'S, then east to longitude 139°56'E, then north to latitude 32°35'S, then west to longitude 139°49'E, then north to latitude 32°33'S, then west to the point of commencement.
Area B: commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°40'S and longitude 139°56'E, then south to latitude 32°45'S, then east to longitude 140°02'E, then north to latitude 32°40'S, then west to the point of commencement.
All the latitudes and longitudes are geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p.4894 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).
2. The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land(s) is as follows:
Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. The operations may include reconnaissance, geological mapping and gridding; rotary mud drilling, downhole probing, and diamond core drilling; sampling and radiometric testing of drill cuttings; aerial and other photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling, water sampling, hydrological studies; and include all things necessarily incidental to such operations.
3. The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the following exploration authorities and/or production tenements under the Mining Act 1971:
The land comprised within Exploration Licences 3946, 3973, 4138, 4139, 4246, 4247, 4550, and 4551.
4. PANDA MINING PTY LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971
Note: If, two months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State of the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, the Company may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land.
Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent PANDA MINING PTY LTD as follows:
1. Contact telephone number: (08) 8210 1280
2. Contact facsimile number (if available): (08) 8210 1234
3. If a company:
(1) ACN. 137 548 237
(2) Contact person: Timothy Williams

Ablett to earn \$86,000 a game



GARY Ablett will earn an astonishing \$86,000 a match during the 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) season after quitting Geelong for the Gold Coast, but insists he only made up his mind 24 hours before he announced his decision. Ablett, 26, confirmed a week ago that he would join the AFL newcomers on a five-year, \$1.9-million-a-season deal,

ending his family’s long and glorious association with his home-town club. The game’s No 1 player will become the face of the Gold Coast Suns and the AFL’s highest-paid footballer – earning nearly double the pay packet of the next top earner. After months of rumours that he would move to the Gold Coast, Ablett said his final decision to quit the club with which he won two premierships and a Brownlow

Medal was made only in the previous 24 hours. Clearly nervous and faltering on several occasions in front of a huge media conference in Melbourne, the 26-year-old described the decision to leave Geelong – with whom his father Gary Snr became a footballing legend – as ‘incredibly difficult’. “I made the decision yesterday and I feel it’s the right decision,” Ablett said. “For those who know me well, they

know that I thrive on the challenge and perform my best when faced with a new challenge. “I gave my all for Geelong and will be forever grateful for the support of the Geelong Football Club and its many great fans. “But now this is all about the challenge of joining a new team and a new and unique opportunity to be part of something special in football.” – AAP

Mixing sport, education for better outcomes



A NEW working group will explore how sport can be used to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students get more out of school.

Australian Capital Territory Education and Training Minister Andrew Barr has asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group and the Sport and Recreation Minister’s Advisory Council to hold a forum to come up with ideas on how to better engage students at school through sport.

“As Australia’s only Minister for Education and Sport, I have a good understanding of how important sport is to helping kids do better at school,” Mr Barr said.

“Research shows that children exposed to physical activity at primary school age are more inclined to develop the skills and habits that will make them active and healthy adults. And physical activity also has a positive impact on how students learn.

“Additionally, there are a number of programs running in other parts of Australia that encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to play sport through their school as a way of helping to keep them engaged with their school.

“I have asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group and the Sport and Recreation Minister’s Advisory Council to hold a forum with local and national sporting and educational representatives to develop sporting programs we can deliver in ACT schools.”

Others involved

Mr Barr said he had also asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group to seek the input of the Catholic Education Office (CEO) and the Association of Independent Schools (AIS).

“The old-public private divide is over,” Mr Barr said.

“It’s important that everyone involved in education shares ideas and works together for the benefit of all students.

“The ACT has a proud tradition of the government and non-government schools sectors working together to keep students safe at school and develop policies to help students with disabilities to succeed. I’m confident we can work together to use sport to get better outcomes for all ACT students.”

‘... Physical activity also has a positive impact on how students learn.’



NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/2013	Tetra Resources Pty Ltd	225.63km²	83km N'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°29' Long 125°53'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2044	Mineralogy Pty Ltd	129.81km²	138km S'ly of Derby	Lat 18°29' Long 124°03'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2049	Canning Basin Coal Pty Ltd	132.8km²	109km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°59' Long 125°00'	Derby-West Kimberley
08/2011	Brockman Exploration Pty Ltd	263.01km²	79km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°16' Long 115°58'	Ashburton
08/2015	Brockman Exploration Pty Ltd	50.47km²	109km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°51' Long 116°40'	Ashburton
08/2034	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	126.15km²	83km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°53' Long 116°56'	Ashburton
08/2169	Hard Rock Resources Pty Ltd	3.15km²	129km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°47' Long 116°09'	Ashburton
08/2188	Fraka Investments Pty Ltd	75.68km²	145km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°55' Long 116°04'	Ashburton
08/2199	Alan Sanderson	9.46km²	116km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°48' Long 116°38'	Ashburton
09/1684	Atlas Iron Ltd	436.22km²	38km N'ly of Carnarvon	Lat 24°33' Long 113°41'	Carnarvon
09/1788	Newera Uranium Ltd	395.23km²	145km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 23°45' Long 115°07'	Carnarvon
15/1190	Reed Industrial Minerals Pty Ltd	132.13km²	27km W'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°08' Long 121°24'	Coolgardie
15/1191	Reed Industrial Minerals Pty Ltd	8.83km²	13km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°50' Long 121°07'	Coolgardie
25/455	Rubicon Resources Ltd	8.85km²	50km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°36' Long 121°57'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2067	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Limited	151.8km²	118km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°38' Long 122°50'	Dundas
28/2092	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd Independence Group NL	67.35km²	118km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°21' Long 122°53'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2093	Integra Mining Ltd	23.44km²	99km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°17' Long 122°42'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2095	Pontoon Minerals Pty Ltd	111.24km²	123km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°23' Long 123°30'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/762	Reed Resources Ltd	23.77km²	31km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°56' Long 121°10'	Menzies
29/783	John Henry Rutter	103.93km²	44km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°04' Long 120°55'	Menzies
29/785	Peter Romeo Gianni	2.97km²	29km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°56' Long 121°07'	Menzies
29/786	Jaguar Resources Pty Ltd	51.06km²	127km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°59' Long 119°55'	Menzies
36/752-3	BHP Billiton Yeelirrie Development Company Pty Ltd	383.04km²	32km NW'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°42' Long 120°28'	Leonora
36/755	BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd	48.55km²	24km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°46' Long 120°52'	Leonora
37/1054	Central Iron Ore Ltd	33.3km²	48km E'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°00' Long 121°10'	Leonora
37/1065	Universal Explorers Pty Ltd	161.99km²	84km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°20' Long 121°14'	Leonora/Wiluna
37/1071	Peter Romeo Gianni	12.14km²	57km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°41' Long 121°12'	Leonora
37/1075	Enterprise Metals Limited	212.47km²	46km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°44' Long 121°06'	Leonora
38/2351	Mt Vettors Pty Ltd	9.07km²	47km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°02' Long 123°22'	Laverton
38/2352	Mt Vettors Pty Ltd	106km²	42km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°54' Long 123°18'	Laverton
38/2353	Mt Vettors Pty Ltd	51.37km²	54km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°07' Long 123°25'	Laverton
38/2460	Raisama Limited	472.64km²	146km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°35' Long 124°13'	Laverton
38/2464	South Boulder Mines Ltd	21.2km²	47km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°50' Long 122°27'	Laverton
45/3295	Brockman Iron Pty Ltd	19.29km²	9km NW'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°16' Long 119°28'	Port Hedland Town
45/3296	Brockman Iron Pty Ltd	35.35km²	14km W'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°19' Long 119°23'	Port Hedland Town
45/3639	State Resources Pty Ltd	22.4km²	76km E'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°14' Long 120°28'	East Pilbara
45/3640	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	15.92km²	101km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°01' Long 119°08'	East Pilbara
45/3641	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	9.56km²	64km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°13'	East Pilbara
45/3686	Grace Project Management Services Pty Ltd	102.33km²	1km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°11' Long 119°45'	East Pilbara
45/3698	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	3.18km²	79km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°40' Long 119°12'	East Pilbara
45/3699	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	22.3km²	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°37' Long 119°14'	East Pilbara
45/3701	Kubwa Iron Ore Holdings Pty Ltd	19.27km²	73km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°52' Long 118°58'	East Pilbara
45/3711	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	22.35km²	24km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°23' Long 119°47'	East Pilbara
45/3717	Whim Creek Mining Pty Ltd	224km²	16km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°13' Long 119°36'	East Pilbara
46/772	Mesa Minerals Limited	54.07km²	47km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°08' Long 120°29'	East Pilbara
46/902	Spitfire Australia (SWW) Pty Ltd	108.08km²	130km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°26' Long 121°14'	East Pilbara
47/2182	Atlas Iron Ltd	94.85km²	66km of Mount Newman	Lat 22°46' Long 119°37'	East Pilbara
47/2383	Iron Dyuken Pty Ltd	3.15km²	23km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°10' Long 119°37'	East Pilbara
47/2384	Iron Dyuken Pty Ltd	3.15km²	27km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°09' Long 119°34'	East Pilbara
47/2385	Iron Dyuken Pty Ltd	3.14km²	31km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°15' Long 117°58'	Ashburton
47/2386	Iron Dyuken Pty Ltd	3.14km²	33km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°16' Long 117°59'	Ashburton
52/2494	Digirock Pty Ltd	53.51km²	46km W'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°19' Long 119°17'	East Pilbara
52/2560	Kinloch Resources Pty Ltd	105.37km²	187km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°47' Long 117°02'	Upper Gascoyne
52/2578	Girallia Resources NL	9.43km²	48km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°29' Long 120°10'	Meekatharra
52/2585	Auvox Egerton Pty Ltd	102.55km²	186km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 24°49' Long 117°12'	Upper Gascoyne
52/2592	Iron Dyuken Pty Ltd	3.14km²	103km W'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°27' Long 118°43'	Meekatharra
53/1547	Murchison Resources Pty Ltd	33.97km²	62km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°02' Long 120°43'	Wiluna
53/1548	Murchison Resources Pty Ltd	123.05km²	41km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°13' Long 120°52'	Wiluna
53/1549	Murchison Resources Pty Ltd	33.76km²	16km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°27' Long 120°55'	Wiluna
57/841	Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	51.71km²	58km NE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°35' Long 119°41'	Sandstone
57/842	Lakeway Resources Pty Ltd	12.17km²	70km NE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°32' Long 119°47'	Sandstone
59/1696	West Peak Iron Ltd	8.98km²	53km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°05' Long 117°10'	Yalgoo
59/1709	Jaime Anthony McDowell	30.53km²	61km NW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°50' Long 117°17'	Mount Magnet/Yalgoo
63/1393	Heron Resources Ltd	181.93km²	34km N'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°40' Long 121°41'	Dundas/Esperance
63/1429	Hannans Reward Ltd	49.27km²	115km W'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°25' Long 120°35'	Dundas
63/1431	Brendon Chevely Deshon	2.9km²	26km N'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°58' Long 121°52'	Dundas
63/1432	Brendon Chevely Deshon	5.81km²	26km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°03' Long 122°00'	Dundas
63/1433	Brendon Chevely Deshon	2.9km²	17km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°06' Long 121°55'	Dundas
63/1434	Heron Resources Ltd	11.55km²	35km N'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°40' Long 121°42'	Esperance
69/2663-4	Fraserx Pty Ltd	783.5km²	90km NW'ly of Balladonia	Lat 32°03' Long 123°02'	Dundas
69/2811	Ishine International Resources Ltd	3852.51km²	216km W'ly of Giles Meteorological Station	Lat 25°37' Long 126°15'	Ngaanyatjaraku
69/2821	Teck Australia Pty Ltd	5.93km²	88km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°15' Long 125°20'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
69/2822	Raisama Limited	443.15km²	245km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°31' Long 125°19'	Laverton
69/2823	Raisama Limited	472.54km²	245km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°42' Long 125°16'	Laverton
69/2824	Raisama Limited	483.57km²	235km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 28°55' Long 125°11'	Laverton/Menzies
70/3201	Quadrio Resources Pty Ltd	85.65km²	30km E'ly of Katanning	Lat 33°41' Long 117°52'	Broomehill/Gnowangerup/Katanning
70/3403	Great Southern Gold Pty Ltd	198.79km²	36km SE'ly of Jerramungup	Lat 34°13' Long 119°08'	Jerramungup
70/3581	Darling Range South Pty Ltd	48.25km²	23km W'ly of Manjimup	Lat 34°12' Long 115°54'	Manjimup/Nannup
70/3623	Darling Range Pty Ltd	387.92km²	9km S'ly of Williams	Lat 33°06' Long 116°54'	Narrogin/West Arthur/Williams
70/3759	Norman James Holmes Landtec Pty Ltd	33.16km²	10km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat 28°27' Long 115°29'	Mullewa
70/3788	Magnetic Resources NL	70.67km²	53km E'ly of Bencubbin	Lat 30°51' Long 118°25'	Mukinbudin
74/468	Great Southern Gold Pty Ltd	200.11km²	15km S'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°43' Long 120°01'	Ravensthorpe
74/470	Western Areas NL	23.13km²	89km E'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°43' Long 119°45'	Kondinin
74/475-6	United Mining Resources Pty Ltd	372.89km²	43km NW'ly of Mongulup	Lat 33°22' Long 120°39'	Esperance/Ravensthorpe
80/4400	Leopold Mining Pty Ltd	363.06km²	71km N'ly of Kununurra	Lat 15°09' Long 128°55'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4401	Bonaparte Mining Pty Ltd	98.95km²	58km NE'ly of Kununurra	Lat 15°17' Long 128°57'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4454	PARNOSA PTY LTD	13.03km²	50km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°46' Long 127°39'	Halls Creek
80/4455	Geocrystal Ltd	116.59km²	78km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°50' Long 128°03'	Halls Creek
80/4456	Geocrystal Ltd	71.26km²	69km S'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°50' Long 127°48'	Halls Creek
80/4457	Geocrystal Ltd	68.1km²	82km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°36' Long 128°20'	Halls Creek
80/4458	Bulletin Resources Pty Ltd	3.24km²	40km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°24' Long 127°20'	Halls Creek
80/4459	Bulletin Resources Pty Ltd	3.24km²	36km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°21' Long 127°21'	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: 6 October 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 6 January 2011. 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. 6 February 2011), 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.

