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# Hero mourned



Touching moment ... A mourner says a final farewell as the casket carrying the body of Maurice Rioli is placed in the hearse following the Australian rules football and Tiwi Island legend's State funeral in Darwin. AAP image

## State funeral for Maurice Rioli



MORE THAN 600 people packed St Mary's Cathedral in Darwin last Friday to celebrate the life of Maurice Rioli, a legend of Australian rules football and a hero on his Melville Island community in the Tiwi Islands. Mr Rioli died aged just 53 from a

heart attack in Darwin on Christmas Day. He followed a brilliant Australian rules career at his beloved Richmond Tigers with a career as a Labor MP in the Northern Territory Parliament from 1992 until his retirement in 2001.

Maurice Rioli was widely regarded as the man who helped to pave the way for Indigenous players in the AFL.

A traditional Tiwi Island burial was held at Gardens Point on Melville Island, north of Darwin, last Monday.

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# My FAMILY SARA MAYNARD – Hobart, Tas



Sara Maynard, far left, is pictured with Lilly Booth, Nindarra Wheatley with Jayla Booth on her knee, Nathan Maynard, Clay Maynard, Sky Maynard and her parents Cathy and Darrell Maynard.

**S**URPRISINGLY, even though we are a close-knit family who spend a lot of time together, this is the first family photo we have. It was taken at a launch where we were supporting my younger sister Sky being awarded an Aboriginal traineeship in the Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS).

It was an especially great day for my older brother Nathan, or Nay as we call him.

He was previously a PWS trainee. It's great to see her follow in his footsteps, looking after our land and wildlife.

We've always shared each other's achievements; when Nay bought his boat or Sky received news of getting the traineeship and supporting her with her music.

Our family are more like mates, we talk to our parents about anything; they support us and are never judgmental.

Mum practically stalks us on the phone. She talks to us everyday, not about much, just talks, and she panics if our phones are out of range.

Mum and Dad went travelling for about a year when us kids left home. They are back now and want to move to Hobart, where Sky and I live together, to be closer to us.

We grew up in Rocherlea, Launceston. We were privileged to grow up among lots of

other Aboriginal people, you were always looked after and looked out for.

And we have all been active in the Aboriginal community, on State Committee, mutton birding and representing our community on many occasions.

Nay, Sky and me have also performed traditional Aboriginal dances at many events, marched in the streets, protests and attended many Aboriginal community meetings.

I have worked for the Aboriginal Legal Service for over six years – the job keeps me really busy and I love the variety of work.

My siblings are my best friends. Our grandparents were also a big part of our lives growing up. The last living one passing away last year. I think I get my perfectionist streak from Nan Maynard (you wouldn't think that by looking at the office), and Nay his interest in sport and fishing from Pop Maynard, as does Sky her interest in bikes and cars.

We all grew up playing sport and were pretty lucky to have natural ability and speed – as a kid no one could ever catch me in kiss and catch!

I always think if I have kids, I would like to have three. I love having a big brother to look out for me.

– As told to Jillian Mundy

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If you would like to see your family featured in the 'My Family' section of the Koori Mail, email a high-resolution digital photo to [myfamily@koorimail.com](mailto:myfamily@koorimail.com) along with a full caption (always reading from left to right) and between 350 and 400 words about your family. Tell us who is in your family, what you like to do as a family, your traditions and achievements, and what is important to you.

## OUR CHILDREN



MEMBERS of the Deadly Dancers perform at the end-of-year awards presentation at Goonellabah Public School, in northern New South Wales. Aboriginal dancer, speaker and actor Dhinawan was a special guest at the school, which has many Indigenous students. Photo: Theresa Dalton

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# Santa's presence popular



NT

IT doesn't matter where he goes, Santa Claus is always popular. That was just the case when Father Christmas dropped in to the Top End community of Milingimbi, with the bearded big fella surrounded by excited children and locals. Santa also made time to visit the remote NT communities of Maningrida and Elcho Island as part of his surprise tour, organised with the assistance of local airline Airnorth. Photo: Regi Varghese/Newspix

## Sovereignty meeting set for Canberra



ABORIGINAL people pushing for sovereignty will gather in Canberra in late February to protest against 'the

farcical notion that Australia is a free and independent sovereign international state'.

Members of the New Way Sovereignty Summit, being organised by Michael Anderson of the Euahlayi nation in north-west NSW, will be protesting that Australia's international standing is a lie.

Mr Anderson said his group claimed that Australia, and its states and territories, had all been incorporated as companies in the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. He said a writ was lodged with the High Court in December demanding that the executive government of Australia, and its states, 'cease all operations'.

"It is alleged that to have incorporated Australia as a company in the US represents a fraudulent act against its citizens by falsely pretending that this was done with their knowledge and authority," Mr Anderson said. "This act by the states' leadership can also be viewed as an act of treason, because they have acquiesced and compromised the sovereignty of Australia. At the same time we have so-called Aboriginal leaders in this country acquiescing our Aboriginal sovereignty for a fist full of dollars and notoriety."

A date for the meeting will be announced soon.

# Grog bans working in Halls Creek



WA

A NEW report on the first 12 months of liquor restrictions in the Kimberley community of Halls Creek has

found they have resulted in positive health and social benefits, despite remaining a contentious issue in the community.

The report was developed by the University of Notre Dame and released by the Halls Creek Alcohol Action Group.

Action group spokesperson Robyn Long said the aim of the restrictions was to provide the community with a break from extreme levels of alcohol-related harm and to create an environment where 'real action' could be undertaken to address long-term health and social issues.

"Since the restrictions we

have seen a dramatic reduction in noise, anti-social behaviour, litter and street drinking," she said. "Many people are drinking much less alcohol, or only drinking light alcohol."

"Alcohol-related incidents requiring a police response have reduced significantly and alcohol-related injuries and presentations at the hospital are also significantly less than before the restriction."

### Restrictions

Ms Long said that following the restriction in Halls Creek, other communities had approached the WA Government and obtained their own dry community restrictions, and more were showing an interest in doing the same.

"We are seeing more of our young people undertaking training than we have in the past, and more are completing

driver training," she said.

Also, in the first 12 months of the restrictions, 62 people had been placed in full-time employment as part of the transition from Halls Creek Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP).

Meanwhile, she said most service providers felt they were able to be more effective in supporting their clients and that residents were being more engaged in bringing positive changes to their community.

The report has highlighted the increased movement by people from Halls Creek and surrounding communities to Kununurra, and the adverse impact it is having on that town.

The report also found there has been a 70 per cent reduction in the number of presentations to the Halls Creek Sobering Up Centre since the restrictions.



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Rhoda Roberts, and the Sydney fireworks display on New Year's Eve. AAP images



A TELEVISION audience of more than a billion people around the world watched Sydney New Year fireworks celebrations – the last under the stewardship of Bundjalung creative director Rhoda Roberts, who has held the position for the past three years. This year's theme 'Make Your Mark' was reflected by a pulsing X on the Sydney Harbour Bridge, replaced shortly after by a gold hand. The centerpiece of the

## Rhoda leaves her creative mark on New Year's Eve

celebrations was a 12-minute display, involving 7000kg of fireworks.

Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore said that in addition to the 1.5 million people who watched the fireworks around the

harbour, this year a record international television audience of 1.1 billion tuned in to the pyrotechnic spectacular.

"...Sydney made its mark on the world and that was our intention," she said.

The Lord Mayor also paid tribute to Ms Roberts – the first Indigenous Sydney New Year's Eve creative director.

Ms Roberts said the 'Make your Mark' theme was influenced by the Indigenous rock carvings around Sydney Harbour.

"Traditionally, Aboriginal people left their mark for the next generation," she said.

"You left your mark so people knew you were here, and you created a legacy for the next generation."

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# US backing welcomed



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda

says the United States' endorsement of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is a major worldwide breakthrough.

US President Barack Obama affirmed his country's support for the declaration on 16 December.

The US was one of four countries, including Australia, to withhold support from adoption of the Declaration in 2007.

Australia signed in April 2009, and with the US reversing its position all members states who originally voted against the declaration have now given their backing.

"This endorsement by the United States means we have an emerging international consensus on Indigenous rights and international support for what constitutes the minimum standards for the survival, dignity and well-being of indigenous peoples," Mr Gooda said.



MICK GOODA

Australia was the first of the four countries to formally reverse its opposition to the Declaration, and Mr Gooda has called on Australian governments to show leadership once again.

"Australia must now lead the way and work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities to implement the declaration," he said.

President Obama spoke of

the importance of creating strong relationships between indigenous peoples and governments.

He said in his address:

"Real change depends on all of us doing our part. So over the past year my administration has worked hard to strengthen the relationship between our nations.

"And together, we have developed a comprehensive strategy to help meet the challenges facing Native American communities."

Mr Gooda said implementing standards in the Declaration would foster strong relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the Government.

The Australian Human Rights Commission has released a range of materials to help Indigenous communities understand the importance of the Declaration and provide tools to implement the Declaration in practice.

The materials can be downloaded from [www.humanrights.gov.au/declaration\\_indigenous/index.html](http://www.humanrights.gov.au/declaration_indigenous/index.html)

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## New Year's Resolutions

As we do at this time every year, *The Koori Mail* asked Indigenous people around Australia for their new year hopes and resolutions. They continue on pages throughout this edition.



**RIENOLD INKAMALA** – Hermannsburg, NT: I've got young daughters, so I'd like to see them do well. I'll be doing what I can to make that happen.



**DANI SAMMUT** – Cairns, Qld: I want to successfully complete Year 12 this year, and then I want to travel. Visiting Pakistan is at the top of my list.



**DJON MUNDINE** – Sydney, NSW: My resolution is to present Aboriginal artists from south-east Australia more intensely this year and to get through the wall of indifference to these artists. My personal project is to bring *The Song of Bennelong* and *Pemulwuy* rock engraving artwork at Bennelong Point to a completion.

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And hang on to your calendars because we'll have more competitions just like this during the year, including a major draw in May to mark our 500th edition.

If you missed out on a calendar, give us a call on (02) 66 222 666 and we'll send you one while they last.

# Constitution panel named



AN expert panel led by Professor Patrick Dodson and lawyer Mark Leibler has been established to

progress the constitutional recognition of Indigenous people.

The panel will be responsible for developing options to recognise the 'unique and special place of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution'. Its mission will be to help generate community support for the proposal.

The panel is made up of Indigenous and community leaders, legal experts and parliamentary members.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the panel would lead a wide-ranging national public consultation and engagement program throughout this year to build consensus on the recognition of Indigenous people in the Constitution.

"Its first formal meeting will be held early this year and it will work through the year before reporting to the Australian Government by the end of 2011," she said.

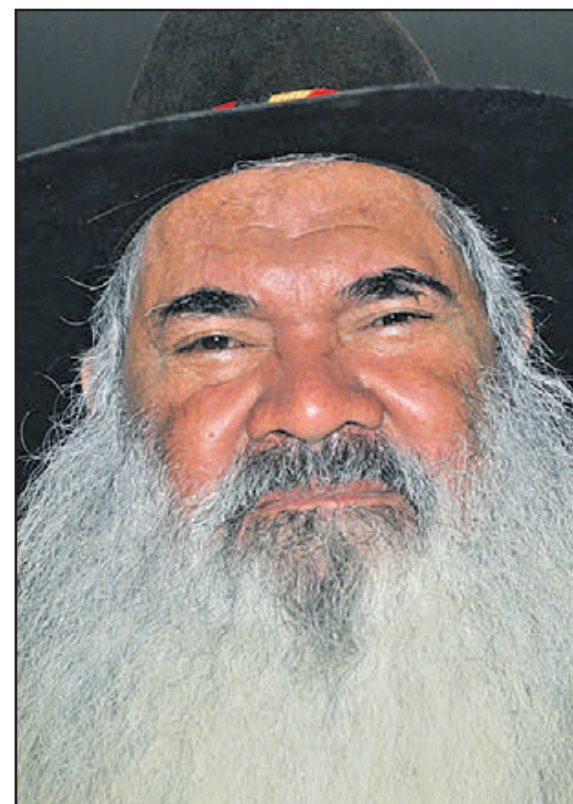
"In developing options for constitutional change, the panel will consider a range of views and will propose options for change which have the best chance of success at a referendum."

ANTaR President Peter Lewis said the extensive experience and broad range of views among the panel's membership would significantly enhance the prospect of a successful outcome.

"Constitutional recognition of the unique position of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the original sovereign custodians and owners of the lands and waters of Australia would be an important step along the path to resetting the relationship between all our peoples," Dr Lewis said.

Greens senator Rachel Siewert said the panel brought together people with the knowledge, experience and sensitivity needed to guide a meaningful discussion ahead of a referendum on the issue.

"I'm pleased that we have taken this step towards the proper



Constitutional recognition panel co-chairs lawyer Mark Leibler and Professor Patrick Dodson.



Recognition panel member Megan Davis.

recognition of Indigenous Australians in our Constitution," she said.

Lowitja Institute Chief Executive Kerry Arabena said the institute was looking forward to being part in the process.

"We believe that a positive outcome from constitutional recognition will be better health and well-being for Australia's



Ex-officio panel member Sam Jeffries.

First Peoples," she said.

The panel co-chairs are Patrick Dodson and Mark Leibler while the panel members include Graham Bradley, Timmy 'Djawa' Burarrwanga, Henry Burmester, Fred Chaney, Associate Professor Megan Davis, Glenn Ferguson, Lauren Ganley, Professor Marcia Langton, Bill Lawson, Alison Page and Noel Pearson.



Recognition panel member Marcia Langton.

Parliamentary members on the panel are Rob Oakeshott, Janelle Saffin, Rachel Siewert and Ken Wyatt.

Ex-officio members are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda and National Congress Co-Chairs Sam Jeffries and Josephine Bourne.



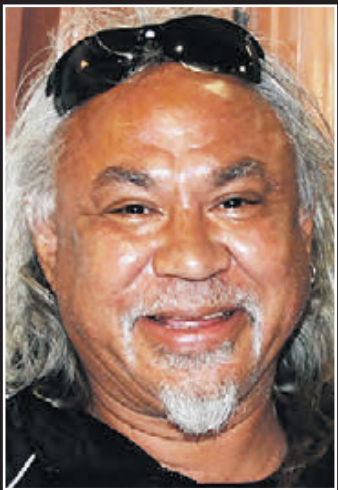
## New Year's Resolutions



**DANNY RAMZAN** – Alice Springs, NT: My resolutions will definitely include more performing with the *Yung Warriors* (he is a member of the group).



**RAYLENE CAMPION**, Adelaide SA: It's my resolution never to have a new year's resolution. You only break them anyway!



**HERBIE MARSHALL** – Kimberley region, WA: I'm a builder by trade, but I just graduated from my arts degree and so my resolution is that I want to get more into my art.



**PAT GREEN** – Launceston, Tasmania: To feel better with my health and enjoy life. I'm in remission from cancer.

# Aboriginal MP backs away from challenge



**WEST** Australian Labor leader Eric Ripper has survived a leadership challenge from Aboriginal MP

Ben Wyatt who backed down from the contest, conceding he did not have the numbers to win.

The challenge from 36-year-old Mr Wyatt followed continued speculation over

the leadership of Mr Ripper, who has been plagued by consistently low ratings in opinion polls.

But Mr Ripper said last Thursday he had received encouraging calls of support from his colleagues, which Mr Wyatt accepted on Friday when he made the decision not to proceed with the challenge.

Mr Wyatt needed 19 out of 37 votes to topple Mr Ripper,

which he said was not at all possible. He said he had called Mr Ripper and handed in his resignation as the shadow treasurer.

Mr Ripper had said previously he wanted Mr Wyatt to keep his portfolio.

Mr Wyatt is the cousin of Ken Wyatt, who last year became the first Indigenous person to win a seat in the Federal House of Representatives.



**BEN WYATT**

# Govt NT housing figures queried



A MULTI-MILLION dollar Indigenous housing program in the Northern Territory exceeded its targets in 2010, according to

the Federal and Territory Governments.

But Opposition politicians say the governments are being rubbery with their figures and have dismissed the claim.

The Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) has been plagued by allegations of waste and mismanagement since being announced in 2008.

But in a joint release this month, the Federal and NT governments said 174 houses had been rebuilt or refurbished last year, which was 24 more than the goal set.

Overall, 1023 houses have been rebuilt or refurbished, 23 more than the target, the governments said.

But Opposition Indigenous Affairs spokesman, NT Senator Nigel Scullion, went on the attack, saying only 134 houses had actually been handed over to new tenants, while the other 40 were sitting empty. The definition of a completed house had been clearly



A building site for a new dwelling at the Larapinta Valley town camp in Alice Springs.

defined as handed over and tenanted.

"SIHIP was designed to address chronic overcrowding and poor housing standards in Aboriginal communities," Senator Scullion said. "With the Government deliberately hiding details about the cost or status of these new houses, the only thing known for certain is that people are still living in poor standard and overcrowded houses while they wait for reality to catch up to the Government's duplicitous and deceitful announcements.

"The standard of the 1023 claimed refurbishments must also be further explained given the fact that for a budget of \$75,000 each, most houses are only receiving minimal urgent maintenance and are not even benefiting from a coat of paint.

## 'Millions spent'

"Under the direction of (Indigenous Affairs) Minister (Jenny) Macklin we have seen millions spent on consultants and administration resulting in one- and two-bedroom dwellings

being built instead of three- and four-bedroom houses and renovations replaced with 'make safe' repairs.

"It is disgraceful that the Minister continues to mislead Australians about the performance of the program."

Territory Housing said, however, that all of the houses had been certified and would be handed to tenants progressively over coming weeks.

The unoccupied houses are at Ngiu, Maningrida, Wadey and in Alice Springs town camps.

# Audit reveals admin costs



A FEDERAL Government program aimed at helping Indigenous Australians buy their own home used up nearly \$10 million in administrative costs to provide \$2.7 million for just 15 loans, an audit report says. As well, not one of 45 homes constructed at a cost of \$25.5 million in the Northern Territory for the program had been sold to the Indigenous community.

In a report, the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) found the \$9.9 million cost of administering the Home Ownership on Indigenous Land program was high compared to the low level of loan activity.

The 15 loans were all provided for homes

on the Tiwi Islands in the NT, with all but one in the community of Ngiu.

The program was launched in 2006 by then Coalition Government Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough as part of the Blueprint for Action in Indigenous Affairs.

The ANAO said the program aimed to provide 460 loans across eight communities.

"In hindsight, the program's performance targets have been overly ambitious," it said.

"Increasing the level of home ownership on Indigenous land has proven to be a significant challenge."

As at 10 June 2010, the four-year program had cost \$42.7 million.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin

said the Government was committed to home ownership for Indigenous people who aspired to it and who were ready to take on the financial responsibility.

She said she remained open to any new ideas to expand home ownership for Indigenous people.

"The costs outlined in the ANAO report include work necessary to get this program up and running," she said.

"They do not just relate to the houses already built and will provide for future houses as well. This includes scoping of potential communities, project management planning and community education activities, including financial education."



# Two commissioners for SA



**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** now has two part-time Commissioners for Aboriginal Engagement.

Klynton Wanganeen retains the role he has held since early 2008 in a part-time capacity, and he is now joined by lawyer Khatija Thomas.

SA Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Grace Portolesi said Mr Wanganeen's appointment had been made

part-time 'in recognition of the important work he is currently undertaking at a national level'.

"This will enable Mr Wanganeen, a Narungga-Ngarrindjeri descendant, to continue on the National Executive of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples," she said.

"This is a wonderful opportunity that will strengthen our advocacy role."

Mr Wanganeen welcomed the part-time changes and the

appointment of Ms Thomas.

Ms Portolesi said Ms Thomas would bring substantial experience as a solicitor practising in the areas of native title and family law to her role.

## 'Strong voice'

"The appointment will provide a strong voice for Aboriginal women in South Australia," the Minister said.

"Ms Thomas is a Kokatha woman who brings significant knowledge of the complexities of

issues facing local and regional Aboriginal family groups and communities.

"She will be focusing her work in specific sectors of the Aboriginal community to achieve better outcomes in school retention. This specific focus is in addition to the wider role the commissioners will continue to take in publicly advocating for greater understanding and connections between the broader community and Aboriginal South Australians.

"The commissioners will also continue to consult with non-government organisations and peak Aboriginal bodies and representing their views to the State Government.

"Mr Wanganeen has been a strong and dedicated advocate through his role as the commissioner and I am sure the new changes to the position and the appointment of Ms Thomas will add to the work that has already been done in South Australia."

## Family act ready for MAYSAR gala



**ALAN BROWN** and his son **Cedric** ready to perform at the inaugural MAYSAR Christmas Gala in Melbourne. MAYSAR, which stands for Melbourne Aboriginal Youth Sport and Recreation, was established in 1977 as a small gym, but has grown into much more than that. See our report and more photos on Page 33. Photo: DARREN COYNE

## Kimberley gas plan 'will stall'



**WEST AUSTRALIAN** Premier Colin Barnett's plan to compulsorily acquire land in the Kimberley

for a gas hub will stall because of flawed notices of intent filed by his Government, objectors say.

But Kimberley Land Council (KLC) chief executive Wayne Bergmann hopes the compulsory acquisition process can be bypassed with Aboriginal agreement on the \$30 billion project once legal disputes are resolved.

Under a heads of agreement signed by the KLC and the Barnett Government in 2009, \$1.5 billion in benefits will flow to Aboriginal communities in the Kimberley over 30 years.

The Premier has started the formal process to take land at James Price Point for the Woodside Petroleum-led project 60km north of Broome, citing delays caused by a legal battle between the KLC and traditional claimant Joseph Roe.

But formal KLC objections to the Government's Notices of Intention to Take (NOITT) say they are invalid because they do not specifically describe which parcels of land are to be taken as required under the *Land Administration Act*.

A legal source said that to proceed with acquisition, the Government would have to issue fresh notices.

To do that it had to identify those parcels of land and that would be difficult



**COLIN BARNETT**

when traditional claimants were not co-operating in identifying areas of cultural and heritage significance, he said.

On-site investigation work by Woodside would also be hampered by legal action being taken by Mr Roe and the onset of the wet season in the Kimberley, the source said. "This doesn't mean compulsory acquisition can't proceed, but it does mean that in order for it to proceed you've got to build in another five- or six-month delay."

## Acted hastily

High-profile Sydney businessman Geoffrey Cousins, who opposes the James Price Point site for the gas hub, said the Barnett Government had acted hastily and not paid attention to detail.

"This is basically Colin Barnett, or Colin Banal as I call him, saying that 'I don't care, you haven't made a deal, I'll just go and take the land', so he pushes people to do that and in their haste, they don't do it properly," he said.

Mr Cousins said the

Premier knew James Price Point could come onstream earlier than other alternatives and was trying to sweep aside opposition to gain those extra years of royalties.

He said if compulsory acquisition was delayed, the attractiveness of James Price Point disappeared compared with better alternatives elsewhere.

Mr Bergmann said the KLC had lodged its objections to compulsory acquisition but hoped an agreement could be struck before it went further.

If a deal was not done the issue would clog up in court and stall, he said.

"If compulsory acquisition is formally done there won't be any project," Mr Bergmann said.

He said it was hoped the legal dispute with Mr Roe would be resolved early this year and new authorised claimants appointed who could sign off on a gas hub deal.

He said environmental opponents of the gas hub had asked Aboriginal people not to support the project.

"But they've never offered Aboriginal people any hope for the future either," Mr Bergmann said.

"The reality of what we deal with is major social dysfunction. A lot of our people have said, 'Well let's do something for ourselves'."

In a statement, Mr Barnett said his Government remained committed to reaching agreement with traditional owners, including minimising the environmental footprint and working together to protect heritage and culture. — AAP





## New Year's Resolutions



**GREG FRYER** – Melbourne, Victoria: I want to do more theatre. I'm an actor and I just love doing theatre. I've been doing it since school, and also been on television in *The Circuit*.



**ROSIE RICE** – Alice Springs, NT: I want to find a job, and I want to go to college so I can train to be a nurse. That's my goal.



**KANE MANSELL** – Hobart, Tasmania: Give up cigarettes, keep being a good father and get back into football – train, train, train.



**SAMUEL SANDY** – Elliott, Northern Territory: I haven't been well, so my resolution is to get better in 2011.

# Torres Strait to Woodford



Torres Strait Islanders Roy Ober, from Saibai Island, and Justin Banu, from Boigu Island, dressed up and ready to dance on the First Nations Stage at the Woodford Folk Festival. Organisers said about 100,000 people – many of them Indigenous – attended the festival in south-east Queensland. See our coverage on pages 28-29. Photo: EMILY MURPHY

# Killings at a far higher rate: Report



**INDIGENOUS** people continue to kill and be killed at a far higher rate than the

rest of the population, a new report says. Homicide statistics for 2007-08, released by the Australian Institute of Criminology under the National Homicide Monitoring Program, reveal there were 260 homicides in 2007-08 involving 273 victims and 308 offenders.

Of those victims, 161 were male and 112 were female. As for the offenders, 269 were male and 38 were female. The sex of one offender wasn't known.

That gave a national murder rate of 1.3 per 100,000 population, the same as the previous year and the lowest recorded since the homicide monitoring program was launched in 1989.

The highest rate recorded was 1.9 per 100,000 in 1990-91 and 1992-93. The most homicide incidents – 354 – occurred in 2001-02.

In the latest figures, more than one in 10 homicide victims was identified as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, with most killed in domestic incidents. They numbered 38, comprising 22 females and 16 males.

### 'Seven times higher'

"This is seven times higher than the equivalent victimisation rate for non-Indigenous Australians," the report said.

The murder rate among Indigenous males continued to decline, while the rate for women increased, the fourth consecutive rise.

The report said Indigenous Australians also continued to be over-represented as offenders, and 2007-08 was no

exception. Eighteen per cent of all homicide offenders (54) were identified as Indigenous. Indigenous people make up about 2.5 per cent of the population.

Overall, more murder victims died from stab wounds – 43 per cent – than any other cause, followed by beatings (24 per cent) and gunshots (12 per cent).

The use of firearms in homicide increased slightly on 2006-07 (nine per cent) but is down sharply from 25 per cent two decades ago.

Institute Director Adam Tomison said most homicide incidents in 2007-08 were domestic, involving one or more victims who shared a family or domestic relationship with the offender.

Intimate partner homicides – 60 per cent of all murders – made up the largest proportion of domestic homicides. – AAP

## New CEO at Tangentyere



TANGENTYERE Council in Alice Springs has a new chief executive officer. Former council president Walter Shaw has taken over the role after the recent retirement of long-time CEO William Tilmouth.

Tangentyere Council is the major service delivery agency for the 18 housing associations, known as town camps, in Alice Springs.

Acting council president Phillip Miller and

executive member Kevin Wirri welcomed Mr Shaw's appointment.

"The board sees it as an endorsement of the council's commitment to 'handing on the passion'," they said.

"We have seen Mr Shaw demonstrate strong leadership in his capacity as president and we will support him in his new role to support



**WALTER SHAW**

the development of our people in the town camps."

Mr Shaw said he was honoured to lead Tangentyere.

"It's an organisation dedicated to supporting and providing opportunities for town camp residents but also one of the largest Indigenous employers in the Territory, if not the country," he said.

"I grew up on the town camps and I know first-hand the importance of working with our people and Government agencies in the spirit of partnership.

"It is humbling to follow in the footsteps of past Aboriginal leaders of Tangentyere who have been beacons for Aboriginal social justice and inclusion."

Mr Shaw paid special tribute to Mr Tilmouth.





Images released by the WA Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) show Kevin Spratt surrounded by officers in the Perth Police Watchhouse.

# WA taser victim in bid to clear name

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



THE lawyer for a Perth man who was tasered repeatedly in custody, is applying to have a police obstruction conviction against his client quashed after an officer revealed the statement of facts he supplied to the court in the matter was incorrect.

Constable Brett Fowler, twice involved in controversial arrests of Kevin Spratt in 2008, told Western Australia's Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) during a hearing last month, that he unwittingly supplied a false statement due to incorrect information given to him by fellow officers.

WA Police internal investigators who played him Police Watchhouse closed circuit TV footage taken on 31 August 2008 disproving his statement – four months before the matter went to court – allegedly advised Constable Fowler to 'leave it,' rather than correct his statement.

However, Const Fowler said he could not recall the name of the investigator who allegedly said this.

Mr Spratt's lawyer Stephen Penglis said documents seeking to quash the conviction had been completed and would be filed in court this week, and he was also considering what other avenues, such as civil litigation, were available to Mr Spratt.

The CCTV footage from 31 August 2008 was publicly released in October last year by the CCC as part of a wider report into taser misuse.

It showed Mr Spratt being tasered 14 times at the Perth Watchhouse – four times by Senior Constable Troy Tomlin and ten times by Sgt Grant Strahan.

Meanwhile, 'secret' CCTV video from 6 September 2008, was released last month in conjunction with six days of CCC hearings into the mistreatment in custody of Mr Spratt.

This second video shows the Watchhouse cell 'extraction' of Mr Spratt by the elite unit of prison officers, who were fully covered with body armour and face masks.

The seven officers involved in the 'extraction' have been granted a name suppression order by Commissioner Len Roberts-Smith.

The second recording was branded 'top



This sequence released by the CCC shows Mr Spratt being tasered by police.

secret' by WA Shadow Attorney-General John Quigley, who called for an inquiry and revealed Mr Spratt's scars to onlookers at a human rights rally in Perth on 13 November last year.

The 6 September CCTV footage and

taser records showed that the two senior prison officers' tasers were deployed 11 times in three minutes during the 'extraction'.

The CCTV footage shows Kevin Spratt lying face down on the Watchhouse floor, in

his boxer shorts, audibly praying, at the time he was tasered.

"Mr Spratt was later diagnosed the following day suffering from at least one, possibly other fractures of the ribs and a collapse of his lung and pneumothorax. His right shoulder was dislocated with a comminuted fracture of the humerus," Mr Quinlan, Counsel Assisting, said at the opening hearing.

One of the two senior prison officers told last month's hearing Mr Spratt was tasered because he attempted to sit up and stand, and he said that 'could be a form of attack'.

The other senior prison officer involved in the 'extraction' said there was no way Mr Spratt's injuries could have been caused by the prison officers.

Constable Jennifer Grigg said that although she told Internal Affairs excessive force had been used on Mr Spratt on the morning of 6 September 2008, she had changed her mind, claiming she did not have the experience to make such a judgment.

Evidence indicated that on 6 September, 2008, tasers were deployed against Mr Spratt during three incidents, up to 27 times in under nine hours.

Around 5:30am that morning, Mr Spratt had been found by police in a park near a Bayswater premises where an alleged attempted break-in was reported, and when he saw officers he undressed, arguing with them.

He was subsequently arrested on suspicion for burglary and tasered eight times, twice in probe mode and five to six times in drive stun mode, after he allegedly struggled with arresting officers, including Constable Fowler.

Senior Constable Darren Skelton in dealings with Kevin Spratt at the Watchhouse later that morning, deployed his taser eight times in three minutes in drive stun mode, and told the Commissioner, 'it basically charged him up like the Energizer Bunny'.

Senior Counsel Peter Quinlan explained that tasers are used in drive stun mode to inflict sudden pain whereas probe mode is used to incapacitate the muscle system. He said Mr Spratt was tasered up to 41 times between 31 August and 6 September 2008 mostly in drive stun mode.

The CCC plans to hold more hearings into the actions of the prison officers.



## New Year's Resolutions



**ADAM JENKINS** – Adelaide, South Australia: Mine will be to exercise a bit more. I need to lose some of that winter growth.



**GLENDA THORPE** – Melbourne, Vic: I'm giving up smoking. I also want the year to be bigger and better than last year for Melbourne Aboriginal Youth, Sport and Recreation (MAYSAR), where I'm the CEO.



**PATRICK MATHER**, Alice Springs, NT: I'm going to give up smoking (again) and I'm going to study harder for my nursing qualifications.



**CLINTON BOURNE** – Palm Island, Qld: Mine is to see family and friends more and hope that Palm people treat their parents very well and to encourage that.

# High achievers rewarded



INDIGENOUS high achievers in hospitality, business and tourism studies have been recognised by the Business and Service Industries Division of Charles Darwin University.

The division held its annual Vocational Education and Training (VET) Awards night last month, with Indigenous students taking top honours.

Successful students studying for Certificates I-III in Kitchen Operations have been supported by the The Fred Hollows Foundation as well as the university.

The foundation's Northern Territory operations manager, Gemina Corpus, and Steve Sunk, better known as The Walkabout Chef, were on hand to present encouragement awards to five leading students. Each received \$1000 for further studies and to buy tools of the trade.

The foundation and Mr Sunk have formed a partnership to assist remote community kitchen workers to further their skills and gain formal training. The program provides people in regional areas with opportunities to gain experience in a commercial or community kitchen setting.



The Walkabout Chef Steve Sunk, student Cameron Kossack and The Fred Hollows Foundation NT operations manager Gemina Corpus. Photo: David Hancock.

"The awards provide an incentive for remote students to continue vocational education and training," Ms Corpus said.

One of the five remote category encouragement awards went to Cameron Kossack, who also received the award for best overall performance by a final-year

student in commercial cookery. Other recipients were Malumin Maymura, Katelyn Bara, Jason Henderson and Kelly Cleary.

### Partners

"The Fred Hollows Foundation is proud to work with the Walkabout Chef and other partners, including the

Aboriginal Community Benefits Fund of Queensland, to ensure the opportunity for further education and training becomes a reality for people in remote locations," said Ms Corpus.

"These awards are very inspiring for young people and we are pleased to be able to assist them in this way."

# Mixed findings in deaths report

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



THE latest Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC) report into deaths in custody reveals further

setbacks to improvements evident in 2006.

But AIC director Adam Tomison said the National Deaths in Custody Program's 2008 Report also offered some encouragement.

He said that although deaths in custody had generally decreased since 2000, there was a rise in total deaths in 2007 that continued through in 2008.

"There were no deaths in juvenile justice centres in 2008, however there was a modest increase for prison custody deaths from the previous year. Police custody deaths have also increased slightly," he said.

The rate of Indigenous deaths in custody for 2008 – the most recent figures available from the AIC – was 1.3 per 1000 compared with 2.2 per 1000 other prisoners.

"While Indigenous people are not more likely to die in custody than non-Indigenous people, they remain significantly over-represented in all forms of custody," he said.

"Indigenous people comprise

less than 2.5 per cent of the total Australian population but account for over a quarter (28 per cent) of young people in juvenile detention, one third (33 per cent) of people involved in police custody incidents and almost one quarter (24 per cent) of the total prison population."

Mr Tomison expressed concern over the gradual increase of so-called category two police custody deaths resulting from sieges and police chases, somewhat masked by the drop in category one police deaths in institutional settings, raids and shootings.

### Western Australia

The rate of Indigenous prison deaths in Western Australia was three times more than the national average, and more than double those of non-Indigenous deaths.

The 2009 Inquiry into the Over-representation of Indigenous Young People in the Criminal Justice System found that the number of WA Indigenous inmates jumped 14 per cent in 2008.

At the inquiry, WA Chief Justice Wayne Martin linked the 25 per cent rise in the 2008 total prison population to 60 per cent of parole applications being refused in 2008.

Also in 2008, WA Attorney-General Christian Porter imposed changes to the Truth in Sentencing laws which, before the election, he

said would have no negative impact for Aboriginal people.

Harsher sentencing laws were previously blamed by the WA Auditor General for a 29 per cent hike in prison figures in 1998-99.

### Pursuit deaths

The report recorded one Indigenous death – the lowest figure in a decade – resulting from a police pursuit, and found 'both the average top speed... and the average length (of chases) ... have been steadily declining since 1990'.

The reliability of reported speeds came into question last October at a Perth inquest into four police pursuit deaths from October 2007 to December 2009.

The Coroner heard that on 51 times during the chases the speeds police reported to headquarters differed from police vehicle computer data, and WA Police immediately imposed greater restrictions on chases.

Queensland will also enhance restrictions on police chases following 13 coronial recommendations stemming from a 2010 inquest.

### Prison issues

Indigenous people comprised 15 per cent of the 86 deaths in custody in 2008 – 13 in total.

Ten Indigenous deaths in custody in 2008 were attributed to 'natural causes', nine of them in prison, as were 70 per cent of all prison deaths that year.

Researchers said the steady increase over the past decade in deaths by natural causes may be connected to an ageing prison population.

The AIC report said private prisons had more than three times the rate of deaths in custody as government-run centres, and greater than twice the national average.

There were four Indigenous deaths in police custody and custody-related operations in 2008, the same as for 2007.

The ratio of Indigenous to other deaths in police custody or custody-related operations has dropped to just under one in eight, from one in three in 2005.

The research showed more young people die in police custody and custody-related operations, while older people are dying in prison custody more, and at a higher rate, than in previous years.

The report said the three other Indigenous custodial deaths throughout Australia during 2008, were caused by a head injury, a shooting, and multiple trauma.



# Cape York academy to be extended



AN academy for Indigenous students in far north Queensland is to be extended following promising results at two schools in the past year.

Premier Anna Bligh and Cape York Partnerships chairman Noel Pearson said the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy (CYAAA) would be extended to include students at Hope Vale State School in 2011.

The program has been operating in Coen and Aurukun schools in 2010 leading to children in the Cape York community learning at the same level as their peers across the country.

Unlike the mainstream system, in which students progress according to age, kids in the program don't progress until they have mastered each level. Lectures are tightly structured to maintain discipline and keep students on track and pupils are tested roughly

every week to determine their progress.

"The primary aims of the academy are to close the academic achievement gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous school students, and to support the bi-cultural identity of Indigenous children in the Cape York region," Ms Bligh said.

Mr Pearson said many of the children in Hope Vale were falling well below the national average for literacy and numeracy.

"Hope Vale wants to see its children

receive a high quality education," he said.

"After a number of (shire) council members, parents and community members saw first-hand how the academy model is working in Arukun and Coen, they were determined to adopt the model for their children."

The Queensland Government has allocated an extra \$7.72 million over three years to support the CYAAA program. — AAP

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# Campers dig in at Tas heritage site



By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINES and supporters opposed to the construction of a bridge over 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage

in southern Tasmania are digging in their heels, preparing for further confrontation.

Following the signing a week before Christmas of a government permit which gave the bridge the green light, a peaceful occupation of the area was set up.

Some campers have spent the past three weeks at the site, while others have come and gone. At times numbers have swelled to around 100.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Legal Director Michael Mansell said the campaign to stop the bridge was bigger for the Tasmania Aboriginal community than the iconic Franklin River campaign of the 1980s.

"The Franklin River campaign became submerged in the environmental movement's campaign and events. This time it's the other way around, the environmental movement are getting behind the Aboriginal community to save the area," he said.

Mr Mansell predicts the numbers occupying the site will increase as the threat to the site increases and that the possibility of further arrests is imminent.

Although he has been arrested twice for trespass on the site, he has not ruled out chaining himself to bulldozers if he believes it is warranted, a tactic used in anti-logging protests in Tasmania.

A number of Aboriginal people celebrated the festive season at kutralayna, or the Jordan River Levee site, on the outskirts of Hobart, as it is also known.

At a community meeting a couple of days before Christmas, the Aboriginal community welcomed an announcement by the Federal Government to use its emergency powers under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* to place the site on the National Heritage List.



Donald Burgess and Rissah Vox, have been at the camp literally through rain, hail and shine. Having spent the past three weeks there, they have no intentions of going anywhere.

Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke said the listing recognised the national importance of the site.

However, he indicated that the listing would not, as a matter of law, prevent the bridge from going ahead.

"The Australian Heritage Council will now carry out a full and comprehensive assessment and make a recommendation to me on including the area permanently in the National Heritage List," he said.

## Public comment

The Heritage Council will call for public comment, making its recommendation to the minister by 1 October this year.

A spokesperson for Tasmania's Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, which are keen to see the \$176 million project completed, said the department had sought its own legal advice and opinion, and it did not believe

the listing would halt the project.

A condition of the permit that was signed off 'to interfere' with the heritage stipulates that a construction and environmental management plan be completed before works begin on the bridge that is proposed to span the site.

The spokesperson said an approvals process for the plan must be honoured. Although unable to indicate when this would be approved and construction would begin, the spokesperson did give the impression that it may take some time.