Keelan bound for Athens



WHEN Keelan Crawford travels to Athens next June and takes the Special Olympics athletes oath 'Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt' – the oath for Special Olympic athletes around the world – he will become Bathurst's first Indigenous Australian sports representative.

The Special Olympics World Games are of a similar scope and scale as the Olympic Games, with all the Olympic

traditions, and attracts a comparable number of athletes and countries.

At the 2011 Games, 7500 Special Olympics athletes from 185 nations will compete in 22 Olympic-type sports.

Keelan Crawford will compete for Australia in basketball.

The Athens Games are set to be the largest sporting event in the world in 2011, and Australia will be represented by 130 athletes and 40 team officials.

The World Summer Games are held every four years and celebrate the abilities

and accomplishments of people with an intellectual disability.

The Special Olympics is an international organisation that promotes self-confidence and social skills for people with intellectual disabilities. It organises the Special Olympic World Games, which is recognised by the International Olympic Committee and is similar to the Paralympic Games, which are for people with physical disabilities.

Since taking up basketball a few years ago, Keelan has been a regular regional

and State basketball representative, and is now a national representative.

He is the only New South Welshman in the national basketball squad going to Athens

The squad and team officials will go into camp at the New South Wales Institute of Sport at Narrabeen camp this month.

This year has been Keelan's most successful, being selected to captain NSW Country at the Australian Ivor Burge National Basketball Championships in Adelaide, and then going on to be selected to captain New South Wales in the Australian Special Olympics – again in Adelaide.

Raw, but promising

He is described as a very promising player, a bruising big man with a raw unpolished game, but shows a great deal of potential with his soft touch, size, strength and explosiveness.

Considering his lack of experience playing the game at a high level, his natural feel for the game is said to be exceptional.

He is a quality passer and has a good set of hands, catches the ball well and secures the ball well on rebounds and is certainly a most valuable team player.

One official said he also was a strong leader and very well respected by his team-mates.

Perhaps the hardest hurdle confronting Keelan will be raising the fees required to get to Athens. Each athlete will need to raise \$7000 to cover their costs of travel, uniforms, training and team support.

Keelan will work overtime asking family, friends and the Bathurst business, service and club community to help get him to Athens.

Notice of Proposed Renewal of Mining Leases

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed renewal of the Mining Leases shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Norton Gold Fields Limited (100%) (ACN: 112 287 797) has applied for the renewal of twenty-seven (27) mining leases all within approximately three kilometres of Mount Morgan and all with the Rockhampton Regional Council area. (Refer to Diagram)

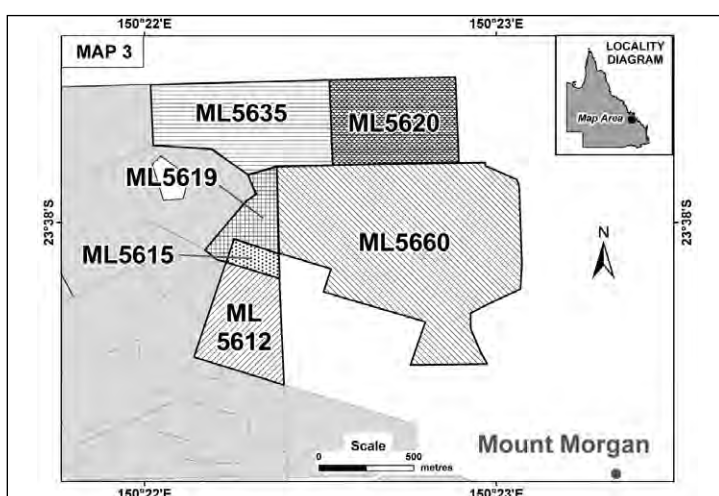
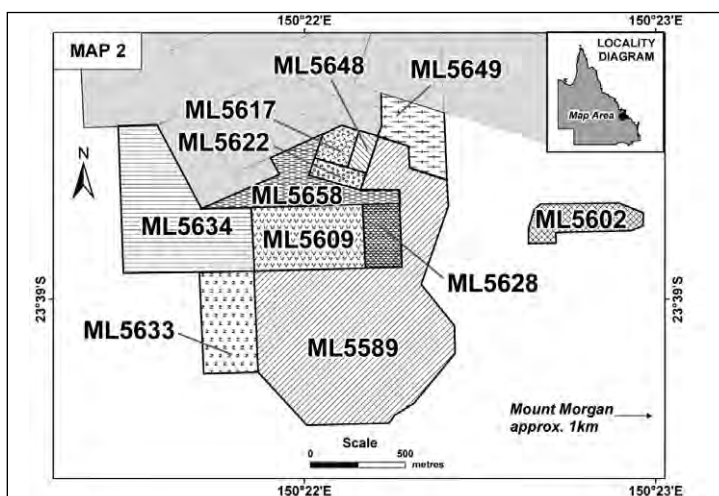
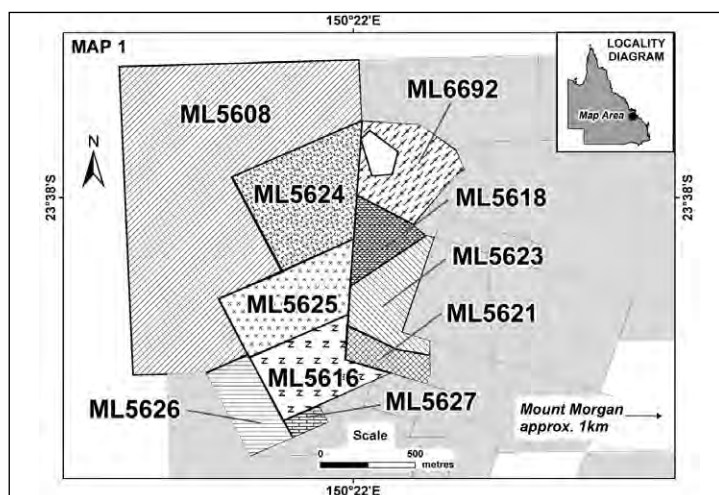
ML Number and Name	Area Description	Map Number
ML5589: Mickey Mouse	82.56 ha	Map: 2
ML5602:	7.89 ha	Map: 2
ML5608: Morgan 2	121.406 ha	Map: 1
ML5609: Morgan 3	17.18 ha	Map: 2
ML5612	19.42 ha	Map: 3
ML5615	3.27 ha	Map 3
ML5616: Sandstone Gully	17.48 ha	Map 1
ML5617	2.9 ha	Map 2
ML5618	8.82 ha	Map 1
ML5619	8.975 ha	Map 3
ML5620	26.71 ha	Map 3
ML5621	6.33 ha	Map 1
ML5622	2.83 Ha	Map 2
ML5623	14.48 ha	Map 1
ML5624	28.93 ha	Map 1
ML5625	21.45 ha	Map 1
ML5626	11.33 ha	Map 1
ML5627	2.43 ha	Map 1
ML5628	6.07 ha	Map 2
ML5633: Morgan 7	14.21 ha	Map 2
ML5634: Morgan 6	33.95 ha	Map 2
ML5635: Morgan 8	33 ha	Map 3
ML5648: Morgan 10	2.023 ha	Map 2
ML5649: Morgan 9	9.895 ha	Map 2
ML5658: Morgan 11	12.53 ha	Map 2
ML5660: Morgan 13	84.576 ha	Map 3
ML6692	16.14 ha	Map 1

Nature of the Acts: Renewal of Mining leases under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), allows the holder to mine and carry out associated activities for the term of the renewal, with the possibility of further renewals. Further information about the proposed renewal of the Mining Leases, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the mining leases, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, QLD 4102 Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Register, Rockhampton Mining District, East Street, Rockhampton, QLD 4700 Telephone: (07) 4938 3000.

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 the Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, MLC Building Corner George & Adelaide Streets, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 27 October 2010



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2011 AFL draw to have byes



NEXT year's Australian Football League (AFL) competition will have 19 rounds of eight games and five rounds of seven games to accommodate the introduction

of 17th team the Gold Coast Suns.

The AFL said that in 2011, all 17 clubs must have two byes to enable a 22-game season to be completed across 24 weekends of football.

The awkward fixturing of a 17-team competition will only be an issue for one year, with Team GWS joining the AFL in 2012.

The AFL considered other options, including the idea of playing 23 rounds of eight games and one round of three games, chief operating officer Gillon McLachlan told afl.com.au.

"The fixture we will use provides the best spread of byes across the competition for the season," McLachlan said.

"This mix will enable the byes for all teams to be spaced as best we can through the season."

He says it is likely three of the rounds in which only seven games are played will take place early in the season.

This will allow several feature matches to be scheduled around the Easter and Anzac Day period.

Next year's fixture will be released in late October, although the AFL has already announced Gold Coast will have a bye in round one and play their first home-and-away game against Richmond at the Gabba in round two.

The addition of the Suns provides 11 extra games across the season – 187 games in total – plus finals. – AAP

Tigers to move into the tropics



RICHMOND will play three Australian Football League (AFL) home games against the Gold Coast Suns in Cairns over the next three seasons.

The Tigers will line up for one game a season against the AFL's newest team at an upgraded Cazaly's Stadium from 2011-13.

AFL boss Andrew Demetriou said the

deal highlighted the importance of far north Queensland to the league's expansion plans.

"The AFL is very excited to be able to take premiership matches into far north Queensland for the first time," Demetriou said.

"We are very grateful to the Queensland Government through Queensland Events as well as the Federal and local governments for providing the necessary

funds to upgrade what is already a great place to play our game, Cazaly's Stadium."

Richmond football manager Craig Cameron said the club was looking forward to the new program.

Cazaly's Stadium will be upgraded to bring the facilities up to AFL standards, including new change rooms and media facilities. Lights suitable for televised night games will be added in time for the 2012 match. —AAP

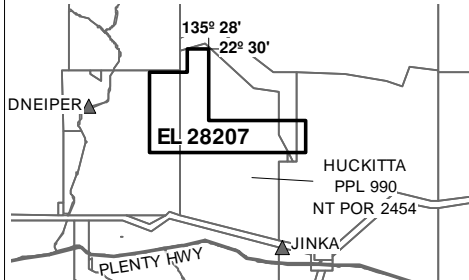
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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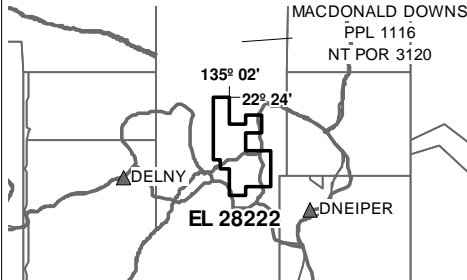
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 28207 sought by ACACIA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 419 729 over an area of 141 Blocks (447 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



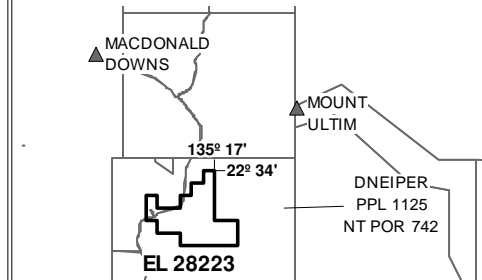
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Exploration Licence 28222 sought by ACACIA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 419 729 over an area of 47 Blocks (149 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



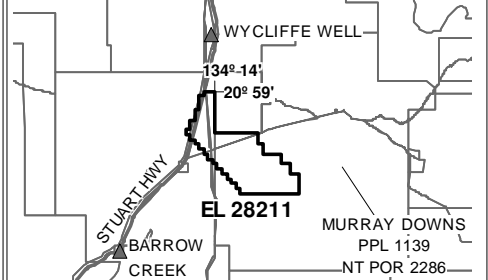
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Exploration Licence 28223 sought by ACACIA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 127 419 729 over an area of 25 Blocks (80 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



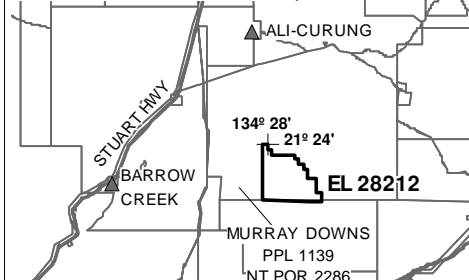
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Exploration Licence 28211 sought by AFMECO MINING AND EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 009 758 481 over an area of 229 Blocks (699 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAYLOR locality.



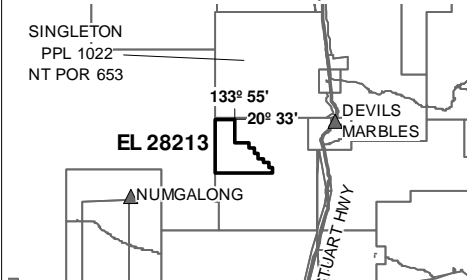
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Exploration Licence 28212 sought by AFMECO MINING AND EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 009 758 481 over an area of 109 Blocks (337 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LURAPULLA locality.



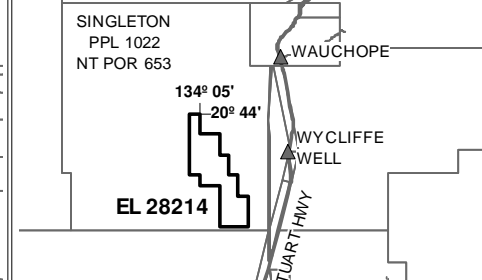
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Exploration Licence 28213 sought by AFMECO MINING AND EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 009 758 481 over an area of 88 Blocks (253 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NUMAGALONG locality.



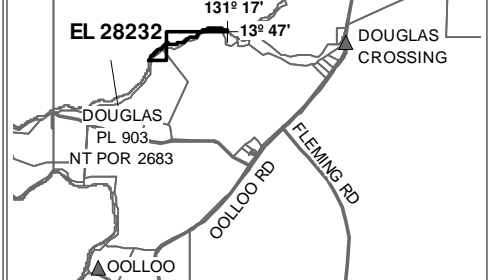
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Exploration Licence 28214 sought by AFMECO MINING AND EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 009 758 481 over an area of 31 Blocks (100 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WAUCHOPE locality.



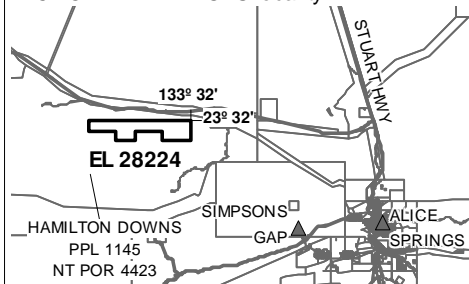
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Exploration Licence 28232 sought by BLUE THUNDER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 142 451 483 over an area of 5 Blocks (2 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



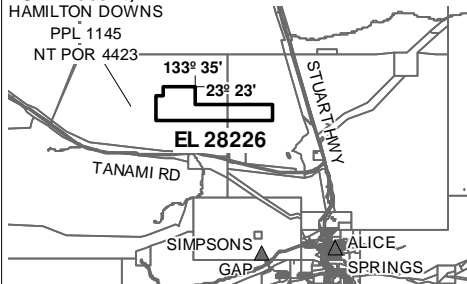
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Exploration Licence 28224 sought by CROSSLAND NICKEL PTY LTD, ACN 099 477 915 over an area of 16 Blocks (50 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONNELL RANGES locality.



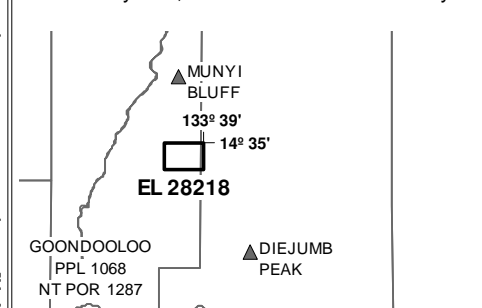
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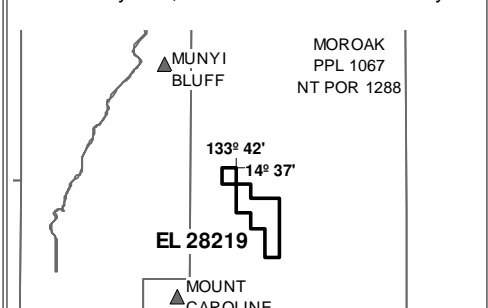
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Exploration Licence 28218 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 6 Blocks (20 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.



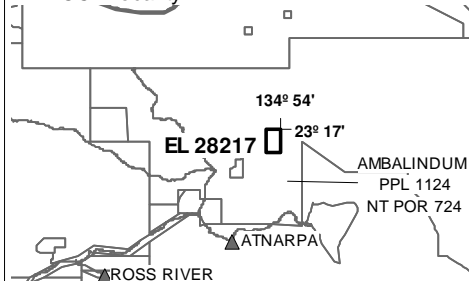
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Exploration Licence 28219 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 9 Blocks (30 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.



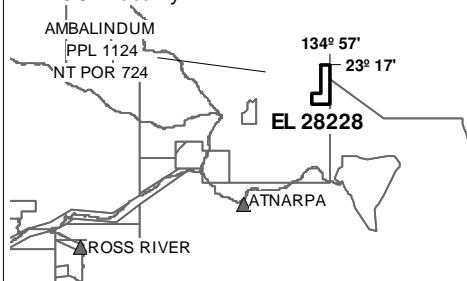
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Exploration Licence 28217 sought by IRON MOUNTAIN MINING LIMITED, ACN 112 914 459 over an area of 6 Blocks (19 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



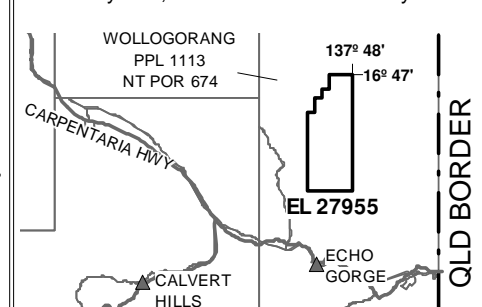
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Exploration Licence 28228 sought by IRON MOUNTAIN MINING LIMITED, ACN 112 914 459 over an area of 5 Blocks (16 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



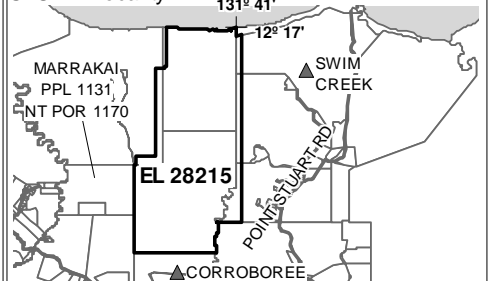
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Exploration Licence 27955 sought by PLASIA PTY LTD, ACN 009 371 895 over an area of 80 Blocks (263 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SELBY locality.



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Exploration Licence 28215 sought by WDR IRON ORE PTY LTD, ACN 132 204 025 over an area of 231 Blocks (726 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the POINT STUART locality.



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Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973 Adelaide SA 5001, or telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 06 October 2010

Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Claim

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of a Mining Claim shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Claim Number and Name	Location of Mining Claim (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant
MC72064 SLIFI 2	Approx. 70km West of Sarina Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Isaac Regional Council	Current Land Tenures: Lot 1000 on NPW 566 – Homevale Resources Reserve (mining) Lot 174 on USL 44425 Unallocated State Land (mining and access)	Peter George Hunt
		Area of land applied for in Mining Claim: .8971 ha	

Nature of the acts: Grant of a Mining Claim under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Claim be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

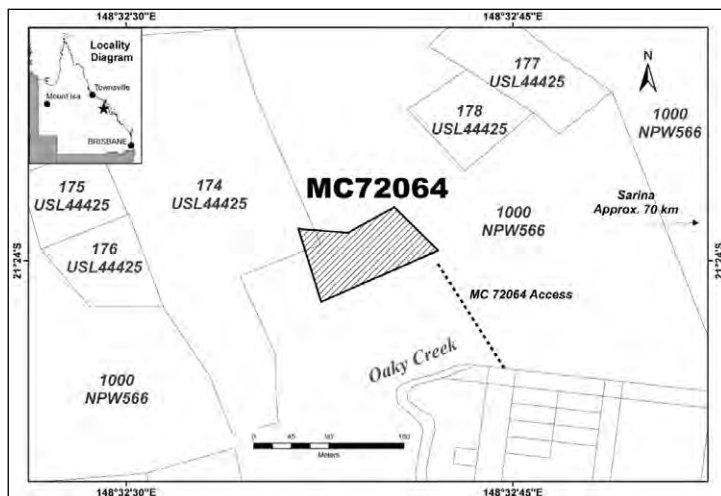
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Claim, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Claim application, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Qld 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Claim. 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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Notification Day: 27 October 2010



Queensland Government



Industry & Investment

Exploration Licence Application No 4036 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Description of area that may be affected by the grant of an exploration licence.

An area of 63 units situated approximately 15 kilometres north west of Drake, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

White Rock (MTC) Pty Ltd (ACN 142 809 970) is the applicant of Exploration Licence Application No 4036 (Act 1992), for an exploration licence which would authorise the prospecting for Group 1 minerals and be granted for a term of 24 months.

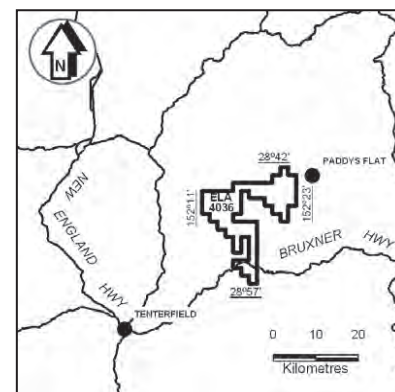
Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Steve Whan, MP, Minister for Primary Industries, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained. Further information may be obtained from Chris Cottier; Titles Program, Industry & Investment NSW, (02) 4931 6462 or fax (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) the notification day is 20 October 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.



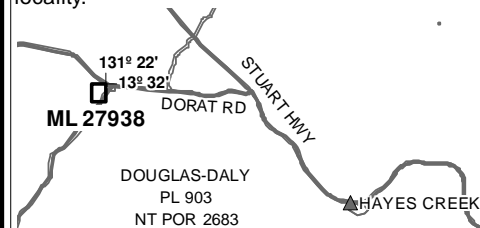
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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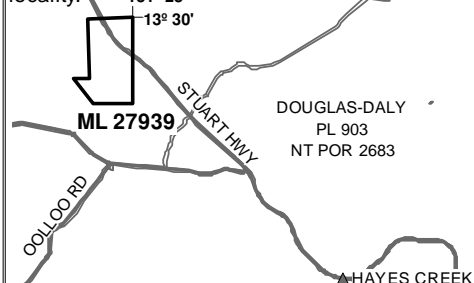
The applications to which this notice applies:

Mineral Lease 27938 sought by CROCODILE GOLD AUSTRALIA PTY LTD, ACN 136 505 587 over an area of 34 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



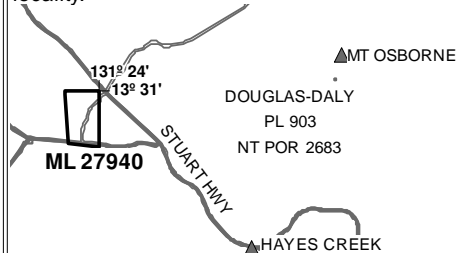
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Mineral Lease 27939 sought by CROCODILE GOLD AUSTRALIA PTY LTD, ACN 136 505 587 over an area of 549.8 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



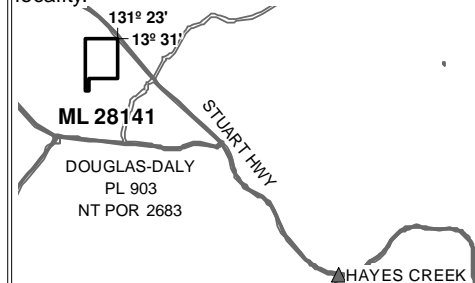
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Mineral Lease 27940 sought by CROCODILE GOLD AUSTRALIA PTY LTD, ACN 136 505 587 over an area of 260 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



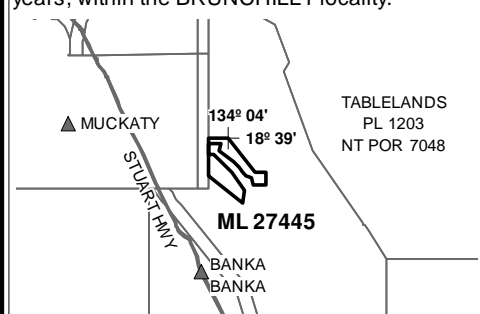
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Mineral Lease 28141 sought by CROCODILE GOLD AUSTRALIA PTY LTD, ACN 136 505 587 over an area of 124.1 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the TIPPERARY locality.



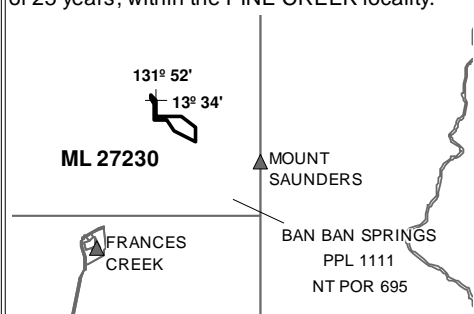
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Mineral Lease 27445 sought by OM (MANGANESE) LTD, ACN 097 091 506 over an area of 2237 Ha depicted below for a term of 20 years, within the BRUNCHILLY locality.



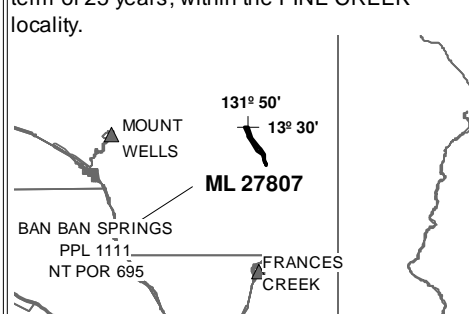
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Mineral Lease 27230 sought by TERRITORY RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 100 552 118 over an area of 97 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



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Mineral Lease 27807 sought by TERRITORY RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 100 552 118 over an area of 79.63 Ha depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



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Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals including (but not limited to) the processing and the removal of minerals from the lease area and the treatment of tailings or other mining material the property of the Crown on the lease area, including any extractive minerals for or in connection with any of the purposes specified in the lease document for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral leases commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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Notification Day: 06 October 2010

Sport

Suns'

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THE Gold Coast may be riding an emotional high after Gary Ablett's historic decision to accept a five-year contract, but the Suns are still well short of an ideal playing list for their 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) debut.