Department secretary Norm McKilpatrick said he had given a guarantee to the Aboriginal community that they would be notified when work was about to start.

"We won't be sneaking in the back door," he said.

At the time *The Koori Mail* went to press construction had not begun.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Legal Director Michael Mansell at the heritage site. He predicts the number of protesters will grow as the threat to the site increases.



## New Year's Resolutions



**RONALD BRIGGS** – Sydney, NSW: To get more of our people into libraries and to spread the good word about our histories and cultures. And to get healthy.



**KRISTI CHUA PINJES** – Midland, WA: Prioritise, Organise and Energise! I want to prioritise the things that are most important through the year and make sure I am organised and stick to a plan so I tend to the things that matter most.



**GERALD APLIN** – Doomadgee, Qld: Life is too short so my resolution is to see an improved lifestyle overall for Aboriginal people and for us to be treated well.



**CHERYL MUNDY** – Primrose Sands, Tasmania: Don't sweat the little stuff.

# Oprah stars

By KIRSTIE PARKER

**S**HE came, she saw, she conquered and shared. The global phenomenon that is Oprah Winfrey swept into Australia early last month and out again just a week later, leaving a smitten Australian public and media in her wake.

The feeling was mutual, with the talk show queen later describing her eight-day whirlwind visit – which included time with Aboriginal traditional owners at Uluru and also took in Hamilton Island, Melbourne and Sydney – as 'the time of my life'.

Ms Winfrey's official itinerary concluded with the taping of two episodes of the Oprah Show at the Sydney Opera House on 14 December. *The Koori Mail* was there amongst 6000 audience members at the morning show taping, along with Aboriginal people from Sydney, regional NSW, far north Queensland and central Australia.

In the preceding weeks, 302 'ultimate viewers' flown in from the United States spread out across the country, shepherded by more than 150 tourism operators to 25 top locations including Byron Bay and the Blue Mountains in NSW, a sacred cave in Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory and South Australia's Kangaroo Island.

Later this year, the Opera House shows and two others will promote those sites to tens of millions of viewers in 145 countries around the world, in what Federal Tourism Minister Martin Ferguson trumpeted would amount to \$85 million worth of domestic and international exposure.

The shows will help bring the *Oprah Winfrey Show* to a close after 25 years, with its star having launched her own cable network on 1 January.

On Ms Winfrey's second day in Australia, NT Tourism Minister Malarndirri McCarthy, an Aboriginal woman from Borroloola, accompanied her on a private helicopter ride over Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park and then joined her for dinner.

Before her close encounter with the prolific philanthropist, Ms McCarthy said she was not surprised the American star had chosen to take her show to such a special destination and spend time with the Anangu people.

Afterwards, she said Ms Winfrey was 'incredibly interested' in Aboriginal culture, spirituality and the lives of the Aboriginal people in the Territory. The two also talked about non-Aboriginal colonisation, the Stolen Generations and the national apology to them, as well as the effects of alcohol on communities.

"There were very private moments where she was able to actually unpack some of the issues that she probably wouldn't do as part of the show, but it was again about Oprah wanting to understand more about Indigenous Australia," Ms McCarthy said.

Just before the Opera House tapings, Ms Winfrey told a press conference that she had always wanted to come to Australia, and had been honoured to spend time with Aboriginal people.

"I had read about the Aboriginal people and wanted to share that.

## Talk Show Queen has 'the time of her life'



From left, Clive Scollay from Maraku Arts, Sammy Wilson from Uluru, Rita Tjing, Jason Harvey, Cassidy Uluru and Andrew Simpson from Anangu Waai, which incorporates Anangu Tours and other traditional owner tourism companies.



● **ABOVE:** From Redfern's Wyanga Aged Care Program, from left, Rhonda Gray, Norma Ingram, Millie Ingram and Sonny Edwards.



● **LEFT:** Friends Jill Bower (centre) and Lonnie Edwards from Bathurst, pictured with security guard Charlie Pritchard, after the taping.

And I believe life is better when you share it," she said.

Though it sounds clichéd, the atmosphere on the Opera House forecourt was, indeed, electric. A chopper hovered over the

excitable crowd decked out – as requested – in bright colours. Cries of 'Oprah Oprah Oprah, Oi Oi Oi' erupted like spot fires as all eyes were trained on a custom-built stage festooned in orange, yellow, pink drapes and the words 'Oprah's Ultimate Australian Adventure'.

"Your love is our drug," declared a chipper Oprah crew member tasked with stoking audience anticipation.

America's richest self-made woman took to the stage wearing a burnt orange silk ensemble teamed with a bead necklace and bracelet presented to her by Anangu Elders.

Her guests throughout the day

included Australian celebrities Russell Crowe, Nicole Kidman and hubby Keith Urban, an accident-prone Hugh Jackman, Guy Sebastian, and Terri Irwin and kids Bindi and Robert. They were

rounded out by US imports rapper Jay-Z and rocker Bon Jovi.

The Oprah visit had a serious edge too. Months before the roadshow even arrived, its focus was being discussed on Facebook and other forums, and there were early calls for Ms Winfrey to see 'the real Australia'.

These gathered steam when NSW Aboriginal Land Council Chairperson

Bev Manton presented her with a DVD of footage showing terrible living conditions in some Aboriginal communities.

"(Oprah) is as wonderful as the media says she is, she's inspiring and motivating," Ms Manton said.

However, she said tourism honchos, politicians and the media

were unlikely to show the kind of images shown on the DVD and she hoped Ms Winfrey would use her considerable influence – dubbed 'The Oprah Effect' – to draw attention to the plight of Aboriginal Australians, especially those living under the NT Intervention.

At the time of printing, Ms Manton had received no response from Ms Winfrey or her people and was unsure whether the DVD had been viewed or its impact.

However, with Ms Winfrey insisting that she'll return to Australia soon – and under the public radar – many Aboriginal people were hoping she'd still champion their cause.

Amongst them were 60-year-old Bathurst teacher, masters graduate and community welfare worker Jill Bower, who was at the Opera House taping with her good friend Lonnie Edwards. The pair wore hats adorned with red, black and yellow ribbons, and had a clear, unobstructed view of the stage.

Ms Bower told *The Koori Mail* they'd wanted to attend the show because they liked the many good things Ms Winfrey did to help those in need.

"I know it is mostly in the United States but it doesn't matter – it's just the way she helps people. A lot of famous people, they're famous but they don't really do anything to help anyone else," she said.

"Oprah is different. She does a lot to help people in need, she commits to things and that's partly why we feel an affinity with her.

"We try to do the same things around Bathurst. We get out and raise money for the kids and we do auctions and raffles to help our organisations. So Oprah's a kindred spirit to us and, of course, it helps that she's black."

Ms Bower said she understood some community frustration that Ms Winfrey had not spoken publicly on Indigenous disadvantage but said 'as you get older, you get wiser... You realise that things won't happen yesterday or even tomorrow'.

"And sometimes we get so caught up in the negative that we forget all of the positive things happening in our communities. There are good things happening, whether you live in Wilcannia, Bourke or the Northern Territory.

"I would like in the future for Oprah to tell people about Indigenous stuff in Australia. There are ways and ways of doing that and I think the way she moves is to get all of her info together before she speaks out.

"She has said on her website that she will come back. I believe she will and that we'll see a different side to Oprah... more vocal.

"As for the day itself? I couldn't fault it, it was wonderful."



Oprah Winfrey at a press conference.



# in Australia



Sammy Wilson and Elder Cassidy Uluru amongst the Sydney Opera House crowd. They were amongst Anangu traditional owners who hosted Oprah Winfrey at Uluru.

## An O-mazing Day!

By ANITA HEISS

I WAS exhausted from nervous energy and lack of sleep before I even sat down for the morning taping of Oprah at the Sydney Opera House on 14 December.

I'd been up since 4am preparing for the 5am arrival of my friend Felicia who wanted to do my hair and make-up. Belinda Miller, from NITV, and Ming D'Arcy, her cameraman, arrived at 5.30am to begin interviewing and filming for their new show *The Gathering*.

When the cab arrived nearing 7am, I donned a black cotton frock, some comfy heels and my all-important good-luck charm – the ASA Medal designed by Darrell Sibosado.

Aware of the YouTube video done by Bev Manton on the NT Intervention and the desperate measures many were going to, to get information to Oprah, I stuffed a copy of *This Is What We Said: Australian Aboriginal people give their views on the Northern Territory Intervention* into my purple handbag hoping I'd get the opportunity to pass it on to one of her people. Belinda put a copy of *Who Am I? the diary of Mary Talence* – my novel on the Stolen Generations – in her bag and we were on our way into the city.

It was no surprise the queue was already flooding Macquarie Street when we arrived after 7am. My coach Geraldine Star and I stood alongside 6000 others also antsy to see Oprah live. It was like queuing for a rock concert without the pushing or the noise. Rather, it was hushed mass of people moving in an eerie, peaceful silence as we edged closer to the Opera House forecourt. Along the way I made small talk with the women around me. Many of them had travelled from Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide and Newcastle, all grateful for being there. I spotted a couple of blackfellas in the distance as well.

Once near the ticketing/security area the



Anita Heiss queues with other Oprah fans at the Sydney Opera House last month.

crowd erupted as the TV icon arrived in her black Audi, waving out the window and thanking us all for coming. It was a surreal moment.

### Queen of TV

Inside the boundary, we sat under a perfect Sydney sky at Bennelong Point – the site of the first recorded corroboree back in 1790 – and waited for the Queen of TV to make her way to the stage, arriving in a hot orange frock and a seed necklace designed by Judy Hosking, an artist based in Wauchope, south of Tennant Creek.

For the next 90 minutes the world's most influential woman gave her blessing on the

country she now loves, we danced in our seats to Bon Jovi and learned of the meeting Oprah had orchestrated between rapper Jay Z and the students of Canterbury Boys High School (who all received their own lap-top). Russell Crowe gave some social and cultural insight into the Aussie psyche (including the 'tall poppy' syndrome), a young father suffering from cancer got a cheque for \$250,000, and audience members were treated to a stunning Kailis pearl pendant.

I sat there trying to work out the strategy behind the choice of guests on the show. Light bulb: It was an Australian tourism gig. The US guests talked about how and why they love Australia because Americans need the plug from their own countrymen. The Aussies are those that Americans already know! Simple.

I realised that day that when the shows eventually go to air we will see the best Australian tourism advert ever and somewhat cheaper than the film *Australia*! Some of the greatest winners from Oprah's visit will be our own Indigenous tourism industry. And I can't help but wonder... after her 45 million viewers worldwide see the necklace she wore on December 14, will they go into mass production? Let's not forget, Oprah almost brought down the American cattle-industry with one comment about not eating another burger on her episode about mad cow disease. Who knows? She may well boost one aspect of our jewellery trade beyond recognition, over time.

When we filed out slowly from the taping I considered the formula for Oprah's success and how a poor black girl from Mississippi finally found herself the most influential woman in the world, now standing at the Opera House. Oprah's concepts are basic: Be genuine, be interested in the stories of others, be positive, be generous and be grateful for the good things in your life.

## New Year's Resolutions



EDWIN JACOB – Gregory Downs, Qld: My resolution is to be happy and help other Aborigines whenever and wherever I can.



CHUNA LOWAH – Alice Springs, NT: I want to learn to swim this year, and I am going to be more sociable.



MICK JAUNCEY – Kalamunda, WA: I'm aiming to worry less about the uncontrollables in life and act on those positive impulses.



DARREN JONES – Launceston, Tasmania: I'll be fighting for my kids.



# Red tape seen as a threat



**PROMISING** Indigenous programs in rural and remote communities risk failure due

to complex and onerous government reporting requirements, Commonwealth Ombudsman Allan Asher says.

Releasing the findings of his investigation into the administration of Australian Government funding agreements, Mr Asher highlighted significant difficulties experienced by Indigenous organisations that struggle to deal with the extensive bureaucratic obligations the Government places on them.

"Australian Government grant schemes can be complicated and the people who manage them in rural and remote communities may not have the necessary skills or training to meet the Government's expectations for keeping records or completing paperwork," he said.

"Unfortunately, this means that funding and other resources are being diverted away from delivery to Indigenous communities of important programs, in order to deal with red tape."

The catalyst for the Ombudsman's investigation was a complaint made by an Aboriginal media organisation in a remote area, when its funding was withheld by the former Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

(DEWHA). The department claimed the organisation was in breach of its funding agreement.

However, following an Ombudsman finding that DEWHA's reporting requirements were overly complicated, DEWHA reinstated the funding. Further, the organisation has since been refunded by the Office of the Arts, which has taken over responsibility for the program.

The Ombudsman's report outlines principles for preventing problems common to government funding agreements. They cover improved support and training, simplifying reports, planning for the longer term, resolving disputes, giving clear explanations of funding conditions and communicating well. The recommendations aim to improve the way government administers funding agreements with Indigenous organisations. They focus on finding a clearer path to success.

"The issues identified in our investigation are consistent with feedback we have received from a range of people who provide services to Indigenous communities," Mr Asher said.

The Ombudsman's report 'Office for the Arts: Administration of funding agreements with regional and remote Indigenous organisations, December 2010' is available from <http://www.ombudsman.gov.au/reports/investigation/2010>



**ALLAN ASHER**

# Torres Strait Islander first to get doctorate



**NORITTA Morseu-Diop** has become the first Torres Strait Islander PhD recipient from The University of Queensland (UQ). Dr Morseu-Diop, left, is originally from

Tamwoy town on Thursday Island in the Torres Strait.

Her PhD research investigated culturally appropriate ways in which to address the over-representation of Indigenous people in the Australian criminal justice system.

"The findings of my research highlighted some of the key issues within the Indigenous community in terms of bringing a more healing-in-justice approach to the criminal justice and prison system when dealing with Indigenous peoples in custody," Dr Morseu-Diop said.

Professor Matthew Hornsey, Associate Dean (Research) at UQ's Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences, agreed that the findings of Dr Morseu-Diop's research aimed to help the creation of a more humane and culturally appropriate approach to the Queensland legal, criminal justice and correctional systems.

## Significant

"Dr Morseu-Diop's research is significant, advocating for the human rights, humane treatment and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in prison and in the community," Prof Hornsey said.

Dr Morseu-Diop's extensive experience in the social work field, particularly with Indigenous communities in Brisbane and Indigenous people in prison, fostered her desire to improve Indigenous experiences in the criminal justice system.

"It concerned me deeply that an incarcerated Indigenous mother I visited in a women's correctional centre asked me to check on the welfare of her six children who were also in prison. The fact that seven members of the same family were incarcerated was, and is, very alarming and needed to be addressed," she said.

"It is envisaged that the outcome of this research will assist in giving a voice to the silent and forgotten people, the thousands of incarcerated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, men and children."



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Juliette Knox in one of her little black dresses.

# Empire has big plans for little black dresses



ASK any girl what's a wardrobe must and you can bet a little black dress is right up there.

It's this fashion imperative that's behind web-based business The Little Black Dress Empire, the brainchild of Sunshine Coast-based Gamilaroi woman Juliette Knox.

She, together with brother Craig Tong, website developers PunkLogic and IT expert Rene Zeestraten, have set up the one-stop virtual shop for buying the little black dress.

Officially launched on 1 December, Ms Knox says the business has already drawn interest from around the world, and support from some of fashion and entertainment's biggest names.

"The response has been great," the 33-year-old mother-of-two told *The Koori Mail*.

"Our goal is to bring an unparalleled selection of designer black dresses to a worldwide audience, through an easy, user-friendly website that revolutionises electronic retailing on a global scale.

"And we're right on track to do that."

The 'empire' idea came to Ms Knox about two years ago when she was shopping for a little black dress.

"I'd been going from shop to shop looking for the perfect dress and I thought 'this is ridiculous'," she said.

"Then it hit me. You go to a jeans shop for jeans, why not a little black dress shop for little black dresses?"

"And why not make it online so you can reach a worldwide audience."

"I said to myself I wanted to build a little

black dress empire – and there was the perfect name."

The idea was the simple part. It took two years to actually make it happen.

"I was lucky enough to work with good people, including website designers PunkLogic. We're more than happy with everything right now," she said.

Ms Knox's website carries a wide range and many styles of black dresses from 10 leading designers. She's especially pleased to have been offered an exclusive line from leading Sydney design duo Master/slave.

## 'Hollywood reporter'

She also has a 'Hollywood reporter' in Los Angeles, reporting back on what little black dresses are being worn by whom. The company is looking to build a team of bloggers to cover fashion shows and report on trends.

"More than 30 stars, including Billy Bob Thornton, have offered support and congratulations – pretty good going for a start-up company," Ms Knox said.

Indigenous swimwear label Kooney has also backed tlbe.com, something which has pleased Ms Knox, a proud Aboriginal woman.

A former ATSC employee, she has also worked on school cultural programs in conjunction with the Red Cross.

Down the track she's hoping to hook up professionally with Indigenous model Samantha Harris.

"I read where she wants to promote Australian fashion overseas and that's exactly what we're doing. Getting together with her would be fantastic," Ms Knox said.

More details at [www.tlbe.com](http://www.tlbe.com)

# Grog search anger

By ALF WILSON



A NORTH Queensland councillor has called on Indigenous people nationwide to boycott local, State, Territory and Federal elections 'until they are given equal rights'.

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Deputy Mayor Raymond Sibley made the statement to *The Koori Mail* in the wake of police searches of bags on mainly Indigenous adults traveling to the island from Townsville.

The island has a restrictive alcohol management plan which limits the amount of liquor residents can possess to one carton of light or mid-strength beer per person.

An angry Cr Sibley has accused police of searching a large majority of Aborigines travelling by ferry to the north Queensland Aboriginal community on two separate occasions during December in the lead-up to the festive season. He claimed the



RAYMOND SIBLEY

bags of white people travelling to Palm Island were mostly ignored by police.

"They seem to have ignored searching bags of white people on the same ferries," the deputy mayor said.

Cr Sibley said most adults on the ferry agreed with him that they should boycott voting at elections 'until Indigenous rights

were equal to other Australians'.

He said islanders were made to feel like criminals on two previous occasions when police searched bags on mostly Indigenous passengers.

"They searched us in front of 200 people and it is racist," the deputy mayor said.

"One bloke had four casks of wine which they cut open on the lawn near the terminal. They slashed it with a knife."

Cr Sibley said that once people bought a ferry ticket they were bound by Alcohol Management Plan (AMP) laws which allowed locals to bring just one carton of mid-strength or light beer to Palm Island.

"One person dropped others off at the terminal and had six bottles of alcohol and wasn't even going to Palm and they searched him," he said.

"They phoned superiors and couldn't charge him with any breach. It is ridiculous."

Cr Sibley said he was at a loss to know why police conducted searches in Townsville instead of on Palm Island.

## Actions defended

STATE MP for Townsville Mandy Johnstone says she has been advised by the Police Minister's office that searches under Alcohol Management Plan (AMP) laws are conducted only if and when police reasonably suspect people are carrying contraband. "The concept of this strategy at the Townsville Sunferries terminal is designed as a preventative deterrent measure and persons are not randomly searched," she said.

Ms Johnstone said Cr Sibley's call was the opinion of just one person. "What do the other community leaders want?" she asked.

Queensland Local Government Minister Desley Boyle also rejected claims Palm Island's alcohol management plans were

racist, saying they were necessary to stop residents 'beating each other up'.

"The sad fact is the rate of hospital admissions for assault-related conditions on Palm Island is 22 times the Queensland average while the rate of reported offences against people is about 17 times higher," she said.

"Alcohol is at the heart of much of this violence and alcohol management plans are part of our response to this."

Mayors from Aboriginal shire councils around Queensland called for a review of AMPs during a meeting in October.

The issue came to a head on Palm Island in September when one third of the community's adult population went through court in a single day for breaching the AMP.



## New Year's Resolutions



**VELMA GARA** – Torres Strait Islander: I think I'll keep them to myself, so if I fail, only I will know! But I do hope to go home more often.



**KEN WYATT** – Perth, WA: I'll be going to the gym regularly to look after my health.



**DARLENE JOHNSON** – Bondi, NSW: I'm inspired by Julian Assange's WikiLeaks. Let's all spend this year reminding the world, especially Americans, of the great words of Thomas Jefferson... 'information is the currency of democracy'.



**SONDRA GORRINGER** – Palm Island, Qld: To save money is my main resolution.



Mona Mona Bulma Aboriginal Corporation Chairman Andy Duffin pays \$1 in rent to Department of Communities Director General Linda Apelt. Looking on are Barron River MP Steve Wettenall and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Desley Boyle.

# Victory in fight for Mona Mona

By PATRICK POLLOCK



IT'S been a battle, but Aboriginal people in north Queensland have won their struggle to lease the land of the former Mona Mona mission, broken up by the State Government in 1962.

Last month about 100 descendants of residents of the Mona Mona mission and their supporters gathered in Kuranda, north-west of Cairns, to celebrate the return of the nearby mission site to the community.

Chairman of the new Mona Mona Bulma Aboriginal Corporation, Andrew Duffin, told the crowd it was still their home. "After a 47-year struggle to gain the rights to manage Mona Mona, the day has come when we are finally going to be given the rights to do just that," he said.

In front of the few surviving Elders who lived on the Mona Mona mission, Mr Duffin handed over \$1 to Department of Communities Director General Linda Apelt to secure the first 12 months of their 30-year lease.

## Supporters

The fight started in earnest in 2007 when Mona Mona supporters heard the Federal Government was going to zone the area as national park and leave 100ha for the community as a cultural reserve.

The community was dead against the idea as they had plans to develop the land for future generations.

After ongoing lobbying of all the major parties in Queensland politics, the Mona Mona community won their land.

Glenis Grogan, a director of the Mona Mona Bulma Aboriginal Corporation, warned there was hard work ahead. "We intend to be self-sufficient in a few years, directing our own future, and living in a community that we can be proud of," she said.

At the celebration, Elders spoke of what it was like living under the control of the missionaries. But they also remembered their friends and families on the mission.

Auntie June Grogan said it was 'very deadly' to get back the land.

The community is now hoping to secure the land as Aboriginal freehold title.

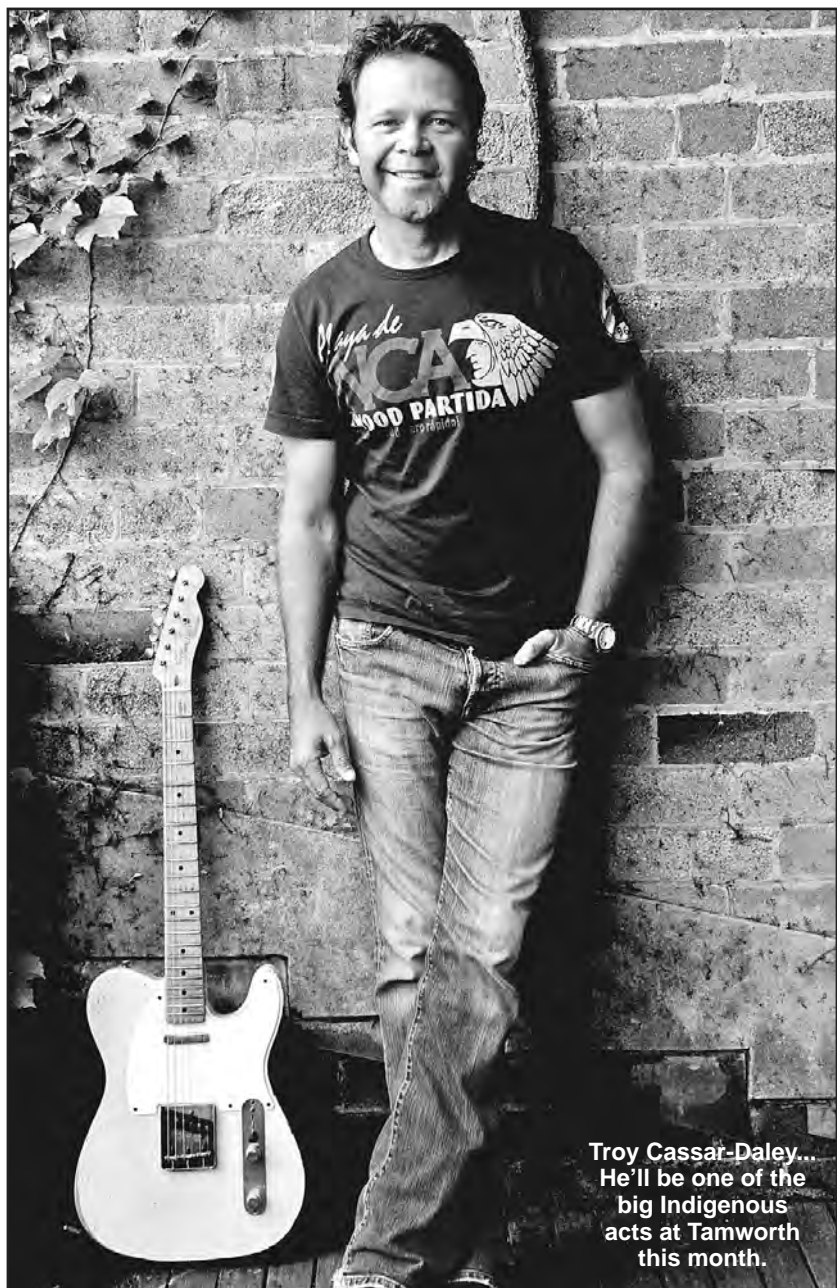


Mona Mona Bulma Aboriginal Corporation director Glenis Grogan with her mother June, a survivor of the original Mona Mona mission.



Mona Mona descendants, from left, Delvene Richards, Stewart Snyder, Colleen Riley and Leslie Riley at the celebration.





# Big country acts heading to Tamworth



IF you're an Australian country music fan, January means just one thing –

Tamworth. And this year's Tamworth Country Music Festival will again feature a strong line-up of Indigenous talent.

The focal point will be the fourth annual Aboriginal Cultural Showcase, a week-long program of Aboriginal music and culture starting this Monday, 17 January.

The opening will be at Powerstation Park, with more acts on stage at the Tamworth Community Centre and the Showcase Finale at the Capitol Theatre on 22 January.

Some of Indigenous Australia's biggest names in country music, including Troy



**SEAN CHOOLBURRA**

Cassar-Daley, are expected in the north-west NSW city during the festival.

The Showcase, on every day, provides opportunities for up-and-coming Indigenous talent to take the stage. The best and most promising 10 walk-up acts will feature at the Showcase

finale, taking to the stage with established performers Roger Knox, Auriel Andrew, Johnny Huckle and more.

One person picked as the best of the best new artists will have the opportunity to perform on the main stage at the Saltwater Freshwater Festival on 26 January at Port Macquarie.

Master classes will also be held during the week, with topics including band performance, music as entertainment and songwriting techniques.

Showcase organisers say they are delighted the events will be MCed by Aboriginal funnyman Sean Choolburra.

Cultural workshops from Tamworth's own Gomeroi Dance Company are also on the program.

More information is available at [www.culturalshowcase.com](http://www.culturalshowcase.com)



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## Native title claims agreement reached



AN additional 54,000 square kilometres of land in the Kimberley is set to be added to the native title estate in Western Australia with agreements reached in the Uunguu and Dambimangari claims.

WA Premier Colin Barnett said the major native title decisions were reached by consent and would bring the total area of determined land in WA to more than 910,000 square kilometres, an area almost the size of South Australia.

The Uunguu and Dambimangari claims are in the Kimberley region and form a part of the Wanjinna Wunggurr cultural bloc. The first Wanjinna claim was resolved through litigation in 2004.

The WA Government said exclusive possession native title rights would be recognised over the majority of unallocated Crown land and Aboriginal reserves in the application areas.

It is expected the determinations will be ratified by the Federal Court at on-country hearings early this year.

## Administrator takes over at corporation



THE Central Highlands Aboriginal Corporation has been under special administration after an examination revealed serious deficiencies in corporate governance and financial management.

Located in Emerald in Queensland's Central Highlands, the corporation's primary role has been managing and delivering housing services to the Aboriginal community.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven said special administrator Glenn Walker would work closely with the corporation's members and other stakeholders to improve its operations and governance.

He said one of the key objectives of the special administration would be to ensure the corporation had proper processes in place for the management of the houses, including how they are allocated.

## GenerationOne gets festive in Sydney



GENERATION-ONE, the organisation which aims to address Indigenous disadvantage, has become a partner with the Sydney Festival.

The organisation played a role at last week's festival opening, and will be featured at the Ferrython on Sydney Harbour on 26 January, decorating one of the ferries and firing the starting pistol with local Sydney organisation Tribal Warrior.

Sydney Festival director Lindy Hume welcomed the partnership. "GenerationOne's commitment to ending inequality is an essential contribution to the Australian community as a whole, and fits well alongside the festival's ethos of making people's lives better through strong community values and pride in our common narrative," she said.

## Kormilda College welcomes results



DARWIN-based Kormilda College has welcomed its students' results in the 2010 Northern Territory Certificate of Education (NTCE).

Management at the multicultural co-educational day and boarding school said 97 per cent of candidates were awarded their NTCE. These included 14 Indigenous students, eight of them from remote north Australian communities of Yarralin, Bulman, Corella Creek, Pigeon Hole, Bulla, Lajamanu and the Gullaweed community in Western Australia.

Kormilda's top NTCE Indigenous student was Nicole Gardiner. "This is the fourth consecutive year the college has attained a 100 per cent pass rate for Indigenous students from remote communities and the successful completion of the NTCE by 97 per cent of Kormilda's Year 12 NTCE cohort is a great achievement," Principal David Shinkfield said.

# Blanket approval for Langford's exhibition

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE signature piece of Ros Langford's graduation exhibition, 'Skin to Blanket', was

snapped up by the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery before it even opened.

The pre-Christmas exhibition's largest piece features designs in ochre, collected from Tasmania and Yorta Yorta country (Victoria), on a queen-size woollen blanket.

During her four-year Bachelor of Fine Arts course at the University of Tasmania's Art School, Ms Langford utilised a variety of mediums using ochre with block prints and screen-printing.

'Skin to Blanket' is a depiction of the essence of Ms Langford and her heritage.

"It's a combination, about the essence of who I am, my mother and grandmother's country, Yorta Yorta, but it's also about my family of the Tasmanian Aboriginal community here and their history," the 63-year-old said.

"There's Yorta Yorta symbols, there's Tasmanian Aboriginal symbols, basket weaves from Yorta Yorta and Tasmania, and simple things like hand prints of the future generation."

Ms Langford is proud that her signature piece was bought by the local museum.

"I wanted it to stay in Tassie," she said.

Ms Langford was inspired by opossum skin cloaks made in 1999 by Yorta Yorta women Vicki and Debra Couzens, Lee Darroch and



Ros Langford with her proud daughter Ruth at the exhibition opening. In the background is the signature piece 'Skin to Blanket'.

Treahna Hamm – a traditional skill which had nearly disappeared by the mid-1950s. "I just absolutely admired them," she told *The Koori Mail* at the packed opening at Art Mob on Hobart's waterfront.

### 'Significant piece'

"The blanket became a significant piece for me.

"By us being colonised, a lot of traditions were taken away or forcibly removed from us. 'Blanket' today is a comfort for some people, but

it was also the cause of some of our people getting influenza, and dying, because of the thinness of them, because the water didn't flow off them."

The actual blanket Ms Langford used holds a personal significance to her, but she prefers to keep it private.

Studying art has not only given Ms Langford the opportunity to think of herself as an artist and produce works with mediums new to her, but also the chance to

enhance the university program.

"They didn't have good Aboriginal studies within the art curriculum," she said.

"That has changed now. I was able to give some knowledge of the land."

Ms Langford has also inspired her own family, with her daughter Ruth starting a university course studying community recovery.

"No one in my family has got a degree and I wanted to show them they could do that," she said.

# Groups set for Survival Day



COMMUNITY groups and Indigenous organisations around the country will be marking Survival Day on 26 January with a range of community activities.

In Melbourne, the annual Share the Spirit Indigenous Music Festival will once again be held in Treasury Gardens, East Melbourne.

The festival celebrates Indigenous culture with non-stop music, performances, workshops, and information stalls. It begins at 1pm and runs until 7pm.

Also in Melbourne, a Survival Day

event will be held in Borthwick Park next to the Belgrave Pool, and will feature a range of musical acts and performances. The day kicks off at noon and is scheduled to finish at 4pm.

In Sydney, the Yabun Festival will be held in Victoria Park.

### Huge audience

It is the largest single-day Indigenous festival, normally drawing an audience of between 10,000 and 15,000.

Although the festival guests mostly comprise of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and the community, Yabun also attracts a wider audience

made up of the general public, music fans, and supporters of Indigenous Rights and Indigenous arts and culture enthusiasts.

In Adelaide, Survival Day will be marked with an event on Kaurna Country, at the corner of Grenfell Street and East Terrace.

It will feature performances by a host of Indigenous performers including Frank Yamma, Rough Image, the Glenn Skuthorpe Band and others. There will also be dance groups, workshops and performances.

The event begins at 11am and runs until 7pm.



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## DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



## Quote



**"The Franklin River campaign became submerged in the environmental movement's campaign... This time it's the other way around, the environmental movement are getting behind the Aboriginal community to save the area."**

– *Tasmania's Michael Mansell on the development plan for the Jordan River Levee heritage site*

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## Unquote

## Get ready for a big year ahead

If Indigenous issues are to progress favourably this year it will be necessary for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to involve themselves as much as they possibly can in the issues closest to their hearts. Whether that is improving health and educational outcomes, working towards new job opportunities, or campaigning for changes such as constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the First Peoples of this great land.

This is the year that the constitutional debate will rage about us, and while there are bound to be various opinions about the way forward, one thing is for certain, ongoing disunity will only result in disappointment all round. A positive approach is needed, and indeed, the ability to compromise for the greater good. But then that is what a national debate is all about.

Meanwhile, the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples will be meeting for the first time in June in Sydney, and to be part of it, people must apply to be members by 11 February if they wish to nominate, or be nominated, as delegates or as a Co-Chair of the organisation.

Again, there will no doubt be critics of the new organisation, but unless people are able to work together to sort out their differences, there is a danger that little will be achieved.

The key will be to respect the right of everyone to have an opinion, and to work together to formulate a future which involves opportunities and prosperity for



all. Anything less will be another step backwards, and that is something that Australia's First Peoples simply cannot afford.

There are promising signs already though. The formation of the 'expert panel' to drive the debate on constitutional change includes many of our well-known leaders, headed by the "Father of Reconciliation" Professor Patrick Dodson. And while those on the panel do not always agree, and indeed some have already put forward differing opinions on the way forward, by working together and showing respect for one another, hopefully their leadership will result in an outcome palatable to all.

### Vale 'Mr Magic'

The Tiwi footballer, Maurice Rioli, who paved the way for generations of Indigenous footballers, was farewelled at a service in Darwin last Friday. Rioli played for Richmond and South Fremantle, and was regarded as one of the greatest players of his era. He was also a Labor MP in the NT Parliament for several years, and father of four children and seven grandchildren. He was a hero who will be sadly missed.

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## A Yarn With...



## ALFRED ORCHER

**Indigenous Health Worker Toowoomba, Qld**

**Favourite bush tucker?**  
Emu and yellowbelly.

**Favourite other food?**  
Chicken.

**Favourite drink?**  
Water and Diet Coke.

**Favourite leisure?**  
Spending time with family.

**What are you watching?**  
My weight. I've been taking part in the local Biggest Loser event.

**Favourite sport?**  
Rugby League (I support St George and locally the Toowoomba Warriors).

**What do you like in life?**  
Spending time with family and friends.

**What do you dislike?**  
People ringing in the middle of the night for a lift.

**What are you reading?**  
*Back from the Dead* – a book about the Bali bombings.

**Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?**  
The missus (Kylie) for a cuddle, Jessica Mauboy (to sing) and *The Koori Mail* (to cover it).

**If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Indigenous people?**  
Work harder on closing the gap.



# Rhodes Scholar on the way to a bright future



REBECCA  
RICHARDS

**C**OUNTRY music singing or anthropology. They were Rebecca Richards' career choices when she was leaving school about five years ago.

Equally passionate about both, she went with anthropology – essentially the study of cultures.

It's proven a good choice. So good, in fact, that the 23-year-old Adnyamathanha (South Australia) woman has just been named Australia's first Indigenous recipient of the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship\*.

These scholarships are among the most sought-after in the world. They go to only the best and brightest in their fields.

What that means for Rebecca will be the opportunity to study at The University of Oxford in England, one of the world's great educational institutions and a mecca for anthropologists.

What it means for Indigenous Australia could be much bigger than that.

Rebecca, the first Indigenous member of her family to complete high school, is about to finish her honours year after achieving her degree in anthropology at the University of Adelaide in 2009.

She'll be going to Oxford this September where she will study for a Masters of Philosophy in Material Anthropology and Museum Ethnography. She'll be focusing on major Indigenous Australian collections held by the university and its museums.

If the opportunity comes up,

she'll do a doctorate and then ... well, time will tell.

But, Rebecca says, she always feels the call of her country and that she'll eventually come home ... "There's amazing rock art on Adnyamathanha country, and I want to study that and everything else about my people."

**R**ebbecca Richards has come a long way in a short time.

The daughter of a Leigh Creek stockman and a primary school teacher, she grew up in South Australia's Riverland, riding horses and motorbikes, and swimming in the Murray River. Her father was a country music lover, something he passed on to his daughter. She still loves to sing.

Rebecca was 14 when her interest in anthropology was sparked. She had joined her father doing some fieldwork on her native Adnyamathanha lands – work which contributed to a successful native title claim by her people.

After that, there was no looking back.

Driven by her passion for learning and for her people, Rebecca worked hard at school, achieved good results and started her university course.

She's employed as an Indigenous Cadet Project Officer at the National Museum of Australia in Canberra. And she's also completed an internship at the Smithsonian Institution in

Washington, DC, helping to digitise – to record electronically via computer – Indigenous material held there.

Culturally, Rebecca has been active among her Adnyamathanha people. She has custodial responsibilities for her family site as well as for women's sites in the Flinders Ranges.

Rebecca says passion, commitment and plain hard work are the keys to her success.

"It's how to get ahead ... how to make a difference," she tells *The Koori Mail*.

"I am just stunned by what's happened. I can't believe I'm going to Oxford, but I won't waste a second of it."

**A**nthropologists by and large are not popular with indigenous peoples. They're the scientists responsible for removing artefacts and remains, for sticking their noses into culturally sensitive issues and business, for endlessly 'studying' their 'subjects'.

It's something which Rebecca Richards is only too aware of.

And it's these very issues, and her own cultural understandings, which inform Rebecca's attitude to anthropology.

"I am an Aboriginal woman. I am aware of the protocols and the issues, and I know that as an anthropologist I will have to tread a very fine line," she says.

"It's vital that we continue to study and learn, but it must be done the right way – with the

understanding and consent of the Elders and peoples involved.

"I'm just so grateful for the support and understanding I have received from my own Adnyamathanha people.

"I am also passionate about the repatriation of Indigenous objects, about languages and associated knowledge of Indigenous communities."

To that end, Rebecca hopes to be among the leaders in digitally repatriating objects and knowledge.

"When I'm in Oxford I want to work on collections of Indigenous objects," she says.

"I've had experience in digitally recording items, and I want to do that there."

"In this way, the original tribal groups will be able to see what is being held and make their own decisions about them ... how they should be used, their cultural value and sensitivity.

"I see it as being the first step in a process that could lead to repatriation and community management of collections, but it is vital in developing the understanding of culture and, where appropriate, sharing it with others."

**T**en or 20 years from now, *The Koori Mail* might well be reporting on Professor Rebecca Richards ... wife, mother and leader in the field of anthropology.

That's a future this young woman is not ruling out.

But right now it's Oxford and the opportunities offered at the world-class educational centre that's front and centre of her thoughts.

"People ask if I'll be lonely away from my family," she says.

"I will, but I'm already away from them working in Canberra and studying."

"It's a price I'm prepared to pay, and one day I will come home."

"The truth is I've got the best of both worlds."

"I can do something I'm absolutely passionate about and get paid for it."

"And I can do something that I really believe will help our people."

"For me, it doesn't get better than this."