The fledgling side is in desperate need of several seasoned key position players who can handle the weekly physical and mental pressure of the game.

At the moment, their ruck department rests in the hands of promising teenager Zac Smith, who is 10 kilograms off an ideal playing weight.

Their attack is pinned around a few lightweight goal sharks and raw centre half-forward Charlie Dixon.

The Suns do not have a stand-out full forward or even a makeshift full forward either.

Outside of the key position personnel, their playing stocks are lean.

They simply have no depth to cover for injuries or suspensions and for many of their young players, 2011 will be a baptism of fire.

Geelong premiership forward Nathan Ablett, who kicked three goals in the 2007 AFL grand final, was thought to be the great white hope for the forward line in 2011.

However he has not yet been offered a contract and may not.

Even if he was kept for next year, based on his form in the VFL, if he played one senior match for the Suns in 2011 it would be a bonus.

Like Smith, Dixon needs to add significant bulk to his lean frame and if the pair are going to be given time to develop, the Suns may need to look at recruiting Melbourne's discarded forward Brad Miller and shunned Collingwood ruckman Josh Fraser.

Suns coach Guy McKenna has admitted they need to find an experienced ruckman.

"If you had a start to the season where you come up against Aaron Sandilands, (David) Hille, (Ben) Hudson and those types, I guarantee you our (young) ruckmen wouldn't be playing much more after round five or round six," McKenna said.

What there is to like about the Suns is their high-quality midfield brigade comprising of Ablett, former Brisbane Lion Michael Rischitelli, former Kangaroo Daniel Harris and promising youngsters David Swallow and Maverick Weller.

All going well, their opening round defensive unit will consist of their five recruits Nathan Bock (Adelaide), Jarrod Harbrow (Western Bulldogs), Nathan Krakouer (Port Adelaide), Campbell Brown (Hawthorn) and former Bronco Karmichael Hunt and former SANFL defender Michael Coad.

Possible Gold Coast Suns line-up for their first AFL match against Richmond at the Gabba in round two next year. The side is based on their current playing list with gaps to signify their immediate needs. Brackets show where players have been recruited from.

The Suns have a bye in the opening round):

Backs: Krakouer (Port Adelaide), Coad (Sturt), Hunt (Brisbane Broncos NRL).

Half-backs: Brown (Hawthorn), Bock (Adelaide), Harbrow (Western Bulldogs).

Centres: Swallow (East Fremantle), Harris (Kangaroos), Weller (Burnie Dockers).

Half-forwards: Hine (Calder Cannons), Dixon (Redland), Iles (Box Hill).

Forwards: Matera (South Fremantle), —, —

Followers: Smith (Biloela), Ablett (Geelong). Rover: Rischitelli (Brisbane Lions).

Interchange: Liddy (Kenmore, Cairns), Toy (Calder Cannons), McKenzie (Western Jets), Ah Chee (Norwood, NT) – AAP



NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
20/2106	Agricola Resources Pty Ltd	193.61ha	45km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°06' Long 118°09'	Cue
20/2152	Brian Mathew Money	99.41ha	37km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°09' Long 118°05'	Cue
26/3791-8	Jabiru Metals Ltd	1448.08ha	12km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°41' Long 121°34'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
26/3803	Frederick Charles Saunders	8.41ha	34km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°58' Long 121°54'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/2173	Kim Hassall	121.45ha	80km W'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°59' Long 120°31'	Menzies
38/3880-1	Global Nickel Investments Ltd	389.68ha	47km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°51' Long 123°20'	Laverton
51/2567	Padbury Mining Ltd	111.66ha	44km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°58' Long 118°38'	Meekatharra
51/2570	Lightrange Pty Ltd	29.27ha	70km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°58' Long 118°37'	Meekatharra
74/317	Zetek Resources Pty Ltd	96.1ha	30km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°46' Long 120°16'	Ravensthorpe
74/318	Zetek Resources Pty Ltd	171.95ha	23km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°42' Long 120°14'	Ravensthorpe

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: 6 October 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 **6 January 2011**. 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. 6 February 2011**), 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 Approval to Conduct Drilling and Other Activities on Land Not Included in the Surface Area of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The current holders named here below give notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* of the proposed approval to conduct drilling and other activities on land not included in the surface area covered by the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

ML4738 was granted on 15 December 1977. The current holders have now applied under Section 237 of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* for approval to conduct drilling and other activities on land not included in the surface area of the Mining Lease described below.

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant ACN
ML4738 Hail Creek	Approx. 10 km South West Of Glenden Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Isaac Regional Council	Current Land Tenures: Lot 12 on SP236271 – Pastoral Holding 30/5310 Lot 18 on SP104452 – Pastoral Holding 30/3239 Road Reserves Area of land in Mining Lease to conduct drilling and other activities: 6513 ha	Queensland Coal Pty Limited 000 003 921 (82%) Nippon Steel Australia Pty Limited 001 445 049 (8%) Marubeni Coal Pty Ltd 009 932 236 (6.6667%) Sumisho Coal Development Queensland Pty Ltd 082 435 149 (3.3333%)

Nature of the acts: Approval to conduct drilling and other activities on land not included in the surface area of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* authorises the holder to carry out drilling and other associated activities on the application area subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, for the term applied for.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the application to conduct drilling and other associated activities within ML4738 be approved under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

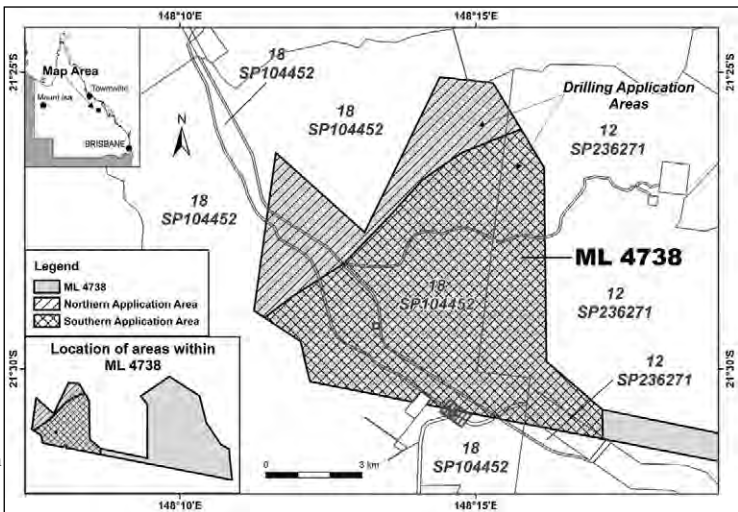
Further Information: Further information about the proposed approval to conduct drilling and other activities within a Mining Lease, may be obtained from Queensland Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald Qld 4720, Telephone (07) 4987 9373.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed application to conduct drilling and other activities within a Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 27 October 2010



Queensland Government

Team-mates back 'JT'



BESIEGED Test star Johnathan Thurston has received the backing of his North Queensland team-mates as he fights to hang onto the captaincy of the National Rugby League (NRL) club.

Thurston will front the Cowboys board in the coming weeks to explain himself after he was arrested by Brisbane police last month and charged with being a public nuisance at a time he was recovering from injury.

The Townsville-based club is already in the midst of a review after it finished second-last this year, with only points-less Melbourne below them.

Thurston was last week ruled out of the Four Nations tournament beginning next month as he recovers from his ankle injury (See Page 95).

"We've got full support behind Johnno," Cowboys centre Willie Tonga said at a

grand final event in Sydney last Thursday.

"He gets himself into unfortunate circumstances sometimes, but on the field you can't question him, he's definitely a great leader.

"He's like a free spirit, off the field, he just sort of does what he does.

"I'm not sure whether he likes the responsibility of being the captain or being the big name player, but he enjoys the leadership role.

Main focus

"He wants to be a part of the Cowboys going forward and that's his main focus in trying to keep his captaincy.

"(The great players) tend to get themselves into trouble outside of footy, but on the field, they do remarkable things."

Tonga backed the club review, which has already resulted in a demotion for chief executive Peter Parr, and dismissed

comments from departing forward Willie Mason that the responsibility rested with coach Neil Henry.

"It didn't surprise me, Willie's going to say whatever he thinks," Tonga said.

"It just got frustrating towards the end, just knowing that we had the team on paper but we just couldn't put it together.

"Everybody's got to take responsibility for where we came... Everybody's done that."

Tonga said the Sydney Roosters' turnaround from 2009 wooden-spooners to grand finalists this year would inspire the Cowboys.

"It gives everybody hope I guess, so nothing's beyond reach," he said.

With injuries hitting Australia's centre stocks, Tonga was in the frame to play his first Test for Australia since 2005.

He got through the Prime Minister's XIII match against Papua New Guinea without aggravating a minor groin problem. — AAP

JOHNATHON THURSTON



Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Mining Leases shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant ACN
ML10349 Drake 1	Approx. 12km South of Collinsville Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Current Land 5/618 (mining) Tenures: Lot 9 on DK239 – Freehold (mining) Lot 1 on DK211 – Lands Lease (access) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 3993.834 ha	Drake Coal Pty Ltd 138 221 600
ML10350 Drake 2	Approx. 12km South of Collinsville Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Current Land 5/618 (mining and access) Tenures: Un-named Road (mining and access) Lot 1 on DK211 – Lands Lease (access) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 4801.6105 ha	Drake Coal Pty Ltd 138 221 600
ML10351 Drake 3	Approx. 12km South of Collinsville Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Whitsunday Regional Council	Current Land 5/618 (mining and access) Tenures: Un-named Road (mining and access) Lot 1 on DK211 – Lands Lease (access) Bowen River (mining) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 447.3169 ha	Drake Coal Pty Ltd 138 221 600

Nature of the acts: Grant of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years, with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years per lease.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Leases be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Leases, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease applications, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Charters Towers Mining District, Tropical Weeds Research Centre, 27-43 Natal Downs Road, Charters Towers Qld 4820, Telephone: (07) 4761 5762.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, MLC Building Corner George & Adelaide Streets, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 6 October 2010



Queensland Government

Purple Dockers to consider a new song



FREMANTLE have retained the anchor in their new Australian Football League (AFL) playing strip, but will consider developing a new theme song.

The Dockers launched their new logo and playing strips on Friday, with significant changes to both.

The new logo features the anchor intertwined with the letter 'D'.

But while the anchor survived the cut, the solidly-built 'Docker' who used to hold it has been axed.

The new home jersey is purple with three white Vs on the chest and the away jumper white with three purple Vs.

Both were inspired by the club's first heritage jumper first worn in 2003.

Fremantle's theme song is widely derided as the worst in the league and the club will seek opinion from their fans to determine whether it needs changing.

"In the 2011 pre-season, the club will seek feedback from members, supporters and the general public on the Fremantle Dockers club song, including possible alternatives," chief executive Steve Rosich said.

"One of the options will be to retain the existing club song."

Rosich said fans had heavily endorsed the colour purple for the jersey.

"The colour purple was the brand element that members and other stakeholders most strongly felt should be associated with the Fremantle Football Club," he said.

"Purple was seen as being strong, liked and unique.

"Consequently, the colour purple features prominently in both the new logo and jumper design." — AAP

Forced to play: Tahu



DUAL international Timana Tahu claims sacked Parramatta coach Daniel Anderson forced him to play through a debilitating ankle injury in a bid to save the Eels' National Rugby League (NRL)

season.

In a bitter aftermath to Anderson's sacking from the club following an extraordinary board meeting on Monday of last week, Tahu said Anderson ignored the wishes of Eels medical staff in forcing the NSW Origin star to battle through the complaint which first surfaced in May.

The Eels struggled to live up to expectations throughout a poor 2010 campaign – pre-season premiership favouritism finishing in a disappointing 12th-placed finish.

"I've had it since Country (the City-Country) clash and I've just been restricted, since Country it's just been torture with this ankle and it still hasn't recovered," Tahu said.

"I could have done things better during the season to get back to 100 per cent, but we were struggling during the year and Ando wanted players on the field training so it just got worse as we kept on going."

Better managed

Asked if the injury – which threatens his availability for Australia's Four-Nations campaign – could have been better managed, Tahu said:

"Yeah, it could have been, but when the coach overrules the physios and the medical staff, it's an uphill battle.

"We just had to listen to what the coach wanted, we were under pressure during the year."

Not surprisingly Tahu backed the board's decision to release Anderson from the final year of his contract, with Melbourne assistant Stephen Kearney the hot tip to get the job ahead of former Cronulla coach Ricky Stuart.

"I support the club and the board 100 per cent," Tahu said.

"Every club wants to be successful and Parramatta needs to think about the future of where Parramatta wants to go and whatever decision they make, I support them.

"It's a tough business being in the NRL as a player, I've been in that situation where you're not

TIMANA TAHU



wanted... it should go for coaches as well, if you don't perform, then you know you're under pressure the same as the players."

Adding to the drama of Tahu's injury predicament is the fact he is off contract at the end of the year after it was revealed his agreement to return to the club following two years in rugby union was only for one season – with a verbal agreement for two more years.

While he has received assurances from chief executive Paul Osborne that his future is secure, Tahu admitted to having some sleepless nights worrying about his plight.

"It is a bit stressful, I've got three kids, I need to put food on the table for my family and I don't know what my future is," Tahu said.

"I was supposed to re-sign in round ten and I'm still to sign a contract.

"Ozzie's saying everything's fine... (he's) told me Steve Kearney if he does get the job wants me there, which is a positive thing, I'd like to be coached underneath him.

"Every club has spent all their money, I'm hoping that when I walk in soon that there's a contract sitting on the table waiting to get signed because if not, I don't know where I'm going to go, I haven't talked to no-one.

"Clubs don't want injured players and especially at my age, coming to the back end of my career, they don't want old, injured players."

Despite being limited to the weights room last Wednesday, Tahu said he was still hopeful of making the final cut-off when the Australian squad was to be announced yesterday (Tuesday). – AAP



Cameron Ilett with his 2010 NT Thunder Club Champion award. Picture: EPIC Moments

Ilett collects second award



CAMERON Ilett has won his second Northern Territory Thunder Australian football club champion award.

Ilett picked up 211 votes during an outstanding 2010 in the Australian Football League Queensland (AFLQ) season.

He was a clear winner over second-placed Brett Goodes, with 179 votes, followed by Kenrick Tyrrell (108), Jake Dignan (92), Darren Ewing (91), Cameron Roberts (81), Zephi Skinner (79), Jarred Ilett (77), Matthew Rosier (56) and Shannon Rusca (54).

The Thunder's awards night was held on Wednesday 29 September.

Club champion votes were awarded each game on a 5-4-3-2-1 basis by each member of the NTFC match Committee.

The maximum votes that could be awarded to a player for any given game was 25 votes.

Other awards: Southern Cross Television most improved – Dean Staunton.

Cazalys Palmerston Club leading goal kicker – Darren Ewing.

Fosters Brewing coach's award – Bradley Palipuaminni.

Doug Yuen Elders most courageous – Matthew Rosier.

Northern Territory Government most professional – Jarred Ilett.

ERA best young talent – Zephaniah Skinner.

Inpex best under 23 award – Darren Ewing.

St John's Ambulance club person of the year – Di and Jeff Borella.

Total Steel players' player of the year – Cameron Ilett.

For the players' player award, votes were allocated after each round, the 22 players involved in the game voted their best players on a 3-2-1 basis. The maximum votes for any one player for a game was 66.

Junior NT Thunder awards: U15 Long Medal – Jarrod Stokes.

U16 McAdam Medal – Jed Anderson.

U18 McLean Medal – Steven May.

NT News Leadership Award – Steven May.

Johnston Family Rising Star – Shaun Edwards.

McCasker Medal – Shannon Rioli.

A brief look at sport

Taree touch

A TOUCH football carnival in memory of three-times Australian representative Anthony 'Anno' Avery will be held at Taree on 30-31 October.

A feature will be the launching of a book about 'Anno' Avery Jnr, written by his mother, Mirinda Avery.

The carnival will carry prizemoney totalling \$12,500, with \$7000 going to the winner, \$3000 to the runners-up, \$1500 to the team finishing third and \$100 to the fourth-placed team.

It will cost \$1500 to enter a team.

Officials will accept 20 teams in a mixed open division.

The carnival will be held at the Taree Recreation Ground.

Details: Anthony or Nicky Dates 0415 537 320 or 0421 731 661 or email mindyanno@bigpond.com.

3on3 basketball

A 3ON3 basketball challenge for children will be held in the western Sydney suburb of Shalvey on 9 October.

It will be held at the Police and Community Youth Clubs (PCYC) facility at 453a Luxford Road, Shalvey, from

9am to 5pm.

Sign-in and registration is between 8am and 8.45am.

Teams will be allowed up to six players and there will be competition in under 16 and under 18 boys and girls.

The top teams will get the chance to go to the fifth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) national basketball championships in Melbourne from 15-18 November.

The Shalvey event will carry \$500 prizemoney in each division.

Angela Stanley is the organiser of the Shalvey event.3on3 tournament. She can be contacted on astanley@pcycnsw.org.au

Malthouse praises his troops



VICTORIOUS Collingwood coach Mick Malthouse has paid tribute to the 'extraordinary chemistry' which helped inspire his side to last Saturday's Australian Football League (AFL) grand final

re-match win.

"I feel so comfortable with this group," Malthouse told supporters at the club's celebration dinner.

"I just feel they are a group of extraordinary men, led by an extraordinary captain and leadership group.

"When you're a teacher and you have pupils, chemistry mixes better with some than others.

"One of the great things about coaching is the ability to be able to harness them with their strengths, their energies and channel their energies towards one single goal and come out with what we've achieved today.

"I cannot express my greatest admiration for what they go through, what they put up with and how they've handled it.

"I may be a bit delirious when I say I love them, but I do – I just love them to death."

Malthouse also said he was inspired by the dedication of Collingwood fans.

"There is just something about the Collingwood people, the Collingwood army... we know that it is either us or the rest.

"Perhaps it is the dead-set passion of the Collingwood supporter that sees nothing else but black and white

Driving force

"That in itself is a driving force, just to see the army achieve something and to be able to gloat for 12 months."

Malthouse said it had been 'a damn hard seven years' since the side lost to Brisbane in their last grand final.

But the win gave the club and its people a chance to reflect on what it had been able to achieve.

"Anyone who can achieve a premiership at this level it is for the better," he said.

MEANWHILE, St Kilda coach Ross Lyon called it a new, improved version of St Kilda's game plan, but Mick Malthouse revealed Collingwood's AFL premiership blueprint had a much older inspiration.

The war history buff said the method that allowed the Magpies to dominate this season, then cap that success with a flag, was based on the military system that sustained the Roman Empire.

Known as 'the box', Malthouse said his side's full-field team press, which has

proved potent at dismantling opposition rebound from defence, leading to turnovers and quick Collingwood goals, was his version of the Roman Legion.

Like disciplined Roman soldiers, Malthouse said the Magpies had attempted to create unrelenting waves of attack on opposition ball-carriers.

"The Roman Legion, which was in a box formation, (was) very hard to penetrate and there's always someone to step up," Malthouse said.

"So that box can get smaller and smaller, but you've still got heavy fighting capabilities all the way through it, which we pushed in front of our opponents all the time for the last two years and it's come about."

Malthouse, who said he also borrowed from German World War II military leader Erwin Rommel's 'front-on assault' methods, said other clubs would clearly try to imitate the Magpies, but he warned that Collingwood had a head start of several years.

"I can get away with saying it now, because it's going to take two or three seasons of development, you don't mysteriously wake up one morning and say I'm going to play like Collingwood did," he said.

"It takes a couple of years of development, understanding it and performing it and then you pick the players around it... if they're not the right players it won't survive that contact.

"That's what we hard-pressed today (against the Saints), that the more we can hit them front-on and turn that ball over and keep that pressure on them in a forward motion (the better).

"It's very, very, difficult to break and it's very difficult to perform your skills under that pressure.

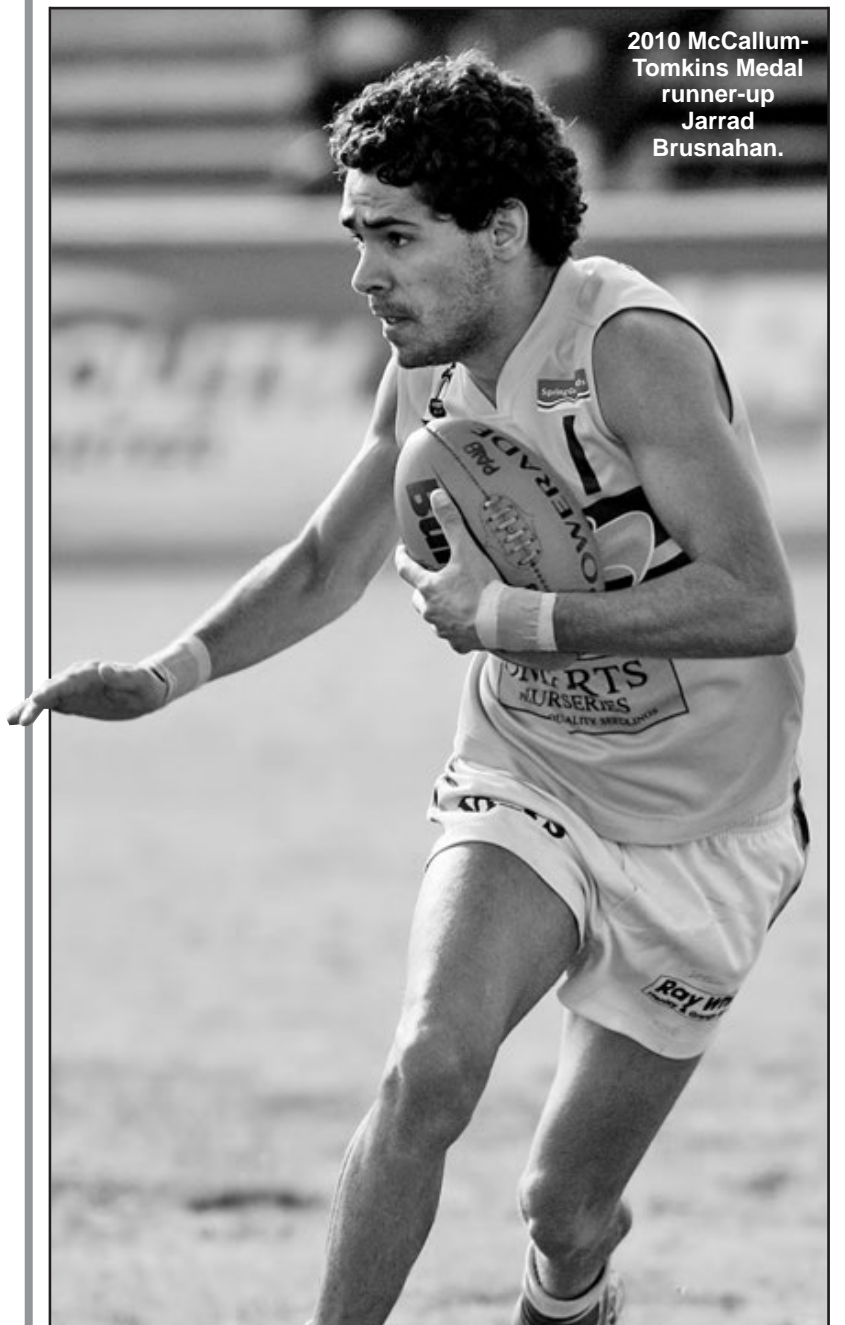
"It's very difficult therefore to score, because each player knew his role.

"You don't wake up tomorrow morning and tell your players that's how you've got to perform, it will take a long time (for rivals) to put that in."

Lyon said Collingwood had built 'Mark Two' of the team defence that almost delivered St Kilda last year's premiership and 'all clubs will be trying to find Mark Three'. – AAP



With the AFL premiership trophy safely in their keeping, the Collingwood team shares a quiet moment on the pitch after winning the 2010 grand final re-match against St Kilda. – AAP image



2010 McCallum-Tomkins Medal runner-up Jarrad Brusnahan.

Brusnahan runner-up in under 18 medal

By PETER ARGENT



WOODVILLE-West Torrens under 18 captain Jarrad Brusnahan culminated his junior football career with a second placed finish

in the South Australian National Football League's (SANFL's) highest individual honour – the McCallum-Tomkins Medal.

With 19 votes, he was runner-up seven to Sturt captain Christian Calabrese, but what is striking about the 180cm leanly-built footballer is his natural leadership qualities.

"Jarrad is a good lad and an exceptional leader," his coach for the past three years at the Eagles, Terry Hutton said.

"He speaks very well and has a strong rapport with his teammates.

"He sets a good example and is a hard worker.

"Playing mainly off a wing our across half back, he's produced a consistent season.

"Among his strengths are his courage and elite work rate.

"For Jarrad to move into senior football, he'll need to work diligently on his disposal skills, especially his kicking.

"He is a player who has the utmost respect of his coach."

The Eagles progressed through to the penultimate game of the year from the elimination final, but

fell 14 points short of a grand final berth in the SANFL under 18 Macca's Cup competition.

Brusnahan, played 22 games at under 18 level, including three finals and was also promoted to the reserves for a single match.

"Being runner-up for the medal was big for me," Brusnahan said.

"It is interesting as I thought I had a better season last year and played a few more reserves games, but saying that, I was consistent over the course of the winter.

"From here I'll look to have a good pre-season and hopefully start in the Eagles Twos at the beginning of next year.

"My ambition is to play League football with the Eagles in 2011."

The hard working footballer started with Woodville South and had two years at Seaton Ramblers before coming out to Oval Avenue in 2008, starting in the under 17 competition.

This was Brusnahan's second year in a leadership role, as he was a co-captain of the under 18 side last year.

He spent the first half of the 2010 season playing on a wing, and was then sent to the half back line to learn another role.

He now aspires to play like Collingwood captain Nick Maxwell and takes note of the way Ben Cousins works on the field, modelling his work-rate and hard running on the former West Coast and Richmond star.

Presto at crossroads

Preston Campbell arriving by helicopter at his home town of Tingha during one of his many visits.



GOLD Coast livewire Preston Campbell will decide in the next week whether to put his battle-weary body through one last NRL season or follow Mat

Rogers into retirement.

Shattered by Gold Coast's 32-6 preliminary final thumping by the Roosters on 24 September, Campbell frankly admitted it was probably time to hang up the boots, but didn't want to leave the club in the lurch.