*\* The Rhodes Scholarship, named after diamond mining magnate Cecil Rhodes, is an international postgraduate award for study at the University of Oxford. Widely considered the world's most prestigious scholarship, Rhodes Scholars may study nearly any full-time postgraduate or undergraduate course offered by Oxford University. For more than a century, Rhodes scholars have left Oxford with virtually any job available to them. They have reached the highest levels in virtually all fields. Former Prime Minister Bob Hawke was a Rhodes Scholar, as was former US President Bill Clinton.*



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Santa and Kiana Donovan at the Black Santa Christmas Party.

## Black Santa a popular visitor



**BANKSTOWN** kids were treated to a Black Santa Christmas Party last month which local Elders say was such a success they hope to make it a yearly event.

This was the first time Black Santa had visited the western Sydney suburb of Bankstown, and his visit marked the 10th anniversary of the formation of the Bankstown Aboriginal Advisory Committee. The advisory committee teamed up with Bankstown Community Resource Group to bring Black Santa out for the day, with funding for the party provided by Bankstown City Council.

Children at the party received gifts, while families also got a bag of fruit and a free children's DVD.

Uncle Steve Williams performed a smoking ceremony and Auntie Noeline Holten ran an Aboriginal art workshop for the children. The Department of Sport and Recreation organised Indigenous games and the Revesby Wirrimbirra Rotary Club hosted a barbecue. There was also a jumping castle, face painting and music.

Bankstown Elder Uncle Harry Allie was also present. Having been Bankstown Aboriginal Advisory Committee chairperson for a number of years, 2010 marked his retirement. He was thanked for his service.

## Women to celebrate



**THE** National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) is calling for nominations, as it gets ready to celebrate 100 years of International Women's Day by honouring 100 Indigenous women who have made a difference.

NATSIWA spokesperson Louise Wellington said people could nominate as many women as they liked, and nominees could be from the past or present, and from any field such as community, traditional culture/lore, business, government, sports and academia.

The nominations will be used on a poster that will be distributed nationwide, and on a web page with profiles and information on each nominee. The page will include an interactive blog where nominees will be invited to write posts on issues concerning Indigenous women such as struggles Indigenous women

face in mainstream society, hopes for Indigenous women in the next 100 years and those who are an inspiration. "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women today and in the next 100 years will continue to be leaders and activists in their communities and the broader world," Ms Wellington said.

"They will inspire, challenge, develop and break down barriers as new issues emerge and the struggle for recognition and the breakdown of stereotypes continues.

"We want to give the message that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are unique and this country is unique, that they do what many other women do in the world and have not been recognised for their unique strengths."

The web page and poster will be officially launched in Canberra on International Women's day, 8 March.

For a nomination form, email [natsiwa.admin@ywca.org.au](mailto:natsiwa.admin@ywca.org.au) or phone (02) 6175 9924.



Four afternoons a week at the Kids Future Club in Derby WA, children can share a meal while learning about literacy, health and nutrition. In turn, this knowledge is passed on to their families. It's a program based on kinship and it's supported by you through the Lotterywest games you play.







# Assimilation has taken heavy toll

## If only...

**Letter-writer Maureen Brannan, of Cloynan in Queensland, sent this 'satirical' message to us ... her 'dream letter' from Prime Minister Julia Gillard to the Indigenous peoples of Australia.**

I AM very disappointed that so many of our educated people are unable to see just how assimilated they have become.

They've been lulled into that which they once were wholeheartedly opposed to.

The cruellest blows always come from your own. And I would just like to ask them why they have decided to become a part of an oppressive government that has for scores

of years removed our ancestors from their countries, stripping us of our tribal countries and names.

Don't you think that you should do something to organise our people, rather than judging us the way wider Australia does as drunks, gamblers, jailbirds, criminal and bludgers.

If we become them we lose everything.

Stop giving up, stop being frustrated. Why don't you strengthen your hearts, get a backbone and gather in council and form an Aboriginal government. One with the courage of its convictions to stand up and say enough is enough.

Oh, how I long for that day. If it happens, I would like to be considered as war chief and given the power to raise an army

of warriors ready to protect what little we have left.

Then maybe we will ask for a treaty settling for 25 per cent of gross national income, no further access to any lands until certain matters are settled 'tribally' ....

Hmmm, I guess this is just a pipe dream. But what a grand dream, huh?

**DOUGLAS MORGAN**  
Windale, NSW

# Great party at Ballarat

THE University of Ballarat – Aboriginal Education Centre has hosted its second Elders Christmas Party for the Indigenous Elders of the regions serviced by the university.

Twenty-six Elders attended the event and had a delicious lunch with 17 members of the University Council including Chancellor Emeritus Professor Robert Smith and Vice Chancellor Professor David Battersby. Unfortunately, because of sorry business the Elders from Horsham could not attend this year and we really missed them.

The luncheon was followed by entertainment from Dennis Bruce and friends who sang old songs, country and western music and Christmas carols.

A couple of the Elders showed they could still cut a rug by taking part in the line dancing.

Then the staff of the Aboriginal Education Centre acted as Santa's little helpers and distributed presents to all who attended.

This was a wonderful opportunity for the University of Ballarat to demonstrate their respect for the Elders, and hopefully the tradition will carry on for many years to come.

By the end of the afternoon everyone, including the staff, were fed, entertained and delighted with the day.

**SHIRLEY MORGAN**  
Ballarat Vic



Letter-writer Shirley Morgan, left, and Daphne Milward at the Christmas party.

# Keeping Your Say short and sweet

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# Welcome part of our tradition

I AM 80 years of age and I read in *The Koori Mail* (1 December) the comment by (Liberal) Senator (Julian) McGauran questioning the use of the welcome to country in Federal Parliament and its status as being considered equal to that of the Lord's Prayer.

I am a cultural man and when we have a gathering of people from different areas we have a

custodian/Elder from the country where the gathering is being held welcome people to country. This makes those attending feel accepted and comfortable being there.

This has been Aboriginal tradition since the Dreamtime. It seems the senator simply does not understand this has been the practice of our people for so long.

I for one feel so proud to see a welcome to country being used and recognised in Canberra today.

When we have our welcome to country our custodians/Elders pay respect to custodians past and present as well as Elders past and present.

Spiritually, this is showing respect for the country and the custodians who are responsible

for taking care of the country where we live.

What people like the senator don't understand is Aboriginal people looked after and cared for the land a long time before the British invasion. Our people were taught to respect the land and not destroy it.

So what our custodians are doing is trying to give respect back into the country.

And with regards to the senator making the claim that Christian Aboriginal people would be upset about welcoming people to country, I would ask has he ever discussed this sort of thing with Aboriginal people?

**CHARLES (MIBUNJ) MORAN**  
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## Honour is the key to happiness

ONCE again it is the time of the year when people reflect on resolutions, but too often they are founded on misdirected self-interest and pecuniary gains.

There is nothing more valuable in our self-interest than honour. Honour determines your character, your form and content, your state of mind and therefore your happiness.

Unavoidably, it contributes to the social consciousness and it threads the social fabric.

As a new year unfolds, life goes on but maybe people could consider what matters instead of worrying how much weight they should lose, how much money they should make, or how high up the corporate or social ladder they climb.

It would be wonderful and beneficial if we find our resolutions in how we treat one another; in policies of inclusion; in forgiveness; in speaking the truth; in genuine courtesies; in an ethos of caring; in working diligently in our jobs and in our callings for the sake of one another; in making real time for our families and, where possible, our friends; in sincerely being there for people, and especially the vulnerable; in caring about the person we are before worrying about the wrapping.

If we resolve towards honourable intentions we will understand happiness and one another.

Change will occur much more expeditiously where it should occur – in the home and in society. Honour is everything, even when it seems in the eyes and minds of others to get you into trouble.

There is no greater example to provide to our children, and to one another, than we having lived an honourable life.

**GERRY GEORGATOS**  
Harrisdale, WA

## Blatant racism fear at NSW coal mines

I WOULD like to draw attention to what I believe is blatant racism at coal mines in the Hunter Valley (NSW).

Every coal mine in the last 25 years that has been lobbying to obtain approval for their activities has been paying lip service to the Aboriginal community that they will hire a percentage of the local community.

In my experience, the first thing they do when approval is given and their mine starts is to have a set against hiring local black people.

How much longer are we – Aboriginal people – going to let this continue when our land is being brutalised and our children are not being employed because of their heritage.

When are we going to stand up and say 'we too are humans – let us work!'

**EDDIE WILCOX**  
Muswellbrook, NSW



# Gamarada's big year

THE past 12 months was an extraordinary year of evolution and achievements for the Gamarada Centre for Indigenous Healing and Life Training in Redfern.

This past year, in line with our strategic plan, we expanded our focus on men to including youth and providing mentoring services that benefit the entire family unit.

The advancements in our program are a reflection of the growth of its leaders and participants, who with passion, commitment and discipline participate week after week, and in the evenings when most of us go home to do our own thing, these volunteers switch to overtime and work until 9pm in order to maintain a safe space so men and boys can find their voice and aspire to bettering themselves for the greater good and for their families and the community at large.

Our utmost gratitude goes out to these strong and humble men for their part in improving the mental health and well-being of the community.

It's worth mentioning that the tireless work of these men won them a Premier's Excellence Award in 2010 for building



Men and boys at the Gamarada Centre for Indigenous Healing and Life Training in Redfern.

community leadership in Aboriginal communities.

In acknowledging our supporters, we would like to highlight the contributions of a

few who have worked closely with us at the coalface and behind the scenes assisting with our administration and with our incorporation to a not-for-profit

company in 2010.

Thank you to the key people in the following organisations for their spirited support:

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NSW Marie Bashir; Deputy Lord Mayor of Sydney Cr Marcelle Hoff and the respective councillors; Tanya Plibersek MP, the Federal Member for Sydney; the Redfern Community Centre; the Community Restorative Centre; The Tribal Warrior Association; *The Koori Mail*; Gadigal Information Services and Koori Radio; SBS *Living Black on Radio*; The University of NSW; The Redfern and Marrickville community legal centres; the Aboriginal legal service; the Public Interest Advocacy Centre; the Redfern/Waterloo Authority; and countless others. Thanks.

In saving the best until last, we wish to thank our revered Elders who guide us and support us each step of our journey – Uncle Shane Phillips, Uncle Chicka Madden, Uncle Ray Minniecon, Uncle Gerry Bostock, Uncle Richard Green and Aunties Rhonda Dixon Grovenor, Gloria Clarke and Millie Ingram.

We look up to you.

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# Rick Griffiths a true soldier

THE sudden passing of Rick Griffiths has sent shock waves through the entire Aboriginal land rights movement of New South Wales and, in particular, the Newcastle region.

I was devastated to hear the news ... Aboriginal NSW had lost a true soldier.

Rick will certainly be missed by the many who regarded him as a brother and a true friend.

Rick's work in our region over the years literally has no equal, and his memory will live in the hearts of all those people he's touched.

I send my deepest condolences to the Griffiths family who've lost a brave Aboriginal warrior.

Rick had a hand in bringing about many advancements and improvements to Aboriginal

## Tribute

people in the Newcastle region.

His work in establishing the Aboriginal Home Care Pilot Program, important reform within the Mindaribba LALC and the lasting change he implemented during his time spent at ATSIC

are just a few on a long list of achievements.

If I could achieve even half of what Rick has over the years, I'd leave black politics a very happy man.

He was an inspirational speaker, someone I looked up to and respected and I'll always remember his impassioned and hardline activism.

Vitally for our people, he never

pulled a punch. Rick was an important man in my life, a loving father to his family, a brother and son.

He'll be missed, respected, honoured and thought of for years to come.

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# Racism penalties needed

IT wasn't until I was involved in a situation where certain staff made racist comments within an area health service that I saw first-hand the effect it has on a person, their family and the community.

I then recalled the incident where (Indigenous National Rugby League player) Timana Tahu made a stand against racism. I was able to draw on what I saw of Timana and the experience that this person had.

There's isolation from team members; confusion where you tell your story over and over and then you are bounced around from person to person not knowing what is going to happen; if family support you they are sounded out; and withdrawal from the world. Then come the feelings of hurt, anger and guilt because you put your family through your roller-coaster ride, not knowing what is going to happen.

Since this time I have reflected and drawn on many similarities about the person who is involved with a racial allegation they brought forward and Timana's story. What we forget is Timana spoke out against one of the so-called greats of Rugby League, Andrew Johns, and he brought it to everyone's attention.

The NRL and Channel 9 responded and stood down Johns until it went quiet – and then they reinstated him.

Now here is the similarity.

What did Timana's coming forward do?

There was some cultural-awareness training. Johns worked with Aboriginal communities for a short time and now he goes about his business.

Look at Timana. He came forward, stood up and yet he is confused. Confused in the fact he came forward, he and his family went through media scrutiny where they made it look like he was a villain going against a great.

Timana worked hard and long for what he achieved and I understand where his need for space and family support is coming from.

At the end of the day, the comment was made and now Andrew Johns is still involved in rugby league.

The NRL give months of bans for dangerous charges such as head-butting and biting. There should also be strong penalties for such racist comments as well.

In today's society, people know what can and can't be said in different situations. Most organisations have cultural-awareness training.

The issue now is, when an Indigenous person stands up against racism why is it we are asked to 'deal with it' and the perpetrators get warnings, training, told to lay low until the storm is over and then reinstated.

It's time some of our leaders stand up and say enough is enough and bring in tougher penalties.

Timana, you are an inspiration for what you did and I know your story has helped with the above situation.

In racist matters, there needs to be hard penalties so Indigenous people can move forward after their voice is heard.

Name withheld  
By email



# Truly one of the greats

ONE question I always pose to young players when they are starting a professional career in the AFL is how they will like to be remembered.

No matter what field of life we operate in, we all hope that we will leave a legacy and that we will have in some way made a difference.

I then reinforce this message by asking them to consider those that have gone before them and who they would like to emulate in their careers.

For young Aboriginal footballers, in particular, this is a critical part of their development because so many of the opportunities they have today are only available because of the hard work of pioneer players.

The importance of remembering the ground-breaking work of these early players was brought into sharp focus by the loss of Richmond great Maurice Rioli, who passed away in Darwin on Christmas Day after suffering a suspected heart attack.

Rioli's death came weeks before the Flying Boomerangs made up of 14- and 15-year-old Aboriginal players flew to Tonga to take part in the Oceania Cup.

These opportunities were never afforded Rioli and his generation and he was a trail-blazer for young kids from the Northern Territory in particular.

But he is also remembered as a true gentleman and a quality person which makes his legacy so much more powerful.

## Koori Mail AFL columnist MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN has penned this tribute to the late Maurice Rioli

Rioli, who was 53, played 118 games for the Tigers between 1982 and 1987.

He was a three-time All-Australian and I am privileged to have my name beside him as a member of the AFL's Indigenous Team of the Century.

He won the Norm Smith Medal in Richmond's last VFL/AFL grand final in 1982, becoming the first player to win the medal despite playing for the losing side.

He twice won the club's best and fairest award.

### Made his mark

Born on Melville Island in the Northern Territory, Rioli first made his mark in the Northern Territory Football League, where he was one of eight brothers to play for St Mary's.

These facts alone tell a compelling story, but AFL CEO Andrew Demetriou was one of many who also wanted to describe the person and his impact on the community.

He described Rioli as a genius with the football in his hands.

"I had the great pleasure to be able to play against Maurice and he was a wonderful skilled player who could control a game," Demetriou said.

"He was the trail-blazer for footballers from the Northern Territory in making their mark in the VFL and the AFL and he continued to serve his community long after his playing days, with his work in public life."

Richmond CEO Brendon Gale said Rioli, who went into politics in later life, would be remembered as one of the club's greatest players.

"Maurice was an enormously important figure in the game as a player, and more broadly in the leading role he played for Indigenous Australians," Gale said.

"Maurice was loved by the Richmond Football Club family. He inspired millions. The friendships that he made were enduring."

### Name continues

The Rioli name still continues in the game, with Maurice being the uncle of Hawthorn forward Cyril Rioli and former Essendon star Dean Rioli, and brother-in-law of Essendon legend Michael Long.

He will be remembered as a champion midfielder who wowed supporters with his sublime skills, modest nature and willingness to improve life for his Indigenous brethren.

It should be remembered that Maurice played in a less enlightened era.

While running around opponents appeared easy, dealing with racist vitriol from opponents and the crowd was a challenge.

It wouldn't be until the mid-1990s before the AFL finally took action on this scourge.

The VFL was a tough, hard place through the 1980s, and Rioli wasn't afraid to speak about the racial taunts he faced.

He had a lot to do with breaking down those early barriers.

The Flying Boomerangs returned from Tonga having tasted victory and defeat after being outmuscled to the tune of 37 points by the South Pacific Under 16s side in their second exhibition match that ran alongside the Youth AFL Oceania Cup.

After beating the Oceania Under-16s by 144 points last Wednesday, the Boomerangs faced their biggest test when coming up against the representative side that exploded out of the blocks in the first term.

Another legend in coach Chris McLeod implored his players to learn from the experience of the match and a successful tour.

"It's how you react to a loss and adversity that defines you in football, and by extension, life," he said.

"It's up to us to continue to take on the challenge and learn from the great experiences we've had this week."

Maurice Rioli would have been proud.

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# Fine spirit reigns



Amy Saunders, from Tiddas.



The Torres Strait was well represented at the First Nations Stage, with Aunty Bakoi Boulton, originally from Murray Island and now living on the Gold Coast, and King Kadu, right, performing throughout Woodford. 'The King's' son Ricardo Savage, from Coconut Island and Cairns, travelled to participate in the festival as well.



Bobby Alu, from the Gold Coast, has spent almost a decade touring and performing as a drummer, but took Woodford by storm fronting his own outfit.



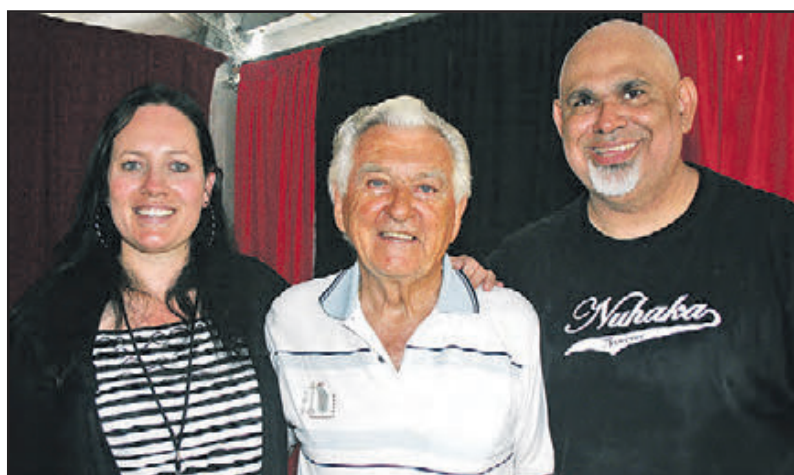
Police liaison officer Deb De Bree caught up with Norman Johnson, from Mackay, and fellow officer Mike Douglas.



Birra Gubba Elder Aunty Patsy Brady, from Mackay, and Dawn Daylight, from Ipswich, take a break with Landsborough resident Tania Marshall in the Elders' Tea Room.



He might have written a song that Michael Jackson ended up recording, but British-born Geoffrey Williams reckons his Blakfullas t-shirt was a bit of a highlight. He took time out with programming director of The Dreaming festival Sam Cook on the First Nations Stage and talked of moving to Australia, writing for Dusty Springfield and his love of music over his 25-year career.



Former Prime Minister Bob Hawke stopped in to watch Torres Strait Islander performer Getano Bann. They're with Sam Cook.



Keep an ear out for Yorta Yorta man Benny Walker, from the banks of the Murray River in Victoria. He's been unearthed by Triple J and has just released his latest EP with original songs. He performed four sets at Woodford.



Touted as one of the best dance troupes in south-east Queensland, the Gubbi Gubbi Dancers helped celebrate the 25th anniversary of the folk festival with, back from left, Lyndon Davis, from Yandina, and Jessie Currie, from Caloundra, along with, front, Brent Miller, from Kawana, and Jarrad Hunter, from Kuranda.



# at wet Woodford



Jiuanta Banu, 11 from Boigu Island, with George Gabey, from Thursday Island, Jangala Bennett, 10, and Allira Davis-Banu, get ready to go on stage as part of the Tagai Zugubau Dance Troupe.

## Roach tribute draws crowd

By EMILY MURPHY



RAIN, flooding and road closures were never going to stop the biggest party in south-east Queensland over the New Year period.

Woodford Folk Festival battled bad weather, reports of being flooded out and performers cancelling to put on a spectacular event attracting about 100,000 people – many of them Indigenous – from across the world.

A highlight of the six-day event was a tribute concert to Archie Roach who was scheduled to perform but due to ill health was unable to make the trip.

A 'Song For Archie' was pulled together two weeks out from the event by programming director of The Dreaming festival Sam Cook.

"Rather than leave the performance slot as a gap in the program, we wanted to honour Archie, and his mates were right on board with the likes of Radical Son, Blue King Brown, Tim Freedman and Microwave Jenny donating their time to perform covers of his songs," she said.

"Archie's long-time friend Shane Howard backed up a dynamic performance of *Just a Little Time*, helped out by Amy Saunders from Tiddas – the whole hour was full of love and respect shown by all, including the audience who



One of the Jinibara traditional owners of Woodford Edna Kina with Tyrone Fotuosamoa, left, and Mo Fotuosamoa, from Acacia Ridge in Brisbane.

took every seat in the venue and spilled out into the Festival streets.

"Everyone getting together at the end to sing *Took the Children Away* and the narrative component tied it all together and the professionalism of the artists made it a dream to pull together."

As well as the concert itself, a banner with signatures and messages, signed by the artists and some of the public is being sent to Archie Roach to speed his recovery.

The second year of the First Nation's Stage was embellished with the

introduction of the Red Couch which saw artists such as Getano Bann and Leah Flanagan speaking candidly about their love of music and their life journeys.

"There was a sense of family and community at the First Nations Stage; everyone felt they had a home base and this level of networking and community engagement cannot be underestimated," Ms Cook said.

"New Year's Eve went off; Dubmarine really brought it home at midnight."

● The Dreaming festival will be held at Woodford from 10-13 June.



Buddy Knox and his blues band had the Blues 'n' Roots stage rocking.



Artist David Miller featured his work at the Yoweh Gallery at Woodford. From the Yaegl mob around Yamba, he has been painting his stories since 1998.



Indigenous co-ordinator for The Dreaming festival Di Mills with MC Tom Boase (Wakka Wakka), who is living in Brisbane.



Radical Son takes a look into the capacity crowd during his rendition of *Ain't No Time To Complain* during the 'Song for Archie' tribute concert for Archie Roach who was unable to perform this year due to ill health.



## Wet season warning on dog attack risks



PEOPLE living in and around Indigenous communities in northern Australia have been warned about an increased risk of dog attacks.

Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) says the wet season can often cause overcrowding in Indigenous communities as people who normally live on outstations are forced into larger communities to access services.

"Naturally, people bring their dogs with them – leading to many people and dogs in contact with each other at a time of potential stress," AMRRIC President Ted Donelan said.

"Outstation dogs are used to guarding and territorial issues more than community dogs, and they are not so well socialised. This increases the chances of more dog fights and bites occurring."

## Gandangara Council opens another stage



GANDANGARA Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) has opened stage two of its residential development at Barden Ridge in south-western Sydney. GLALC CEO Jack Johnson says funds raised from stage two of the development will be invested into programs aimed at achieving independence for Aboriginal people.

Stage one of the project has just two remaining properties to be sold of the original 39.

"Unlike other developers who develop for profit, Gandangara's projects help Aboriginal people to 'build the bridges' they need to close the gap on education, employment, health and financial independence," Mr Johnson said.

"Gandangara has worked hard to ensure that its developments are of the highest standard and provide residents with an exceptional living environment.

"As the largest private landholders in the Sutherland Shire, Gandangara recognises the value of giving back to the Sutherland community."

## Flinders Uni honour for philanthropist



FLINDERS University in South Australia has honoured Australian philanthropist Greg Poche for his efforts in closing the gap on Indigenous inequality.

Mr Poche received an honorary doctorate from Flinders for 'his significant individual contribution towards closing the gap of inequity and disadvantage that so drastically affects the health and well-being of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population'.

Last March, Mr Poche made a \$10 million endowment to Flinders to establish two new Poche Centres for Indigenous Health, one based in Alice Springs and the other in Adelaide.

Mr Poche has made large donations from his personal fortune to health-related causes. Following a \$41 million endowment to Sydney's Mater Hospital to establish the Melanoma Institute of Australia, he has made donations to three Australian universities in support of research and education related to Indigenous health.

## Remote community scores sports court



PUNMU, in the Pilbara region of Western Australia, has a new multi-purpose sports court. The new undercover facility was purpose built to counter extreme heat and allow members of the community to play sport.

It was the result of a project involving the Margaret River Rotary Club, which is more than 1000kms from Punmu itself, as well as the WA Government, the local Rawa Community School, local residents, the East Pilbara Shire Council and Newcrest Mining.

WA Sport and Recreation Minister Terry Waldron praised the efforts of all involved in bringing the sports facility to the remote Aboriginal community.

# UN declaration 'brought to life' with materials



MATERIALS to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

communities understand and protect their rights have been launched in Sydney.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the overview and community guide on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples aim to 'bring the declaration to life' by highlighting existing examples of Indigenous peoples' rights in action.

"Twenty years of hard work by Australian Indigenous leaders, including Lowitja O'Donohue, Les Malezer, Mick Dodson and Megan Davis, has helped deliver to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples this blueprint for ensuring our rights are protected in every aspect of our lives," Mr Gooda said.

"These materials will help to lift the concepts of the declaration off the page and make them real for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

"This might be by simply making someone aware of

their right to be recognised as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, or it might reinforce for them that they have a right to housing, sewerage facilities or education.

"These are rights many Australians take for granted but the reality is that many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are still being taught in classrooms with dirt floors, or living in overcrowded housing where water and sewerage facilities are second rate.

"These materials will help give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their communities a starting point from which they can

work to bring about practical improvements in their lives."

Funded by the Christensen Fund, with additional support from Oxfam Australia, the declaration materials include a poster, a plain-English community guide with case studies of how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people can use the declaration, as well as an eight-page overview.

"The declaration is one of the most important documents that sets out our human rights as Indigenous peoples and I will be using it to guide my work during my term," Mr Gooda said.



At the launch, from left, Aden Ridgeway, Wendy Buchanan, Sam Donni, Cassie Bush, Kerrie Maquire, Kathryn Dodd Farrawell, Commissioner Mick Gooda and Maria Bamford. Photo: Australian Human Rights Commission

## Equality Mural unveiled

By MARGARET SMITH



THE launch of the Human Rights Commission Community Guide to the UN Declaration on the Rights of

Indigenous Peoples also celebrated the work of Glebe Gangari artists Kathryn Dodd Farrawell, Kerrie Maquire and Maria Bamford, who participated in the process along with Cassie Bush, Jiarrah Roberts, Auntie Joyce Wymarra and her grand-daughters.

Their Equality Mural was unveiled before those attending, and the artists were introduced by Human Rights Commissioner Mick Gooda.

The group told the audience they

were proud to be associated with a document that outlined clearly the rights of Aboriginal people in Australia.

The mural's design was inspired by the knowledge that 'under the same sky, stars, moon and sun we shine! On land, sea and through time we have survived! No more, no less – it's our right!'

At the centre of the mural two women stand blindfolded holding justice scales, to remind viewers that 'justice does not discriminate'.

Kathryn Farrawell told *The Koori Mail* the mural evolved out of art workshops with Koori and Torres Strait Islander young people at the Glebe Police Citizens Youth Club and Glebe Public School. Ms Farrawell had worked for years as education

assistant at the school, where she created cultural awareness programs, before becoming a full-time artist.

She said the Gangari artists believed in human rights for all, 'especially because so many basic rights were taken away from Aboriginal people'. "This new document spells out the rights for Indigenous people, and for all of us in our struggle," she said.

The Gangari artists dedicated their mural to the late Auntie Rhonda Weldon, who died in September.

Ms Farrawell said Auntie Rhonda worked as a tutor at Glebe Public School for eight years.

"Auntie Rhonda was a great fighter for the rights of her people and especially for Aboriginal children," she said.



# New support service at Broken Hill



THE first Community Support Service (CSS) for Broken Hill and the surrounding region's Indigenous community has been launched at

the Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation regional office.

The Maari Ma office will provide a range of extra assistance to Aboriginal people such as information about mainstream services, safe referrals and advice, and internet access.

Chief executive officer Bob Davis said Maari Ma was well placed to be the Community Support Service for Broken Hill. "We have recently completed a refurbishment of the regional Office and our front office staff have a wealth of knowledge of mainstream services for CSS," he said.

"We provide a readily accessible, culturally sensitive and welcoming environment for the local Indigenous community, and we are very pleased to be able to provide this service."

Mr Davis said free Internet access would be available during office hours and staff would be able to help clients find information, teach them how to use search engines and show clients how to navigate around the internet.

"Our office staff will also help clients with general clerical work such as completing forms, assisting a client to make an appointment or with any services they need to use," he said.

"Our staff are not expected to provide detailed specialist advice on services provided by other agencies such as Centrelink but we will liaise with other providers to facilitate referral pathways.

"We are not filling any service gaps but we are just here to help and to make life a little easier for Aboriginal people who may need some internet or clerical assistance."

The CSS will be open during Maari Ma's office hours from 8.30am to 5pm Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays.

# Qld hub is under way



Deputy Prime Minister Wayne Swan and Uncle Albert Holt turn the first sod at the the Hymba Yumba Community Hub site.



CONSTRUCTION of the Hymba Yumba Community Hub at Springfield Parkway, near Ipswich, is under way following the official sod turning last month by Deputy Prime Minister

Wayne Swan. The Queensland Government has put more than \$750,000 into the Indigenous community hub, which includes a creche, vocational education services, accommodation and specialised curriculum including cultural lessons from Indigenous Elders.

A school, set to cater for up to 300 students from Prep through to Year 12, will be an integral part of the new Greater Springfield Hymba Yumba Community Hub.

Uncle Albert Holt, who chairs the Searchlight Education group which is driving the project, said students would be encouraged to build strong and proud Indigenous identities in a caring, nurturing school environment.

## Wisdom

"Hymba Yumba is founded in the wisdom and precepts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," Uncle Albert said. "The school will offer a robust curriculum extending beyond academia, allowing students to also shine in athletic and creative pursuits."

Nearly 80 children are already enrolled at the school, with student numbers expected to almost triple within the first 18 months.

The Hymba Yumba Community Hub will place special focus on assisting young people get their lives back on track and overcome abuse or neglect.

For the first half of the year students will be based at a temporary site at the nearby World Knowledge Centre, Education City.

While the school will have a strong Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander foundation, students from all cultures, religions and socio-economic backgrounds are welcome to enrol.

# Men's group seeks home



A SPECIAL Dandenong Aboriginal men's group that tackles problems such

as alcohol and drug addictions appears set to lose its meeting place.

The Tjaegan's Warriors group, which was formed in 2008 and named after a local man who passed away aged just 21, has been meeting in an old hall since January last year.

But now the group has been told that the building in Robinson Street will be demolished as part of the Revitalising Central Dandenong project, being carried out by developers VicUrban.

They are now seeking a new place to conduct weekly meetings because the group has deemed an alternative

building offered by VicUrban unsuitable.

Tjaegan's Warriors Chairman David Dryden said the place offered was derelict and located near a needle exchange program, a bottle

**'Our ethos is based on sobriety, non-violence, family development and positive role modelling in the community'**

shop and a sex shop.

"It's just not suitable, especially when men coming to the group are in the process of tackling their addictions," he said. "It would take a lot of work

to get it up to standard and if we accept this building we will be taking a step backward rather than forward."

The group has between 20 and 30 members who meet each week.

Mr Dryden said the group concentrated on re-establishing connections to culture as a way to help men to heal themselves.

"Our ethos is based on sobriety, non-violence, family development and positive role modelling in the community," he said.

Mr Dryden said the group had developed social activities for members and their families and often engaged in social activities with groups in the community, including police.

Anyone able to support the group in its search for a new meeting place should contact Mr Dryden on 0419 662 812.

## Sea Country Partnerships Grants Program

*Applications now open*

The Sea Country Partnerships Grants Program is part of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority's implementation of the *Caring for our Country Reef Rescue Indigenous Land and Sea Country Partnerships Program* funded by the Australian Government.

During 2010-2011, a total of \$300 000 is available under the Sea Country Partnerships Grants Program to fund projects between \$5000 and \$50 000 to Indigenous groups and organisations representing Traditional Owners in the Great Barrier Reef catchment area.

Funding will be determined through a competitive process and successful applicants will be required to enter into a funding deed with the GBRMPA.

For access to the application form, application guidelines and further information, please visit [www.gbrmpa.gov.au](http://www.gbrmpa.gov.au).

If you do not have internet access, please call the Indigenous Partnerships Group toll-free on 1800 990 177 to request these documents by post.



**Applications close:**  
5pm Thursday 10 February 2011





Jangga People spokesman Colin McLennan with Waratah Coal chairman Clive Palmer.

## Cultural heritage plan in place for Qld coal mine



INDIGENOUS groups and Waratah Coal have signed a cultural heritage management plan for the

proposed \$8 billion China First coal mine and infrastructure project in Central Queensland.

The China First project involves developing a large-scale thermal coal mine in the Galilee Basin coal region near Alpha, west of Emerald. The complex will include four underground mines, two

surface mines and associated coal handling and processing facilities.

The mine and associated infrastructure will create 6000 jobs during construction and 1500 during operation.

Waratah Coal Chairman Clive Palmer said the company had signed its first cultural heritage management plan with the Jangga People, who have a claim to about 150km of the rail project associated with the mine.

He said the agreement allowed the project to move

forward while ensuring the Jangga People are fully involved in the protection and conservation of their cultural heritage.

Jangga People spokesman Colin McLennan said: "We appreciate the support we have received from Mr Palmer and the Waratah Coal management team. They have provided assurances that they will work closely with our community to ensure the project is implemented in a sustainable manner and fully respect our cultural heritage."

# Premier told to lift media gag on Lex Wotton



A MELBOURNE-based activist group is calling on Queensland Premier Anna Bligh to lift a gag imposed on Palm Island's Lex Wotton.

The Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) submitted a further 172 signatures towards the end of last year on a mass protest message to the premier.

ISJA wants the premier to lift the ban on Mr Wotton, who was jailed for his role in a riot on the Island following the death of his friend Mulrunji Doomadgee who was held in custody at the Palm Island police station.

Mr Wotton was released on parole last year but slapped with a condition preventing him from speaking to the media.

Since then, ISJA has been submitting signatures to the petition every month, with the total now standing at 591.

The message to the Premier reads: "We, the undersigned, welcome the release of Lex Wotton from jail on 18 July 2010. However, the conditions imposed on him – a four-year political gag – are completely unacceptable.

"Lex was a political prisoner who should not have been jailed in the first place. His perspective about the death in custody of his friend, Mulrunji, and the subsequent events on Palm Island is urgently needed to expose the truth.

"We call on you to lift the gag on Lex Wotton immediately. We will challenge this attempt to silence a powerful critic by speaking out. You



ANNA BLIGH



LEX WOTTON

cannot muzzle a whole movement."

ISJA spokeswoman Alison Thorne said the group would continue with its campaign in 2011 and would have a stall at the annual Share the Spirit Festival in Melbourne's Treasury Gardens on 26 January.

### APOLOGY

Dear Mr Burragubba

My conduct at your exhibition on 23 July 2010 was unreasonable and my conduct would have offended a reasonable Aboriginal person in that situation and I apologise for my conduct.

Yours Sincerely, William Haseler

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Australian Government



# Asbestos fund too late: Elder

By DARREN COYNE



FORMER asbestos miner and Bundjalung Elder Charles Moran believes a Federal

Government loan to an asbestos compensation fund may have come too late for many Aboriginal people.

"It's definitely too late. Years and years too late," he told *The Koori Mail*.

Mr Moran's comments followed a recent announcement that the Federal Government would provide up to \$160 million to the NSW Government to ensure victims of asbestos-related diseases and their families continued to receive payments through the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund (AICF).

The fund was established following a 2005 agreement between the NSW Government and James Hardie Industries to compensate people who had

made a legitimate claim for compensation against the company.

Mr Moran said many Aboriginal people who had unknowingly worked in the dangerous mines had since passed away without compensation, and he was

**'It's definitely too late. Years and years too late'**

– Charles Moran

aware of only a small number who had received any compensation.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard said that without the loan, the AICF had advised claims would have been rationed, with some victims facing the prospect of not living long enough to

receive their full entitlements.

Mr Moran, who campaigned for years to have an office established in the Northern Rivers area to help former workers at the Baryulgil asbestos mine near Grafton, questioned the Federal Government's involvement.

"I can't see why the Federal Government has come in because it was Hardie that was responsible for this," he said.

Mr Moran said he travelled to Canberra several times in the 1990s trying to raise awareness of the plight of former Aboriginal miners, but those representations had little success. He estimated there would be just eight or ten people still living in the Northern Rivers area of NSW who had worked at the mines.

A spokesman for the AICF said the fund did not collect racial information about people.

He said the fund managed about 500 new claims each year against James Hardie Industries.



# Festive fun at MAYSAR



The MAYSAR traditional dancers on stage.



Mick Edwards with his twin grandsons Tjarai and Darrell.



Lana Atkinson was one of the entertainers.



Danny Ramzan and Donna Newman, both from Alice Springs.

## Centre is more than just a gym



A SMALL gym in the heart of Fitzroy has transformed itself in the past year

into a vibrant community centre for Aboriginal people. And to celebrate that transformation, more than 200 people gathered just prior to Christmas for the inaugural MAYSAR Christmas Gala, which featured a night of free film, music, dance, performances and food.

MAYSAR, which stands for Melbourne Aboriginal Youth Sport and Recreation, was established in 1977 by the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service as part of a preventative health program to combat drug and alcohol problems.

Many sports stars have trained at the gym, including world bantam-weight boxing champion Lionel Rose.

These days, however, along with physical fitness, the space also provides for those interested in arts and culture.

MAYSAR chief executive Glenda Thorpe told *The Koori Mail* the service was offering different programs such as performing arts to appeal to a wider section of the Aboriginal community. Others include a nutrition program and healthy activities like golf, fishing and painting for local homeless people.

"It's traditionally been known as a gym but it's not just a gym and that's why we are concentrating on other areas of well-being," Ms Thorpe said.

"The last 12 months has been all about getting the community back into the place.

"The Christmas Gala was a great success and we are planning for more celebrations as the year goes on."



Monica Weightman performs at the MAYSAR gathering in Fitzroy.

MAYSAR artist in residence Joe Geia.



Enjoying the event were, from left, Bill Doolan, of Townsville, and Melbourne men Howard Edwards and Rodney Wharton. All photos by DARREN COYNE



## Administration over for NT corporation



AFTER six months under special administration, control of Alyawarr Ingkerr-wenh Aboriginal Corporation, based in the Ampilatwatja community in the Northern Territory, has been handed back to its members.

The corporation, which had been placed in administration by Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven, provides a range of services to the Alyawarr people.

Mr Beven said the corporation had now been handed back to its members in a strong position.

The corporation plans to establish a service supplying pastoralists and businesses with stock workers, fencers and labourers.

## WA films to screen in African countries



AUDIENCES in the African countries of Rwanda and Tanzania will have the chance to see a program of Indigenous films from Western Australia next year, thanks to a Murdoch University project.

The program of features, documentaries and short films, including works originating from Murdoch University, will screen at the Rwandan and Zanzibar international film festivals.

The program has been curated by Associate Professors Mick Broderick and Martin Mhando from Murdoch's School of Media Communication and Culture, and funded by a \$20,000 grant from the Australian International Cultural Council with matching underwriting from the Murdoch Research and Development office.

## Remote areas to get Medicare services



INDIGENOUS people are set to benefit from a Federal Government move to improve Medicare claiming services.

Services including tele-claiming and self-service

computers have been made available in 60 more remote locations.

Federal Human Services Minister Tanya Plibersek said the new Medicare sites had been located in Centrelink offices, making it easier for residents to claim rebates and access other Medicare services.

## Research team will target dengue fever



AN Australian-led international research team has started a field trial in north Queensland aimed at eliminating dengue fever.