The popular 33-year-old fullback said fellow veteran Rogers' departure would be a factor in his decision-making.

"Yes, that's something I have to think about," Campbell conceded.

The 2003 Penrith premiership star revealed before the Suncorp Stadium play-off he would retire if the Coast went all the way, but now the decision for a 14th NRL season in 2011 appears touch and go.

"I don't know," he said. "It's one of those things, I don't really feel that satisfied, but my body's telling me it's probably time to pull up."

"It's something I'd like to involve the

whole family in. We'll sit down and talk about it in the next week or two and come up with a decision.

"I think it's only fair to let Carty (coach John Cartwright) know as soon as possible.

"(The senior players) assured me they would love to have me around as well, and that's a good feeling.

"But I have to think about my body. I'd like to be able to run around with my young bloke when he gets a bit older."

The Titans, with an average age of 28, still boast plenty of experience, but Campbell and Rogers have been key contributors in their most successful season.

Rogers, 34, thanked all his apologetic team-mates after the five-tries-to-one defeat which left him stranded on 199 NRL games.

The dual international, who had a quiet night after battling a lingering hip injury, was as surprised as anybody by the Titans' failure after they were shut out by a dominant Roosters.

"I'm shocked," said Rogers. "I truly believed that we were going to win." — AAP

Rules a blight on junior footy: Roos



SYDNEY coach Paul Roos says the Australian Football League's (AFL's) insistence on constant rule

changes has filtered down to cause untold confusion in junior football.

A long-time critic of the myriad of tweaks made to the game over the past decade, Roos said the confusion felt by players, coaches and supporters was widely known.

But he now believed problems were seeping into junior football and threatening the enjoyment — not to mention natural development — of future generations.

Following his exit from senior coaching at the Swans, Roos will helm the club's academy, making the junior game his priority.

"My frustration goes down to junior footy now," Roos said.

"I see hands in the back (rule) in under 12s, 13s, 14s and you see parents on the sidelines... the kids look around confused.

"They're just clumsy, they happen to put a hand in the back, they don't even know how to go for a mark, and the umpire's paid a hands in the back free kick.

"Kids don't even know what the free kick's for, so it's actually going down to junior footy levels, which is even more frustrating for parents, kids and umpires as well."

As he approached the end of a widely-lauded stint as coach of the Swans, Roos described constant rule changes as his 'one area of frustration' with the game.

He also argued that the AFL's laws of the game committee may have felt pressure to pass changes in order 'to be seen to

be doing something' with their influential position.

"My view on the rules committee is probably very different to what the AFL views it as, I think it'd be nice to put the cue in the rack for the rules committee for a while and have a bit of a spell," Roos said.

"Sometimes, when you're there to do a job, you feel like you have to do a job to be seen to be doing something."

The latest round of adjustments to football surround the regulation of the interchange, and Roos' concerns have been reflected in other clubs noting that they would change the types of players to be recruited.

Roos also spared a thought for the umpires, saying they were caught up as much in the confusion as everyone else.

"Every year there just seems to be changes," he said.

"The game's changing, the players are confused at the rules, holding the ball, dropping the ball, prior opportunity, the hands in the back, chopping the arms.

"I think you've got a playing group who are very confused, commentators who are consistently confused, you've got fans who are confused.

"I think if you're looking at a barometer for rules, the fact that everyone's confused can't be a good reflection on where the game's ended up.

"It is a very confusing game to watch, and I can only imagine how difficult it is to umpire, and I've said that for the past five years, it has got to be the hardest game to umpire.

"If you umpired to the letter of the law, there'd be 100 free kicks a game, the way they've changed the rules." — AAP

Williams fires for Calder Cannons

By PETER ARGENT



JASON Williams, beating the dreaded injury osteitis pubis, forced his way back into the Calder Cannons side and was a important component in the club's 2010 TAC

Australian football under 18 premiership.

In the Sunday 19 September grand final at Etihad Stadium, Williams was an integral part of the Cannons side, which comprehensively beat the Gippsland Power by 58 points.

"He had a ripping finals series," Williams' coach at the Cannons, Marty Allison, said.

"And Jason still has another season of under 18s and will be back with us next year.

"While he produced a number of strong performances, Jason has a lot of improvement left.

"He is courageous and has developed a fearless attack on the ball.

"Jason is a strong mark and his decision-making is great, but he does need to work on his disposal.

"It is fair to say there is a tremendous upside to Jason Williams the footballer."

Along with working through injury concerns, Williams played nine TAC Cup games, including each of the four Cannons' finals.

Williams' best performance was in the elimination final victory over the Eastern Rangers and he was also listed among the best players in the preliminary final win over Dandenong.

He also played four games, both at junior and senior level for his foundation club, Rupertswood.

At 190cm and just 76 kg, and having just turned 17, Williams played all his finals on a wing.

"The TAC Cup final was the biggest game of my life," Williams said.

"Naturally, the dream is to get drafted next year.

"First I want to develop into one of the leaders at the Cannons next year and push for selection in the Vic Metro under 18s."

Originally from Narrogin, in the southern region of Western Australia, Williams is the oldest of five siblings. He has three brothers Dequan, Travis and



TAC premiership player Jason Williams.

Raiden, and baby sister Bella, and is now based in Sunbury, Melbourne.

His childhood hero was West Coast Eagles great Chris Lewis and there are strong AFL football genes in the extended family.

His first cousin is former Hawthorn premiership player and now Essendon footballer Mark Williams.

Currently in Year 11 at Essendon-Keilor College, Williams represented Victorian Metro at State under 16 level in 2009.

The 2010 title was the Cannons' sixth win since this competition was introduced in 1995 and is a back-to-back title defence, after beating the Stingrays last year.

Anthony Long — now on the Essendon list — was a member of that title-winning combination.

Kowanyama's long, long haul

By ALF WILSON



THE much-travelled Kowanyama Wallabies finished at the top of the Cape

Cluster rugby league competition despite having no home games, and players having to drive 12 hours over rough roads for some games.

A big crowd turned up at the Coen football oval on 18 September to see the final round four fixtures in which previously undefeated teams Kowanyama and Napranum Brothers met to decide the minor premiership.

Competition organiser – QRL Development Officer David Westley said it was a close game with quality football.

"Kowanyama won 22-20 and it could have gone either way," Westley said.

In other games, Weipa Raiders beat Mapoon Magpies 20-16, Lockhart River Scorpions rolled Coen 26-6, Weipa Raiders outlasted Aurukun Kanga Kang's 30-22, Kowanyama beat Mapoon Magpies 18-10, Napranum Brothers beat Lockhart East Coast Balas 32-26, Aurukun Kanga Kang's rolled Coen 26-18, while Pormpuraaw forfeited its matches.

Napranum finished second on the ladder, with Weipa



The well-travelled Kowanyama Wallabies.

Raiders third and Lockhart River Scorpions fourth.

Kowanyama coach Dave Kennedy told *The Koori Mail* it had been a big effort to remain undefeated, especially considering the players had to travel marathon distances over roads only accessible to 4WD vehicles.

"We had to drive for eight hours to get to Coen and it was a 12-hour trip to Weipa for an earlier game. Hopefully next year, we will have our own ground ready for home matches," Kennedy said.

Kennedy said support for the team at the Kowanyama community had been excellent. "We had 100 supporters'

t-shirts and they were snapped up quickly. The people here are great and we will have lots more people at home games," he said.

In the win over Napranum Brothers to snare the minor premiership, Kennedy rated halfback Claudie Evans, centre Fitzroy Kennedy, second rower John Kennedy, prop Maurice Burke and five-eighth Stanley David as standouts.

"They played pretty well and so too did Napranum. But we are very happy to be the only undefeated team after the four rounds," he said.

A diehard group of about 30 supporters travelled with the Kowanyama team in their

games, where the players faced parochial home crowds.

A standout player for Napranum Brothers was captain-coach Jason Nixon, who represented Cape Torres in the Foley Shield in 2009.

Weipa Raiders had 2010 Cape Torres Foley Shield stars Reece McLaughlin and Teleke Kofe in their round four side, as well as experienced All Blacks carnival campaigner Keiji Bowie.

Kofe also represented Cape Torres with distinction in the 2009 Foley Shield when the side beat Cairns, Mount Isa-Mid West and Townsville as they charged to the grand final before losing to the high rolling Innisfail-Eacham.

Keiji Bowie was captain of the Argon Warriors team, which won the 2009 Cairns All Blacks grand final.

The other standouts for Weipa Raiders in round four were five-eighth Maratha Ropeyarn and forward Fred Clermont.

Raiders captain-coach Karl Adams said his side's campaign had been affected by players being absent due to shift work.

Finals day will be held at Weipa during October when Kowanyama will meet Lockhart River, while Napranum Brothers will take on Weipa Raiders in knockout matches.

The two winning teams will meet in the grand final.



ADAM GOODES

Goodes picks up another trophy



SYDNEY'S Adam Goodes has been crowned the *Marngrook Footy Show's* 'Champion Moves' Deadly Player

of the Year.

NITV CEO Pat Turner presented the award during the final *Marngrook Footy Show* of the year.

The 'Champion Moves' Deadly Player of the Year is decided by *Marngrook* panellists Grant Hansen, Gilbert McAdam and Ronnie Burns giving their three, two, one votes for the best Indigenous players in each AFL round.

The evergreen Sydney Swan utility beat Lance Buddy Franklin and other strong contenders such as Fremantle's Stephen Hill, North Melbourne's Daniel Wells and Carlton's Andrew Walker to take out the award.

Goodes completed a stunning back-to-back performance as he also took out the Deadly Player of the Year award in 2009. This adds to a trophy cabinet that also includes two Brownlow medals and an AFL premiership medallion.

At the start of AFL season 2010, Goodes' form was up and down in the Swans' new-look forward line.

However, later in the season, Swans coach Paul Roos moved Goodes back to the midfield, a move which reaped instantaneous rewards, and playing more of his trademark high-possession, in-and-under midfielder-type games and the Swans started winning again, getting them all the way to a semi-final.

Two penalties in entire match

By ALF WILSON



ONLY two penalties in a full game of rugby league is about as rare as an appearance of Halley's Comet.

It is especially rare in a game in the Torres Strait, Cape York and Northern Peninsula Area (NPA), where players put on some big hits and tempers can become explosive.

It is even more unusual in a grand final, but it happened at Bamaga, in the Northern Peninsula Area decider on 17 September, when Alau Eagles beat arch rivals Bamaga Roos United 26-14.

Match referee Rod McCrae is one of Australia's longest serving rugby league referees and in 40 years of controlling matches, has never awarded fewer penalties than the two in that memorable game.

One of the most respected referees around, the 63-year-old McCrae spoke to *The Koori Mail* about the game.

"The two penalties were early in the game and one went to each side and it is very, very rare for so few penalties. In my long time as a referee, I have never awarded so few," he said.

For Alau Eagles, tries went to Jim Baira, (2), George Mairu (2) and Tino Mooka. The conversions were kicked by Cameron



● ABOVE: Northern Peninsula Areas (NPA) premiership side Alau Eagles.

● RIGHT: Match referee Rod McCrae.



Wilson, George Mairu and Charlie Young.

For the Bamaga Roos United, tries were scored by Aaron Bani, Aaron Gibuma and Imran Aniba and the single conversion was kicked by Stanley Dai.

Man of the match was awarded to Marco Wilson, of the Alau Eagles.

McCrae handles games in the Cairns

District Rugby League competition, and many other places.

He works for the Cairns Regional Council as a road ganger and is a regular referee at the Island of Origin Series on Badu Island, the Torres Cup on Thursday Island, the Dan Ropeyarn carnival at Bamaga, KRL matches, and the Cape Cluster competition.



SHANE PARKER



DAMIEN HOOPER
Picture: Australian Institute of Sport



CAMERON HAMMOND
Picture: Australian Institute of Sport



PATRICK JOHNSON



JACOB GROTH



BENN HARRADINE



JOEL CARROLL



DES ABBOTT

In the medal mix



INDIGENOUS Australian athletes competing in the Commonwealth Games in New Delhi are expected to be well in the mix for medals.

Middleweight boxer **Damien Hooper** is Australia's brightest hope for a gold medal in the ring.

Cousins **Des Abbott** and **Joel Carroll** are members of the Australian men's hockey team, which is the firm favourite to win gold.

Discus thrower **Benn Harradine** is a strong contender, having just beaten his own Australian record and competing strongly against the world's best in recent overseas events.

Another Indigenous boxer – NSW welterweight **Cameron Hammond** – also is a medal candidate and keen judges say he could come home with a gold medal.

Other Indigenous sportsmen competing in New Delhi are sprinters **Jacob Groth** and evergreen **Patrick Johnson**, and greco-roman wrestler **Shane Parker**.

PARKER comes from the outer Sydney suburb of Mt Druitt – also home to match-winning Wallabies fullback Kurtley Beale.

Parker, who played schoolboy rugby league with Beale, is making history in Delhi by being the first Aboriginal wrestler to compete at the Commonwealth Games.

"It's a big honour to myself and my people," Parker said.

The diminutive wrestler has been selected to make his Games debut in the 55kg class.

At 22, he's the fourth youngest in Australia's 20-strong team, which, for the first time, includes six women to compete in freestyle wrestling.

Unlike most other sports, Australia's wrestlers have modest expectations with hosts India likely to dominate the medals.

Five Australians competed at the world championships in Moscow this month, but none were able to come through with a win.

Parker impressed in his match against a more-fancied Kazakstan rival and said the experience would serve him well in Delhi.