Under the trial, specially bred mosquitoes with what scientists hope is a form of dengue fever

'vaccination' will be released in the Cairns suburbs of Yorkeys Knob and Gordonvale.

They say that by April they should know if they are on the right track.

Dengue fever is an acute febrile infectious disease caused by the dengue virus. Typical symptoms include headache, a rash and muscle and joint pains. In some cases it can lead to life-threatening complications. Indigenous communities in tropical regions are affected.

## Community grants will benefit rangers



INDIGENOUS ranger groups are among the recipients of community grants from the Northern Territory Natural Resources Management Board. The grants are to help protect nationally threatened species, eradicate invasive weeds and

animals, and carry out soil conservation works over the next six months.

Recipients include the Crocodile Island Rangers, who will get \$20,000 for lantana control on their lands. Another \$20,000 has been allocated for feral pig management in the Laynhapuy Indigenous Protected Area Wetlands.



On the Strand were, back, Miguel Love, of Mount Isa, and David Carr, of Townsville, and front, Melita Raymond, Elizabeth Raymond and Lorisa David, all of Kowanyama.

# 'Stable' hits new heights

By ALF WILSON



ABORIGINAL circus performer and stilt walker Roy Maloy braved rain to set a new world record during the annual Stable on the Strand Christmas event in Townsville from 19-23 December.

A large number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across north Queensland were among the estimated 25,000 people at the event in Townsville's Strand Park.

The venue was transformed into the interactive town of Bethlehem, where visitors met people playing the shepherds, sheep, the three wise men, camels, King Herod, Roman soldiers, Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus.

Kids were entertained by stilt walker Mr Maloy, the wise men, clowns and buskers and free rides on a ferris wheel. Entertainers included jazz group Scat, Roy Maloy and Torres Strait Islander singer Vicki Saylor.

*The Koori Mail* was there and spoke to Mr Maloy, who said he was impressed by the number of Indigenous people from different regions.

"I am from the Yorta Yorta mob around Shepparton in Victoria and my great grandmother was Aboriginal lady Sarah Heard," he said.

For his world record, Mr Maloy walked 40 paces with 35kgs attached to each leg of his stilts.

The record was sworn to by Stable MC the Rev Bruce Cornish and is now registered with Record Holders Republic (the officiators of World Records).

"I guess this is the hardest stunt or record I have set because it is just such a heavy weight in the first place with 35kgs per leg and it requires such a high level of both balance and physical



Palm Islanders Henry Dempsey and Cedric Barry and Mornington Island man Kingston Jingles with Roy Maloy.

strength over a long distance," Mr Maloy said.

He already has two world records to his credit – for walking on 17m high

stilts and laying on a bed of nails and bearing 550kg block of ice on his chest as it was smashed with sledgehammers.



## Registrar releases report on top 500



REGISTRAR of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven says his 2010 annual report on

the top 500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations highlights their role in building strong Indigenous communities.

The second report of its kind, it provides analysis on the top 500 corporations registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*. Corporations are ranked based on their income in the 2008-09 financial year.

Mr Beven says the report highlights the 'significant contribution that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations make to the Australian economy, through income generation, employment and the provision of services'.

The report shows growth in the total income generated to \$1.18 billion in 2008-09, up \$101 million from 2007-08. The top 500 corporations also held a total of \$1.22 billion in assets. The corporations cover a wide range of sectors and employ more than 9100 people nationally.

"The report shows the continuing growth of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations and the important role that these leading corporations have in building strong Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities," Mr Beven said.

The Top 500 report can be downloaded from the ORIC website at [www.oric.gov.au](http://www.oric.gov.au)

# Mauboy to star at Tas festival



Nunami Sculthorpe-Green checks out the Facebook page she set up on the putalina festival, with organiser and performer Dewayne Everettsmith.

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINES in Tasmania, especially the youth, are counting down the days to Saturday, when Jessica

Mauboy will headline this year's putalina (or Oyster Cove) festival.

The 21-year-old Australian pop princess, who rose to fame after winning *Australian Idol* in 2006, will join a line-up of local talent at the festival, which has been held annually since 1984.

Tasmania's Dewayne Everettsmith, also a former contestant on *Australian Idol*, is helping organise the festival, as he has in previous years.

"The great thing about showcasing one big professional mainland Indigenous act is to inspire, teach and enjoy for our community, for all ages," Everettsmith told *The Koori Mail*.

He said that as well as Mauboy, local Aboriginal artists Kartanya Maynard, Andry Sculthorpe with his band Lively Up, Adele Purton and himself would be performing.

In addition, there is a line-up of 12 shorter performances from other local Aboriginal performers.

"It gives local artists a taste and incentive to be a professional artist," said Everettsmith, who first sang on stage at the festival alongside Archie Roach in 2002.

Everettsmith's star has also been rising in recent times. He will have songs on iTunes within weeks in the lead-up to an album which he has been recording over the past six months, and will perform with the Black Arm Band for the second time, in a one-night show in Tasmania this April.

He is hoping to be able to make a big announcement about his career at the festival, but until then his lips are sealed.

Over the years, putalina audiences have been treated to the likes of Dan Sultan, Archie Roach, Ruby Hunter, Emma Donovan, Jimmy Little, Amunda, Bunna Lawrie and Coloured Stone, Tiddas, Roger Knox, Warumpi Band, Mary G and Kev Carmody.

### Facebook page

For the first time, a Facebook page has been set up about the gathering, which is one of the biggest on the Aboriginal calendar in Tasmania.

Nunami Sculthorpe-Green, who set up the page, wanted to spread the word about the talent and atmosphere within her own community.

"I wanted my friends to go, so I set up the page and invited them to the event," she said.

The putalina festival is scheduled to start at 11.30am and winds up about 5.30pm. More information is available from the organisers at the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre, or on Facebook.

Today's trains are bigger, faster and more unpredictable than ever. When they crash with cars and trucks, the tragic loss of life and serious injuries are usually due to driver error. Stopping for one to pass might cost you a few minutes of your time, but consider what you could lose if you ignore the signals and don't.

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# Grim picture at jail

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



AN inspection of a Perth maximum security jail revealed just 19 per cent of inmates had actually had a top security rating and most

Aboriginal inmates were far from their own country.

Inspector of Custodial Services Professor Neil Morgan said he was disappointed by Casuarina Prison's treatment of Aboriginal prisoners, which made up almost half of the total prison population, and more particularly for the 60 per cent of Indigenous inmates being held off-country.

He said that a mid-year inspection painted a poor picture of life for Indigenous detainees, many of whom are held off-country

without adequate or appropriate resources to aid in their rehabilitation and limited or no contact with distant support networks.

Prof Morgan questioned expansion plans for Casuarina for a further 256 beds when 81 per cent of inmates had medium or minimum security ratings, and a large proportion came from WA's North-West.

"Soon, we will have more than 2500 maximum-security beds but fewer than 500 maximum-security prisoners and a large number, especially Aboriginals, are being held in prisons a very long way from home," he said.

The 200 Aboriginal men held 'off-country' were a significant increase from the last inspection in 2007.

The inspection team found

displaced prisoners detained in the supposedly culturally specific 'Unit 1' lacked an accessible cultural space in which they felt comfortable.

The report said the Displaced Aboriginal Prisoners Program had limited coverage, was not delivering on stated intentions, and 'its aims, objectives, and content had not been reviewed or revised since its inception'.

## Lacked access

Displaced prisoners also lacked access to a diet familiar to them and it was not being routinely or regularly provided.

Recommendations made to the WA Department of Corrective Services for improvements in the treatment of Indigenous prisoners included transferring 'out-of-country' inmates to facilities

closer to home in the months before their release to reconnect with their family and support networks.

The inspection team found Indigenous inmates had higher levels of unemployment and under-employment; staff lacked ongoing cultural awareness training; and resources such as Aboriginal staff were not being allocated in proportion to the numbers of prisoners at Casuarina Prison and should be increased.

The Inspector said the prison 'should develop and implement a detailed strategy with measurable outcomes, for the culturally appropriate management of all Aboriginal prisoners'. Consultation could involve volunteers and Elders, prison support officers, Aboriginal Visitor Scheme staff,

and the Coordinator of Aboriginal Services.

Prof Morgan supported staff concerns that cultural training should be ongoing.

A spokesperson from the Department of Corrective Services said: "Casuarina houses a high number of Aboriginal men from regional areas, and in doing so continues to strive to provide culturally appropriate services to all prisoners."

"Changes and improvement to the Displaced Aboriginal Program will continue as part of normal business reviews."

"The completion of the West Kimberley Regional Prison by the end of 2011 and the construction of the Wyndham and Warburton work camps will have significant impact for those considered 'out of country'."



Darren and Liam Lester ready to race their model car.



Three generations of the one family ... Ronnie, Ben and Noel Timbery who built their race car together.

# Parents, kids show real drive



TWENTY Aboriginal parents and more than 25 kids at La Perouse Public

School have worked together to build a remote-controlled racing car as part of Koori Communications and Training's Parental Bridging Program, aimed specifically at enhancing parent-children interaction to improve education results.

The program is a variation of

the award-winning Racing to the Top remote control race car program.

According to Koori Communications and Training Director Peter Cooley it was amazing to watch the different generations working together to understand the technicalities of building a complex remote control race car with over 300 parts, from a booklet of more than 32 pages.

The prize at the end of the six weeks was getting to keep the

car, just in time for Christmas.

"We had children from age five and upwards working with their parents, and while we thought having 20 parents and kids working in one room might be chaotic, it was great to see mums working with their kids, dads with their daughters and grandparents with their grandsons and they really got into the challenge," he said.

Federal School Education Minister Peter Garrett presented the completed cars to the

participants at a packed event at La Perouse Public School hall.

The Minister said the Government had provided almost \$300,000 over two years to Koori Communications and Training, to deliver programs across Sydney aimed at improving educational results for Indigenous students by encouraging more parental interaction in a school setting.

"This is a terrific example of families working collaboratively; with mums, dads, grandparents and carers helping their children

to realise their full potential," he said.

Meanwhile, the parents formed the LA(pa) Remote Control Race Car Club, and the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council has allowed them to build a race track on local land, so parents and kids can continue to race their cars locally.

Another Parental Bridging Program will run after school in Redfern this year. For more information call Peter Cooley on 0404 134 655.



# Dad's the word for scheme



Craig Hammond, centre, the Family Action Centre's Indigenous program co-ordinator, teaches community workers Sarah Blackie, left, and Les Atkinson how to deliver the Brothers Inside and Out program during the facilitation skills workshop.



A MAJOR mining company has contributed towards a scheme aimed at helping local

Aboriginal fathers, in the community and in jail, connect with their children.

The Coal & Allied Aboriginal Development Consultative Committee has provided \$50,000 to bring the Brothers Inside and Out program, an initiative of the University of Newcastle's Family Action Centre, to Muswellbrook in NSW.

"The Brothers Inside and Out program encourages Aboriginal dads to embrace their role as fathers and play an active, positive role in their children's lives," said Craig Hammond, the Family Action Centre's Indigenous program co-ordinator.

"It also helps build capacity in the region by teaching local community workers to facilitate the program."

The training component of the program started recently when 10 community workers – including Indigenous father of two Les Atkinson – attended a facilitation skills workshop.

"The workshop taught me teamwork and communication

skills and I'll soon be attending a jail to help facilitate a session with inmates," Mr Atkinson said.

"Although I'm a little apprehensive, as a father myself I know how important being a dad is and I look forward to working with the inmates to help them build better relationships with their kids."

Over the next 12 months, Mr Atkinson and the other facilitators will deliver the five-day Brothers Inside and Out program twice in Muswellbrook and twice at St Helliers Correctional Centre.

## Support

Mr Hammond praised the support of Coal & Allied, a major mining company in the region.

Coal & Allied Aboriginal Relations Specialist Cate Sims said: "Brothers Inside and Out is not about providing a quick fix; it's a carefully planned program that strengthens family bonds while also building capacity among local people."

"We see Coal & Allied's contribution towards Brother Inside and Out as an investment in the long-term well-being of Muswellbrook's Indigenous families, and in building the capacity within the community to keep families strong."

# More can be done – report



THE NSW Ombudsman has found that a more co-ordinated response is needed to reduce the number of Aboriginal children in detention or out-of-home care in Western NSW.

Ombudsman Bruce Barbour tabled a special report to Parliament on 15 December – Inquiry into service provision to the Bourke and Brewarrina communities.

The report found that just over half of all juveniles in detention in NSW were Aboriginal, while in Western NSW Aboriginal children made up more than 80 per cent of detainees. Aboriginal children also made up one third of the more than 17,000 children in out-of-home care.

"Aboriginal communities in Bourke and Brewarrina approached my office out of frustration," Mr Barbour said. "They did not feel the response to vulnerable children in their communities was adequate, and they did not feel their voice was being heard."

"We have undertaken a close examination of how community and child protection services are being provided in Bourke and Brewarrina. "Are they providing the protection

they are designed to? Are they making a difference? Do they need to be improved?"

Mr Barbour said some progress had been made in recent years in the way services were being delivered in rural and remote communities.

"There is a large amount of work under way, both at the State and Federal level," he said.

"There are good programs and assistance, but our work has shown more needs to be done to convert these initiatives into results."

"Service provision needs to be more targeted to those who are most vulnerable; it needs to better address the concerns of the communities; and there needs to be a greater effort made to integrate and co-ordinate the services being provided by different departments and different levels of government."

Mr Barbour said there had been improvements in those areas, but much more could be done.

"For example, it is unhelpful and frustrating for community members to have to sit down with multiple agencies, often discussing the same or similar issues. Government agencies, both State and Federal, need to plan their contact with communities, working together and working smarter," he said.

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## Kimberley centre in deal with Woodside



MAJOR gas company Woodside and the Kimberley Aboriginal Law and Cultural Centre (KALACC) have entered into a partnership agreement aimed at maintaining Indigenous law and culture. In a two-year, \$400,000 agreement, Woodside will support

KALACC's Repatriations Program, involving the return to country of historical materials, sacred and significant objects and human remains; and its Yiriman Project, overseeing intensive cultural bush trips under which Aboriginal Elders and community members take young 'at-risk' people on intensive bush trips to strengthen a connection to culture.

Woodside says the company had a strong interest in supporting Kimberley Indigenous people to preserve and strengthen their culture.

Under the partnership, KALACC will be able to establish two keeping places to store repatriated materials, one near Bidadanga and another at One Arm Point.

## Hotels group signs reconciliation plan



INTERCONTINENTAL Hotels Group (IHG) has become the first hotel company to establish a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). The worldwide group has set a target of having 2 per

cent of its total workforce in Australia made up of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by 2013. Reconciliation Australia, which endorses the RAPs, says the employment target is just one of many undertakings that make up IHG's approach to closing the gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

IHG's RAP is one of only two such commitments in Australia's \$33 billion tourism industry, the other being held by Qantas.

## Traditional role for Parliament opening



THE 57th Victorian Parliament was opened on 21 December with traditional Aboriginal involvement. A smoking ceremony was held and there was a traditional welcome from Elders

on the steps of Victoria's Parliament House in Melbourne.

Victorian Governor Professor David de Kretser received the Royal Salute before proceeding up a red carpet dressed in a kangaroo skin which had been provided by Aboriginal Elders. — AAP

## Lithgow students star at film festival



STUDENTS from Lithgow High School, in central western New South Wales, have been honoured for their film *Can You Imagine* at the Harmony International Short Film Festival.

The film, about about the Stolen Generations and the story of a special artwork, took out the Achievement Award.

Judges described the film as 'profoundly moving with a message that speaks to all Australians and generations'.

## Participants on the job in APY Lands



TWENTY-TWO participants have completed a special employment training program in South Australia's Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands. The Federal and South Australian Governments allocated \$1.6 million to provide the 22 with training and jobs in the construction industry.

The program included workplace training in welding, concreting, carpentry and bricklaying in the Amata and Mimili communities.

Federal Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib said it was great to see Indigenous Australians taking the opportunity to gain skills and jobs in Australian industries.

# New arts centre for Taree



TAREE on the NSW mid north coast has a new Indigenous arts and cultural centre.

Called Gangga Marrang (meaning 'to transform into something beautiful' in the local Gathang language) the centre aims to strengthen Biripi culture.

Gangga Marrang has an Indigenous-run artists group and traditional dancers, and will also offer cultural activities including didgeridoo making, workshops



Scenes at the opening of the new Indigenous centre in Taree.

and cultural camps.

A women's group is in the process of being formed.

The inaugural exhibition at Gangga

Marrang showcased work from Gangga Marrang members and other local Indigenous artists.

The opening night was well attended, with

catering by Indigenous organisation Buudja Marrung Bush Tukka.

More details on the centre by calling (02) 6552 7856.



# Uni establishes disease centre



A CENTRE of excellence for research in Indigenous primary health care intervention in chronic disease has been established at the

Australian National University (ANU) in Canberra. It is one of three \$2.5 million centres of excellence set up at the ANU's Australian Primary Health Care Research Institute (APHCRI).

The other centres will conduct research in accessible and equitable primary health care service provision in rural and remote Australia; and building quality, governance, performance and sustainability in primary health care.

The multi-institutional centres will be

funded for four years to co-ordinate innovative, high quality and multi-disciplinary research in primary health care policy and system improvement.

Team leaders at the Indigenous primary health care centre will be Dr Alex Brown, of Baker IDI Health, and Diabetes Institute Professor Alan Cass, of The George Institute for Global Health.

### Information

APHCRI director Robert Wells said the centres would tackle difficult and topical questions involved in health reform to provide information for policymakers. He said that while there would be a strong emphasis on producing excellent

research, each centre would also build capacity in primary health care research.

"These centres will bring together Australian and international research leaders in their field with emerging researchers, including postdoctoral fellows and PhD students," he said.

"We expect that the evidence produced by these centres will help inform and shape policies to improve primary health care services to meet the needs of Australians, particularly those most in need."

APHCRI is supported by a grant from the Federal Department of Health and Ageing under the Primary Health Care Research, Evaluation and Development Strategy.

## Aboriginal women at induction



Reverend Linda Chapman and her husband Anthony Mayne, with Aboriginal women who attended her induction to the Anglican Parish of St John's in Moruya, from left, Fran Dunn, Loretta Parsley, Aunty Coop (Georgina Parsons), Josie Williams and, in front, Heather May (nee Pittman).



LOCAL Aboriginal Elder Georgina Parsons (Aunty

Coop) gave the Welcome to Country at the recent Induction of Reverend Linda Chapman to the Anglican Parish of St John's in Moruya, southern NSW.

Local woman Heather May said many people at the induction commented on the warmth of the service and also remarked that it felt 'culturally significant', with Aunty Coop leading the procession out of St John's church to the sounds of *Solid Rock* by Goanna.

"It was quite spiritually profound for me in seeing the respect given to the Aboriginal culture as part of Linda's induction," she said.

Rev Chapman said she felt very honoured to have Aunty Coop and the other Aboriginal women present at her induction.



# Old computers find new homes



THE Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) has donated 18 computers to ACT Aboriginal people

through an initiative with Canberra's Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service.

AIATSIS Chairperson Mick Dodson and Winnunga CEO Julie Tongs said the initiative was a 'welcome and unexpected Christmas present for a number of people – or organisations'.

The AIATSIS donation including 18 computers, monitors, keyboards and mouses.

"This is the start of what we believe will be a great initiative," Prof Dodson said.

"It is all about helping those whose needs are greatest."

Ms Tongs said Winnunga had been a willing partner.

"It's not every day that organisations think at a community level," she said.

AIATSIS also offered that all gifts from its annual 'Giving Tree' would also be donated to Winnunga to pass on to community members.

Prof Dodson said it was intended that the arrangements would be ongoing.

"When we upgrade or refresh our computer stock, which we do periodically, we will aim to work with community organisations such as Winnunga to disperse them to the local ACT community," he said.

"They are in the best position to know those most in need."



AIATSIS Principal Russell Taylor hands one of the 18 computers to Canberra's Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service CEO Julie Tongs.

## Kids connect to country



CHILDREN from Wilsons Creek Public School in

far northern NSW were given a new perspective on their natural surroundings after a visit last year from an Indigenous artist and Elders.

The youngest children spent a day with Widjabul artist Sheldon Harrington painting pictures of the local creek and the rainforest with their handprints.

Older children worked with the artist to create a series of prayer flags that contained messages such as 'Love the Water', 'Save us' and 'Leave the trees alone, what did they do to you?'.

### Characters

Images of rainforest creatures on the children's flags were based on a series of cartoon characters developed by Mr Harrington and Mullumbimby artist Geoff Williams for the Rocky Creek Dam 'Water Walk' a few years ago.

Mr Harrington's visit to the school was part of the catchment-wide Reconnecting to Country project.



Widjabul artist Sheldon Harrington and Elders Aunty Irene Harrington and Aunty June Gordon talk with the kids at Wilsons Creek Public School.

"What's really important is that the kids learn respect," he said. "They learn to respect their Elders, to respect each other and to respect the country ... and they really appreciate the learning. It was a great day."

Widjabul Elders Aunty Irene Harrington and Aunty June Gordon unveiled interpretive signs in the school's bush tucker garden. They talked about life growing up in the bush when they were kids, and the

importance of living simply and using no more than you really need.

"You live in a really wonderful place out here, and we hope that you take good care of it," Aunty Irene told the children.

## Alcohol a major problem

By CRAIG FAULKNER



ABORIGINAL people appear over-represented among people seeking treatment for alcohol, which remains the main drug of abuse among Australians.

The latest report from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) reveals Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people made up 12 per cent of those seeking treatment during 2008-2009.

The report, 'Alcohol and other drug treatment services in Australia 2008-09: Report on the National Minimum Data Set', presents information on publicly funded alcohol and other drug treatment services.

Although government-funded Indigenous treatment services have an alternative reporting mechanism, data from those services has been included to provide a more complete picture of drug and alcohol treatment in Australia.

The latest AIHW report shows there has been a rise in the number of treatments for alcohol, as compared with other drugs, for four consecutive years.

About 143,000 alcohol and other drug 'treatment episodes' were provided in Australian in 2008-09.

### Treatment

AIHW Drug Survey and Services Unit head Amber Jefferson said alcohol was the most widely used drug in Australia, and the one for which most people sought treatment.

She said treatments for illicit drugs such as heroin had declined to 10 per cent from 18 per cent, while cannabis treatments remained stable at 23 per cent. Amphetamine treatment declined to 9 per cent, compared with 11 per cent in 2002-2003.

"The largest group of clients were men aged 20 to 29 years – and this finding has been consistent over time," Ms Jefferson said.

"Younger clients were more likely to seek treatment for cannabis use whereas older clients typically sought treatment for alcohol use."

"Counselling was the most common form of treatment and was provided in about two of every five treatment episodes."

The report suggests that Indigenous Australians are over-represented in the treatment collection.

It said treatment was most common for those aged 20-29 for both Indigenous and other clients.

"However, episodes were relatively more common for Indigenous clients aged 10-19 years (19 per cent) than non-Indigenous clients aged 10-19 years (11 per cent)," the report said.

Meanwhile, data from Indigenous services, contained in the report, shows that an estimated 23,178 people were seen by Australian Government-funded Indigenous substance use-specific services.

## Bashing death trial needs two rooms



THE trial of nine people charged over the bashing death of rugby league star Johnathan Thurston's uncle will be so large, two courtrooms will be set aside.

Five men and four teenage boys are due to face a five-week trial from January 31 in the Supreme Court in Brisbane for the murder of Richard Saunders, who was bashed to death in a park at Woodridge, in Brisbane's south, on 25 October, 2008. The accused, aged between 15 and 25, are yet to enter a plea.

They also face charges of grievous bodily harm and assault occasioning bodily harm while armed and in company. Eight of the accused have been remanded in custody until the trial, while the ninth remains on Supreme Court bail.

At an earlier hearing it was determined that the dock where the accused would sit during the trial would have to be extended to fit them all.

## CDEP wages funded



THE Federal Government has provided \$6.5 million to continue payments to

participants currently receiving CDEP wages through to April 2012. Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said extending CDEP wages until April 2012 would provide stability to the program while ongoing discussions about the way services are delivered are held with local communities to ensure they reflect local needs. "CDEP does play an

important role in preparing people for employment through training, mentoring and community development activities, but it should not be a substitute for employment," Ms Macklin said.

"The Government's reforms aim to see people transition out of CDEP into work with proper wages and conditions including superannuation and leave entitlements."

Ms Macklin said the Government was also working to ensure better links between CDEP programs, employment service providers and Centrelink in remote communities.



# Man's survival amazes scientists



AN Aboriginal man who lived about 1000 years ago survived a life-threatening fall

and went on to live for many years in a case that has amazed scientists. The man, aged about 50 when he died, suffered multiple leg and arm fractures and lost a large amount of blood in what was probably a fall of several metres from a tree or cliff.

Given the level of care and medical knowledge available at the time, such injuries should have claimed his life.

But recent studies of his

skeleton, which was found in a single burial site in Adelaide in 1920, have revealed he not only recovered from his injuries but suggested he, and those caring for him, expected him to.

In a report published in the latest *ANZ Journal of Surgery*, surgeons Brian Cornish and associate professor Lucian Solomon and Indigenous archaeologist Keryn Walshe said the man's injuries were severe.

He would have suffered initially from shock, blood loss and pain and later from pressure ulcers and the risk of infections.

They said the fact that he survived, and lived on for years,



KERYN WALSH

SA Museum image

could only be the result of his outstanding fitness and the standard of care he received.

"This is the remarkable thing about this case," Prof Solomon said. "These days, surviving multi-trauma is strongly associated with emergent resuscitation and treatment in modern medical facilities."

"Multi-trauma survival before the advent of modern medicine is likely to have been extremely uncommon, particularly in primitive societies."

Prof Solomon said the man's survival reflected an impressive depth of nursing and social support in a community of hunter-gatherers. It also raised questions about the use of very effective herbal medicines and

sedatives to control infections and ease pain.

The report said the sustained diligence required in the man's level of care also suggested those caring for him had an expectation of success and were evidence of the prevailing support mechanisms in his community.

As his injuries healed he was left with deformities to both his arm and leg, affecting his ability to walk and severely limiting his ability to hunt or gather.

The fact that he appeared to have lived for years demonstrated his community's ability to care and provide for such individuals. — AAP

# Mother's plea to find her daughter



A MOTHER who has not seen her Aboriginal daughter or received any information regarding her whereabouts

since February 2010 is now calling on communities in and around Armidale, northern NSW, to help locate her.

Jataya Lee Bolt is three-and-a-half years old and she is believed to be with her father, Garry Timothy Campbell (aka Garry Holten). Court orders state that Jataya is to live with her mother.

Jataya has long, dark blonde wavy hair, brown eyes and she is small for her age.

The father and child are believed to be in the area of Bellbrook or Armidale.

Mr Campbell (also known as Mr Holten) is 24-years-old, born 19 January 1986. He is Aboriginal and has brown hair which is dark and straight when short, but becomes lighter in colour and wavy when it is longer in length. He has dark brown eyes and olive coloured skin and is short in stature.

To help locate Jataya, the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia issued a recovery order on 3 August 2010, authorising all members of the Australian Federal Police, state and territory police and the Marshall of the Federal Magistrates Court to recover the child. A publication order has also

been issued by the court to allow these details to be published.

Jataya's mother released the following statement:

"I am the natural mother of Jataya Bolt. I have been the primary carer for Jataya since she was born on 7 May 2007. I have not seen Jataya for months now. In early February this year, Jataya's father Garry Campbell removed Jataya from my care without my knowledge or consent."

"I have not seen Jataya since. I have made many attempts to locate

Garry Campbell and Jataya both personally and through the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia, but all attempts have failed.

"Garry Campbell and his family is well aware that I am looking for Jataya and want her returned to my care, but Garry Campbell has not contacted me once to inform me that Jataya is safe and well."

"Jataya turned three-years-old in May and every day I worry about where she is living and whether she is safe and well."

"I miss Jataya terribly and want her brought home to me".

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Jataya or Mr Campbell (aka Holten) are asked to contact Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000. Information provided to Crimestoppers can be made anonymously.

**'I miss Jataya terribly and want her brought home to me'**



## Getting mobile in Shepparton



A GROUP of Shepparton's Indigenous Youth Mobility Program (IYMP) participants rounded out 2010 with dinner out and a night of bowling. Pictured from left are Leroy Boland, Marshall Davis, Aunty Cilla Atkinson, Mervyn Davis, Selena Atkinson-Andrews, Uncle Leon Saunders and Michael Baxter. The group members are originally from Kempsey, Adelaide, Alice Springs, Robinvale and Tatura and have been living in Shepparton to study at the Academy of Sport, Health and Education (ASHE). Aunty Cilla Atkinson and Uncle Leon Saunders live with the students and work as the residential youth workers. The IYMP is open to Indigenous youth aged between 16 and 24 who have support from their community to relocate to undertake training. For more information on the program, contact GOTAFE on (03) 5833 2617. ● Big year for academy – see Page 51

# Fresh proves best for Cherbourg enterprise



A PROJECT supplying fresh food and jobs in Cherbourg has been awarded \$135,000 in Queensland

Government funding. The funding is for the expansion of Cherbourg Fresh, a fruit, vegetable and plant production enterprise with retail and wholesale outlets.

An initiative of the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council, it began last year and has created jobs for five people and promoted good health locally.

"Stage one of Cherbourg

Fresh has involved the production, distribution and sale of 20 different sorts of vegetables on a one hectare trial plot," State Primary Industries Minister Tim Mulherin said.

"The Cherbourg Fresh retail outlet is open six days a week to sell these vegetables and supplies of fruit sourced from Brisbane Markets and Mal Meninga Fresh.

"The business has really flourished. Increased skills in the workforce has translated to a five-fold increase in productivity since they began."

QLD Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Minister Desley Boyle welcomed the funding and praised the leadership of Mayor Sam Murray and the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council for the project.

"The extra funding will enable Cherbourg Fresh to expand its production facilities, called Cherbourg Produce, to a 3.5-hectare plot," she said.

Mayor Murray welcomed the funding and paid tribute to the people behind Cherbourg Fresh.

"With a commitment to make a vision into reality, the entire crew of Cherbourg Fresh has shown us all what can be done with hard work and dedication," he said.



# Don't cull roos, says Elder



KANGAROOS are a sacred animal in Aboriginal Dreaming and laws and should not be culled, according to senior Indigenous Elder

of the Yuin people Max Dulumunmun Harrison.

His concerns over the growing death toll of kangaroos – totalling more than three million adult kangaroos and one million joeys each year – are echoed in the findings of two new reports examining the harvest of kangaroos for human and pet consumption.

The kangaroo harvest in Australia is the largest commercial kill of terrestrial wildlife on Earth.

"A lot of them end up as pet food and the cruelty these shooters are causing to joeys makes me shudder," said Mr Harrison, who is also an adviser to the University of Technology, Sydney's think tank on Kangaroos – THINKK.

"They call it culling and harvesting, but what's going on is a slaughter."

Established six months ago as part of the UTS Institute for Sustainable Futures, THINKK has now launched two reports – 'Shooting our wildlife: An analysis of the law and policy governing the killing of kangaroos' and 'Advocating kangaroo meat: Towards ecological benefit or plunder?'

According to lead researchers Dror



Yuin Elder Max Dulumunmun Harrison with researchers Dr Dror Ben-Ami and Keely Boom. Photo courtesy UTS

Ben-Ami and Keely Boom, THINKK's research is filling a gap in accurate information relating to the health and well-being of kangaroo populations being harvested for meat or culled for so-called environmental reasons.

"THINKK's first step is to address current ecological and environmental misconceptions about kangaroos and to rigorously review the history and policies that shape the kangaroo industry," Dr Ben-Ami said.

"Emerging science does not support that kangaroos are over-abundant pests competing with livestock for resources and there is no evidence of sheep replacement occurring over the past 20 years.

"Eating and placing a commercial value on kangaroos will not save the Australian environment, but does create conservation and animal welfare concerns."

Ms Boom said it was time a review of legislation governing the harvest and culling of kangaroos was undertaken by governments to bring consistency nationwide, end unnecessary killing of pouch young, and to better monitor potentially dwindling populations in some areas.

"Our research and investigations by other bodies such as the RSPCA is suggesting that there may be more effective, less cruel, and sustainable ways to manage kangaroo populations than those that currently exist," she said.

Mr Harrison said he was pleased THINKK was mindful of Indigenous perspectives and knowledge to better understand and manage kangaroos, and is happy to share knowledge on the significance these animals have in Indigenous culture.

The two research reports produced by THINKK can be accessed at <http://thinkkangaroos.uts.edu.au/publications>

## Indigenous languages on syllabus



THE Queensland Studies Authority (QSA) has developed the state's first syllabuses in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Languages for schools to start using from this year.

QSA director Peter Luxton said the syllabuses offered a bridge for bringing together and empowering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and schools.

With more than 130 Indigenous languages spoken in Queensland – all of which are considered at risk of dying out – the expectation is that students will be able to study the languages associated with their own communities and local areas.

The Prep to Year 10 syllabus can be implemented by schools from this year, with the draft senior syllabus available for trial in selected schools with Year 11 students.

Students will be taught Indigenous languages by Elders,

community representatives as well as classroom teachers and Mr Luxton said this approach was viewed as being fundamental to building respect for, and appreciation of, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities' languages and cultural history.

To help implement the syllabuses, QSA will provide a series of joint conferences for approved schools over the course of the senior syllabus trial.

Interested schools are invited to attend the first conference to gain information about both syllabuses, and the nature of the senior syllabus trial. Attendance at this conference does not commit schools to implement either syllabus. The first conference will be in Brisbane on 31 January and 1 February. Travel and accommodation costs will be covered by the QSA.

Schools that intend to offer either or both of the syllabuses will need to confirm their involvement by the end of February 2011.

## Awards to UWS academic



AN academic from the University of Western Sydney has been presented with two national awards in

recognition of excellence in the field of Indigenous research.

Dr Gawaian Bodkin-Andrews, a post-doctoral fellow from the Centre for Cultural Research at UWS, won the Betty Watts Indigenous Researcher Award and the Early Career Researcher Award by the Australian Association for Research in Education.

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# Black Elvis is bowling them over

By GRAHAM HUNT

**H**E'S been an army medic, mature-age school student, door-to-door salesman, real estate salesman, businessman, tree lopper, contract cleaner, grazier, and an Elvis impersonator – and he's one of the NSW Northern River's best lawn bowlers.

At 41, Richard Latta has packed more into his life than most would in a lifetime. Oh, yes, and there's also a 17-year career as a rugby league player.

But these days the big two in Latta's life are bowls and his short career as an Elvis impersonator.

He combines his two passions by playing in bowls tournaments around NSW and southern Queensland, usually playing pairs with mate Craig Teys, and then joining Teys at night during their Elvis 'thing' on stage.

The money the pair earn on stage is compensation for their tournament travel and accommodation costs.

Winning tournaments is a bonus.

Latta's Elvis career took off in October 2009 when he and Teys, representing the Ballina Bowling Club, were playing in the \$40,000 Black Opal bowls tournament at Lightning Ridge, in the NSW north-west.

As part of the entertainment, each team entered in the tournament had to provide a team member for a talent quest.

Teys, being rated Australia's number-two Elvis impersonator, was declared a professional entertainer and was ineligible for the talent quest.

So Latta took to the stage and sang a couple of Elvis numbers as well as

Redgum's haunting *I was*

*only 19*, and a Kenny Loggins song.

He won the quest and Latta's 'Elvis' career was up and running.

Let's rewind to Latta's post-school days after growing up in Lismore, NSW.

For three years he was an army medic based at Portsea, south of Melbourne.

He played rugby league, usually as a halfback, in Melbourne for those three years, then returned to the northern rivers and went back to school in Ballina as a mature-age student.

He began playing first grade rugby league with Ballina, where he stayed for five years before switching to Lismore Marist Brothers for a season, then four years playing first grade in Beenleigh (Qld) and finally another two years at Kyogle, back in northern NSW.

It was during his second year at Kyogle that injury forced him out of rugby league and he turned to bowls, first at Lismore Workers Heights Club.

That was in 2002.

After just three months he had won his first club titles – the minor singles at Lismore Heights.

The following year he won the club's A grade singles, pairs and fours title, and was runner-up in the triples.

He later joined Alstonville, then returned to Lismore Heights, followed by three years at Casino before joining Ballina.

Along the way he has collected 21 club titles in singles, pairs triples and fours.

He has represented the Northern Rivers District Bowling Association (NRDBA) for five years and Zone One (NRDBA, Clarence and Tweed-Byron associations combined) for four years.

Last year he won the NRDBA champion of club champions singles crown, then went on to win at zone level before progressing to the State finals, where he won his first game before being eliminated in the quarter-finals by the player who eventually lost the grand final by just one shot.

A year earlier, Latta and Ballina club-mate David Zorzo won the NRDBA and Zone One pairs champion of club champions and also reached the quarter-finals at State level.

In 2009 Latta and Zorzo also qualified for the Australian Open tournament in Shepparton, Victoria.

Along the way they beat the then world number

two-ranked bowler (a new Zealander) before bowing out in the quarter-finals in the 64-team competition.

Latta also lined up in the field of 128 in the open singles at Shepparton, reaching the final 16.

While Latta declares his Elvis debut at Lightning Ridge as a turning point in his singing career, he says things really took off six months ago while he and

Teys were playing in a tournament at South-West Rocks, on the NSW mid-north coast.

Teys, who was booked to do his Elvis show, invited Latta to join him in the stage.

"I climbed into one of Craig's old Elvis suits and we did the show. The response was overwhelming," Latta said.

"We've been going ever since.

"Craig and I aren't together much on stage. I do my stuff, mainly rock'n'roll, and Craig does Elvis ballads and other stuff.

"Sometimes Craig's sister Suzie joins us and we do a three-hour show."

Latta told *The Koori Mail* he averaged about 30 tournaments a year.

He estimated that he and Teys would perform professionally on stage at about half those tournaments.

After his three-year stint in the army, he worked as a door-to-door salesman around the Northern Rivers, then sold real estate while playing rugby league at Beenleigh.

He also became a tree lopper while in Beenleigh,



Thank you very much ... Richard Latta in one of his Elvis costumes.



Richard Latta shows his style on the lawn bowls green.

then worked as a barman while playing rugby league at Kyogle.

He then started his own tree-logging business on the Northern Rivers – a business he owned for 12 years.

While still running the tree-logging business, he returned to real estate at Alstonville, then started a contract cleaning service.

His first contract was with the Coles supermarket in Goonellabah, a Lismore suburb.

That business grew to a point where Latta had a Coles contract for 48 supermarkets between Goonellabah and Nudgee (Brisbane), employing up to 54 contractors.

The pressure of running tree-logging and contract cleaning businesses began to take their toll on Latta's health, so he sold both businesses in 2004 and returned to real estate in Lismore.

He and a brother also bought a 75ha farm at Fernside, near Lismore. He had no farming experience but the brothers have carried out improvements on the property, which they still own today.

But these days it's mainly bowls and Elvis shows, and the two neatly dovetail.





Baniyala Garrangali students visit the Sydney Opera House for the first time.

# From Arnhem Land to the Sydney surf



INDIGENOUS secondary school students from Baniyala Garrangali school in north-east Arnhem Land have

had a taste of the big smoke during a visit to Sydney.

The excursion late last year was an opportunity for the students to see a major city as well as practice their English language skills in daily life.

In addition to the Art Gallery of NSW and the Sydney Opera

House, the students also visited Freshwater Surf Club followed by a surfing lesson at Manly beach with champion surfers Matt Grainger and Layne Beachley.

Excursion leader Lyn McCormick said the students had a special interest in visiting Freshwater.

"The students studied Duke Kahanamoku (the Hawaiian man who introduced surfing to Australia) at school and admire him for his leadership and many achievements," she said.

"He is a bit of a hero and a role model to them. The Duke was an indigenous man who is remembered and admired by many people around the world for his good character and significant achievements."

The ten students and three parents stayed with families from St Paul's Catholic College.

The students and their accompanying teachers live on their homeland, Baniyala (also known as Yilpara) at Blue Mud Bay, across the sea from Groote Eylandt.



Students suited up and ready for action at their Manly Surf School lesson with Matt Grainger.

# Rockhampton centre closer to completion



A MAJOR Indigenous centre in Rockhampton, central Queensland, is a step closer following a

smoking ceremony on its proposed site.

The Community Enterprise Inclusion Centre, to be built on the CQUniversity campus in the city, is a major project for Central Queensland Indigenous Development Ltd (CQID).

The centre project aims to form a single point of contact in central Queensland which represents the Indigenous community, agencies and service organisations.

CQID general manager Jason Field thanked Wade Mann, Lester Adams and Pastor Barry Mann for their welcome and blessing of the

development of the centre.

"The centre signifies opportunity and convenience for Indigenous Australians, assisting with the current government policy of closing the gap," Mr Field said.

"I must acknowledge also CQUniversity for the opportunity to build this facility within their precinct.

"This will create further opportunity for all Indigenous Australians to undergo further education, allowing Indigenous Australians the skills to become leaders and role models within their communities."

Mr Field congratulated CQ University staff for their 'support and drive to ensure the facility was approved and completed on time'.

The centre is due to be completed by 30 June.



Pastor Barry Mann leads the smoking ceremony on the university grounds in Rockhampton.



Mattius Mann was one of the Aboriginal dancers who took part in the dedication ceremony.



## Research funds for Newcastle academics



NEWCASTLE academics have received a lion's share of the latest Australian Research Council Indigenous Research Development (IRD) grants. Of the nine grants allocated nationally, two were awarded to Newcastle projects equating to about 25 per cent of the funds available.

Professor John Maynard, of Newcastle University, received almost \$376,000 to carry out research into Indigenous political activism in the United States and Australia during the early 20th century.

The project, titled 'Land, children and politics: Native America and Aboriginal Australia 1900-1930', will compare and contrast Indigenous political activism in both countries through a number of issues including land, children, government policy and returned servicemen.

"The debate over Aboriginal history and the Stolen Generations is resurfacing in national media and through this project we hope to promote ways to improve understanding and resolve cultural, historical and religious difference in Australia," Prof Maynard said.

The university's other IRD grant went to Dr Kathleen Butler for her project titled 'Indigenous Research Higher Degree Candidature in Australian universities: Exploring identity at the cultural interface'.

With allocated funding of \$153,000 over three years, Dr Butler and her mentor Professor Allyson Holbrook aim to investigate the effectiveness of 'Research High Degree' policies and the outcomes for Indigenous students.

"This project will help to create a vital evidence base that will help improve educational equity, cohesion and successful participation for Indigenous students undertaking tertiary education," Dr Butler said.



Indigenous students who graduated in Education Support from Nurunderi TAFE in southern Queensland last month, from left, Kenny Day, Tanya Brown, Myra Duncan, Frank Malone, Marilyn Huddleston (teacher) and Angel Bailey.

## TAFE students recognised



FIFTY-ONE Indigenous students were among those who were recognised last month during a graduation ceremony at Nurunderi TAFE in Cherbourg, southern Queensland, receiving diplomas, certificates or statements of attainment.

Students achieved required skill

levels to gain formal qualifications in areas such as vocational literacy and numeracy, business administration, aged care, children's services, protective care, protective intervention, education support, Indigenous primary health care, massage and nursing.

Campus business co-ordinator Santana Schmocker said 11 students who enrolled in the Diploma of Counselling course received their

Statements of Attainment. "This course was offered after a survey established the need for this service in both Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities," she said.

Other highlights included students who finished courses in Indigenous primary health care, massage and protective care, Ms Schmocker said.

For more about the courses at Nurunderi TAFE, call (07) 4169 9999.



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

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The 2011/12 application forms and program guidelines are available on the Department's website at

[https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/programs\\_services/funded\\_other/acp/edaep.html](https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/programs_services/funded_other/acp/edaep.html) or by contacting State Training Services - Aboriginal Services on (02) 68816764.

Applications close **Friday 25 March, 2011** and should be submitted to:

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# Success for Koori Cohort



THE ancient Aboriginal practice of 'deep listening' was a feature of last month's

graduation ceremony in Melbourne for six Koori researchers receiving masters degrees and doctorates from RMIT. The graduates, known as the Koori Cohort, are a group of Elders, artists, musicians, educators and high-profile Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who have used their research studies as a framework to document, disseminate and celebrate Koori culture.

Deep listening is an Aboriginal concept which describes the processes of deep and respectful listening to build community - a way of

encouraging people to explore and learn from the and ancient heritage of Indigenous culture, knowledge and understanding.

The study program began seven years ago as a partnership between RMIT, sponsor Silcar and the Indigenous community through the Koorie Heritage Trust.

Trust CEO Jason Eades said the success of the six Koori Cohort members, four with masters and two with PhDs, was a significant event for Aboriginal learning.

"The Koori Cohort are a highly gifted and respected group of Indigenous leaders who have used their studies as a way of promoting knowledge and understanding of Koori culture," he said.

Members of the 2010 graduating Koori Cohort were

Aunty Doris Paton, Maree Clarke, Kimba Thompsen, Eric Clark, Vicki Couzens and Esme Bamblett.

Former Koori Cohort co-ordinator at RMIT, and author of the *Deep Listening Book*, Dr Laura Brearley, describes deep listening as an inner sense, separate from our intellect.

"Deep listening is about tuning in," she said. "The Indigenous researchers in the Koori Cohort use multiple ways of knowing to gather, analyse and represent data. Data emerges from their stories, their dreams, their country."

"Deep listening is based on stories, silences and the spaces that lie between. As a research methodology, the practice of deep listening is an invitation into culturally congruent ways of learning and knowing."



# Students show way



NORTHERN Melbourne Institute of TAFE (NMIT) student Alfie Bamblett has a goal of

developing a 'Big Brother' mentoring program for Indigenous people. Now the Yorta Yorta/Mutti Mutti man has gone one step closer after completing an NMIT qualification that gives him and his Indigenous classmates a real chance of employment in the health sector.

The students completed the institute's ten-week Certificate III in Health Services Assistance course.

"It was a pilot Koorie group and what we got out of it was the fact that the students and teachers learned as a community," course co-ordinator Lynne Pearson said.

She said that aside from the determination of the students, the success of the Certificate III program owed much to the collaboration between NMIT's Department of Health and Community Studies, the Institute's Koorie Services Centre and the support of hospitals including Melbourne's St Vincent's and the Alfred.

Ms Pearson said she and her team were helped by staff from



**NMIT Certificate III in Health Services Assistance graduates, from left, Nakita Green, Tom Hume, Alfie Bamblett, Wesley Brigham, Nina Chessels and Raoul Smart. Absent were Nikki Penrith and Karah Hardy.**

NMIT's Koorie Services Centre, particularly NMIT Koorie Liaison Officer Steve Van Nus, Koorie Services Co-ordinator Carol Harrison and Deb Walsh, the Executive Program Manager from ASK (Access Service for Koories).

The NMIT course, held at the institute's Collingwood campus, aimed to ensure each of the eight students in the program was prepared for a practical work placement, with the majority of students being placed at

either St Vincent's or the Alfred.

Following completion of their placements, two students are now working as part of the casual bank of health services assistants (HSAs) at the Alfred, while two other NMIT students have been

offered positions on the St Vincent's casual bank for support services assistants (SSAs). The other students from the course are also confident of picking up HSA work.

While many of the students see the qualification as a stepping stone to a career in nursing, Alfie Bamblett said he was attracted to the program as a means of building his skills and experience.

He hopes to work as a health services assistant while undertaking further study in community services with a long-term goal of working to develop community services for Indigenous people.

"It's the way the teaching staff adapted the course to us ... they've made it more culturally sensitive ... welcoming," he said.

For Mr Bamblett, the experience of completing the course and the practical placement at St Vincent's went beyond the obvious career benefits.

He said one of his strongest memories from his placement was the look on the faces of some of the Indigenous patients.

"They gave me a smile that told me they were happy that young Aboriginal kids were working there ... it's deadly!" he said.

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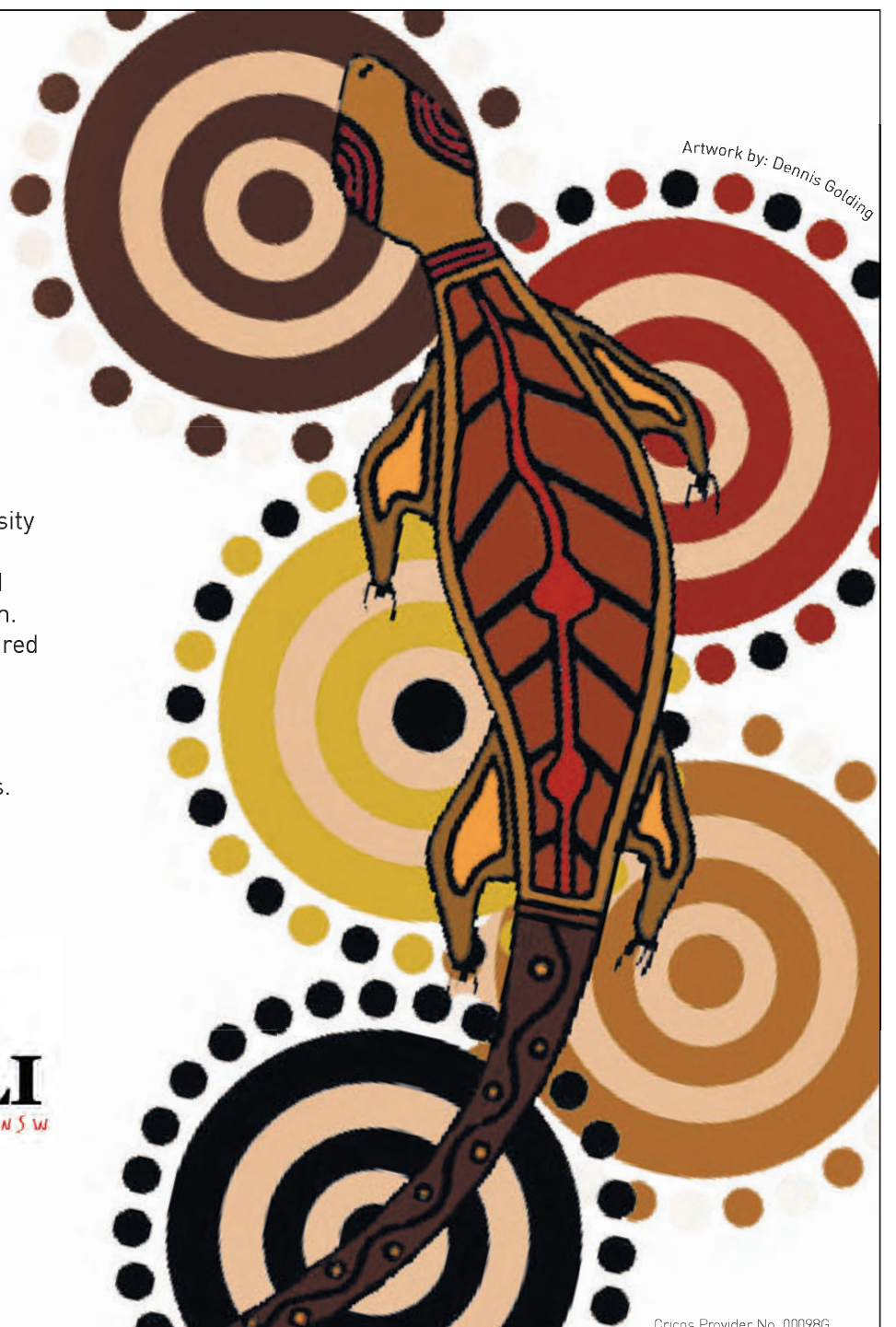
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Grace Ferguson receives her award from TAFE NSW Deputy Director General Greg Prior.



## Grace's effort merits award



THE head teacher of general education at TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute, Eora College, Grace Ferguson, was honoured at the 2010 Department of Education and Training Awards.

The 18-year teaching veteran – 14 of them at Eora College – received the Meritorious Service Commended Certificate, recognising her dedication in advancing educational opportunities for Indigenous people.

Ms Ferguson was the only TAFE NSW employee to receive the honour in 2010.

Eora College director Darryl Griffen praised Ms Ferguson.

"Grace has been the backbone of the general education section at Eora College for quite some years now," he said.

"She is always very supportive of her staff and students and is deeply respected by both.

"Grace's commitment to providing the best learning experience for young and old students of Eora is well recognised by her peers."

Under Ms Ferguson's leadership, Eora College delivers Aboriginal cultural programs to Sydney Institute staff and to government department agencies such as the Department of Commerce, Department of Children's Services and the Department of Corrective Services.

Mr Griffen said Ms Ferguson had worked closely with Aboriginal training unit co-ordinators to develop a range of new courses and has helped lift the profile of Aboriginal education across TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute and the wider community.

# Institute's big year



MORE than 50 students from 16 Cape York communities in north Queensland graduated in 2010 from the Cape York Institute's three leadership programs. The programs are the Higher Expectations Program – Secondary and Tertiary – and the Leadership Academy.

Cape York Institute Director Noel Pearson spoke at the graduation, praising students and saying the achievements of the leadership group gave him hope for the future.

The Higher Expectations Secondary Program (HEPS) provides scholarships and case management support for academically talented Indigenous students from Years 8-12 to attend some of the best boarding schools in Queensland. HEPS is supported by the Macquarie Group Foundation and the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program through the Department of Education Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

The Higher Expectations Tertiary Program targets talented Cape York Indigenous people with the highest achievement and leadership potential, and aims to provide them with long-term support to undertake tertiary courses.

### Opportunities

The program aims to maximise the participants' opportunities for educational achievement, career development and effective leadership in their communities. It is supported by the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program through DEEWR and the Rio Tinto Aboriginal Foundation.

The Cape York Leadership Academy offers a model of leadership development for adults essentially focusing on individual rather than collective development. Ninety-three people from Cape communities were registered with the academy last year, 48 of whom graduated after undertaking professional and personal development workshops, professional placements and implementing projects in their communities.

The academy members hold a range of positions in communities, and with government departments and regional organisations in Cairns. Some of their roles include mayor, councillors, teachers, sport and recreation officers and health workers.

The academy has been supported by Ian McCauley and family for the past three years, with additional support this year from Skytrans and the John T Reid Charitable Trusts.



Leadership Academy members with sponsor Ian McCauley and Leadership Programs Manager Jean Westerhout.



HEPS graduating students James Backo, Jayraine Hobson, Kirsty Burchill, Jimilla Dix and Keithan Bowen. (Karlena Zingle and Sanchia Tamwoy were absent).



HEPT tutor Naomi Gothard, HEPT graduates Talisia Yusia, Teho Ropeyarn and Julie Warradoo, and HEPT Manager Maria Maniapoto.



# Students' talents on show in *Walkabout*

By ALF WILSON



THE works of ten Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural arts students from the Townsville Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE are on show at the city's Perc

Tucker Regional Gallery.

The work of Ellen Anderson, Marie Andrews (Kawoote), Donna Ives, Lisa Johnson, Daniel Korneliussen, Stephanie Lingwoodock, Barbara McMahon, Linda Oliver, Clair Rhodes, Christina Waigana will feature at the gallery in an exhibition called *Walkabout* until 13 February.

Donna Ives was named Institute Student of the Year last year, while Ellen Anderson took out the TAFE Queensland prize for painting.

Anderson's paintings in *Walkabout* depict local animals, such as yellow footed rock wallabies, red kangaroos, and field mice.

## Three-dimensional

One of her works, *Kanga Lazing*, features three-dimensional art.

"As a speaker of Nawagi language, and a born and bred north Queenslander (Ingham), I am excited and proud to be able to use my skills and culture to create my own story on life in the north," she said.

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery director Frances Thomson said the exhibition had become a popular show for the Townsville region.

"It creates an opportunity for the students to showcase their talents through painting, printmaking and ceramics," she said.

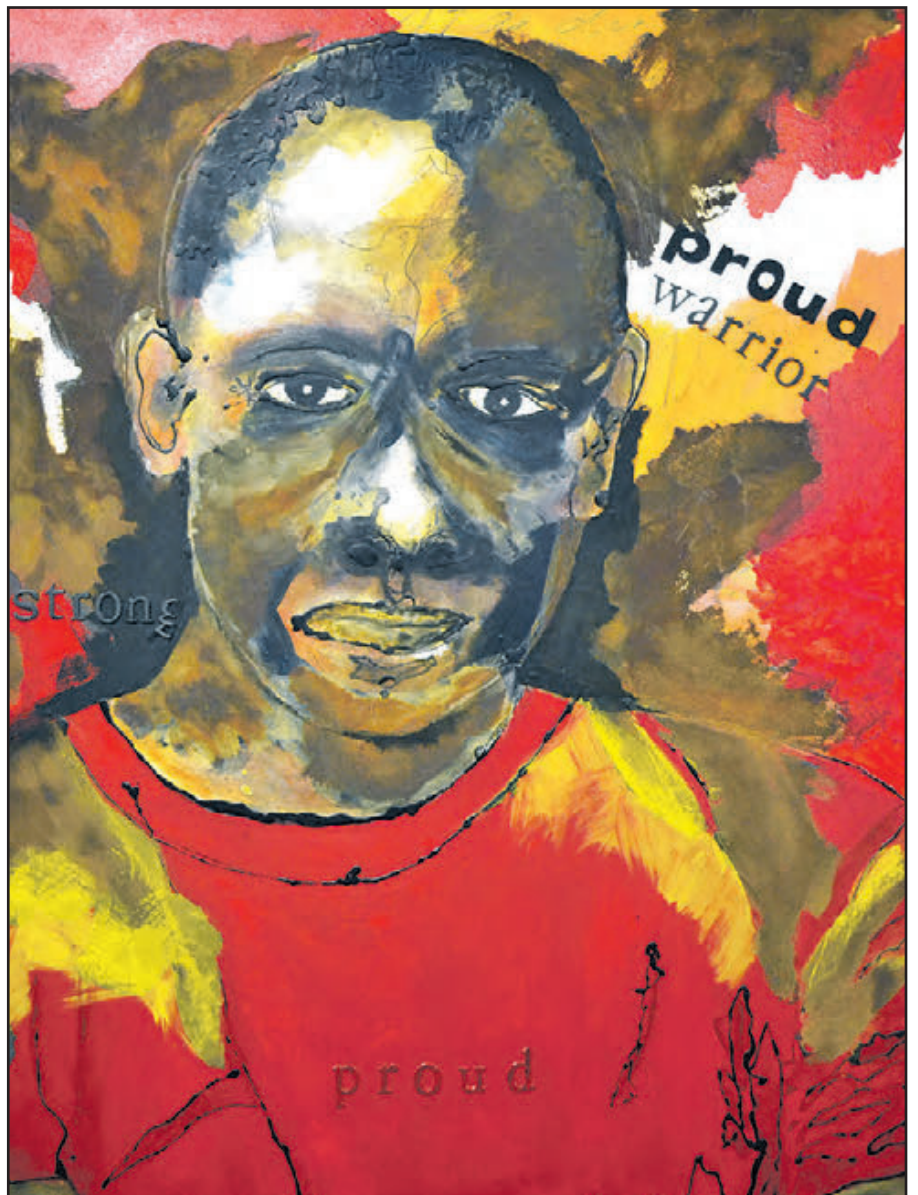


ABOVE: Linda Oliver, *Dancing Brolgas*, 2010, acrylic on canvas.

RIGHT: Donna Ives, *Proud Warrior*, 2010, mixed media.

"As part of their TAFE training, students need to undertake professional practice and so exhibiting their work in a regional gallery provides them with this experience and the opportunity to develop networks in the industry and establish themselves as emerging artists.

"Many of these artists will go on to make substantial careers as artists, and this is an opportunity to get in on the ground floor."



# Bark, carved wood paintings win People's Choice



GULUMBU YUNUPINGU, from Yirrkala in north east Arnhem Land, has won the People's Choice Award of \$5000 in the Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards 2010.

Her paintings on bark and carved wood of *Garak, The Universe*, and *Ganyu, Stars*, received the most of the 1900 votes cast.

Works by Pauline Moran and Richard Bell were second and third respectively.

WA Culture and Arts Minister John Day congratulated the artist on her success.

"The diverse audience who attended the WA Indigenous Art Awards exhibition responded to the talent and delicate sensibility of Yunupingu's very impressive works," Mr Day said.

"Her entrancing paintings on bark and carved wood show true innovation, while embodying understandings of Yolngu belief systems and contemporary life."

The Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards, Australia's richest contemporary Indigenous art award,



Works by Gulumbu Yunupingu, who won the People's Choice Award of the 2010 WA Indigenous Art Awards:

LEFT: *Garak, The Universe 2008*, ochre on bark, 197cm x 63cm, Courtesy of the Wesfarmers Collection of Australia Art, Perth

RIGHT: *Ganyu 2009*, ochre on hollowed log, 232cm height, Courtesy of the artist, Buku-Larrnggay Mulka, Northern Territory and Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne.

Photos by Chris Groenhout.

was founded in 2008 to celebrate the diversity and richness of Indigenous art from across the country.

The awards comprise a group exhibition of outstanding art and three non-acquisitive awards:

● The Western Australian Indigenous Art Award of \$50,000, won in 2010 by Wakartu Cory Surprise.

● The Western Australian Artist Award of \$10,000, won by Sonia Kurarra.

● and the People's Choice Award. Art Gallery of Western Australia Director Stefano Carboni congratulated the winners.

"I am delighted that the State Government has announced that the gallery will again be hosting the awards in 2011," he said.

"The Gallery is grateful for the commitment from the Indigenous arts community to these awards, and looks forward to their continued support for this Western Australian initiative."

● Nominations for the 2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards close at 5pm on 28 February.

The awards are open to all adult Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists currently living in Australia, working in any theme or media, including (but not restricted to) painting, prints, sculpture, photography, digital media, fibre art.

A nomination package can be downloaded from the Art Gallery website at [www.artgallery.wa.gov.au](http://www.artgallery.wa.gov.au)

For more info contact (08) 9492 6635 or email [IndigenousArtAward@artgallery.wa.gov.au](mailto:IndigenousArtAward@artgallery.wa.gov.au)



# MCA showcases last rock artist



One of Bardayal Nadjamerrek's grandchildren Lorraine Kabindi White, above, and inset, in front of the wall mural that she, and four of his other grandchildren helped to paint in honour of the artist.... "As a young artist, I will be following in his footsteps," she said.

By KIRSTIE PARKER

**H**E was the last of his clan's rock artists and was considered a 'living national treasure' before his passing in late 2009.

Thankfully for Australia, Bardayal 'Lofty' Nadjamerrek AO's encyclopaedic knowledge of his West Arnhem Land country, the stories and their translation was matched by his determination to create a lasting legacy in more ways than one.

That legacy lives on in both the rocky escarpment of Nadjamerrek's traditional country and within his grandchildren, who he urged to walk in his footsteps – using art to bring about a greater respect for his people.

And his young relatives are doing this, including through the creation of a stunning mural backdrop to a new exhibition – MCA presents Bardayal 'Lofty' Nadjamerrek

AO – which opened last month at Sydney's Museum of Contemporary Arts (MCA) and will run until 20 March.

The MCA's Curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Keith Munro initiated the exhibition after the museum presented another focusing on Western Arnhem Land art in 2008. Unfortunately, Nadjamerrek died before the new exhibition came to fruition but the MCA worked with his family to see it through, effectively turning it into a memorial to the artist.

The major survey exhibition showcases Nadjamerrek's unique paintings on bark and paper, which reflect the images found on cave walls and inside bark shelters – always using natural ochres and many depicting animals and spirit beings in silhouette, with X-Ray details, and distinctive parallel hatching.

"Some of the works feature strong aspects of ceremony, they're almost like



MCA Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art curator Keith Munro in front of a bark painting by Bardayal 'Lofty' Nadjamerrek.... "Some of the works feature strong aspects of ceremony, they're almost like memories that (Nadjamerrek) had."

memories that (Nadjamerrek) had," said Keith Munro.

"With a lot of the work, he is painting from his experience as an Aboriginal man, travelling along within his cultural space, maintaining kinship relationships to the west and south and documenting his life as art."

Nadjamerrek, nicknamed 'Lofty' because of his imposing height, created his first painting on rock walls (kunwarde bim) as a child under the watchful eye of family members.

It wasn't until some 40 years later that the senior custodian of the arkung djang (sugarbag or honey) dreaming began painting for a western commercial art audience. His Kabulwarnamyo outstation would eventually become a kind of remote university campus: he and his family received a constant stream of dry-season visitors including conservation scientists, anthropologists, writers, photographers, biologists, botanists, fire ecologists, zoologists, entomologists, linguists, anthropologists, historians, filmmakers, musicologists and museum curators.

## Stories

His most important audience, however, was his children and grandchildren to whom he told stories connected with his paintings.

"Like when he would paint kunj (kangaroo), Dad used to sing a song connected to kunj which would bring good luck in hunting kangaroo," his children explained in the exhibition catalogue.

As well as honing his artistic practice, Nadjamerrek also helped to develop fire management practices for his country, weed and feral animal control and walking tracks.

Awarded an Order of Australia (AO) in 2004 for his service to the arts and Indigenous land management, the artist created his last rock art painting just a year later. Then Environment Minister Peter Garrett declared the area an Indigenous protected area last year, not long after Nadjamerrek's death at the age of 83.

Curator Munro, whose people hail from around Moree in northern NSW, said the artist had made 'a huge contribution' to the Australian national estate.

"We're talking about a man who painted at a time when Aboriginal art first became recognised in the Australian and international context," he told *The Koori Mail*.

"A lot of the early work in the exhibition contributed to that story, the history of the development of Aboriginal art practice.

"He was part of that first wave but he

was also a strong ceremony man, a teacher, a respected Elder and traditional knowledge holder.

"When we lose these people, it is like losing a whole encyclopaedia. But it makes me happy know that (Nadjamerrek's) work is continuing. It is not dead; it has been passed on."

This was evident when one of the artist's grandchildren, Lorraine Kabindi White, spoke to *The Koori Mail* just prior to the exhibition opening.

"Ever since I was a kid, I would watch my granddad and sit with him and ask him questions," she said. "He would tell me stories in ways I could understand culturally; he made it meaningful to me... as a young artist, I will be following in his footsteps."

The exhibition is accompanied by a major publication, featuring commissioned texts on the artist's work in the contexts of Australian art, Aboriginal art and culture and the bark painting movement.

● NOTE: In observing and respecting cultural protocol in all contexts other than the MCA exhibition and publication the family requests that, at this time, the artist's 'sorry name' or subsection and clan name Wamud Namok be used.

## Robert Campbell Jnr in Glasshouse show

**G**LASSHOUSE Regional Gallery in Port Macquarie, NSW, is hosting an exhibition of selected works by internationally acclaimed artist Robert Campbell Jnr until 28 January.

The Ngaku painter and printmaker, who lived and worked in Kempsey, was a self-taught artist who created designs on boomerangs carved by his father. He was later encouraged to develop his 'witty work with its sharply honed political edge' by non-Indigenous Sydney artist Tony Coleing.

His work depicts life on Burnt Bridge Mission in Kempsey and tells stories of the Stolen Generations and the marginalisation of Aboriginal communities using humour and an individualistic style.

The exhibition *Continuing Stories: Selected Works by Robert Campbell Jnr* has been developed in conjunction with the Saltwater Freshwater Festival, which will be held in Westport Park in Port Macquarie on 26 January. For more information on the festival visit [www.saltwaterfreshwater.com.au](http://www.saltwaterfreshwater.com.au)





● ABOVE: East Journey in the Sydney recording studio (Back row) Ben Wheatley, PJ White, Rrawun Maymuru, Gathapura Mununggurr, (Front row) Arian Pearson, Ses Frank, Wulkuwulku Marawili and Ngalkanbuy Mununggurr.

● RIGHT: East Journey lead singer Rrawun Maymuru performing with Malignay Yunupingu.

# Big journey ahead for musicians



A NEW band from Arnhem Land is continuing the tradition of taking the ancient language of the Yolngu people to the world.

Called East Journey, the band recently recorded their debut album at the Level 7 Studios in Sydney where music greats Elton John, Prince and Cold Chisel have previously recorded.

While in Sydney the band also headlined their first big city gig at the Old Manly Boatshed.

East Journey was founded by lead singer Rrawun Maymuru and includes Wulkuwulku Marawili, a band mate from Garrangali, another successful East Arnhem Land band that Maymuru plays with.

East Journey has a solid pedigree, with both Maymuru and Marawili already award-winning musicians.

Together they won 'Album of the Year' as members of Garrangali and Maymuru was also awarded 'Song of the Year' at the 2010 NT Music Awards.

Additionally, Maymuru has written songs for Indigenous music sensation Gurrumul Yunupingu and sings alongside the mega-star on his upcoming album. He has also performed with iconic Aboriginal rock band Yothu Yindi.

Maymuru, Marawili and the other members of East Journey (Patrick 'PJ' White, Gathapura Mununggurr, Arian Pearson, Ngalkanbuy Mununggurr, Ben Wheatley and Ses Frank) are

about more than just the music. They share a passion to teach others about Arnhem language and culture and aim to broaden the horizons of other Australians by encouraging them to share in the stories and manikays (songs) of the Yolngu.

"My goal is not to give up and to keep playing music and spreading the word about Yolngu culture and our way of life," Maymuru said.

"I aim to encourage reconciliation and send the message to others that Yolngu and Ngapaki (Balanda) can work and live together."

Aside from the sharing of culture, subjects like education, employment, business development and community development are close to the heart of the music of East Journey. The band explores these subjects in the context of achieving goals for themselves and their community while managing to stay living on their own country with their families.

In terms of musical style, Maymuru describes East Journey's debut album as 'different'.

"There are four reggae beats, some slow stuff and some rockier stuff and maybe even a solo," he said.

As a final statement on the prospects of East Journey to successfully meld their music with messages of cultural diversity, no less than ex-Yothu Yindi member and producer extraordinaire Matthew Cunliffe has flown in from Los Angeles to help produce the album.

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## New gallery in heart of Gibson Desert



**WARAKURNA** Artists Aboriginal Corporation last month opened its Yurliya Gallery, located in Warakurna Community's roadhouse complex, 330kms west of Uluru, just in Western Australia.

"It's a cultural and artistic oasis, right here in Warakurna. An opportunity for people to experience first-hand some of the most exciting art-making in the country and to learn about Ngaanyatjarra Culture," says Warakurna Artists manager Edwina Circuit.

The 'desert' gallery offers a range of paintings, fibre art and traditional wooden artefacts for sale. Visitors can see interpretive

materials designed by the artists, including a multi-media film made by local women showing an insight into Ngaanyatjarra culture and artistic practices.

The gallery redevelopment was funded by Warakurna Community Council, Ngaanyatjarra Council and Warakurna Artists.

Warakurna Artists Art Centre is owned and governed by Aboriginal people and local community members were involved in the design and construction of the space.

Warakurna Artist's arts workers will receive on-going training in customer service and sales so they will be able to run the gallery.

A new espresso machine is

also on its way to Warakurna Roadhouse and there will be some desert baristas making cafe latte and macchiato.

Warakurna Artists Chairwoman Eunice Yunurupa Porter said they looked forward to welcoming visitors to the centre.

"Our people are so proud of this gallery; they put their heart into building it," she said.

"This gallery is here for our future, for our children. Our paintings tell our stories, they are our memories and a hand of friendship to you.

"We look forward to seeing everyone here, come and visit us."

For more information about the gallery visit [www.warakurnaartists.com.au](http://www.warakurnaartists.com.au)



Yurliya Gallery is located in Warakurna Community's roadhouse complex. Photo courtesy of Warakurna Artists

## Last chance to visit *Yiwarra Kuju* at NMA



ORGANISERS thought it would be popular, and they weren't wrong.

*Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route*, a collection of paintings and stories telling the Aboriginal history of the world's longest stock route through the deserts of Western Australia, has set a new record for a temporary exhibition at the National Museum of Australia.

The museum says that by late last month, more than 86,500 people had visited the exhibition since it opened in July, 2010, exceeding the number of visitors to *Mars and Beyond* which went on display soon after the National Museum opened in 2001.

"There has been a great buzz around *Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route* since it opened," NMA Director Andrew Sayers said.

"I think visitors have responded to the unique quality of this exhibition – it is historical yet up-to-the-minute; it is vibrant and deep, above all it brings us closer to people and their stories.

"I would encourage everyone to grab the opportunity to experience this free exhibition before it closes on Australia Day."

The Canning Stock Route, an ultimately unsuccessful cattle track stretching from Halls Creek to Wiluna, is usually presented as a white man's story.

The exhibition *Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route* restates the Aboriginal history of the route by telling the story through Aboriginal eyes and voices.

The art and objects were produced by the Canning Stock Route Project, a four-year program developed by FORM, an independent arts organisation based in Perth, which involved artists, traditional custodians and emerging Aboriginal curators and filmmakers.

The exhibition which features 127 paintings, cultural objects, documents and a new media work which traces the Canning Stock Route with touch-screen access to historical and contemporary detail, paintings and cultural works and a rich oral and visual record.



The Canning Stock Route, near Well 51. Photo by Tim Acker



Patrick Olodoodi Tjungurrayi naming the waterholes on his painting. Photo by Tim Acker



Martu kids playing in the sand dunes near Well 33, with the painting Kunkun. Photo by Morika Biljabu





At the 2010 ASHE Presentation Dinner in Shepparton were award-winners, from left, Tom Pearce, Marshall Davis, Shadelle Hood, Mervyn Davis, Jannaya Atkinson and Janarli Bux.

## Victorian academy students celebrate a successful year



ACADEMY of Sport and Health and Education (ASHE) students celebrated the end of a busy year at the 2010 ASHE Presentation Dinner in Shepparton, Victoria, last month.

The evening was the culmination of a year's work by the students who are the sixth group to graduate from the program, along with numerous second and third-year students.

ASHE Manager Phil Guthrie said he had

watched the students progress over the year.

"The students have grown significantly and to reward this we presented certificates and awards of achievement on the night," he said.

MC for the night was Aboriginal stand-up comedian Kevin Kropinyeri.

Award winners were:

- Student of the Year (Cert II) – Janarli Bux
- Student of the Year (Cert III) – Shadelle Hood

- Student of the Year (Cert IV) – Mervyn Davis

- Female Sportsperson of the Year – Shadelle Hood

- Male Sportsperson of the Year – Mervyn Davis

- Encouragement Award – Tom Pearce

- Male Achievement Award – Marshall Davis

- Female Achievement Award – Jannaya Atkinson

- Peer Award – Mervyn Davis

- Alumni Award – Adam Briggs.

# Experts target cancer threat



LEADING cancer experts, oncologists and cancer survivors have come together at a national roundtable in Brisbane to step up the fight against cancer among Indigenous people.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, and death rates amongst Indigenous people with cancer are up to 45 per cent higher than for other Australians.

The National Roundtable on Priorities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Research was hosted by the Lowitja Institute, Australia's National Institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Research, and followed the release of a major report on Indigenous cancer by the Cancer Council of South Australia.

Lowitja Institute CEO Kerry Arabena said the roundtable provided an opportunity to tackle a major health concern for Australia's first peoples.

"Cancer is a debilitating illness that has profoundly impacted on the lives of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and we're so pleased to host Australia's best



KERRY ARABENA

minds for the development of strategies to address these issues," Dr Arabena said.

The Roundtable brought together representatives of the national, state and territory cancer initiatives, major cancer-treating hospitals, cancer survivors and representatives from the Aboriginal

community controlled primary health care sector. It was facilitated by National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) chair Professor Michael Good and Queensland Institute of Medical Research's Associate Professor Gail Garvey.

Assoc Prof Garvey said navigating through the health-care system could be fraught with uncertainty and fear for any cancer patient, but the problem could be exacerbated for an Indigenous person due to social and cultural differences in perception of health, illness and health care. She said one of the aims of the roundtable was to identify where changes were necessary to reduce cancer disparities.

Leader of the Lowitja Institute's research program in Queensland, Professor Ross Bailie, said there was a great deal of support for the focus of the meeting.

"The response we have had from the main players in the Australian cancer research and treatment fields shows there is a critical mass of support for the kind of collaborative research effort we want to build," he said.

For more information about the Lowitja Institute and the Queensland Institute of Medical Research go to [www.lowitja.org.au](http://www.lowitja.org.au) and [www.qimr.edu.au](http://www.qimr.edu.au)

## Mental health schemes in place



INDIGENOUS people are set to benefit from mental health initiatives starting this year.

Mental Health Minister Mark Butler says the Federal Government is spending \$113.2 million on treatment and services for people with mental health problems.

Spending will focus on increasing suicide prevention workers and providing more online services to help about 40,000 people find treatment and support over four years.

"The Government's programs will address a range of areas – including assisting workers with depression, supporting men's mental health campaigns and improve the mental resilience of hundreds of thousands of children," Mr Butler said.

"From 1 January, the Government is progressively rolling out eight programs worth \$113.2 million, and in mid-2011 we will roll out an additional seven mental health programs."

Overall, the mental health programs will total \$274 million over four years under the Government's Mental Health: Taking Action to Tackle Suicide election commitment announced in July 2010.

New programs include:

- Mental health first aid training costing \$6.1 million to be provided for community workers to better identify and respond to people at risk of suicide or who have attempted suicide.

- Online mental health and counselling services to be expanded with \$21.3 million to give people with mental health problems more ways to reach support services.

- New funding of \$22.6 million for Divisions of General Practice and then Medicare Locals, when they are established, to help in their work to tackle suicide in high-risk groups.

- Workers with depression will be aided through an \$11 million boost in Government support for Beyondblue's National Workplace Program.

- New men's mental health and suicide awareness campaigns costing about \$9 million will be run by Beyondblue for high-risk groups, including single men, fathers, older men, the unemployed, rural and Indigenous men.

- An \$18.4 million boost to the KidsMatter program – allowing 1700 additional primary schools nationwide to promote good mental health and improve children's resilience.

The Government says work will also start on developing a \$60 million funding round under the National Suicide Prevention Program for community-led, grassroots suicide prevention activities targeted at high-risk groups.





Gathering participants during a visit to the Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-Operative in Geelong, Victoria.

# Vic Gathering was the first



The gathering included a smoking ceremony for participants.



BRINGING Them Home, Link Up, Alcohol and Other Drugs and Dual Diagnosis workers from Victorian

Community Controlled and other organisations were in Geelong recently for the inaugural Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) State Wide Gathering. More than 70 workers were at the three-day event, which was organised by the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation and included a range of presentations.

Participants took part in workshops, panels and specialist sessions featuring expert speakers.

Workers split into separate Bringing Them Home and Alcohol and Other Drug sessions for information more specific to their role.

Organisers said next year's event would be held in the Grampians.



Gail Crozier with a Wathaurong glass message stick.



Denise and Dawn McGuiness, the winners of Deadly Funny 2010, performed at the awards night dinner.



Five of the lads enjoying the awards dinner.



Wathaurong Co-Op's Mick Ryan on guitar.

Queensland Health  
Request for Offer

## Indigenous Health National Partnership Agreement – Multi-Disciplinary Models of Care

Offer Number CSU2010/11.013

Queensland Health is inviting Offers from incorporated non-government organisations with demonstrated experience in delivering culturally appropriate, evidence-based and patient-centred clinical services through multi-disciplinary models of care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the geographic locations of Central Queensland, Darling Downs-West Moreton, Gold Coast, Mackay, Sunshine Coast, Wide Bay and Metro South.

**Offer Documentation:** Download from Queensland Government Marketplace website

**Enquiries:** Jacqui Heywood Phone: 3234 0947 or email: Jacqui\_heywood@health.qld.gov.au

**Offer Closing Date:** 11:00am Wednesday, 9 February 2011



Queensland Government



## In the Hall of Fame



APUNIPIMA Cape York Health Council senior medical officer Dr Mark Wenitong has been inducted into the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council Hall of Fame. The QAIHC Hall of Fame was established in 2008 to formally

recognise and honour the dedication and commitment of individuals to the establishment and expansion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Health Services in Queensland.

Dr Wenitong, a past president of the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA), was recognised 'because of his life-long commitment to improving the health of Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders'.

He dedicated his induction to his mother the late Aunty Lorna Wenitong, one of the first Aboriginal health workers in Queensland.

"She motivated me to be involved in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health," he said. "It is really humbling to receive an award like this from the actual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community of Queensland."