"I'll take a lot from it with tactics and the experience," he says.

Parker started in the sport at ten when he was introduced to the Aboriginal wrestling

style of coreeda.

He converted to freestyle wrestling at 14 and then later moved into greco-roman style, which has seven weight divisions in Delhi.

Westling was to begin yesterday at the Indira Gandhi Sports Complex and will continue until 10 October.

INDIGENOUS teenager Damien Hooper is a 'standout' in an extremely young Australian boxing team slugging it out in Delhi.

The ten-strong team, including five teenagers, is one the youngest ever assembled for a major Games.

However Australian Institute of Sport assistant boxing coach Don Abnett is confident the team, with an average age of 21, can cause a stir in the Indian capital.

Abnett pinpoints Queensland fighter Hooper as the most talented.

He believes the 18-year-old middleweight from Dalby, 200km west of Brisbane, is good enough to follow in the footsteps of Jarrad Fletcher in 2006, and win gold in this division in Delhi.

He's also confident Hooper has the ability to become the first Australian since Seoul 1988 silver medallist Graham Chesney to claim an Olympic medal at the 2012 London Games.

"Damien is a very good chance of a medal – probably our best chance, despite his age," Abnett said.

"At the world youth championships earlier this year, he was beaten by an Irishman called Joe Ward in the final.

"He then got to the final at the Youth Olympics and he drew Ward again, and this time he beat him and won the gold."

Although Abnett is confident Hooper has the talent to succeed, he is concerned inexperience could work against him, with home favourite and Beijing Olympic bronze medallist Vijender Singh, 24, the red-hot favourite.

"It is going to be a tough division for him with the Indian boy, who is ranked the No 1 senior middleweight in the world, in there," he said.

"But anything is possible with Damien; he is very talented, and like a lot of Indigenous fighters, has an awkward but unique style and he hits his opponents with some interesting combinations.

"A lot of the drills he does he's worked on himself, they have not come from me; he is a real talent.

"I have been a coach since 1981 and there is probably only ten really outstanding boys that I have seen in that time and Damien is one of them.

"He is a standout and with the right attitude and continued commitment he will be a medal chance at the next Olympics."

ABNETT is also confident the team's 21-year-old Cameron Hammond, from Moree, NSW, can clinch a medal in the 64-69kg welterweight division.

Hammond lost his place at the AIS due to disciplinary reasons last year, before returning, but his coach believes that setback has helped turn him into a better fighter.

"When I started this program in 2007, he was the first fighter I had," Abnett said.

"The first year as a junior he won the national championship and never had a point scored against him.

"He is quick, has a very good eye and is talented. He had a few discipline issues after 18 months here and lost his scholarship, but he has fought his way back brilliantly and showed he really wants to make an impact.

"He had the talent and now he has the hunger and he is definitely a good shout for a medal."

The boxing was to begin yesterday.

VICTORIAN Benn Harradine says his dream always was to be an Olympian.

"Thanks to my mum, dad and brother, and of course my sponsors, I was able to head in that direction. August 2008 – I made it a reality," he said.

Harradine represented Australia in the discus at the 2008 Beijing Olympics and now he is using the Delhi Commonwealth Games as a stepping stone towards the 2012 London Olympics.

"Along the journey I have earned Australian titleholder, Australian record holder, Oceania record holder, Commonwealth finalist, Olympian, and I represented Australia at the Berlin World Championship this year," he said on his web site.

"But who is the real Benn Harradine?"

Sometimes I don't even know the answer to that question.

"I know that my first short-term goal is to win the Commonwealth Games in Delhi 2010.

"I love to travel, listen to music, play guitar and sing badly. I love people. The part I enjoy about travelling throughout the world with sport is experiencing new environments and seeing the world first hand. I love open air and wide open spaces, but I also enjoy the dull hum of a city at full speed. It's all in the company you keep.

"Various things inspire me. People like Vincent Lingiari make me feel like nothing is ever really a big deal. Such is the journey of living and learning.

"I respect my heritage and am proud of who I represent. I can't say I want to sky dive, but I can say that I want what every athlete strives for."

HOCKEY was one of three team sports to be introduced to the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur 1998 and is being held in Delhi at the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium.

It began on Monday and is due to end on 14 October.

Des Abbott is a key member of the Australian men's team.

The quietly-spoken 25-year-old star striker played in the 2008 Olympics squad and has blossomed into a world class striker with 49 goals in just 79 games.

He played a key role in the World Cup and Champions Trophy victories this year.

Joel Carroll, who is a year younger than his cousin, plays in defence and is looking to consolidate his place in the Australian team.

SPRINTERS Patrick Johnson and Jacob Groth will not compete in individual events – they are members of Australia's 4x100m men's relay team.

At 37, Johnson is the athletics team's elder statesman. Groth is 24.

Like many relay team, the Australians are a chance. There are so many things that can go wrong in a relay. Even the best teams can come unstuck with poor baton changes.

The athletics program will begin today at J N Stadium and will continue until 12 October. – GRAHAM HUNT AND AAP

Mixing sport and education for better outcomes



A NEW working group will explore how sport can be used to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students get more out of school.

Australian Capital Territory Education and Training Minister Andrew Barr has asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group and the Sport and Recreation Minister's Advisory Council to hold a forum to come

up with ideas on how to better engage students at school through sport.

"As Australia's only Minister for Education and Sport, I have a good understanding of how important sport is to helping kids do better at school," Mr Barr said.

"Research shows that children exposed to physical activity at primary school age are more inclined to develop the skills and habits that will make them active and healthy adults.

And physical activity also has a positive impact on how students learn.

"Additionally, there are a number of programs running in other parts of Australia that encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to play sport through their school as a way of helping to keep them engaged with their school.

"I have asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group and the Sport and

Recreation Minister's Advisory Council to hold a forum with local and national sporting and educational representatives to develop sporting programs we can deliver in ACT schools."

Mr Barr said he had also asked the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group to seek the input of the Catholic Education Office (CEO) and the Association of Independent Schools (AIS).

"The old public-private divide

is over," Mr Barr said. "It's important that everyone involved in education shares ideas and works together for the benefit of all students.

"The ACT has a proud tradition of the government and non-government schools sectors working together to keep students safe at school and develop policies to help students with disabilities to succeed. I'm confident we can work together to use sport to get better outcomes for all ACT students."

Like a good boomerang, they've returned!

Moree is back in Group 19



The Moree Boomerangs A grade side which was eliminated after reaching the semi-finals. They lost 36-34 to Glen Innes and played parts of the game with just ten men on the field. Absent from this picture is Chris Swan.



The Moree Boomerangs under 18 side. Absent is Robert Kennedy. The Boomerangs were beaten 24-14 by Armidale in the grand final.



The Boomerangs reserve grade team that was just beaten 28-26 by Tingha in the grand final.



AFTER 12 or so years in the wilderness, the Moree Boomerangs have made a rousing return after being reinstated into Group 19 rugby league.

The Boomerangs fielded four teams in this year's Group 19 (north-western NSW) competition – A grade, Presidents Cup (reserve grade), under 18s and for the first time, a female Oztags team was formed.

The teams finished the season strongly, with a number of players representing Group 19 and winning the Country Cup Carnival at Inverell, playing against other groups in the northern area.

The Oztags side missed out on the finals, but showed a lot of promise.

A Boomerangs spokesman said they had a lot to learn about Oztags – 'we are still in the touch football mould, but we're slowly learning and will be a force to be reckoned with next year'.

The Boomerangs' under 18 side reached the Group 19 grand final and came up against a very good Armidale side.

Armidale won 24-14.

"The Armidale under 18s only lost once this year and our young men showed that we could put it to them for 65 minutes," a Boomerangs spokesman said.

"We have a lot of young players that could make it to the NRL, with the likes of Brandon Johnston, Reggie Wright, Robert Doolan, Stewart Smith, and Brian and Kyle Saunders."

"The conditions didn't help at Guyra on grand final day, with it raining and the temperature being 8 degrees.

"But to finish second in our first year back was a great effort by the players and the coaching staff of Brian Saunders Jnr and Stan Smith."

The 'Rangs' Presidents Cup side had a similar fate, losing in

the grand final 28-26 to the Tingha Tigers in a heart-breaking last-minute try after leading most of the game.

The 'Rangs had a strong lead at half-time, but to Tingha's credit, they never gave up.

Alan McKenzie had a short stint in the sin bin, which gave the Tigers a sniff and that's all they needed to get back in the game.

Captain-coaches Warren Sampson and Wayne Craigie led the way with inspirational defence and attacking runs. They were well supported by Brent Sampson, Paul Roberts, Aaron Gordon, Anthony Robinson and excitement machine Ritchie Smith, who scored a great grand final try.

Took it hard

The boys took the loss hard, but have vowed to be better prepared next season.

The 'Rangs were the President's Cup minor premiers in their first year back and showed class throughout the year with mesmerising tries and solid defence.

Jeremy Sampson had an outstanding year, winning the most tries scored, and a number of other players were nominated for best and fairest awards.

The A grade side had the crowds coming back throughout the season. Captain-coaches Jeremy Smith and Chris Swan had a well-drilled side, with five players – Kialu Brown, Lloyd Munro Jnr, Warren Cain, and Jeremy Smith and Chris Swan – making the Group 19 representative side.

Lloyd Munro Jnr had a great season, taking out the most tries for A grade.

Freakish halfback Kialu Brown narrowly missed the Group 19 best and fairest award.

The Boomerangs A grade side was unlucky when beaten 36-34 by Glen Innes in the major semi-final.

The Boomerangs were slow

out of the gates and Glen Innes led 18-0 in the first 20 minutes and 30-10 at half-time.

The 'Rangs then rallied into action scoring brilliant tries, but poor discipline cost them, with Ian Swan and Will Fernando sent off for a high tackle and head butt respectively, and Chris Swan and Kialu Brown sin-binned for ten minutes for professional fouls.

The 'Rangs had just ten men on the field on two occasions, but still managed to level the scores with five minutes to go.

Fatigue set in and the Glen Innes Magpies wore down the tiring Boomerangs and scored with less than a minute remaining.

"It was heart-breaking, but the boys dug deep and didn't give up, even with ten players on the field," a spokesman said.

A number of standouts for the year included Warren Cain, former Manly NRL star Alf Duncan, Jeremy Smith, Chris Swan, Lloyd Munro, Timothy Smith, Victor Johnson and sensational halfback Kialu Brown.



The Moree Boomerangs women's Oztags team. Absent are Aimee Connors and Ellyce Healey.

Women continue on winning way

By ALF WILSON
Pictures by CHRISTINE HOWES



THE all-conquering Ivanhoes women's team continued on their winning way, taking out the Cairns and District Rugby League ladies competition, defeating Mareeba 42-6 in the grand final at Barlow Park on 19 September.

Ivanhoes had previously won the women's carnival at the North Queensland Games four months ago and also the final of the 2009 Cairns All Blacks carnival.

For Ivanhoes, Heather Ballinger and Anita Keerington each scored two tries, with singles to Ruby Leete, Madeline Oberleuter, Ashley Oberleuter and Ashleigh Singleton. Danni Sammut kicked four goals and Heather Ballinger one goal.

Mareeba's sole try scorer was Ranae Brim and Kendalin Hunter kicked a goal.

Lining up for Ivanhoes was Sarah Addo and her sister Irene Addo, and Tanya Davis and her daughter Regan.

"I think this is the first time a mother and daughter have competed in a winning ladies' grand final team. There also were the Singleton girls – Ashleigh who played for Ivanhoes, and Raylee and Vanessa, who played for Mareeba.

"We are all of the Kungandiyi nation which are traditional owners of Cairns and Yarrabah," Sarah Addo said.

Many of the players in the women's and four male finals were of Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander descent.

Ivanhoes had four women of TSI descent – centre Mona Fuid, Piggy Hodges, and Sarah and Irene Addo.

Youngster Mona Fuid has speed, strength, and agility.

Mona is of Yorke Island (Masig) descent, forward Piggy Hodges is also of TSI descent with family living on Thursday Island and is an original Ivanhoes player.

Sarah and Irene Addo are of TSI descent on one side and are grand-daughters of Powanga Buzz Savage – a Badu Islander.

Elma Dotoi is of TSI descent, with her with her father coming from Masig. Her mother Lyn Rosendale is from Hopevale.

IN the C grade grand final, Brothers defeated Malanda 28-4 and Sarah Addo's son Lee lined up for the winners.

For Brothers, Shaun Waianga and Jimmy Lui each scored two tries, with one to Lee Addo, while Joe Gibuma kicked two goals and Joey Temu one.

● LEFT:
The Innisfail under 18 team after winning the grand final. They beat Kangaroos 32-18

● RIGHT:
The Yarrabah reserve grade team before the grand final.



Yarrabah players get emotional in the reserve grade grand final against Tully.



A Yarrabah player runs the ball against Tully in the reserve grade grand final. Tully won 30-4.



The Malanda try scorer was Clint Cifuentes. "I think it was the first time a mother and son had contested grand finals on the same day," Sarah Addo said.

A GALLANT Yarrabah side was attempting to be the first from the far north Queensland Aboriginal community to take out a Cairns grand final in the reserve grade decider, but lost 30-4 to Tully.

Yarrabah had the greatest number of supporters.

For Tully, Troy Peri, Louis Carlaw, Cameron Vecchio, Anthony Emmi, Robert Ketchell and Jordan Ketchell scored tries. Robert Ketchell kicked two goals and Anthony Emmi one.

Septimus Ambrym scored the try for Yarrabah. Season 2010 was a major triumph for Yarrabah Aboriginal community, with three of their sides making the finals series.