"These mob are the 'real deal' community people, with community perspectives and to whom the health statistics are real people, aunties, uncles, parents and children."

"It makes it even more special as they can usually read people's motivation, and you know that an award from them is heart-felt and sincere."

Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council Hall of Fame entrant Dr Mark Wenitong.



## Authorities warn over melioidosis



HEALTH authorities are warning Top End residents to protect themselves from the potentially life-threatening, soil-borne disease melioidosis.

Melioidosis is an illness seen most frequently after heavy rain, which is why it is particularly important to follow relevant health warnings at this time of year, Centre for Disease Control director Dr Vicki Krause said.

"Usually the Northern Territory has 25 to 30 cases of melioidosis reported in an entire year," she said. "In the 12 months following October 1, 2009, a record number of 91 cases was seen and this increase looks to be continuing into this wet season."

Dr Krause said melioidosis was an environmental bacterium and a common cause of serious pneumonia and blood poisoning in the Top End. Melioidosis can cause severe disease, particularly in people with underlying conditions that impair the immune system.

People most at risk are those with health concerns such as diabetes, hazardous alcohol intake, kidney disease, lung disease and cancer, as well as those on steroid therapy.

"It is particularly important that at-risk groups be aware of melioidosis, but it is important for all Territorians to take precautions," Dr Krause said.

People concerned about melioidosis should contact local health authorities.

## Aboriginal Allied Health Cadetships



**Are you an Aboriginal student currently enrolled full-time in the final 3 years of an undergraduate allied health degree?**

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### For further information please contact:

Tracey Flanagan, Tel. **(02) 9391 9036** OR Catherine Townsend, Tel. **(02) 9424 5741** or Email. [cadetship@doh.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cadetship@doh.health.nsw.gov.au)





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## National

**Until 11 February:** Calling for Congress Nominations. Applications for 120 delegates to the 1st member's forum and candidates for Co-Chairs close. Details: visit [www.nationalcongress.com.au/nominations](http://www.nationalcongress.com.au/nominations)

**Until 14 August:** Yalangbara, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous artworks. This exhibition tells the remarkable story of the Marika family of Arnhem Land, three generations of artists, cultural diplomats and custodians of one of Australia's most important spiritual sites. Free and all welcome. Held at the Gallery of First Australians, National Museum of Australia, Canberra. Details: (02) 6208 5351 (0438) 620 710 or email [media@nma.gov.au](mailto:media@nma.gov.au)

## NSW-ACT

**Until 30 January:** Koori Art Expression, an Aboriginal art exhibition by 500 students from

Kindergarten to Year 12, looking at the issues such as how the contribution of Aboriginal people to Australian society has gone unrecognised. Free and all welcome. Held at Australian Museum, 6 College St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9320 6311 or visit [www.australianmuseum.net.au](http://www.australianmuseum.net.au)

**19 January:** Youth Corroboree program is holding a summer pool party, which is aimed towards connecting young people with each other, their culture and to increase their knowledge of the Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander culture. This event will include many series of workshops, welcome to country, traditional dance performances and many pool activities. All welcome, cost for entry are included. Held from 11am-4pm at Emerton Leisure Centre, 27-51 Jersey Rd Emerton. Details: (02) 9839 6000 or (02) 9628 7016.

**26 January:** Saltwater Freshwater Festival, an Indigenous Australia Day event on the mid-north coast. This event includes Aboriginal design, art, music and food also Elders' dinner, bush tucker displays, workshops and a whole range of children activities. Free and all welcome. Held Westport Park, Park St, Port Macquarie. Details: (02) 6658 5995 or visit [www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.org/](http://www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.org/)

**26 January: Yabun 2011:** A celebration of Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander cultures, including art and craft stalls, dance workshops, politics, literature, information stalls, activities for kids, live entertainment and more. All welcome. Held at Victoria Park, Broadway, Sydney, from 10am-6pm. Details: (02) 9384 4000 or email [yabun@gadigal.org.au](mailto:yabun@gadigal.org.au) or visit [www.gadigal.org.au](http://www.gadigal.org.au)

## Northern Territory

**Until 13 February:** Pmere Arntarntareme – Watching This Place, an Aboriginal art exhibition featuring the works of more than 20 artists across a variety of media, painting mental sculpture and video works that captured the layered realities of inter-cultural Alice Springs, which sees artists and custodians both watching country. Free and all welcome. Held Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs. Details: (08) 8951 1120 or email [araluen@nt.gov.au](mailto:araluen@nt.gov.au)

**23-24 February:** Indigenous Law and Justice Conference. Law and Justice within Indigenous communities addresses strategies to increase equitable processes and outcomes for Indigenous people when encountering the criminal justice system, with a view to reducing incarceration rates. Register before 17 December and have your say. All welcome. Held at Holiday Inn, Esplanade, Darwin. Details: (1300) 316 882 or email

[registration@criterionconferences.com](mailto:registration@criterionconferences.com)

**25 February-10 April:** Menagerie National Tour. This exhibition explores a contemporary Indigenous perspective on animals and their relationship to people, place and country, revealing individual stories of both maker and object. All welcome. Held at Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs. Details: (02) 9320 6000 or visit [www.aboriginalartnews.com.au](http://www.aboriginalartnews.com.au)

## Queensland

**Until 21 January:** Who Them? An Aboriginal art exhibition, showcasing many artworks from many Indigenous artists, this exhibition also includes more than 20 south-east Australian Indigenous artists. Free and all welcome. Held at Woolloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or email [email@wag.au](mailto:email@wag.au) or visit [www.wag.com.au](http://www.wag.com.au)

**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](mailto:admin@musgravepark.org.au)

## Victoria

**26 January:** Belgrave Survival Day celebrating Indigenous culture, this event will include free workshops, children's activities, live performances from Richard Frankland and the Charcoal Club, Jindi Worobak Dance Group, Black Elvis/Gnarnayarrahe Waitairie and many more. Free and all welcome. Held at Borthwick Park, Benson St, Belgrave. Details: (0424) 557 025 email [survivalday@gmail.com](mailto:survivalday@gmail.com) or visit [www.belgravesurvivalday.org](http://www.belgravesurvivalday.org)

## South Australia

**26 January:** Survival Day, come and help celebrate the strength and spirit of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first people of this land. This event will include a barbecue, jumping castle, waterslide and much more children activities, also a variety workshops and live performances. Free and all welcome. Held Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute Inc, 245 Grenfell St, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or email [tandanya.com.au](mailto:tandanya.com.au) or visit [www.tandanya.com.au](http://www.tandanya.com.au)

# Chevy building a promising career

**W**HEN Chevy Phillips enrolled in the Koori Job Ready Course, he wouldn't have predicted that a couple of years later he would be employed as an apprentice carpenter and nominated as a finalist for Indigenous Apprentice of the Year.

"It was always my dream to become a carpenter," says Chevy.

"After completing the Koori Job Ready Course in 2008, Redfern-Waterloo Authority (RWA) put me forward for an apprenticeship with Cubic Interiors and I am now in my second year of my carpentry apprenticeship.

"I have worked on several building sites such as the Media City building at Australian Technology Park and the University of NSW.

"I feel pretty proud that I was a finalist for the Indigenous Apprentice of the Year through the Group Training Association (GTA) NSW Awards. The event was held at the Four Seasons Hotel in the city and although I didn't win, it was still good to be nominated."

Chevy is now working six days a week in the city centre on the construction of a new office block with 400 people on site.

"It is really busy but I am learning a lot," said Chevy.

"The hardest thing is learning how to set up – the building is curved so there is a lot of work with lasers and we need to work to very specific guidelines.

"My long-term goal is to complete a builder's degree and to become a fully trained foreman."

Through the Koori Job Ready Course, more than 110 students have completed their certificate in construction since 2008, equipping them with the confidence and skills they need to work on a building site.



Koori Job Ready graduate Chevy Phillips.

# Hopes for tour of Knockout pictures

**A**N exhibition of 31 photos taken at NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnivals is on at Level 2 of the Customs House in Sydney's Circular Quay. The exhibition runs until 7 February.

Photographer Amanda James first attended the Knockout in 1986 at Nambucca Heads, but she started documenting it with her camera in 1993.

She said the photos were not about the football being played.

"It's not the sport that's the goal, it's a social archive, a document of a celebration," she said

The photos in *Knockout* were taken during a period of seven years from Knockouts held in Sydney, Tweed Heads and Woy Woy. She said she hoped to tour the exhibition, ending up in Bathurst in conjunction with the 2011 Knockout.

Meanwhile, she hopes an online resource of 250 photographs from her extensive collection will encourage people to share their Knockout stories and identify people in the photos. Five new photos will be uploaded every week at [www.studioasu.com](http://www.studioasu.com)

● **BELOW:** Some of the photos on display as part of the *Knockout* exhibition at Sydney's Customs House. Photographer Amanda James hopes to take the exhibition on tour.





# Employment

## INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Starting early ... Aboriginal children in Alice Springs taking part in the Technology in the Territory program, which brings Richmond AFL players to their communities to talk about things such as health, education and hygiene.



# Jobs goal of Alice Springs program



ABORIGINAL people in Alice Springs are being urged to take part in a pre-employment program aimed at increasing their ability to work in the retail industry. The 10-week program provides on-the-job and certified retail training with the new Dick Smith store in Alice Springs, as well as Woolworths.

A similar program has been operating in

Katherine for two years, resulting in Woolworths Katherine now having 15 Indigenous employees.

Dick Smith National Operations Manager Armando Pedruco told *The Koori Mail* that the new store was keen to employ as many Aboriginal people as possible.

"We're going to give it a red hot go. We'd love to have as many Aboriginal people as possible apply," he said.

Mr Pedruco urged interested people to

visit the Dick Smith store or the Woolworths store to sign on to the program.

As well, the retailers have teamed up with the Richmond AFL football club to target school-age children in an effort to prepare them for employment opportunities

Under that program, called Technology in the Territory, Richmond players visit local schools to talk about such things as health and hygiene, leadership and career plans.

They also take part in webcam talks,

where they speak with groups of remote students via the internet.

"The program allows us to start at school level in preparing young people for work in the future," Mr Pedruco said.

Woolworths Diversity Manager Estelle Olstein said the programs were designed to target long-term unemployment.

She said the important thing was to have 'real jobs' at the end of any pre-employment program.

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If this opportunity appeals to you then find out more by first obtaining an applicant information kit at [www.abs.gov.au/careers](http://www.abs.gov.au/careers) or contact **Mohammad Mustafa** on 02 9268 4378.

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For an application package please contact 4587 8877. For further information about the position please call Kim on 4587 8877.

**Applications close 5.00pm Monday 31 January 2011.**

Applications must address the selection criteria.

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### Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara

## General Manager

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Director of Administration  
Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara  
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Email: [amapy@anangu.com.au](mailto:amapy@anangu.com.au)



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### SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER, COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

*Koori Justice Unit, Community Operations and Strategy*

**\$76,424 - \$92,467 plus superannuation**

**Position No DJ6452**

The Koori Justice Unit is responsible for coordinating the development and delivery of Victoria's Koori justice policies and programs across the Victorian Government and justice system through extensive community networks such as the Aboriginal Justice Forum and the network of Regional and Local Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committees.

The role is to implement, manage and monitor community funded programs – Community Grant Programs, Frontline Youth Initiatives and Community Initiative Program, Koori Night Patrol Program, Koori Offender Support and Mentoring Program and the Local Justice Worker Program.

The primary responsibility of the Senior Project Officer is to provide high level contract management and to monitor a number of community funded grant programs to ensure compliance with contract specifications and timelines.

This is an identified position in accordance with the Department of Justice Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

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## ABS Interviewer – Wollongong

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If this opportunity appeals to you then find out more by first obtaining an applicant information kit at [www.abs.gov.au/careers](http://www.abs.gov.au/careers) or contact **Mohammad Mustafa** on 02 9268 4378.

Please quote reference no. 10/0794 in all correspondence.

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Closing Date: 30 January 2011

### Family Violence and Sexual Assault Counsellor for Aboriginal Communities

Permanent Part Time (30 hours per week)

Shoalhaven Hospital, Shoalhaven Region

Enquiries: Kimberly Chiswell, 02 4423 9211

Ref No: 11558

*An applicant's gender is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 31 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.*

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## IPSWICH & WEST MORETON DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE

### Closing the Gap – Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker

*Want to make a difference in Primary Health Care?*

The Ipswich and West Moreton Division of General Practice (IWMGP) requires an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker to support the Closing the Gap initiative.

Ipswich and West Moreton Division of General Practice works with health service providers to improve health outcomes in the Ipswich and West Moreton region.

**We are seeking a passionate, confident and motivated person with:**

- excellent organisational skills
- high level communication and interpersonal skills
- sound understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander health, communities and culture
- strengths in building and strengthening local networks and linkages
- the ability to support individuals to access health services
- skills to support general practices to deliver culturally appropriate primary health care
- current drivers licence

If you are interested in this exciting role please email your resume and a cover letter to [angela@iwmdgp.org.au](mailto:angela@iwmdgp.org.au) by Monday 31st January. For further information regarding the position description or the employment package contact Angela Horner on ph: 3813 7000.

*This is an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander identified position*  
**Applications close 5pm on Monday 31st January 2011.**

## VARIOUS POSITIONS



*The Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service Inc., is based in East Perth with clinics located in Mirrabooka and Maddington.*

*We are an expanding and dynamic community based organisation delivering comprehensive primary health care services to Aboriginal people living in Metropolitan Perth. We are the leading organisation in Aboriginal Health Care, providing medical, dental and allied health services for our clients.*

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### Full Time

**Health Services Manager (50d) – Mirrabooka**  
**Personnel Officer (50d) – East Perth**

### Part Time

**Medical Administrator – East Perth**  
**Risk/Quality Assurance Officer – East Perth**

Depending on qualifications and experience these positions have attractive remuneration packages which are outlined in the application packs.

Applications for these positions to include a CV and must address the selection criteria.

For further information please contact Cheryl Hayward, Personnel Manager (08) 9421 3888 or via email at [haywardc@dyhs.org.au](mailto:haywardc@dyhs.org.au)

**Applications must be sent via email.**

**Applications close Friday 21 January 2011 at 5.00pm.**

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**A twelve month fixed term position (part or full time).**

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This position supports Traditional Owner groups to develop, maintain and utilise a centralized Traditional Ecological Knowledge database. The position will include the establishment of a central database system, engagement and support for Traditional Owner's to develop, maintain and utilize the database and the interpretation and input of traditional ecological knowledge as required.

**Interested?** Email your application letter and CV by close of business **Friday 21 January 2011.**

Visit [www.nqdrytropics.com.au](http://www.nqdrytropics.com.au) for more information.

Any queries contact Lisa McCulloch [careers@nqdrytropics.com.au](mailto:careers@nqdrytropics.com.au) or phone (07) 4724 3544.

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## POLICY OFFICER - SOCIAL POLICY FULL TIME - BRISBANE

*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply*

The Queensland Council of Social Service (QCOSS) provides a voice for and with Queenslanders affected by poverty and inequality.

This position is responsible for contributing to the capacity of QCOSS to develop and advocate social policy positions to benefit Queenslanders experiencing poverty and disadvantage. The successful applicant will undertake research, consultation and develop social policy and other materials and publications.

Salary \$66,982 - \$70,000 + 10% super (depending on experience)

Position description or further information available at [www.qcoss.org.au](http://www.qcoss.org.au) or call Ana on 07 3004 6900 or email [jobs@qcoss.org.au](mailto:jobs@qcoss.org.au) Closing Date: COB Monday 17 January 2011



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## Aboriginal Co-management Project Officer

Hurstville

Clerk Grade 7/8, Permanent Full-Time.

Total remuneration package to \$95,451 p.a.  
including salary \$78,142 p.a. to \$86,498 p.a.

**Vacancy Ref: DECCW 421-10.** Manage short term projects and provide program support to longer term projects for Aboriginal park partnerships and Aboriginal joint management of parks. Provide executive support to committees and working groups relating to programs managed by the Aboriginal Co-management Unit. Organise major events related to the work of the Aboriginal Co-management Unit, such as statewide meetings.

**Selection Criteria:** To apply for this position applicants must obtain the information pack. The pack contains the selection criteria for the position that must be addressed in your application.

**Job Notes:** This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

**Inquiries:** Lenore Fraser (02) 9585 6632 or  
[lenore.fraser@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lenore.fraser@environment.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Pack:** (02) 9585 6307 or  
[www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Recruitment Officer, Department Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 1481, or apply online at  
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## TEAM LEADER KOORI COURTS

Grade 5, MC2193  
\$76,424 - \$92,467

Koori Court division of the  
Magistrates Court  
Fixed Term until Feb 2012

The Koori Court is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement and was initially established as a division of the Magistrates Courts in Victoria.

Koori Courts currently sit at Shepparton, Broadmeadows, Warrnambool, Mildura, La Trobe Valley and Bairnsdale Magistrates' Courts. There is one Children's Koori Court based at the Children's Court in Melbourne.

We are looking for a person with well developed interpersonal skills, including the ability to supervise and support a multi-disciplinary team; to perform a number of functions including professional advice, coaching and direction to staff on effective, professional practices and standards; develop and co-ordinate the implementation of quality assurance systems in line with organisational standards and best practice requirements; liaise with court staff and stakeholders on Koori Court development and implementation issues; establishing effective consultation and negotiation processes and encouraging innovative solutions; deal with and resolve complex problems to ensure that the Koori Court Model is maintained and enhanced; identify key issues and recommend strategies to ensure Koori Courts organisational standards are maintained and to provide reports and briefings with detailed analysis and recommendations on a regular basis to key stakeholders to report on the Koori Court progress highlighting any potential gaps/trends.

You will have a demonstrated knowledge of Victorian Koori culture and society and an ability to communicate effectively with Victorian Koori people.

This is an identified position in accordance with the Department of Justice Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

The Koori Court provides a smoke free environment. All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

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## Program Managers Family Service

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## Community Service Coordinator

(Indigenous Care)

Blue Care's Northside Community Care based at Milton is placed at the forefront of in-home care delivery in Brisbane. Currently, we have a part time (job share) vacancy for a Community Service Coordinator (Indigenous Care) (42 hours a fortnight) to join our dedicated team.

This position's key role is in working with the Indigenous community and Blue Care staff to improve access to services within Blue Care Brisbane.

**Essential requirements:**

- Demonstrated broad experience in service delivery and quality systems in Indigenous Health and Community Care.
- Current Driver's Licence.
- Demonstrated effective interpersonal and written communication skills, including intermediate computer skills (e.g. Microsoft Office).

For enquiries regarding the position please contact Nick Hansen on (07) 3514 7814.

**To join us you will need a background in indigenous healthcare and significant experience in community development. If you are interested in the position then send your resume and brief cover letter to [recruitmentbr@bluecare.org.au](mailto:recruitmentbr@bluecare.org.au) quoting the reference number: BR/KM/11/363.**

**Applications close 19 January 2011.**

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## Aboriginal Health Worker

Contract until 30/6/11  
with view to extend  
Wagga Wagga location

Attractive salary packaging available

We currently have an opportunity available for an Aboriginal Health Worker located at our Wagga Wagga office.

Reporting into the Education and Prevention Team you will be responsible for a wide range of health and education related activities that include:

- Assist in developing of and implementing resources both written and web-based material to educate health care professionals in managing Aboriginal people in a culturally sensitive manner appropriate to their needs
- Identify the current resources, programs and services required for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community with or at risk of diabetes in the region.
- Identify areas of needs for the Aboriginal people and Torres strait Islanders who are at risk of diabetes
- Develop diabetes prevention and management communication strategies relevant to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Act as a liaison between and within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the region when developing new initiatives and facilitate attendance at programs or services.
- Initiate new programs related to health promotion and diabetes self management skills within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

**The successful applicant will have:**

- Completed a Certificate, Diploma or Advanced Diploma in Aboriginal Health Care
- Proven experience in health education and awareness programmes
- Some clinical experience in diabetes management
- High level written and verbal communication skills
- Experience in the developing of education programmes
- Excellent time management and organisational skill
- Cultural awareness and sensitivities
- Ability to work both autonomously and in a team environment
- Computer literacy skills
- The ability and willingness to travel for work purposes and hold a current C Class Drivers licence.

**For further information regarding this role please contact:**

Alyssa Crowe on (02) 9552 9971  
[jobs@australiandiabetescouncil.com](mailto:jobs@australiandiabetescouncil.com)  
[www.australiandiabetescouncil.com](http://www.australiandiabetescouncil.com)

**Closing Date: 31 January, 2011**



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## Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Youth Directorate Bimberi Youth Justice Centre

## Unit Manager

**Administrative Services Officer Class 6**

**Salary Range: \$66,198-\$76,043 (PN: 21640)**

The position of Unit Manager is responsible for the management of secure elements of a number of units during a shift by facilitating close interaction and supervision with staff and residents, promoting initiatives and developing innovative approaches to meeting client and program needs.

**Eligibility/Other Requirements:** Completion of the Youth Worker Level 4 Certificate, and/or qualifications in the behavioural sciences highly desirable. At least two (2) years relevant experience in working in a custodial environment is required.

**Contact Officer:** Mark Stephens (02) 6207 3346 [mark.stephens@act.gov.au](mailto:mark.stephens@act.gov.au)

**Applications Close:** 25 January 2011

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## Team Leader

**Administrative Services Officer Class 5**

**Salary Range: \$61,295-64,994**

**PN: 21630, 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 driver's licence and first aid certificate. Completion of Youth Worker Certificate IV, completion or partial completion in the Diploma of Welfare studies or qualification in the behavioural sciences highly desirable.

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## PROJECT OFFICER (VPS4)

Indigenous Policy and Services Unit, Corrections Victoria  
Department of Justice Victoria

Salary Range: \$66,235 - \$75,151 pa

Position No Position No. CV0052 (Full time / Ongoing)

The successful applicant will primarily be responsible for developing and maintaining partnerships with Indigenous community stakeholders and contributing to the support of Aboriginal Wellbeing / Liaison Officers, Indigenous Community Corrections Officers and Indigenous Service Officers. The position contributes to the development, implementation and integration of programs and services relevant to Corrections Victoria's responsibilities for Indigenous prisoners and offenders.

This is an identified position in accordance with policy direction of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement. The successful applicant will be subject to a Police Records Check.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

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## Office for Children, Youth and Family Support

### Early Intervention and Prevention Unit

#### Child and Family Centres

## Community Development Team Leader

### Health Professional Level 4

Salary Range: \$83,816-\$90,372

PN: 21553

The West Belconnen Child and Family Centre is looking for a motivated individual to work closely with the practice leader and the broader management team to further develop and implement the full range of clinical, group and community development initiatives of the unit, both centre based and in outreach settings. The position will participate in the development and maintenance of government and community partnerships, program planning, review and evaluation.

**Eligibility/Other Requirements:** Social work degree with full eligibility for membership of the Australian Association of Social Workers or full unconditional registration as a psychologist with the ACT Psychologists Board or interstate equivalent plus a minimum of three years practice experience in a relevant field. Current driver's licence.

**Note:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply. This is a temporary vacancy for the period January 2011 until 1 July 2014 with the possibility of extension. This position may be filled based on application and referee reports only.

**Contact Officer:** Jodie Robinson (02) 6207 1983 [jodie.robinson@act.gov.au](mailto:jodie.robinson@act.gov.au)

**Applications Close:** 25 January 2011

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- Dubbo, Wellington, Gilgandra and surrounding areas; or
- Eden to Kiama.

If so, this is the role for you!

**Footprints in Time:** The Longitudinal Study of Indigenous Children is seeking motivated people to conduct interviews with families living in and around areas that are participating in this longitudinal study. Your ability to travel to all areas in the site, show initiative, engage with the community, work independently, and be able to plan, organise and prioritise workloads will be highly valued in this environment.

These vacancies are only open to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people under clause 4.2(6) (b) (i) of the Public Service Commissioner's Directions 1999. The filling of the position(s) is intended to constitute a Special Measure under section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*.

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### Strategic Advisor - Business Sustainability

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An exciting opportunity has been created in the Reconciliation Australia team for a talented individual to use their fundraising and partnership development expertise to capitalise on business opportunities that will underpin the organisation's continued growth and success. The successful candidate will have excellent communication skills, demonstrated success in business development and fundraising initiatives and an ability to align organisational objectives with partnership opportunities. A capacity to deliver short-term results and long-term sustainable planning is crucial to the success of this role. This is a fairly autonomous role with key relationships with the CEO and senior executives.

Reconciliation Australia is committed to improving employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and welcomes applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

This is initially a full-time fixed-term position (12 months). Further information about this position including the job description and selection criteria is available from our website at [www.reconciliation.org.au](http://www.reconciliation.org.au).

The salary is \$100,000+ plus 9% superannuation.

**Applications close Friday 21 January 2011 at 5pm AEDST**

Written applications and enquires should be directed to:  
Kate Leonard  
Human Resources Manager  
Reconciliation Australia  
PO Box 4773, Kingston ACT 2604  
phone: 02 6272 2633  
email: [Kate.Leonard@reconciliation.org.au](mailto:Kate.Leonard@reconciliation.org.au)



### ADMIN/EVENTS COORDINATOR

Our client, a small, eastern Sydney-based organisation working in the Indigenous sector, is seeking an admin/events coordinator to provide a high level of support to their training and professional development team. Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply, especially graduates with some administrative experience.

Key responsibilities are to create, update and distribute program materials; coordinate program registrations and communications; build and maintain good relationships; manage program logistics; data entry and general administration.

**Selection criteria:** sound organisational skills, accuracy and attention to detail; good verbal and written communication skills; ability to prioritise and show initiative; intermediate MS Office; can travel interstate as required.

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Region: Gippsland

#### Administration Support Officer, Level 1

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Region: Barwon South Western Region (Geelong)

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- Eligible students studying full time or part time and completing the last one or two years of an undergraduate or postgraduate course, or
- undertaking a two year diploma course in the area of community services.

For more information regarding INTRAIN scholarships visit [www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers) or phone Senior Project Officer, Aboriginal Employment **9096 7143**.

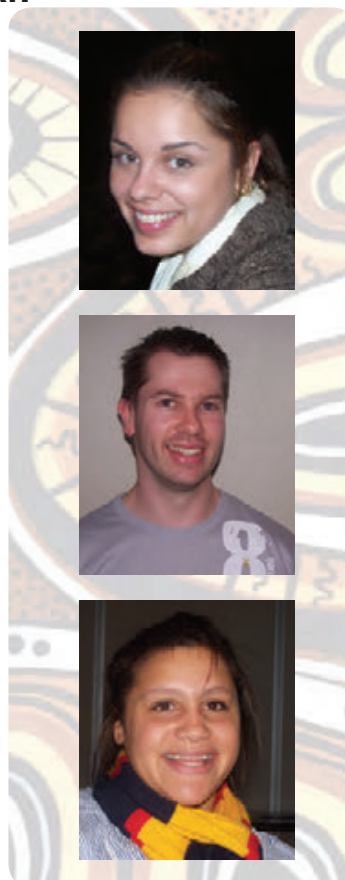
**Applications close, 5 pm Friday, 28 January 2011.**

### INTRAIN Public health postgraduate scholarships

- Eligible postgraduate students studying a public health-related course.
- Undertaking a postgraduate course of any duration at any stage of their study.

Applications are open throughout the year.

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# ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER FOUNDATION CHAIR AND DIRECTOR

The University of Queensland is one of Australia's premier learning and research institutions. It is consistently ranked in the world's top 100 universities and belongs to the *Group of Eight*, an alliance of research-strong universities committed to ensuring that Australia has world-class higher education institutions. The University is committed to 'Closing the Gap' through customised, high quality and innovative higher education, flexible tertiary pathways, and research programs for Indigenous Australian peoples. In 1984 the University established the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit with the objective of becoming the pre-eminent centre of excellence and expert opinion on teaching, research and consultation. Following its review in December 2009 by a committee chaired by Mr Tom Calma, the Unit is undergoing a period of change, and is now seeking a Foundation Chair and Director to provide strategic leadership.

This professorial role will bring a new direction to the ATSI Unit's activities in research, teaching and community engagement. The successful applicant will represent the interests of Indigenous people and will build strong relationships across the University and within the community. Candidates should have a background in Indigenous research, a history of teaching and a demonstrated capacity to take on an academic leadership role. A PhD or equivalent, as well as extensive professional and/or academic experience will be required. Knowledge of strategic planning, HR and financial management should ideally be coupled with a solid understanding of governance.

A critical function of the role will be to lead the development of a vision for the four campuses at St Lucia, Herston, Ipswich and Gatton. This important role will provide leadership, management and guidance to ensure that local communities are engaged and valued. In this context, the University is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in partnership with the Community.

For further enquiries and a position description call Janine Fitzgerald, at KPMG's Executive Search and Selection team in the Brisbane office on (07) 3233 9640 or Rebecca Willet in Melbourne on (03) 9288 6470. To apply in strict confidence, email your resume, statement addressing the selection criteria, your contact address and telephone number to [execrec.bne@kpmg.com.au](mailto:execrec.bne@kpmg.com.au) quoting reference number **74427**.

**Applications close:** Friday, 11 February 2011



CRICOS Provider Number 00025B



**Human Services**  
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

## Director, Large Residential Centres Redevelopment

Senior Officer Grade 1  
Strategic Assets & Procurement  
Central Office, Clarence Street, Sydney  
Permanent Full-Time

**Position No:** 10/ADHC\_1718

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$158,192 per annum (Salary: \$133,318 pa – \$143,654 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.**

### Job Description:

Manage the planning and implementation of capital works projects associated with redeveloping Large Residential Centres to ensure that projects are delivered within approved scope, time and budget parameters.

### Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated track record of achievement in the planning, development and delivery phases of capital programs and residential projects of significant size and complexity.
- Proven experience in all phases of project management from planning, design to evaluation and implementation.
- Demonstrated capability to negotiate, manage complex stakeholder issues during project's delivery phases.
- Excellent written, communication and negotiation skills and proven capacity to work collaboratively with a broad range of community and Government partners.
- Excellent analytical and conceptual skills and the capacity to apply these skills to create practical options and solutions to complex problems.
- Knowledge and understanding of property transactions and public sector property processes.
- Tertiary qualifications in a relevant discipline such as project management, architecture, urban design or engineering and/or demonstrated equivalent knowledge, skills and experience.

**Job Notes:** Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

**Enquiries:** Craig Heinjus (02) 9300 3820 or email: [craig.heinjus@dadhc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:craig.heinjus@dadhc.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Package:** [www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers](http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers) or 1800 185 466

**Closing date:** Friday 28 January 2011

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## Senior Lawyer – Legal Services

Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is a key Commonwealth Statutory Authority established to deliver a range of programs and initiatives in a profit orientated, private sector environment while promoting and encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander empowerment and economic self-sufficiency.

IBA is seeking a highly motivated and qualified individual to assist its legal services functions to fulfil its legislative objectives, operate as an effective and accountable organisation, and respond effectively to legal challenges. This is a key position within the legal services team.

### Qualifications & Experience

A degree in law and admission as a legal practitioner in Australia is essential. The successful applicant will also possess broad legal experience in providing practical legal advice on a range of complex issues relating to administrative and commercial law plus governance.

### Terms & Conditions

The successful applicant's salary will be between \$108,000 and \$127,000 and in addition they will receive 15.4% employer superannuation contribution.

Please visit [www.iba.gov.au](http://www.iba.gov.au) to obtain a copy of the position statement outlining the duties and the required capabilities.

For further information about this position contact Ms Kirsty Gowans, Assistant General Manager, Legal on (02) 6121 2603.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applications close on Friday 21 January 2011.

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IBA is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



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department of disability,  
housing & community services

## Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Early Intervention and Prevention Services Child and Family Centres

### Practice Team Leader

#### Health Professional Level 4

**Salary Range: \$83,816-\$90,372 (PN: 21544)**

The West Belconnen Child and Family Centre is looking for a motivated individual to work closely with the team leaders and the broader management team to provide clinical supervision, mentoring and support of workers within the early intervention and prevention unit, as well as contributing to the professional learning strategies that enhance staff competencies in working with children and families. The position will participate in the development and maintenance of government and community partnerships, program planning, review and evaluation and will be an active member of the management team within the unit.

**Eligibility/Other Requirements:** Social work degree with full eligibility for membership of the Australian Association of Social Workers or full unconditional registration as a psychologist with the ACT Psychologists Board or interstate equivalent plus a minimum of three years practice experience in a relevant field. A current driver's licence is essential.

**Note:** This is a temporary position available from January 2011 until July 2014 with the possibility of the position becoming permanent. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply. This position may be filled based on application and referee reports alone.

Contact Officer: Jodie Robinson (02) 6207 1983 [jodie.robinson@act.gov.au](mailto:jodie.robinson@act.gov.au)

**Applications Close:** 25 January 2011

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# Playgroup Facilitator: Get a career that matters.

**Permanent part-time role 28 hours per week.  
Hastings location.**

This position works with parents and volunteers to provide stimulating, creative and educational programs for children who attend the Supported Playgroups. It facilitates the delivery of group programs on child development and works with family members or groups providing information, support, advocacy and referral as appropriate.

## Applicants will require:

- Tertiary qualifications in Early Childhood (minimum Diploma)
- Demonstrated experience in engaging families in partnership to support them to build positive relationships with their children
- Current drivers licence and use of vehicle

## APPLICATIONS CLOSE

**Friday 28 January 2011**

**getacareerthatmatters.com.au**

Please apply online at our website.

We will require a "Working with Children Check" under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply. We are accredited as an EOWA employer of choice for women. We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.



## YOUR CAREER AT RMIT

RMIT is a global university of technology and design based in Melbourne, with a commitment to and reputation for high quality professional and vocational education and research engaged with industry and community.

### LECTURER, INDIGENOUS SPECIALISATION

- \$51,319 - \$87,017 p.a. + 9% super
- City location
- Full time, fixed term contract until December 2011

The College of Design and Social Context seeks a Lecturer who will make a significant contribution to teaching and program development of the College, and play a major role in teaching and professional activities relevant to the newly created Indigenous specialisation suite of courses.

The Lecturer will work as part of the Indigenous studies program in the development and delivery of innovative and flexible teaching programs, as well as making a significant contribution to consulting activities and administrative functions. The Lecturer is expected to develop and maintain effective relationships with academic, industry and professional communities.

The successful applicant will possess knowledge of the theory and practices related to Indigenous studies coupled with research and experience related to Indigenous community engagement, issues and concerns.

All applicants are required to provide a separate statement addressing the key selection criteria in addition to providing a resume.

**Applications for this position are sought from people who identify as Aboriginal and/ Torres Strait Islander in accordance of the VCAT application number A123/2009, allowing exemption from of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995.**

**In addition, in light of the University's commitment to increasing opportunities for Indigenous Academics at RMIT, we are also seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified applicants to fill casual vacancies across the University in a range of discipline areas. Interested candidates are also requested to submit a resume.**

### HOW TO APPLY

To view a position description and to apply please visit the website below, or for further information please contact Matthew Desalvo on +61 3 9925 0746. Applications close 30th January 2011. Job ref #: 545157

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## Director

**Ref 10353** Flinders University is a leading international university distinguished by its boldness, vigour and imagination. We are environmentally astute, engaged with the communities we serve and dynamically connected to the wider world. The University, at all levels, is committed to: rigorous intellectual enquiry; fairness, integrity and respect for others; equity and diversity; collaboration and teamwork; environmental sustainability; and respect for and recognition of Indigenous perspectives.

Yunggoorendi First Nations Centre for Higher Education and Research is a dynamic Centre within the University, reporting directly to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), which is actively engaged in research, teaching, Indigenous student support and community engagement.

The Centre is seeking to appoint a Director to lead it into a new stage of its development through setting its future strategic direction. The Director will:

- have responsibility for planning and managing Yunggoorendi's contribution to disciplinary and inter-disciplinary research, teaching and undergraduate and postgraduate student support in a growing University, on more than one campus;
- advise the University's Executive on Indigenous matters, including Indigenisation of the curriculum, contributing to the implementation of the Flinders Indigenous Education Framework and implementing the Flinders Indigenous Employment Strategy; and
- play a major role in building and maintaining relationships with key stakeholders in Indigenous Education at university, community, local, national and international levels.
- **Yunggoorendi First Nations Centre for Higher Education and Research**
- **Available on a fixed-term, full-time basis for an initial period of three years, with the possibility of renewal.**
- **Salary (Level E): \$140 537 pa**
- **Plus 17% employer superannuation**
- **Applications close: 11.00 am Monday, 24 January 2011**

**Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: [www.flinders.edu.au/employment](http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment)**

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## Get to make a difference with the Community Placements Program (Out Of Home Care) - Dubbo: Get a career that matters.

### Various Positions Available

Community Placements Program provides Out of Home care for children and young people in the Dubbo region. Services are Intensive Foster Care; Supported Family Group Homes and After Care.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

- **Coordinator** - Responsible for the day to day operations of services including the provision of information, practical support, referrals, managing complex situations and staff.
- **Caseworker** - Responsible for the overall case management and case coordination; advocacy; and monitoring of placement quality for children and young people in Out of Home Care.
- **Carer Assessor** - Responsible for developing and implementing strategies to attract, assess, train, and retain potential carers.
- **Education Worker** - Responsible for ensuring educational support and services for all children and young people in the program.

### Applicants will require:

- relevant tertiary qualifications in the social sciences (or recognised prior learning) and experience working in a related community sector
- experience in the direct care of children and young people
- demonstrated casework/ case management skills

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE Monday 24 January 2011**

**[www.getacareerthatmatters.com.au](http://www.getacareerthatmatters.com.au)**

Apply online or call the Community Placements Office on 6885 5010

We will require a "Working with Children Check" under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply. We are accredited as an EOWA employer of choice for women. We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.





## Notice of Initiation of Negotiation with Native Title Parties S63M Mining Act, 1971

**Take Notice** that Low Impact Diamond Drilling Specialists PTY LTD proposes to undertake mining operations pursuant to Mineral Claim 4195 and any subsequent mining lease granted on the claim in the following area:

Area: 3 km west of Tarcoola on parcel no.1219, hundred 833600, crown reserve no.5750379

The proposed mining operation involves the extraction of gold and silver by open cut.

The open cut will cover an area of 1.9 hectares and be 172 metres long, 145 metres wide and 65 metres deep.

Mining will be in accordance with prescribed lease conditions and a mining and rehabilitation program approved by the Chief Inspector of Mines.

**Take Notice** that if two (2) months after notice is given all who hold or may hold native title in the land to which this notice relates, Low Impact Diamond Drilling Specialists PTY LTD may apply ex-parte to the Environment, Resource and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to *Section 63N of the*

*Mining Act, 1971* authorizing entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out and conduction mining on the land. Any person who holds or may hold native title in this land is invited to contact Michael Dunham for Low Impact Diamond Drilling Specialists PTY LTD for the purpose of negotiating and agreement regarding the proposed mining operations on the land.

**Take Notice** that if within six (6) months from the initiation of these negotiations, Low Impact Diamond Drilling Specialists PTY LTD and any native title party (ies) have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiation or the minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to Section 63S of the Mining Act, 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Please Contact Michael Dunham  
MOB 0419316280

Low Impact Diamond Drilling Specialists  
PTY LTD  
44 Mace St, BURNIE TAS 7320

## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 26th January 2011



National  
Native Title  
Tribunal



Q12010/040 Marpa National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal land) ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement is Lots 15, 16 & 17 on SP224292 covering about 38 hectares, located southeast of Port Stewart in the vicinity of Princess Charlotte Bay as shown on the locality map.

This agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Cook Shire Council.

### Parties to agreement and their contact address:

The State of Queensland  
Cape York Peninsula Tenure Resolution Branch  
Department of Environment and Resource  
Management  
PO Box 2066  
CAIRNS QLD 4870

Alison Liddy, Gavin Bassani & Peter Peter  
c/- Cape York Land Council Aboriginal Corporation  
PO Box 2496  
CAIRNS QLD 4870

### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 6.1 The parties -

(a) consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts; and  
(b) agree to the validating of any invalid Agreed Acts done on the Agreement Area prior to the Registration Date, to the extent that they are Future Acts.

Clause 7 To avoid any doubt, Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA [Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)] does not apply to the doing of the Agreed Acts.

"Agreed Acts" means all acts necessary to give effect to this Agreement and the IMA including-

(a) the grant of Aboriginal Land for the Proposed ALA [Aboriginal Land Act 1991 (Qld)] Area to the members of the Land Trust under the ALA;

(b) entering into and complying with the IMA; and

(c) dedication, use and management of the Proposed National Park (CYPAL) Area as a national park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal land) under the NCA [Nature Conservation Act 1992 (Qld)].

'IMA' means an indigenous management agreement under the ALA in substantially the same form as the draft agreement in Schedule 3 [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 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 **27th April 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, CAIRNS QLD 4870** by the **27th April 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 based on spatial reference data sourced from the Department of Environment & Resource Management, Queensland. 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 Case Manager, Karrell Ross on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au)

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## Youth Connections North Coast Inc.

### Aboriginal Youth Support Worker

Lismore (SCHCADS Award Level 3 F/T)

Youth Connections North Coast Inc. (YCNC) is seeking an Aboriginal Youth Support Worker to provide case management support to young homeless people in the Lismore area.

To apply for this position you must request an Information Package which details how to apply for the position, selection criteria and position description. Information packages can be obtained by contacting YCNC on 6622 3143 or [info@ycnc.com.au](mailto:info@ycnc.com.au).

**Applications are due at 4pm on Thursday 24 January 2011.**

*This is an Aboriginal designated position. YCNC is an EEO employer and provides flexible working arrangements, and salary packaging.*

## Make your employment decision count

### ABS Interviewer - Wellington

\$23.12 per hour plus 9% loading

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has vacancies for ABS Interviewers in the Wellington region commencing employment from **11 April 2011**.

The work involves interviewing selected households to collect official statistics. Computer Assisted Interviews are conducted at respondent dwellings and over the telephone.

You must be available to work at least 2 weeks per month, with up to 25-30 hours work allocated in prescribed work weeks. The job requires availability on weekdays and evenings, Saturdays and school holidays.

Previous experience is not required as full training will be given, however you should possess good interpersonal skills and have experience in or the ability to learn computer programmes and systems. Successful applicants will be required to attend an 8 day paid training course commencing **29 March 2011**.

If this opportunity appeals to you then find out more by first obtaining an applicant information kit at [www.abs.gov.au/careers](http://www.abs.gov.au/careers) or contact **Mohammad Mustafa** on **02 9268 4378**.

Please quote reference no. **10/0791** in all correspondence.

Applications must be received by **6pm, Thursday 27 January 2011**.

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### Departmental Officer

### Central Office Canberra

### The Office For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH)

APS 6 \$70,528-\$79,567

CANBERRA Ref Number: 10-1087

The Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) has primary responsibility for the development and implementation of policy and programs that improve the access of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to effective primary health care, substance use services and population health programs. The Office works in collaboration with other mainstream health programs within the Department, Indigenous specific health services, NACCHO and its State/Territory Affiliates, other Australian Government portfolios and State and Territory government health departments.

The Office is structured into six Branches: Program Support; Capacity Development; Remote Health Services; Family Health and Wellbeing; Better Health Care; and Policy.

Vacancies exist in various branches of OATSIH and the successful applicants would be joining an enthusiastic and motivated group of people in the development, implementation and evaluation of policies and strategies related to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health.

Applications are sought from energetic and motivated persons with skills and experience that can be from a number of different backgrounds including policy development, program management, analysis and reporting, budget and finance or a combination of these. This is an opportunity to play a part in improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples access to comprehensive primary health care services.

**Contact officer:** Cathy Doherty on (02) 6289 5280 or [cathy.doherty@health.gov.au](mailto:cathy.doherty@health.gov.au)

**Applications close 20 January 2010, 7pm AEDT.**

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## ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANT

## ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER



**MT Druitt Location** • *These are Aboriginal identified positions*

**Ability Options Employment is currently seeking energetic, target driven and enthusiastic persons to join the team, based in MT Druitt.**

In these positions you will be working directly with Aboriginal clients providing case management in seeking employment, involving identifying client needs and goals, providing job training and support, matching job seekers to potential employers and reverse marketing to employers.

**To be successful in these roles you will need:**

- To demonstrate an understanding of the issues and barriers facing Aboriginal people in employment.
- Proven expertise in building strong community and business networks.
- Confidence to canvass employers to seek employment placements for your clients.
- Ability to build rapport with clients from diverse backgrounds.
- The ability to think innovatively to help clients achieve their outcomes.
- Demonstrated experience in successfully working in outcome focussed environments.

- Excellent time management and organisational skills.
- Have sound computer skills for database maintenance, job seeker support assisting with resumes etc.
- Current Motor Vehicle drivers licence and good driving record.

**Desirable:**

- Certificate IV Workplace Training and Assessment

Remuneration is in accordance with the Labour market assistance Industry award. A motor vehicle is included in the package and salary sacrificing is available to the successful candidate.

As you will be working with Aboriginal clients, candidates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply. In this position an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification authorised under *Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act NSW 1977*.

Applications should be emailed to [hr2@abilityoptions.org.au](mailto:hr2@abilityoptions.org.au)

**Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.**

## Make your employment decision count

## ABS Interviewer - Bathurst

\$23.12 per hour plus 9% loading

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has vacancies for ABS Interviewers in the Bathurst region commencing employment from **11 April 2011**.

The work involves interviewing selected households to collect official statistics. Computer Assisted Interviews are conducted at respondent dwellings and over the telephone.

You must be available to work at least 2 weeks per month, with up to 25-30 hours work allocated in prescribed work weeks. The job requires availability on weekdays and evenings, Saturdays and school holidays.

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## 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
30/404	Internickel Australia Pty Ltd	361934	45.9ha	117km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°45' Long 119°50'	Menzies

**Nature of the act:** Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

**Notification day: 12 January 2011**

**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 **12 April 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. 12 May 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 TO INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that KARA RESOURCES PTY LTD (ACN 080 865 103) of 79 Cavan Road, GEPPS CROSS SA 5094 is the registered holder of Mineral Claim 4160 and the applicant for an extractive minerals Mining Lease. KARA RESOURCES PTY LTD proposes to undertake exploratory drilling on the Mineral Claim and subject to the results of this exploration and the grant of a Mining Lease, proposes to carry out mining operations for the purpose of extraction and production of limestone on the said Mining Lease which will incorporate the area described below.

### DESCRIPTIONS OF LAND/AREA

Approximately 50km North of Woomera and bounded as follows:

Commencing at the point being at the intersection of easting 685387 mE and northing 6590560 mN thence East to easting 686550 mE and northing 6590695 mN thence South to easting 686632 mE and northing 6589865 mN and then West to easting 685470 mE and northing 6589740 mN and then North to the point of commencement.

**Area:** 97.50 Hectares

The area is within the present boundaries of the **Kokatha Uwankara Peoples' Native Title Claim** (Native Title Determination Application: SAD 90/2009)

**THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE PROPOSED MINING OPERATIONS THAT ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON THE LAND ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Exploratory drilling to determine the geological structure and extent of limestone deposit by techniques which may include, but are not limited to drilling and geological survey.

Production will be by development of a limestone

quarry through the drill and blast method. Limestone will be extracted and crushed to produce limestone of a quality for concrete and road base materials. The quarry will include all ordinary associated infrastructure including, but not limited to, overburden stockpiles, crushing plant, weigh bridge and staff amenities.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if two (2) months after this notice is given as required by section 63M of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA), there are no native title parties registered under State or Commonwealth law as the holders of, or claimants to, native title of the land to which this notice applies, KARA RESOURCES PTY LTD may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA) authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land and the conduct of the mining operations on the land.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if within six (6) months from the initiation of negotiations, KARA RESOURCES and any native title party/ies 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* (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION will be provided to any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who contacts KARA RESOURCES PTY LTD.

Contact details are:

**KARA RESOURCES**  
79 Cavan Road, GEPPS CROSS, SA 5094  
Telephone: (08) 8260 4444 Fax: (08) 8260 5189  
Contact Person: Ramon Hodge

## Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory

Notification day: 12 January 2011



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Native Title  
Tribunal

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Jobs that make a difference

## Koori Intensive Support Practitioner

Diversion and Post Release, Southern Metropolitan Region Youth Justice Program

**\$62,098 - \$69,850 + Superannuation**

**Full time ongoing**

Are you?

- Experienced in providing culturally based services and interventions to young Koori people and their families?
- Able to work effectively across the criminal justice system and Koori community to assist young Koori people address their offending behaviour?
- Passionate about working with young people and supporting others in pursuit of team goals?

The Youth Justice Koori Intensive Support Practitioner position is a position established in the Southern Metropolitan Region as an initiative of Phase Two of the Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA2).

This position is a specialist role, acknowledging the over-representation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system and the need to provide a culturally based approach with a commitment to diversion, rehabilitation and re-integration into the community.

The position aims to provide intensive and innovative culturally based assessment, planning and casework support to young Koori people entering the Youth Justice system subject to bail conditions or deferral of sentence and to young Koori people who are released from youth justice custodial facilities into the community.

Employees of the Department of Human Services can enjoy a whole range of generous Victorian government employment benefits. These include attractive salaries and flexible leave arrangements, to training and development opportunities.

**To find out more and view a copy of the job description, key selection criteria and how to apply, contact Melissa Mackie, A/Unit Manager, Southern Youth Justice on (03) 8710-2745. To apply online you are required to visit [www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers)**

**Please quote position no DHS/STH/167933.**

**Closing date for applications 27.1.2011**

*Police Checks form part of the Department of Human Services recruitment process. Aboriginal Australians are encouraged to apply. For information and support contact 1300 092 406 or [aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au](mailto:aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au)*



To apply online and view the job description, visit  
**[www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers)**  
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**Data statement:** claimant application boundary sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (NT).

For assistance and further information contact Hamish MacLeod on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au)

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## NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

### NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following mining lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978* (WA):

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
47/1452	Ausquest Ltd	3126.22ha	15km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°38' Long 117°39'	Ashburton
47/1453	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	720.17ha	61km N'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°09' Long 117°55'	Ashburton

**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: 12 January 2011**

**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 **12 April 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. 12 May 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.

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### NSW OFFICE OF WATER WATER ACT 1912

An application for a Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, has been received from:

### NSW Murray Regulated River Water Source (Edward River)

Lance William & Dianne Kaye GARDINER for 1 x 75mm pump on an easement within Lot 524 DP1074513, Parish South Deniliquin, County Townsend for domestic water supply. (Application No. 3055). Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5898-3900. Written objections, specifying grounds, must be lodged with the NSW Office of Water, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710, within 28 days of the date of this publication. GA1813406

Lindsay Holden,  
Senior Licensing Officer



## Senior Project Officer – APS 6

**Annual Salary: \$69,782 - \$78,724**

### The Indigenous Health Unit

The Indigenous Health Unit is a newly created Section within the Health Evidence and Advice Branch. The Section focuses on providing strategic direction on health research initiatives aimed at closing the gap in life expectancy between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

### Our ideal applicant

The successful applicant will have an awareness of research processes and funding data analysis, issues related to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, and priorities of the NHMRC as outlined in the 2010-2012 NHMRC Strategic Plan. Tertiary qualifications in a health or social science related discipline would be desirable, but not essential.

For information about this vacancy contact: Samantha Faulkner on (02) 6217 9370, or for selection documentation contact: Simone Rodrigues on (02) 6217 9440.

### How to apply

For applicant information kit and information on how to apply, please visit our website [www.nhmrc.gov.au](http://www.nhmrc.gov.au)

### Closing Date for Applications is 30 January 2011

To be eligible for engagement, candidates must be Australian Citizens. Conditions of service are in accordance with the NHMRC's Enterprise Agreement.

As part of our commitment to helping employees lead a healthy lifestyle, the NHMRC has a smoke-free workforce policy that applies to all employees during working hours.

**The NHMRC welcomes applications from  
Indigenous Australians.**

## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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**Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:**

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM18224</b>	Approx. 44 km ESE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°14'S Long.146°39'E Local Government Area: <b>Charters Towers Regional Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 93 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 29 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 176 h, j, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 177 g, l, m, q, r, v, w 248 b, c, d, e, j, k 249 a, f	<b>Liontown Resources Limited</b> <b>118 153 825</b>
<b>EPM18231</b>	Approx. 60 km ESE from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°22'S Long.146°45'E Local Government Area: <b>Charters Towers Regional Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 22 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 7 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 321 e, k, p, u, z 322 f, l	<b>Liontown Resources Limited</b> <b>118 153 825</b>
<b>EPM18235</b>	Approx. 60 km SSW from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°33'S Long.145°59'E Local Government Area: <b>Charters Towers Regional Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 115 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 36 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 455 k, p, u, z 456 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 457 f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	<b>Liontown Resources Limited</b> <b>118 153 825</b>

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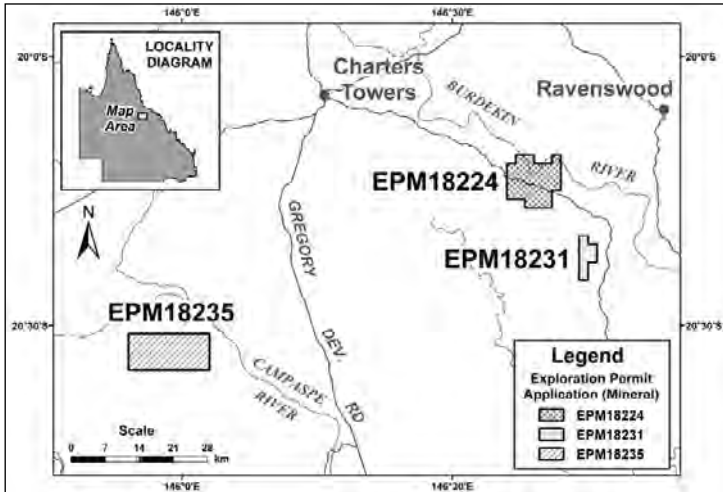
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**Notification Day: 02 February 2011**



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## Child Safety Support Officer (Identified)

### Regional Service Delivery Operations

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

#### Communities

**Salary:** \$59 270 - \$65 174 p.a.

**Location:** Thursday Island

**REF:** QLD/DOC26115/11

**Key Duties:** Work within a multidisciplinary team and provide high quality, culturally appropriate, child protection services to children and families serviced by the Child Safety Service Centre.

**Enquiries:** Yvonne Craughwell (07) 4039 8953

**Closing Date:** Thursday, 27 January 2011

[www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)



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## Nanima Preschool Association incorporated



### POSITION VACANT

## CERTIFICATE III

## or DIPLOMA Children's Services

Nanima Preschool requires a perm F/time person with Cert III or Diploma in Children's Service to start in 2011.

All interested applicants should address the essential criteria and resumes to Kerry Mundine, Director PO Box 259, WELLINGTON NSW 2820, or email [nanpre@well-com.net.au](mailto:nanpre@well-com.net.au)

#### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA

- Understanding and KNOWLEDGE OF Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Culture and Communities
- Current Qualifications Cert III or Dip
- Excellent Communication Skills
- First Aid Certificate
- Experience in working within an Early Childhood service

**Applications Close: 14/2/2011**



THE MEDIA  
**RING** Reconciliation  
Industry Network Group

## INDIGENOUS MEDIA NETWORK COORDINATOR

Media Reconciliation Industry Network Group (Media RING) is a national coalition of media agencies committed to creating training, employment and networking opportunities for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people working or aspiring to work in the media industries.

A new position of Media RING Coordinator has been created to assist Media RING achieve its key objectives. The position is part-time, 3 days a week, with a salary of \$33,000 pa (\$55,000 pro rata) plus superannuation and leave loading, and is located at

Metro Screen in the Paddington Town Hall, Oatley Road, Paddington.

This is an ideal career opportunity if you wish to build your media industry network and contribute to the development of Indigenous media practice.

To receive job details, and selection criteria, contact Christina Alvarez at Metro Screen on email [gm@metroscreen.org.au](mailto:gm@metroscreen.org.au) or telephone (02) 9361 5318.

**Application Deadline: 9am, Monday 31st January 2011**

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPC1953</b>	Approx. 4 km NNW from Mount Mulligan Centred at approximate Lat.16°50'S Long.144°52'E Local Government Area: <b>Tablelands Regional Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 979 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 299 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> 586 587 588 657 659 660 729 731 732 801 802 803 804  <b>Sub-blocks</b> c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	<b>KS Mining Pty Ltd</b> <b>120 136 754</b>
<b>EPM18171</b> This Application consists of two separate parts.	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 31 km W from Mossman Centred at approximate Lat.16°28'S Long.145°05'E Local Government Area: <b>Tablelands Regional Council</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 25 km WSW from Mossman Centred at approximate Lat.16°30'S Long.145°09'E Local Government Area: <b>Tablelands Regional Council</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 128 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 39 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> 301 373 374 445 446  <b>Sub-blocks</b> s, t, u, x, y, z c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z l, q, v, w, x c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p a  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> 446  <b>Sub-blocks</b> d	<b>Vital Metals Limited</b> <b>112 032 596</b>

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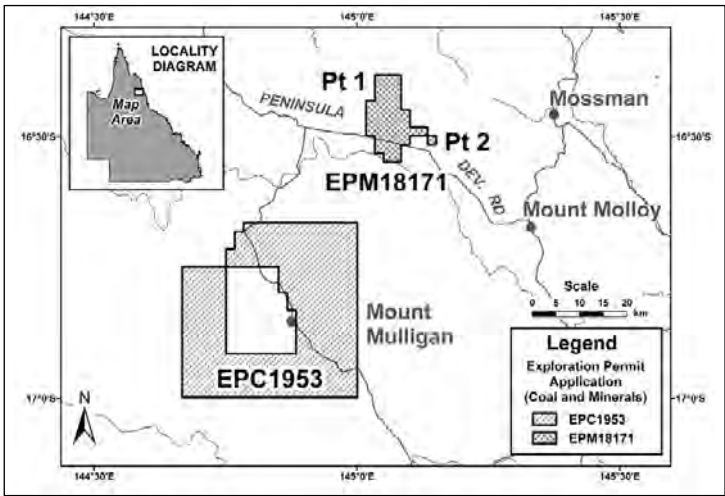
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**Notification Day: 02 February 2011**



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Mission Australia

## Case Workers x 2 – Personal Helpers and Mentors Program (PHaMs)-Newcastle

Mission Australia is one of Australia's leading not for profit organisations and still growing! With over 3,500 staff nationally, providing over 450 services, Mission Australia is an empowering and compassionate organisation that has been helping to transform the lives of Australians in need for more than 150 years. Together we embrace Mission Australia's values of respect, integrity, compassion, perseverance and celebration and share the vision to see a fairer Australia by enabling people in need to find pathways to a better life. We are innovative, collaborative and values driven. Want to be a part of it?

PHaMs creates individualised opportunities for recovery for people with a severe functional limitation resulting from a mental illness, helping them to overcome social isolation and increase connections within their community!

We have two opportunities, one working specifically with Indigenous clients, to join our outgoing committed team!

Tertiary qualification and/or experience in the Human Services industry is essential as is a drivers license for outreach work. A current First Aid certificate, or willingness to obtain, is required. Being of Aboriginal descent would be highly desirable.

For further information please go to [www.transformlives.com.au](http://www.transformlives.com.au) and apply on line. Enquiries can be directed to Vicki Weller 02 4908 6745. Applications close 26 Jan 2011

We support closing the gap in living standards and opportunities between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples and other Australians. Full details of Mission Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan can be located on our Mission Australia website at <http://www.missionaustralia.com.au>

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**On Track Community Programs**  
*connecting people to their communities*

## Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Drug & Alcohol Worker

Permanent Full Time, Tweed Valley

**Looking for a challenge and want to make a difference?**

We are a not-for-profit community organisation committed to providing responsive and flexible support services to people experiencing mental illness, disability or housing difficulties.

This is a new position identified to enhance the capacity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families and communities to address current and future issues in the use of alcohol and other drugs. Your role would be to improve access to the appropriate range of health and wellbeing services.

You will be experienced working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the field of drug, alcohol and related issues. You must be self motivated with the ability to work independently, engage with clients and liaise closely with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and other service providers.

This position is paid at SACS Grade 5 (\$53,510) plus superannuation and generous salary sacrificing options available to the not for profit sector.

A position description and selection criteria are available from our website at [www.ontrack.ngo.org.au](http://www.ontrack.ngo.org.au) or from [lalita@ontrack.ngo.org.au](mailto:lalita@ontrack.ngo.org.au).

*Applicants identified as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are encouraged to apply.*

**Applications must address the selection criteria and should be returned to the above email address by Friday 21st January 2011.**

**For enquiries call Michael Shnukal on 07 5536 9851 (NSW business hours).**



healthy communities,  
dynamic practice

## Aboriginal Outreach Worker General Practice Network South

To support the *Closing the Gap* program, **gpns** is seeking two Aboriginal Outreach Workers (2 x part-time, hours negotiable) in accordance with the aim of the *Closing the Gap Improving Access to Mainstream Primary Care Program*.

Working closely with the Aboriginal Health Project Officer, key responsibilities of the role include working closely with, and providing assistance to, community members to encourage increased use of local health services; identifying access problems; and providing support in implementing solutions.

The positions will be based in Bedford Park and Victor Harbor.

*Kaurna and Ngarrindjeri people are encouraged to apply.*

For further information regarding this position, including a position description, contact Deb Dutton, Chief Executive Officer, **gpns** on 08 83747000.

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<b>EPM18247</b>	Approx. 30 km WSW from Einasleigh Centred at approximate Lat.18°37'S Long.143°50'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 146 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 45 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 2301                    r, s, t, u, x, y, z 2302                    q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2303                    c, d, e, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2304                    f, g, h, l, m, n, o	<b>Gold Fields Australasia Pty Ltd</b> <b>087 624 600</b>
<b>EPM18258</b>	Approx. 39 km SW from Einasleigh Centred at approximate Lat.18°45'S Long.144°49'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 321 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 99 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 2373                    d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u 2374                    a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2375                    a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2446                    a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2447                    a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, l, m, o, q, t, u, v, w, z 2519                    b, e	<b>Gold Fields Australasia Pty Ltd</b> <b>087 624 600</b>
<b>EPM18284</b>	Approx. 42 km ESE from Einasleigh Centred at approximate Lat.18°42'S Long.144°26'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 208 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 64 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 2238                    n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2309                    k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2310                    a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2381                    c, d, e, k, p 2382                    a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p	<b>Copper Strike Ltd</b> <b>108 398 983</b>

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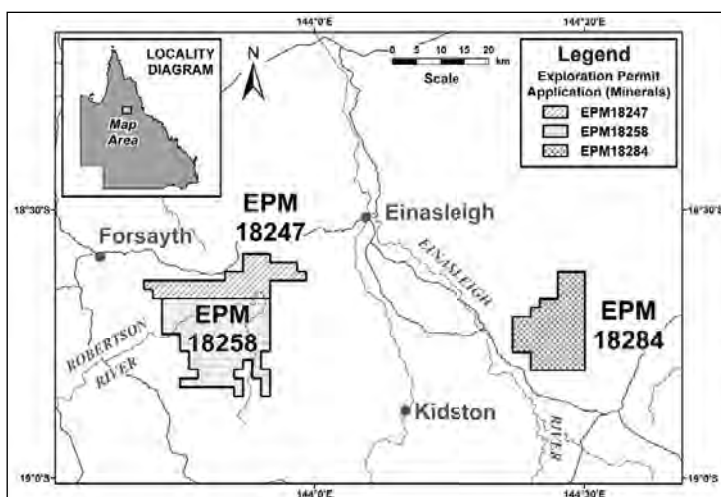
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**Notification Day: 02 February 2011**



**Queensland Government**



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## Education & Training Coordinator

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The Education and Training Coordinator is responsible for the planning and implementation of the Aboriginal Problem Gambling Community Education and Training Program across multiple sates in NSW. Your strong communication skills will see you develop and maintain effective relationships with a number of key stakeholders.

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Those with an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

**For further information please read the attached position description and apply on line. Enquiries can be directed to Craig Westall on (02) 49271082. Applications close COB Tuesday, 18th January 2011.**

We support closing the gap in living standards and opportunities between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Full details of Mission Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan can be located on our Mission Australia website at <http://www.missionaustralia.com.au>

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*The Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages was established in 1994 to address the issues of language loss and is the state body responsible for coordinating Community Language Programs throughout Victoria. The Corporation is focused on the retrieval, recording and revival of Aboriginal languages in Victoria whilst providing a central resource on Victorian Aboriginal Languages.*

## Language Project Officer

Full-Time \$52,000p.a + superannuation (12 month contract)  
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### Accountabilities

- Coordinate the weekly programs delivered to Indigenous clients of Malmesbury & Melbourne Youth Justice Centre
- Plan with and Support Elders delivering the weekly justice program
- Develop & coordinate language projects as directed by the Executive Officer.
- Organise and coordinate languages workshops and courses for Victorian Aboriginal community groups.
- Assist with the production of language resources and other promotional materials as required.

### Applicants should possess the following attributes;

- Have a good knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal Culture, history and languages.
- To have experience in working with local Aboriginal community organisations
- To have experience with working with committees and government organisations.
- Good Written & Communication skills with the ability to write reports and respond to queries.
- Ability to collaboratively work with a team in the pursuit of team goals.

### Applications Close Friday 28th January 2010

Your application must address the Key Selection Criteria and include a resume.

- Aboriginal Applicants are encouraged to apply.
- The successful candidate will be required to obtain a "Working with Children" check.

For a copy of the position description, call (03) 9600 3811  
Applications to be addressed 'Private & Confidential' to;  
Executive Officer  
Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages  
295 King St, Melbourne Vic 3000



# New cross-league comp



A KNOCKOUT competition featuring State Australian football league teams will be held from next season onwards, with nine of the 16 clubs required confirmed as certain starters.

Three representatives from each of the Victorian Football League (VFL), South Australian National Football League (SANFL) and the West Australian Football League (WAFL) have taken up the Australian Football League's (AFL's) offer to compete in the do-or-die competition, which will be staged throughout the season, with most games acting as curtain-raisers to AFL matches.

Victoria will be represented by the recent three-time premiers North Ballarat, the Northern Bullants and Williamstown, while Western Australia will put forward East Perth, Swan Districts and Claremont.

South Australia will be represented by West Adelaide, the Port Adelaide Magpies and

North Adelaide.

Invitations were extended based on ladder positions and availability of the clubs to compete. The other seven teams will be confirmed soon.

The competition is designed to showcase the quality of State League football across the country, with AFL general manager national and international development Dave Matthews

pleased with the interest in the new initiative.

"From 2011, our traditional State League clubs in each league that have built our game's strength through more than a century of the development of Australia's only Indigenous game, will be able to pit themselves against other State League players, with four victories required in a straight knockout contest to

claim the title," Matthews said.

He said much work still had to be done around the fixturing of games to ensure State League schedules accommodated the new competition.

A final fixture and other key issues are still being determined and will be released early this year, along with prize money and sponsorship details.

– Jennifer Witham – AFL BigPond

## Burgoyne ready to roll in 2011

HAWTHORN onballer Shaun Burgoyne is well-positioned to attack his second Australian Football League (AFL) season with the Hawks after completing the club's pre-Christmas fitness and conditioning work. Burgoyne, 28, arrived at the club from Port Adelaide via last year's trade period on crutches having undergone post-season knee surgery.

It took him until round eight to make his Hawthorn debut, but his form improved steadily as the year progressed and the 173-game veteran maintains he has been able to carry that form into this preparation.

"This year we set a target to do at least double the amount of pre-season that I did last year and we're on track," Burgoyne said.

"All the boys want to have a good pre-season and I'm no different. It gives you real confidence in your body knowing you've done the work because it is a long season and the work you do now helps you in the latter half of the season."

Burgoyne and team-mate Lance Franklin maintain the side's disappointing elimination final loss to Fremantle in Perth was a constant source of motivation for the group during the crucial training period.

With the clear goal to improve on last year's finish, Burgoyne says a thorough review of the 2010 season revealed the way forward in the next campaign.

"Goalkicking is one (thing) and we lost a few interstate trips, so we've identified those two areas," he said. – AFL BigPond

## NSW HEALTH SOUTH EASTERN SYDNEY ILLAWARRA

### Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Temporary Full Time (Until 30 June 2012)  
Shoalhaven Hospital, Nowra  
Enquiries: Colleen Foy, 02 4423 9900  
Closing Date: 23 January 2011  
Ref: 11548

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:**  
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**jobs@hss.health.nsw.gov.au** or  
send application to:  
**Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 6004,  
HRMC NSW 2310.**

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## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permit

### Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPC1857	Approx. 34 km SW from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°15'S Long.146°0'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	<b>Area:</b> 290 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 90 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 168 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 169 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 240 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 241 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	<b>Resolve Geo Pty Ltd</b> <b>100 586 534</b>
EPM17971	Approx. 48 km SSW from Charters Towers Centred at approximate Lat.20°26'S Long.146°0'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	<b>Area:</b> 321 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 100 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 239 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 311 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 383 d, e, j, k, o, p 384 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 385 f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y 386 e, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u 456 a, b, c, d, e 457 a, b, c	<b>Uranium Equities Limited</b> <b>009 799 553</b>
EPM18243	Approx. 6 km ESE from Mingela Centred at approximate Lat.19°54'S Long.146°41'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	<b>Area:</b> 35 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 11 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 3344 t, u, y, z 3345 q, r, v, w 3417 a, b, c	<b>Fairfield Copper Gold Pty Ltd</b> <b>089 573 571</b>

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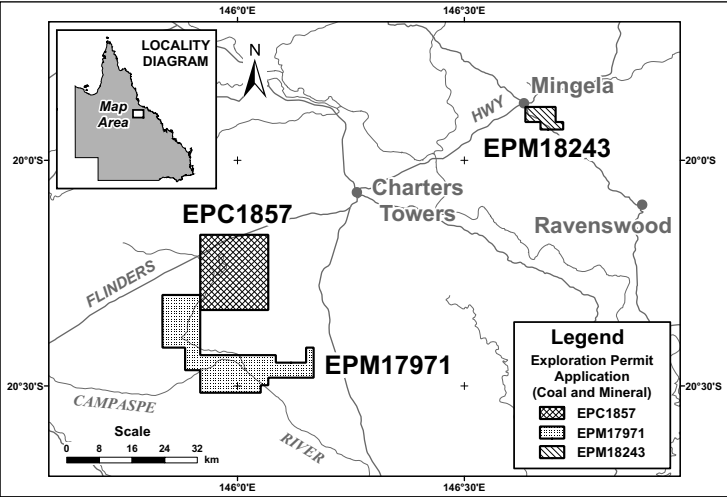
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**Notification Day: 02 February 2011**



Queensland Government



# All-Stars week to kick off season

## Bennett is wary of rivals' flair



THE The 2011 National Rugby League (NRL) pre-season will kick off with a week of celebrations on the Gold Coast leading into the Harvey Norman Rugby League All-Stars match at Skilled Park on Saturday 12 February.

The match, which was a huge success when staged for the first time in 2010, will pit premiership-winning Dragons coach Wayne Bennett's NRL All-Stars up against Laurie Daley's Indigenous All-Stars. The Indigenous team won the inaugural event 16-12.

While the Indigenous team has already been decided, voting continues on the NRL All-Stars selection.

As the two teams prepare for their much-anticipated clash, their team-mates will be visiting towns and cities all over Australia, including centres in South Australia and the Northern Territory as well as New Zealand, as part of rugby league's annual Community Carnival.

The Community Carnival will run for the entire week leading up to the All-Stars match, from Monday 7 February to Friday 11 February and will involve hundreds of NRL players from all clubs in a variety of community activities.



A young fan at last year's All Stars game on the Gold Coast.

Other activities to be held at the Gold Coast include: Wednesday, 9 February, Harvey Norman Women In League dinner – The NRL All-Stars will join women working in volunteer and administrative roles in south-east Queensland for a dinner to celebrate Women In League. Thursday-Saturday 10-12 February, All Stars Youth Summit – The NRL, in partnership with the Federal Government, through the Department

of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations' (DEEWR) 'Learn. Earn. Legend!' initiative, will host a Youth Summit for 120 Indigenous children from across Australia at the Titans Centre of Excellence.

Thursday 10 February, White Water World Event – The 120 Indigenous children involved in the All-Stars Youth Summit will be involved in an evening of fun activities with players from both the NRL and Indigenous All-Stars teams.

Friday-Saturday 11-12 February, Bumehla Festival, Broadwater Parklands – The All-Stars Bumehla Festival will bring together Indigenous arts, heritage and sport in a community celebration on the Gold Coast. The festival will involve Indigenous, family and rugby league interactive activities and entertainment and will culminate in a live site on the Saturday night where fans can watch the All Stars game.

Saturday 12 February, game day, Skilled Park – 3.40pm, Women's All-Stars v Women's Indigenous All-Stars; 4.40pm, Qld Indigenous under 16s v NSW Indigenous under 16s; 6.45pm, Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars.

Tickets are available through Ticketek outlets, on 132 849. – *Tracie Edmondson NRL.com*

NATIONAL Rugby League (NRL) All-Stars coach Wayne Bennett has urged fans to pick a team that can shut down its Indigenous rivals' ability to produce dazzling, ad lib football.

In an online blog on the All-Stars selections, Bennett admitted he was mindful of having the manpower to stop runners like Indigenous All-Stars playmakers Scott Prince, Johnathan Thurston and St George Illawarra premiership player Jamie Soward in the match.

"Their flair is always a strength for the Indigenous players," he said.

"They played with a fair bit of discipline last season, and individually they have some very talented players, with guys like Prince, Thurston, Soward.

"So ideally I'd like to see players in our side who can tackle."

Soward scored the winning try in last year's 16-12 victory over Bennett's NRL All Stars at the Gold Coast.

Bennett also said he wanted to remain NRL All-Stars coach for years to come.

"I was elated last year when they asked me, it was something I wanted to be part of," Bennett said.

"I asked them for the job back, for 2011 and beyond.

"It was a great week, and the players and staff all embraced it, and I know the players that were there last year but are unlucky this year will miss it."



## NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/5561	St Ives Gold Mining Co. Pty Ltd	6.36ha	9km SE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°14' Long 121°44'	Coolgardie
15/5562	Steele Stacey	63.08ha	19km SW'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°19' Long 121°32'	Coolgardie
25/2185-6	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	363.67ha	38km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°00' Long 121°59'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2187-8	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	242.6ha	33km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°04' Long 121°59'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2199	Aruma Resources Ltd	121.2ha	35km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°50' Long 121°49'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
37/7914	Robert Griffiths	168.18ha	24km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°53' Long 121°34'	Leonora
37/7915	Godfrey Nardone Renee Sharp Robert Griffiths Godfrey Nardone Renee Sharp	162.09ha	22km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°53' Long 121°33'	Leonora
45/2705	Atlas Iron Limited	151.19ha	48km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°21' Long 119°19'	East Pilbara
45/2707	Atlas Iron Limited	23.75ha	60km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°16'	East Pilbara
45/2708	Atlas Iron Limited	100.1ha	62km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°14'	East Pilbara
46/1691	Stan Harry Frederick Strindberg	77.73ha	2km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°53' Long 120°07'	East Pilbara
46/1692	Stan Harry Frederick Strindberg	160.14ha	3km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°53' Long 120°08'	East Pilbara
46/1693-4	Maxwell Peter Strindberg	320.09ha	3km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°54' Long 120°07'	East Pilbara
46/1695-7	Maxwell Peter Strindberg	600ha	4km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°53' Long 120°09'	East Pilbara
46/1698-1702	Northwest Resources Ltd	951.76ha	19km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°48' Long 120°16'	East Pilbara
46/1703	Northwest Resources Ltd	15.7ha	30km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°51' Long 120°24'	East Pilbara
46/1704-6	Northwest Resources Ltd	410.52ha	35km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°51' Long 120°26'	East Pilbara
47/1237	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	175.8ha	86km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°48' Long 116°57'	Ashburton
47/1538	Chrysalis Resources Ltd	86.46ha	80km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°12' Long 118°27'	Ashburton
57/1272	Gateway Mining Ltd	13.7ha	67km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°25' Long 119°31'	Sandstone
57/1273	Gateway Mining Ltd	5.94ha	69km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°23' Long 119°30'	Sandstone
58/1506	Paul Henry Jones	194.7ha	10km NW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°00' Long 117°45'	Mount Magnet
58/1508	Paul Henry Jones	137.68ha	10km NW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°59' Long 117°46'	Mount Magnet
59/1940	West Peak Iron Ltd	169.04ha	19km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°20' Long 117°30'	Yalgoo
59/1949	Melvyn Wayne Leggerini Alan William Roy Gellatly	104.47ha	55km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°04' Long 117°09'	Yalgoo

**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:** 12 January 2011  
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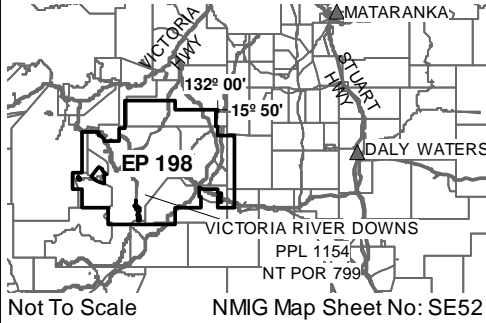
## NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT (PETROLEUM)

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, c/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN, NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) that an applications has been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, an Exploration Permit (Petroleum) ("Permit") under Division 2 of Part II of the Petroleum Act (NT) as follows.

**Application to which this notice applies:**

Exploration Permit 198 sought by PANGAEA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 070 165 025 over an area of 198 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the HALLS CREEK locality.



**Nature of act(s):** The grant of a permit under the *Petroleum Act*, gives the person to whom it is granted the exclusive right, for a term of up to 5 years, to explore for petroleum and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the area covered by the Permit including( but not limited to) use of machinery and equipment for carrying out works, removal of material for testing, use of water resources for domestic use

and to seek renewals. A permit may be renewed no more than twice. If petroleum is discovered in the permit area, production licences and/or retention licences may subsequently be granted. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801, or Centrepoint Building 40-50 Smith St Mall, Darwin NT 0800.

**Native Title Parties:** Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Adelaide SA 5001, telephone (08) 8306 1230.

**Notification Day:** For the purposes of section 29(4) of the NTA, the notification day is 12 January 2011.



# South Pacific rich in raw footy talent



Action in Tonga – the all-Indigenous Flying Boomerangs take on a South Pacific team during their visit last month.

## Test results ‘surprisingly impressive’



THE RECRUITING value of the South Pacific has further increased with a combine held in Tonga last month providing some startling results.

A total of 55 local youngsters tested at the event, with 40 representing their respective countries at the Youth AFL Oceania Championships in the same week.

AFL national and international talent manager Kevin Sheehan said the results from the day, which featured similar testing to the annual NAB AFL Draft Combine, were surprisingly impressive.

“There’s no doubt more will get signed by clubs (on international scholarships),” he told afl.com.au “Over half of the kids who tested were spot-on – right and left, hands and feet.

“They were just beautifully prepared skill-wise, which was a major surprise to us (given) the level they had got to without the same sorts of resources the kids in Australia have got.”

Among those tested was Peni Mahina, the younger cousin of Greater Western Sydney recruit Israel Folau.

Mahina scored 25 out of a possible 30 in the Nathan Buckley-designed kicking test, which equalled Western Bulldogs father-son selection Tom Liberatore’s effort in Canberra.

He also led the attendees with 12.11 in the beep test.

West Coast ruckman Nic Naitanui, who was an ambassador for the tour with Folau and Gold Coast’s NRL convert Karmichael Hunt, saw his vertical jump record of 78cm threatened by Fijian Wilson Kacivi (75cm).

Papua New Guinean Scott Johnson ran the 20m sprint in 2.99 seconds, which would have fallen just outside the top ten in the national combine. Gold Coast youngster Joel Wilkinson won that test in 2.75 seconds.

### Perfect score

Nauru native Yoshi Kepae returned a perfect score in Matthew Lloyd’s handball test – something that even draftees Josh Caddy and Dyson Heppell couldn’t match with their results of 28 topping the class of 2010.

Recruiters from Geelong, the Brisbane Lions, Richmond and Hawthorn travelled to Tonga for the event.