A STRONG Innisfail side took out the under 18 grand final, beating Kangaroos 32-18.

For Innisfail, Leymen Stevens scored two tries, with one to Andrew Roos, Mark Grima, Willie John Leger and Pio Seci. Jonathon Lavell kicked three goals and Joshua Nicolas one.

Kangaroos try scorers were Francis Mosby, Travis Peeters and Jayden Hodges whilst Hayden Brown kicked three goals.

THE Tully Tigers rolled minor premiers Kangaroos 34-8 in the A grade grand final.

Isikeli Sitapi scored three tries for Tully, with singles to Emmanuel Toka, Troy Kapea and Aaron Barnes. Shaun Nona kicked five goals.

For Kangaroos, Quincy To'oto'o-ulugia and Tupalea Rea scored tries.

'CAPTAIN courageous' Roy Baira led Brothers to a 38-22 victory over Herbert River in the Townsville and District Rugby League grand final at the Sports Reserve on 19 September.

Scores had been deadlocked at 22-all when the final siren sounded and Brothers ran away with the match in two ten-minute halves of extra time.

Baira was one of a number of players of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent in the decider.

For Brothers, Ricky Morris scored three tries, with one each to Nathan Keppa, Trevor Bowman, Algon Congoo and Nathan Norford. Matthew Groves kicked five goals.

For Herbert River, Anthony Perkins, Scott Gibson, Dane Vardanega and Andrew Crossman scored four pointers, while Mitchell Seri booted three goals.

The Woorabinda way

THE disappointments of the season and the attentions of the media were put into perspective when I recently had the opportunity to visit Woorabinda.

The trip has a personal interest for me as I am related to many of the Saunders family, who come from the region, and it was special for me to make that connection on my first visit to the community.

Not that I had much of an opportunity to ask about family as I was mobbed by the kids as soon as we arrived.

The enthusiasm of the kids makes these trips worthwhile and, as this was in school holidays, it also provided the opportunity for many of the community to come together for a barbecue lunch and a game of footy that I will describe later.

The facilities available to the community were impressive and I was pleased to hear that the swimming pool will still be open, providing the kids with another sporting outlet.

I was honoured to have lunch with some of the Elders as well as council and community leaders.

It was here that I met Ebenezer Saunders, who was well into his 70s and can remember meeting me when I was a youngster.

I hope I have his memory and energy when I reach that age!

It was great to see not only how the community looked after its Elders, but also how the young kids were being looked after.

We visited a day care facility and I was struck by the level of devotion of the staff to the young kids who attended the centre.

Each age group were involved in activities and the place was covered in their art work and other creations.

They may have wondered who this

RUGBY LEAGUE



**With Guest Columnist
JOHNATHON THURSTON**

strange visitor was, but maybe they will recognise me when they grow up.

From there, it was onto the local radio station for a no-holds barred interview with the local DJ.

I had great fun with the interviewer and it was again impressive to see the community providing another employment opportunity for its youth.

Finally, we headed to the local ground for the highlight of the day.

It was a match between two under ten sides, which provided entertainment, not only for the crowd, but gave me reason to remember why I love the game that also provides my employment.

I had heard about the talent of the kids at Woorabinda from the likes of fellow State of Origin players Matt Scott, PJ Marsh and Dave Taylor, who played some of their junior football in the region.

But nothing could have prepared me for the intensity of the play and the skill level of these young kids.

You could have thought you were at Suncorp Stadium given the size of the hits and the roar of the crowd.

All that was missing were the grandstand, an additional 60,000 people to join the crowd of less than 500, and boots for all the players.

It was barefoot rugby league at its best!

I couldn't get over the toughness of the kids as they bounced back up off the hard ground and continued to play the game at a fierce rate.

Talented girls

Perhaps the most amazing feature was the fact that the girls were as dominant as the boys – if not more dominant!

I came home from Woorabinda telling everybody that I had discovered the next Greg Inglis – a nine-year old girl who had all the skill and was probably even a bit tougher than GI!

Perhaps the most enjoyable aspect of the game was seeing how it brought the whole community together and the entertainment it created.

It is sad to hear that Woorabinda has only recently resumed playing regular competitive football.

Regular competitive sport teaches kids a lot of life lessons, including discipline and team work.

Used properly, sport can also be used as an incentive for attendance at school and can go a long way to giving kids an opportunity to succeed in life.

Not all kids will be involved in football or sport, but as this simple game illustrated, rugby league is a passion that can bring people together.

That's why all the team members of the Indigenous All Stars are happy to promote the 'Learn. Earn. Legend!' message in partnership with the Federal Government.

I doubt whether I would ever have had the opportunities that rugby league has provided me if I had not finished school.

In the coming months I will be starting a leadership and mentoring course that will help me deliver stronger messages when I visit communities and also assist me to prepare for life after footy.

Hopefully, it will also benefit me in my role with the Cowboys as we attempt to turn the club around.

There has been a lot of speculation around whether I will still be captain of the team next year.

I certainly hope to retain that honour but whatever the case, I will still attempt to be a leader.

As I explained to a young kid when I got off the plane at Rockhampton, we all make mistakes.

It is how you respond to those mistakes that matters.

Now that I am out of the Four Nations tournament (see facing page), I will be devoting all my energies to ensuring I am at my peak for next season as well as the All Stars match in February.

The kids at Woorabinda have given me a new reason to train even harder.

You cannot help but be inspired by the raw passion and energy of these kids and all others who play for the pure enjoyment of the game.

I thank them for their welcome and look forward to coming back to Woorabinda some time in the future.



● PICTURES: Johnathon Thurston meeting the locals during a visit to Woorabinda, south-west of Rockhampton.



Crowther a hit in 'Alice'

Robbie Crowther
having fun with some
of his new friends in
Alice Springs.



TOP Indigenous long jumper Robbie Crowther was the star attraction for children at the Yipirinya School, Alice Springs, on 15 September.

Crowther is an Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) scholarship holder and is one of the nation's most exciting young athletics talents.

A spokesman said the school community was inspired by Crowther's story – he was a gifted rugby league player from Bowen, in north Queensland, who chose to pursue athletics to fulfil the dream of representing his country at the Olympic Games.

Crowther was revealed as a rising talent when he won the long jump and triple jump at the 2004 Australian All-Schools Championships.

He is now a member of the Athletics Australia Target 2012 squad preparing

for the London Olympics.

The children at Yipirinya School, many of which travel 50km each day to school played traditional games with Crowther. They included mer kai, in which a ball is kept in the air for as long as possible (similar to hacky sack) and marn-grook, in which a ball is kicked in the air and other players try to catch it (believed to have influenced the game of Australian rules football).

The visit concluded with a healthy afternoon tea.

Resource kit

The traditional games are part of a free Australian Sports Commission (ASC) resource – Yulunga: Traditional Indigenous Games – designed to be used in schools as an educational resource and a guide to inclusive games for all ages. Crowther said the traditional games were a great way for kids to learn about Indigenous cultures in a fun and engaging environment.

The Yulunga resource contains more than 100 games and activities from throughout Australia and the Torres Strait Islands and is free to download from the ASC website at ausport.gov.au/indigenous

"I enjoy talking to kids about getting fit and healthy and staying in school," Crowther said.

"It's important to make sport fun so they stay involved, make new friends and make it a life-long hobby."

During his trip to Alice Springs, Crowther also paid a visit to Ross Park Primary School to help promote the Nestle and AIS Get the AIS into your Classroom teaching resource, which includes a unit featuring Indigenous games. Footage of Crowther playing the games with the local school children was broadcast live across Australia on the Today show.

Ross Park Primary School is one of the winners of the Nestle and AIS

Hitachi StarBoard Challenge, a competition developed to increase awareness of the resource developed by Nestle and the AIS. The competition gives Australian primary schools utilising the Get the AIS into your Classroom education resources the chance to win a Hitachi StarBoard every week until Friday 3 December 2010.

Get the AIS into your Classroom is a free health and physical education resource for Australian primary school teachers. The curriculum is an aligned resource that enables teachers to bring AIS expertise on nutrition and active lifestyles into their schools through a series of fun and engaging lesson plans.

Ross Park Primary School principle Karen Blanchfield said she encouraged all her teachers to use the resource.

"It's thorough and teacher friendly. It can be used online on the Starboard and it's interactive," she said.

Thurston out with injury



THE Australian No 7 jumper was up for grabs after star rugby league halfback Johnathan

Thurston added his name to the growing list of Four Nations withdrawals when he succumbed to an ankle injury last Wednesday.

Thurston was one of four players to pull out of next month's tournament at Wednesday's medical, joining centres Michael Jennings and Jamie Lyon (ankle) and Gold Coast backrower Mark Minichiello (groin) in failing to prove his fitness.

His withdrawal left the likes of

Scott Prince and incumbent Cooper Cronk – who played in the May Test against New Zealand when Thurston was unavailable – as front-runners to line up in the halves alongside skipper Darren Lockyer, while Sydney Roosters playmaker Mitchell Pearce could have forced his way into the side with a strong performance in last Sunday's grand final.

Thurston suffered ankle syndesmosis in his side's round 22 loss to Brisbane in August, but had hoped to be running by last weekend.

Instead, he was to have surgery to remove a screw in his ankle later – Australian coach Tim

Sheens admitting his loss was a blow on top of the unavailability of other first-choice stars such as Greg Inglis and Justin Hodges.

"He doesn't want to let anybody down, let alone his team-mates, his country or himself," Sheens said of Thurston.

Slow healing

"A little while back he was talking to me and he was hoping to be (available), but with the cast off and scans and things, it just hasn't healed as much as he was hoping."

Prince hasn't played Test football since 2008, but was hoping to get another chance to

impress before Gold Coast's promising season ended with a whimper against the Roosters.

"It (Thurston's injury) has taken a halfback out of the equation so there's two remaining teams in the competition and the selectors I'm sure will have their eyes on a number of players in that, so we'll have to wait and see," Prince said.

"I've been given an opportunity in the past and I haven't let anyone down, I hope."

While there may be plenty of back-ups in the halves, the options in the centres are thinning by the day with Jennings and Lyon joining the injured brigade.

Currently the only specialist

centres in the train-on squad are veteran Brent Tate and Willie Tonga, as well as uncapped duo Chris Lawrence and Jarrod Croker.

Sheens admitted the dearth of centres had opened the door for St George Illawarra pair Mark Gasnier and Matt Cooper to force their way back into the green and gold, with the Kangaroos mentor worried over the lack of experience within his group.

"All four from last year's Four Nations are out and Jamie so that's five centres from the last five Tests, so that's again an area where we will be tested," Sheens said. – AAP



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Collingwood celebrate after winning the 2010 AFL grand final re-match between St Kilda and Collingwood at the Melbourne Cricket Ground last Saturday. – AAP image

Ecstasy and agony

Wellingham's big part in Magpies' grand final win

By **PETER ARGENT**



SHARROD Wellingham – the lone Indigenous face in the 2010 Australian Football League (AFL) grand final re-match – created history by becoming the first

Collingwood Indigenous player to win a major premiership.

Wellingham, playing just his 51st AFL match, was a shining light as the Magpies stormed to a 126.12 (108) to 7.10 (52) win over St Kilda before 100,016 fans at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Saturday.

A week earlier, the two teams played a 68-all draw, forcing them back to the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) for the re-match.

By half-time, the re-match was virtually at the same point as it had been the previous Saturday, with the Magpies holding a significant 23-point level.

But this time, the Saints got the goal kicking 'yips', kicking 1.6 in a shocking

second quarter.

Wellingham's first goal of the game at the seven-minute mark of the third quarter was a point where the premiership looked assured for the Magpies.

At this stage, they were 40 points ahead.

Took control

With the Collingwood army marching, Mick Malthouse's troops took absolute control and went on to win the game by a comprehensive 56 points.

Early in the final quarter, their famous supporter 'Joffa' had already donned his gold jacket as the Magpies' followers started celebrating.

For the West Australian midfielder Wellingham, his medallions were nothing short of triumphant.

He had been collected out of the WAFL under-age competition, and originally rookie-listed by the Magpies on the other side of the nation.

Despite coming into the grand final re-match with some injury concerns,

Wellingham finished with 2.1 in an assured display, where he collected 20 possessions, (11 kicks and nine handballs) and laid eight tackles.

Wellingham was certainly among Collingwood's best players in their 15th flag and first since 1990.

He outshone his more seasoned team-mates, including Scott Pendlebury and Dane Swan, and was one of the better performers through the midfield.

He finished with 13 possessions and five tackles in a solid display.

Unfortunately, it wasn't the same for veteran of three grand finals – Leon Davis.

Dropped

He was dropped for the re-match after an ordinary performance in the 25 September grand final.

Although he kicked a goal early in the final quarter that gave the Magpies a 14-point buffer, he finished with just six disposals for that game.

Despite becoming the Collingwood

Football Club's first Indigenous 200-game player this year and gaining an All-Australian selection last winter, he felt the wrath of coach Malthouse and was dropped for the re-match.

Amazingly, he couldn't even find his way onto the emergency list of three players.

Davis seems destined not to experience the ultimate elation of premiership success after playing in the Magpies' 2002 and 2003 losses to the Brisbane Lions, and now the epic draw against St Kilda.

Davis will also receive a medallion for playing in the 25 September drawn game.

But last Saturday, he was in his suit in the crowd watching his team bring home the glory.

Davis, 29, debuted for the Magpies in round one, 2000 against Hawthorn.

A third Indigenous player at Collingwood – Brad Dick – was never under consideration after his season-ending injury in round 13 against Sydney.

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