Papua New Guineans Max Lavai (Essendon) and Gideon Simon (Richmond), and New Zealanders Rhys Panui-Leth, Kurt Heatherley and Shem Tatupu (Hawthorn) have already been signed to international scholarships.

Seven teams from Pacific countries took part in the championships, which were played over six days and won by Papua New Guinea.

“There are 12 million people living in the South Pacific and over 30,000 are now playing,” Sheehan said.

“The fact these boys can mix and match with the best of our Indigenous kids is a sign kids will come through and play AFL from that region.”

– Jennifer Witham (AFL BigPond)



## 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
04/2001	Pegasus Metals Ltd	72.2km <sup>2</sup>	106km N'ly of Derby	Lat 16°24' Long 123°58'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2015	Geotech International Pty Ltd	117.14km <sup>2</sup>	107km SE'ly of Derby	Lat 18°03' Long 124°16'	Derby-West Kimberley
08/1816	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	202.84km <sup>2</sup>	91km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat 22°14' Long 115°43'	Ashburton
08/1891	Tailrain Pty Ltd	125.89km <sup>2</sup>	43km S'ly of Coral Bay	Lat 23°30' Long 113°55'	Carnarvon
08/2217	Pickaxe City Pty Ltd	38km <sup>2</sup>	96km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°21' Long 115°48'	Ashburton
09/1818	Karramindie Resources Pty Ltd	34.42km <sup>2</sup>	161km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°56' Long 116°19'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1821	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	173.81km <sup>2</sup>	31km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°04' Long 115°31'	Upper Gascoyne
15/1175	Kurana Pty Ltd	14.62km <sup>2</sup>	15km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°31' Long 121°44'	Coolgardie
16/404	Kimberley Allan Harris	11.81km <sup>2</sup>	55km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°36' Long 120°44'	Coolgardie
20/754	Venus Metals Corporation Ltd	459.5km <sup>2</sup>	62km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°19' Long 117°16'	Cue/Yalgoo
20/764	Black Raven Mining Pty Ltd	48.79km <sup>2</sup>	39km NW'ly of Cue	Lat 27°07' Long 117°42'	Cue
20/765	Bruce Robert Legendre	194.81km <sup>2</sup>	17km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°21' Long 118°01'	Cue
20/766	Citic Nickel Australia Pty Ltd	9.14km <sup>2</sup>	71km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°11' Long 118°44'	Meekatharra
28/2122	Zeedam Enterprises Pty Ltd	168.98km <sup>2</sup>	79km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°49' Long 122°29'	Dundas
29/793	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	8.97km <sup>2</sup>	97km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°24' Long 120°05'	Menzies
29/794	Ilmenite Resources Pty Ltd	41.67km <sup>2</sup>	16km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°48' Long 121°07'	Menzies
30/423	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	20.93km <sup>2</sup>	93km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°27' Long 120°07'	Menzies
30/424	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	5.97km <sup>2</sup>	89km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°31' Long 120°08'	Menzies
36/757	Strategic Resource Management Pty Ltd	48.4km <sup>2</sup>	40km SW'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°11' Long 120°25'	Leonora
37/1088	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	12.16km <sup>2</sup>	66km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°32' Long 121°12'	Leonora
38/2406	South Boulder Mines Ltd	106.14km <sup>2</sup>	70km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°44' Long 122°14'	Laverton
38/2438	South Boulder Mines Ltd	21.14km <sup>2</sup>	47km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°12' Long 122°20'	Laverton
38/2505	Goldphyre Resources Pty Ltd	264.5km <sup>2</sup>	79km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°26' Long 123°24'	Laverton
38/2506	Pembury Prospecting Pty Ltd	9.05km <sup>2</sup>	40km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°16' Long 122°24'	Laverton
38/2507	Eleckra Mines Ltd	426.43km <sup>2</sup>	144km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°52' Long 123°58'	Laverton/Menzies
38/2508	Resource Assets Pty Ltd	18.06km <sup>2</sup>	41km E'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°30' Long 122°47'	Laverton
40/289	Paris Enterprises (WA) Pty Ltd	23.94km <sup>2</sup>	40km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°13' Long 121°29'	Menzies
45/3774	Australian Minerals & Mining Group Ltd	225.28km <sup>2</sup>	34km SW'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°28' Long 119°13'	Port Hedland Town
45/3775	Australian Minerals & Mining Group Ltd	224.95km <sup>2</sup>	28km E'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°26' Long 119°46'	East Pilbara
45/3776	Australian Minerals & Mining Group Ltd	224.77km <sup>2</sup>	16km S'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°29' Long 119°31'	East Pilbara
45/3787	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	54.64km <sup>2</sup>	46km S'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°14' Long 119°05'	Port Hedland Town
45/3788	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	25.67km <sup>2</sup>	35km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°26' Long 118°54'	Port Hedland Town
45/3791	Ishine International Resources Ltd	44.64km <sup>2</sup>	68km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°31' Long 120°38'	East Pilbara
45/3793	Montezuma Mining Co. Ltd	220.73km <sup>2</sup>	31km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°04' Long 119°28'	East Pilbara
51/1474	Citic Nickel Australia Pty Ltd	24.4km <sup>2</sup>	67km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 27°10' Long 118°42'	Meekatharra
52/2635	Great Sandy Pty Ltd	218.24km <sup>2</sup>	151km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 24°42' Long 119°57'	Meekatharra/Wiluna
52/2636	Eastern Goldfields Mining Co. Pty Ltd	9.32km <sup>2</sup>	189km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°07' Long 119°53'	Meekatharra
53/1574	Yandal Metals Pty Ltd	15.26km <sup>2</sup>	63km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°05' Long 121°06'	Wiluna
53/1575	Yandal Metals Pty Ltd	24.44km <sup>2</sup>	49km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°57' Long 121°06'	Wiluna
53/1588	Maincoast Pty Ltd	147.23km <sup>2</sup>	42km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°37' Long 120°25'	Wiluna
53/1589	Ausquest Ltd	215.48km <sup>2</sup>	90km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°04' Long 121°32'	Wiluna
53/1590	Maincoast Pty Ltd	175.73km <sup>2</sup>	91km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°04' Long 120°08'	Wiluna
57/845	West Peak Iron Ltd	9.08km <sup>2</sup>	32km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°07' Long 119°35'	Sandstone
57/846	Universal Explorers Pty Ltd	105.77km <sup>2</sup>	74km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°20' Long 119°56'	Sandstone
57/847	Universal Explorers Pty Ltd	6.04km <sup>2</sup>	63km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°23' Long 119°45'	Sandstone
58/387	Universal Explorers Pty Ltd	121.29km <sup>2</sup>	72km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°49' Long 118°31'	Cue/Mount Magnet
59/1695	JML Resources Pty Ltd	26.8km <sup>2</sup>	67km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°41' Long 117°11'	Yalgoo
59/1713	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	2.98km <sup>2</sup>	49km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°29' Long 117°15'	Yalgoo
59/1714	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	2.98km <sup>2</sup>	48km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°30' Long 117°16'	Yalgoo
59/1715	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	2.98km <sup>2</sup>	40km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°18' Long 117°16'	Yalgoo
59/1716	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	65.77km <sup>2</sup>	45km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°16' Long 117°13'	Yalgoo
59/1717	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	53.66km <sup>2</sup>	51km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°33' Long 117°17'	Yalgoo
63/1383	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	87.56km <sup>2</sup>	78km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°18' Long 122°35'	Dundas
63/1448	Enterprise Metals Limited	203.33km <sup>2</sup>	74km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°08' Long 122°33'	Dundas
70/3181	Urban Resources Pty Ltd	64.21km <sup>2</sup>	29km N'ly of Perth	Lat 31°41' Long 115°53'	Swan/Wanneroo City
70/3683	Elsinore Nominees Pty Ltd	97.34km <sup>2</sup>	35km E'ly of Moora	Lat 30°39' Long 116°19'	Moora
70/3928	Headland Metals Pty Ltd	32.31km <sup>2</sup>	29km S'ly of Bencubbin	Lat 31°04' Long 117°54'	Trayning
70/3931	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	237.91km <sup>2</sup>	30km N'ly of Gingin	Lat 31°05' Long 115°59'	Chittering/Dandaragan/Gingin/Victoria Plains
70/3974	Dove River Pty Ltd	24.07km <sup>2</sup>	44km E'ly of Geraldton	Lat 28°41' Long 115°03'	Chapman Valley/Greenough/Mullewa
70/3975	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	53.72km <sup>2</sup>	35km SE'ly of Dongara	Lat 29°32' Long 115°05'	Irwin
70/3978	Iluka Resources Ltd	505.36km <sup>2</sup>	76km NE'ly of Kalbarri	Lat 27°26' Long 114°53'	Northampton/Shark Bay
70/3991	Fraka Investments Pty Ltd	60.47km <sup>2</sup>	64km NW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°03' Long 119°46'	Lake Grace
70/3995	Iluka Resources Ltd	557.64km <sup>2</sup>	71km NE'ly of Kalbarri	Lat 27°21' Long 114°46'	Northampton/Shark Bay
74/303	Allen John Maynard	74.31km <sup>2</sup>	16km S'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°43' Long 120°06'	Ravensthorpe
74/486	Ironcap Resources Pty Ltd	2.86km <sup>2</sup>	14km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 33°39' Long 120°10'	Ravensthorpe
80/4474	Placer Gold Pty Ltd	363.23km <sup>2</sup>	127km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°50' Long 126°38'	Halls Creek
80/4476	Placer Gold Pty Ltd	52.47km <sup>2</sup>	87km S'ly of Kununurra	Lat 16°30' Long 128°26'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/4479	Northern Uranium Limited	55.03km <sup>2</sup>	147km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°52' Long 128°53'	Halls Creek
80/4480	GHL Resource Investments Pty Ltd	3.24km <sup>2</sup>	82km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 18°49' Long 127°12'	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:** 12 January 2011

**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 **12 April 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. 12 May 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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# Roe returns to NT



**NT**

**FORMER** Brisbane Lions player Jason Roe (*pictured*) is to return to the Northern Territory to play with the NT Thunder for the next two Queensland Australian Football League (QAFL) seasons.

Originally from Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) club Nightcliff, running defender Roe was drafted by Collingwood as a rookie in 2003 before being delisted.

He then played two outstanding seasons with North Adelaide in the South Australian National Football League (SANFL) before being picked up by Brisbane in 2006 where he went on to

play 50 AFL games for the Lions before finishing with the club in 2009. Roe spent the 2010 season playing for East Perth in the West Australian Football League (WAFL).

Roe said he was more than honoured to represent the Territory in 2011.

“Home is where the heart is. I’m honoured to wear the Territory colours again,” he said.

“I’m looking forward to playing alongside the best players from the NT and am also looking forward to mentoring our youth.”

Thunder CEO Stuart Totham said: “Jason is a marquee signing for the club



and it is great that one of our own has decided to return to play with NT Thunder.

“Jason, with his AFL experience, knowledge of Queensland football and of course his local background, is an ideal person to help the Club develop on and off the field.”

Thunder head coach Murray Davis said Roe was only two years out of the AFL and to see him return to Darwin and have a desire to play with Thunder was fantastic.

“After a short stint in Perth his experience and guidance will be a terrific addition to the side in 2011,” Davis said.

## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

### Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM18507	Approx. 51 km ESE from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.19°08'S Long.145°30'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 65 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 20 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 2681 p, u 2682 l, q, r, s, t, u 2683 k, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u 2684 l, m, q	Michael Curtin
EPM18523	Approx. 67 km SSW from Greenvale Centred at approximate Lat.19°31'S Long.144°42'E Local Government Area: Charters Towers Regional Council	Area: 52 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Townsville Number of Sub-blocks: 16 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 2961 z 3032 p, u 3033 d, e, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t	Phoenix Lime Pty Ltd 096 355 761

\* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) the application covers. Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation) creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx.1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the Acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December, 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October, 2010.

**Name and address of person doing Acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

**Native Title Parties:** Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Expedited Procedure:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 02 February 2011



Queensland Government

## Community camps are announced



THE Australian Football League (AFL) has announced the locations for the 2011 Telstra AFL Community Camps.

Now a tradition in the weeks leading into and during the NAB Cup, clubs will visit communities throughout Australia to conduct training sessions, visit schools, nursing homes, hospitals and conduct NAB AFL Auskick clinics.

AFL General Manager National and International Development David Matthews said the camps provided an opportunity to kick off the Australian football season.

“The Telstra AFL Community Camps will see AFL players visit schools, hospitals and football clubs during the countdown to the season,” Matthews said.

“It’s a great opportunity for football fans in regional locations to see the players up close as they prepare for Round One.”

Camp locations are:

Adelaide Crows – Mt Gambier 16-17 February.

Brisbane Lions – Toowoomba 10-11 February.

Carlton – Benalla 14-15 February.

Collingwood – Traralgon 16-17 February.

Essendon – Bendigo 7-8 February.

Fremantle Dockers – Kalgoorlie 15-17 February.

Geelong Cats – Port Fairy 8-9 February.

Gold Coast Suns – Gold Coast 5, 7, 8 February.

GWS Giants – Canberra to be announced.

Hawthorn – Tasmania 1-4 February.

Melbourne Demons – Leongatha 14-15 February.

North Melbourne – Ballarat 8-10 February.

Port Adelaide – Clare 14-15 February.

Richmond\* – Darwin 4-5 February.

St Kilda – Frankston 8-9 February.

Sydney Swans – Wollongong, Bowral, Newcastle, Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie, Griffith, Wagga Wagga, Gosford 8-9 February.

West Coast Eagles – Exmouth and Carnarvon 3-4 February.

Western Bulldogs – Horsham 10-11 February.

\* Richmond will play the Indigenous All Stars team in Darwin on Saturday 5 February.

## Vacancies for Tahiti

THREE spots are open for players to join the Australian Indigenous women’s basketball team to tour Tahiti next month.

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander basketball championship convenor Nikita Ridgeway said the positions had become available ‘due to unforeseen circumstances’.

An Indigenous men’s and an Indigenous women’s team will compete in the third annual Tahiti Nui Tournament from 17-27 February.

The Indigenous Spirit team won the 2010 tournament.

The tournament is actually played over five days, leaving time for sight-seeing or exploring all the delights of Tahiti.

Ridgeway said players wishing to fill the three vacancies in the women’s team must be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent; must be 18 or over; must have played at any national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander national tournament or at a professional level; and be able to pay full costs of airfares (\$1300) no later than 21 January.

Contact details: Nikita Ridgeway Mob: 0415 095 661 or 0435 712 647. Email nikita.ridgeway@gmail.com or koorigirl@mail.com



GREG BIRD



# Bird is back in action



ONE day down and 38 more to go – that was the challenge ahead for Jetstar Titans utility Greg Bird on 4 January as he prepared for battle in the lead-up to the second Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars rugby league match at Skilled Park on 12 February.

Bird returned for his first gruelling hit out with Jetstar Titans team-mates at Robina on 4 January after being granted some time off to recharge following Australia's disappointing Four Nations loss to New Zealand in November.

With just over a month to prepare before he joins Jetstar Titans team-mates Preston Campbell, Scott Prince and Ryan James in the Indigenous All-Stars jersey for the second time, Bird is under no illusions as to the hard yards that lie ahead.

"It is nothing like a trial match and you have to be prepared for that, it is pretty much 100 miles an hour as soon as you are out on that field," Bird said.

## Tough return

Greeted by 1500m time trials in the searing Gold Coast summer heat, Bird found the return to the training paddock a tough one, but didn't expect it to take too long to get back into the swing of things.

"It doesn't matter if it is in January or the start of November, it (the first session back) is always going to be a tough session, (but) it is in the bag now and we move on from there," he said.

"It was a good break and if it was any longer it would start to cut into your preparations for the 2011 season.

"I have a lot of hard work to do, but I suppose I have been doing it for a few years now and it only takes a couple of weeks to get back into that rhythm."

Bird was a late call-up in the Inaugural All-Stars clash at the beginning of last year when Penrith player Daine Laurie withdrew through injury, but his outstanding form since then has seen him rewarded with instant selection this time around.

With the Indigenous All-Stars 20 man squad finalised, the attention has turned to the NRL All-Stars which is in stage two of voting, after getting under way on 5 January, and remains open until 11.59pm AEDT on 27 January.

A shortlist of 64 players must be reduced to just 16, with fans required to include one player from each NRL club in their selections and take into account Wayne Bennett's positioning guidelines.

Titans fans will face the tough choice between William Zillman, Mark Minichiello, Kevin Gordon and Ashley Harrison.

— Renee Gartner and Adam Gardini —  
Gold Coast Titans

# Lui's battle of the halves



THE experience of playing regularly alongside one of the world's best players in Benji Marshall and the taste of finals football has halfback Rob Lui primed for a very big National Rugby League (NRL) season.

Lui admits to finding his feet in 2010 after playing just a few NRL games the season before after graduating from the Toyota Cup competition.

"The first couple of games last season it was a learning curve for me. I found my feet towards the back end and really enjoyed the season," he said.

"I'm really pumped for this season. I'm looking forward to it. It should be a good year for Wests Tigers."

Lui says the likes of Marshall, hooker and captain Robbie Farah, to experienced prop Todd Payten have played a major role in his development as

a young NRL player as he prepares for an almighty battle for the coveted halfback position following the return of Tim Moltzen from a knee injury.

"I want to be the key person in the seven jersey," Lui said.

"There is always plenty of talk about who will play halfback between Moltz and me, but at the end of the day, it is what is best for the team.

"Moltz and I are good mates and the talk doesn't faze us. Tim and I both want to be playing first grade in round one. It is a good challenge and it is good for the club as well to have two competitive halfbacks fighting for the one position.

"All this talk in the end though means nothing as it will come down to Tim Sheens. If he feels I'm the number seven, then so be it, if he feels it's Tim, then that's how it is.

"One of the key lessons I learned last year was to be cool when it comes to

pressure. Benji is always cool, he teaches you that as well as directing the forwards.

"I also want to read the game a bit better. Towards the back end of last year, I had better vision in terms of playing either short or long, feeding Benji, or running off Robbie or hitting the forwards or backs."

Lui admits he even sits back at times and marvels at the magical skills of the Golden Boot winner.

"It is still a very big buzz for myself to be playing alongside Benji Marshall," Lui said.

"He was one of my idols when I was at Keebra Park High. He is clearly above everyone else. It is amazing to watch what Benji does.

"Everyone does it, from the coaching staff, the players, to the fans. Benji Marshall is in another world and hopefully he stays there so Wests Tigers can win the premiership in 2011." — *NRL.com*

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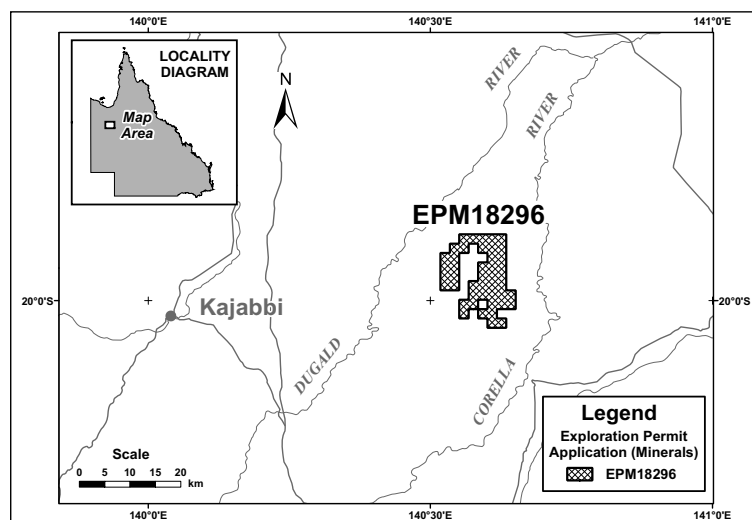
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Queensland Government



# Boxing's golden decade



INDIGENOUS boxing legends Dave Sands, Lionel Rose and Tony Mundine are featured in a new book on the sport by Paul Upham. *Undisputed: A Golden Era in Australian Boxing*, published by HarperCollins, is available in book stores in Australia and New Zealand and can be purchased on-line at ABC Books.

## Mundine-Green

Harper challenges the argument that 30,000 people watching fierce rivals Anthony Mundine and Danny Green battle it out was a non-event.

He also challenges those who say

Danny Green's achievement in getting world boxing great Roy Jones Jr to Australia, and then knocking him out in round one was a small achievement.

He says the past decade in Australian boxing has been glorious – and that is undisputed.

## High level

Some commentators have labelled modern boxing controversial, irrelevant and not comparable with past eras, but Upham disagrees, arguing that the recent achievements of Australian boxers has lifted the sport to a high level.

"There is no doubt that Anthony Mundine leaving rugby league to become

a world champion boxer was a huge catalyst for change," he said.

"Through Anthony, a new media spotlight was shone onto the sport, and many other boxers benefited from this.

"The second important factor was the Sydney Olympic Games, which delivered not only three new Australian stars in Danny Green, Daniel Geale and Michael Katsidis, but an international mix of talent that was injected into the local boxing industry, raising the standard significantly."

Upham says boxing in Australia is steeped in history and tradition; the primal heat of battle and the triumph of the underdog have been woven into the fabric of Australian society.

He says that over the years, boxing's popularity has ebbed and flowed – by the late 1990s, the sport had taken a battering, damaged by pay-per-view

television, the rise of other sports competing for attention, and the dearth of true stars fighting on the global stage.

"But with the turn of the century came fresh hope," Upham says.

*Undisputed: A Golden Era in Australian Boxing* charts the time between the years 2000 and 2010.

## Impressive list

Australian boxing greats profiled include Young Grippo, Les Darcy, Vic Patrick, Tommy Burns, Dave Sands, Jimmy Carruthers, Lionel Rose, Johnny Famechon, Tony Mundine, Rocky Mattioli, Lester Ellis, Barry Michael, Jeff Fenech and Jeff Harding, along with a history of the Australian National Boxing Hall of Fame.

Included are stories on international boxers Muhammad Ali, Joe Frazier, Shane Mosley, Roy Jones Jr and Lennox Lewis.

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## Regional tour ahead of All-Stars game



THE Indigenous All-Stars rugby league team is to tour NSW and southern Queensland regional centres in the lead-up to next month's big Harvey Norman All-Stars match at Skilled Park, on the Gold Coast.

The regional tour will kick off at Batemans Bay on 22 January, where it will be launched by National Rugby League (NRL) boss David Gallop and Indigenous All-Stars coach Laurie Daley.

Other centres taking part in the tour are Condoobolin on 24 January, Wilcannia on 26 January 2011 (Australia Day), Walgett on 28 January, Moree on 30 January, and Queensland towns St George on 1 February and Roma on 3 February.

## Patrick Mills in NBA career-best form

BOOMERS guard Patrick Mills produced the best performance of his fledgling US National Basketball Association (NBA) career to help Portland to a convincing 100-85 win over Houston.

Mills, who has been used sparingly as back-up to starting Blazers point guard Andre Miller, scored a career-high 14 points while also adding five assists and five steals in 22 minutes of action.

His impressive display included three steals on three consecutive possessions, but Mills also committed four turnovers to highlight the fact he remains a work in progress. – AAP

## Nudgee to host golf challenge



THE third annual Undumbi Golf Challenge will be held at the Nudgee Golf Club, Brisbane, on 29 April 2011.

It will feature a 10am shotgun start and will be an ambrose event, with teams of four.

It will cost individuals \$60 to enter. Team entries will cost \$240, but teams entering before 28 March will get a \$40 discount.

The event is being organised by the Deadlee Maardars Men's Group. It will promote a strong anti-tobacco health message.

Prizes will be given for the longest drive, nearest the pin, second approach shot and mystery hole.

Details: Gene Blow 0422 268 277.



# Thaiday in front row?



AFTER establishing himself as the best back-rower in the National Rugby League (NRL) last season and one of the competition's premier players, bustling Bronco Sam Thaiday could find himself in the front row with gun recruit Ben Hannant this year.

Brisbane coach Ivan Henjak says the attraction of a Thaiday-Hannant wall up front is quite appealing although he points out the club's prop stocks have not looked better for a few years.

Thaiday's career-best season in the No 11 jumper, playing an average 71 minutes, making 115m and 30 tackles a game, had him seriously challenging for rugby league's prestigious Golden Boot, taken out by Wests Tigers star Benji Marshall.

Henjak, facing several difficult selection calls in the forward pack and the backline – where they have to replace AFL defector Israel Folau, wouldn't rule out a positional change for Thaiday if it was 'best for the team'.

"We've got some good back-rowers there and wide-running forwards so a good one would miss out if Sam plays in the second row," he said.

## Plenty in contention

Henjak is keen to give 2010 discovery and NRL rookie of the year Matt Gillett a permanent place in the second row, while Ben Te'o, Alex Glenn and former premiership winner Dane Carlaw, back from the UK, are in contention.

Corey Parker, the team's goal-kicker, is the first choice lock.

"It's a possibility," said Henjak.

"But Nick Kenny and Scotty Anderson are training well while Mitchell Dodds and Josh McGuire are looking more like NRL players with their body shapes having put on a few kilos.

"Our front-row stocks are as healthy as they've been for a few years."

Henjak admitted Thaiday would still want to play a wide-running style, but he was sure he'd do whatever was best for the team.

"I'm sure Sam won't have an issue with it. If he has to play up front, he'll do that," he said.

"His game might change up a little. He

mightn't be required to play the minutes he has and we might get a lot more quality out of him."

Meanwhile Henjak said it was great seeing new recruit Hannant and centre Justin Hodges, recovering from an Achilles injury that prevented him playing in 2010, in full training before Christmas.

"Those two guys' experience add so much to our squad and when we get Locky (Darren Lockyer) and Sammy (Thaiday) back, we'll be even better," he said.

"Both guys are training hard and contributing to our young players." – AAP

# Help for footy clubs hit by Qld floods



THE National Rugby League and Queensland Rugby League have last week joined forces to donate \$100,000 to support the rebuilding of

grassroots rugby league clubs devastated by flooding throughout Queensland.

NRL chief executive David Gallop and QRL managing director Ross Livermore announced the funding package to assist clubs to repair or replace facilities and equipment destroyed or damaged by the flooding.

"Rugby League is part of the fabric of many of the communities affected by this disaster and it's important that we help these clubs in the rebuilding

process," Mr Gallop said.

"While this funding will assist clubs, I would certainly encourage rugby league fans to give generously to the appeals being held for the families in affected areas so they can begin to rebuild their lives."

Mr Livermore said: "The way the people in these communities have responded to this disaster is inspiring.

"Rugby League has a special connection with Queenslanders and we want to do what we can to help any affected clubs get back on their feet."

Rugby league clubs affected by the disaster can contact their QRL division manager for assistance, with the QRL to administer the allocation of funds to clubs in need.

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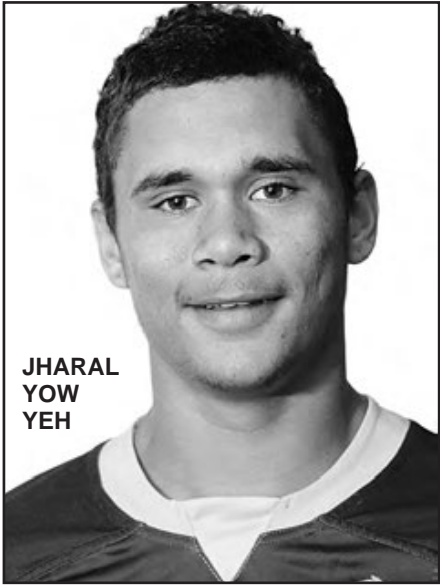
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SAM THAIDAY





# Origin's rising stars



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NINE new players have been named in the Queensland Academy of Sport (QAS) Emerging Origin rugby league squad that will be put through its paces by academy head coach Wayne Bennett this month.

The impressive 14-man squad will take part in numerous sessions at the Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre (QSAC) in Brisbane from 21-23 January. It includes Matt Gillett – the 2010 Dally M Rookie of the Year.

Gillett enjoyed an outstanding year in the NRL after forcing his way into the Broncos side following a bumper season with the Norths Devils in the Queensland Cup.

He is one of the nine players who will experience the highly-regarded QAS Emerging Origin camp for the first time.

The other newcomers are Ben Barba, Dane Nielsen, Justin O'Neill, Daly Cherry-Evans, Robert Lui, Martin Kennedy, Jake Friend and Ben Te'o.

Cherry-Evans starred for the Sunshine Coast Sea Eagles in the Intrust Super Cup this year, taking out the *Courier-Mail* Best and Fairest as well as the Carbine Club Rookie of the Year.

The Emerging Origin squad has played a pivotal role in Queensland's stunning recent domination of the Harvey Norman State of Origin series.

Boom forward David Taylor played in all three games of the 2010 Origin series after taking part in the Emerging Origin program.

Jharal Yow Yeh and Ben Lowe were selected as 18th men for the second and third games of last year's Origin series respectively after also attending the Emerging Origin camp alongside Taylor.

Yow Yeh and Lowe have retained

their spots in the squad.

Daniel Vidot, Matt Bell and William Zillman will also return.

### Stepping stone

In a welcome shot in the arm for Robert Lui, the controversial Wests Tigers halfback has been picked for what is considered the stepping stone to Maroons selection.

Lui has only recently returned to Wests Tigers training after being charged with assaulting his pregnant partner.

The Tigers lifted a ban on Lui being involved in club activities after his bail conditions were changed month, enabling him to have contact with his partner.

The QAS Emerging Squad is: Ben Barba (Canterbury Bulldogs), Daniel Vidot (Canberra Raiders), Jharal Yow Yeh (Brisbane Broncos), Dane Nielsen (Melbourne Storm), Justin O'Neill (Melbourne Storm), Daly Cherry-Evans (Manly Sea Eagles), Robert Lui (Wests Tigers), Martin Kennedy (Sydney Roosters), Jake Friend (Sydney Roosters), Matt Bell (Penrith Panthers), Matt Gillett (Brisbane Broncos), Ben Te'o (Brisbane Broncos), Ben Lowe (South Sydney Rabbitohs), William Zillman (Gold Coast Titans).



ROBERT LUI

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EPC969	Location of Excluded Land	Location of Excluded Land	Booyan Coal Pty Limited 115 420 598
	Approx. 29 km NW from Bundaberg Centred at approximate Lat.24°42'S Long.152°08'E Local Government Area: Bundaberg Regional Council	Area: 81 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Brisbane Number of Sub-blocks: 26 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 530 v, w, x, y 602 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x	

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Nature of the Acts: It is proposed to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit(s) under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) pursuant and subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), the General Conditions Version 4, 26 May, 2010 and the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October, 2010. On the granting of the application the Excluded Land is included in the existing Exploration Permit(s). This authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Exploration Permit(s).

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Name and address of person doing Acts: The application to add Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit(s) under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) will be granted by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade or his delegate, PO Box 15216, CITY EAST, QLD 4002.

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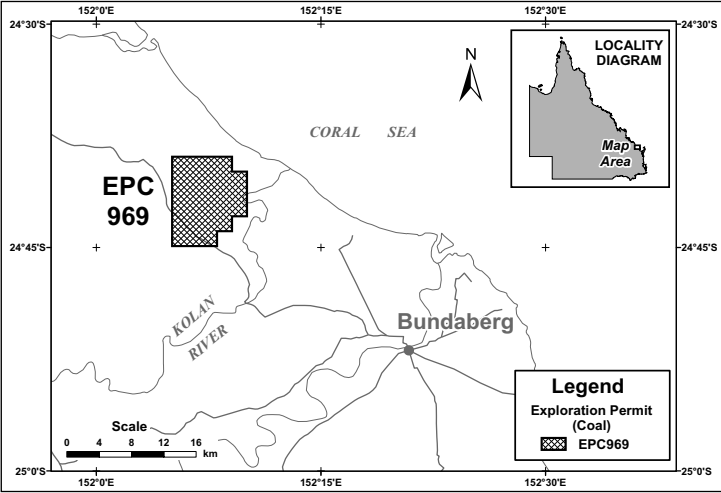
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Expedited Procedure: The Government party considers the future Act(s) is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

The application to add the Excluded Land to each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the future Acts attract the Expedited Procedure.

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Notification Day: 02 February 2011



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## Danny Green has appendix removed

INTERNATIONAL Boxing Organisation (IBO) cruiserweight world champion Danny Green is recovering in a Perth hospital after undergoing emergency surgery to have his appendix removed.

Green suffered severe stomach pains during a recent beach holiday at Yallingup, but initial tests just over a week ago failed to identify the problem.

A CT scan eventually revealed a cyst on his appendix, with the 37-year-old undergoing surgery last Wednesday to have the cyst drained and the appendix removed.

Green, who defeated hard-hitting American BJ Flores in November to retain his IBO cruiserweight world title, is expected to make a full recovery.

The West Australian is yet to confirm his next fight. – AAP



# Jones heads north



JUNIOR Kangaroos captain Ben Jones has been signed by National Rugby League (NRL) club North Queensland to a two-year contract.

Jones, 20, who joins the Cowboys from the Roosters, arrived in Townsville on 5 January and has started training with the Cowboys.

His ability to play centre, five-eighth and hooker will be of great benefit, with Test centre Brent Tate out for a large part of the season as he recovers from a third knee reconstruction.

Jones played for the Indigenous All Stars last year under Cowboys coach Neil Henry and also impressed Cowboys General Manager – Football Peter Parr during Parr's role as manager of the junior Australia Kangaroos late last year.



Ben Jones, right, joins in the celebrations of an Indigenous All-Stars victory in last year's Harvey Norman rugby league All-Stars match at Skilled Park, on the Gold Coast. Picture: Wayne Quilliam

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM18325</b>	Approx. 22 km SSE from Palmerville Centred at approximate Lat. 16° 11' S Long. 144° 10' E Local Government Area: <b>Cook Shire Council and Tablelands Regional Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 99 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 30 (each 1° lat.x 1° long.)  <b>Block Number</b> 74 146 147  <b>Sub-blocks</b> o, t, u, y, z c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w	<b>Lodestone Energy Limited</b> <b>075 877 075</b>

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**Notification Day: 02 February 2011**



Queensland Government



Industry & Investment

### EXPLORATION LICENCE NO. 7502 (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

An area of 10 units situated approximately 38kms west south west of Tumbarumba, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

#### Description of the nature of the act

Gem Resources Limited (ACN 140 767 022) is the applicant of Exploration Licence No. 7502 (Act 1992), for Group one minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Primary Industries. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

#### Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

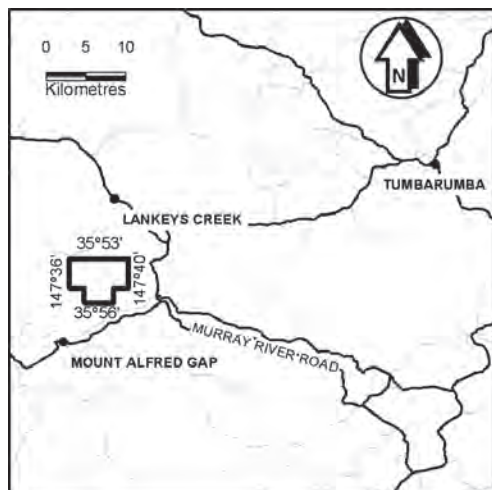
Steve Whan, Minister for Primary Industries, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

#### How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Mike Jacques; Titles Program, Industry & Investment NSW, 4931 6454.

#### Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) the notification day is **27 January 2011**. 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.





# Evonne still on top



INDIGENOUS tennis legend Evonne Goolagong-Cawley has emerged as Australia’s favourite legend from the golden era of the game.

Research from over 50s insurance company Apia has put Goolagong-Cawley at the top.

Released last week to coincide with the start of the Australian summer tennis season, which kicks off with the Medibank International in Sydney this week, Apia’s research asked survey respondents to nominate their favourite Australian tennis player from the 1960s, 1970s and early 1980s.

Goolagong-Cawley scored the top result, taking out 37 per cent of the vote and earning her the position of Australia’s favourite tennis legend, followed by John Newcombe on 31 per cent.

Ken Rosewell came in at third position with 19 per cent, while Margaret Court (8 per cent) and Tony Roche (4 per cent) rounded out the top five.

Wikipedia says Goolagong-Cawley was born on 31 July 1951 in Griffith, New South Wales.

### 14 Grand Slam titles

She was one of the world’s leading players in the 1970s and early 1980s, when she won 14 Grand Slam titles: Seven in singles (four Australian Open, two Wimbledon and one French Open), six in women’s doubles, and one in mixed doubles.

She married British metal broker and amateur tennis player Roger Cawley in 1975.

She was the third of eight children. Her father, Kenny Goolagong, an itinerant sheep shearer, and mother Melinda, were members of the Wiradjuri people.

She grew up in the small country town of Barellan, New South Wales.

In 1967, Vic Edwards, the proprietor of a tennis school in Sydney, tipped off by two of his assistants, travelled to Barellan to take a look at the young Evonne and immediately saw her potential. He convinced her parents to allow Evonne to move to Sydney, where she attended Willoughby Girls High School.

There, she completed her School Certificate in 1968 and was at the same time coached by Edwards, living in his household.

### World number one

She was ranked number one in the world for two weeks in 1976. This was never reported in 1976 due to a computer error. This was discovered in December 2007. She was the 16th woman to hold the spot, but was not reported until 31 years later.

Following her retirement, Goolagong-Cawley spent time as the touring professional at the Hilton Head Racquet Club in South Carolina before returning to Australia.

She was a member of the Board of the Australian Sports Commission from 1995 to 1997 and since 1997 has held the position of Sports Ambassador to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities.

She was appointed captain of the Australian Fed Cup team in 2002.

She also runs the Goolagong National Development Camp, with the aim of facilitating Aboriginal children playing competitive tennis.

Goolagong-Cawley was awarded an MBE in 1972 and made an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in 1982. In 1988 she was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame.



EVONNE GOOLAGONG-CAWLEY

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EPM18028	Approx. 29 km NNE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.18°02'S Long.143°40'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area:</b> 59 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 18 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1796                      r, s, t, u, z 1797                      a, b, f, g, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x	<b>Callabonna Uranium Ltd</b> <b>099 247 408</b>
EPM18266  This Application consists of two separate parts.	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 68 km NNE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°48'S Long.143°57'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council and Tablelands Regional Council</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 61 km NE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°57'S Long.144°01'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 322 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton and Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 99 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> Normanton 1511                      g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1512                      f, g, h, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x 1583                      b, c, d, e, h, j, k, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1584                      a, b, c, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 1655                      b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p 1656                      a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p Townsville 1585                      f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w, x  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1657                      l	<b>KS Mining Pty Ltd</b> <b>120 136 754</b>
EPM18267  This Application consists of nine separate parts.	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 61 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°44'S Long.143°35'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 43 km NNW from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°54'S Long.143°31'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 56 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°47'S Long.143°34'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 47 km NNE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°53'S Long.143°41'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 5:</b> Approx. 34 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°59'S Long.143°35'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 6:</b> Approx. 44 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°53'S Long.143°36'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 7:</b> Approx. 46 km N from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°52'S Long.143°39'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 8:</b> Approx. 42 km NNE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°55'S Long.143°41'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>  <b>Part 9:</b> Approx. 39 km NNE from Georgetown Centred at approximate Lat.17°56'S Long.143°40'E Local Government Area: <b>Etheridge Shire Council</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 150 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 46 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1506                      z 1507                      e, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1508                      a, b, c, d, h, j, o, p, t, u, w, x, y, z 1509                      q, r, w 1579                      a, b, c, d 1580                      b, d, e, g, j, k, o, p  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 124 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 38 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1650                      h, j, k, t, y 1651                      b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, m, r, v, w, x, y 1722                      c, d, e, g, h, j, k, n, o, p 1723                      a, b, c, d, e, f, l 1724                      a, f  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 13 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1579                      k, n, o, p  <b>Area of Part 4:</b> 13 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1653                      l, m, q, r  <b>Area of Part 5:</b> 10 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 3 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1723                      u 1724                      q, v  <b>Area of Part 6:</b> 7 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 2 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1652                      q, r  <b>Area of Part 7:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1652                      o  <b>Area of Part 8:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1725                      a  <b>Area of Part 9:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number</b> <b>Sub-blocks</b> 1724                      k	<b>KS Mining Pty Ltd</b> <b>120 136 754</b>

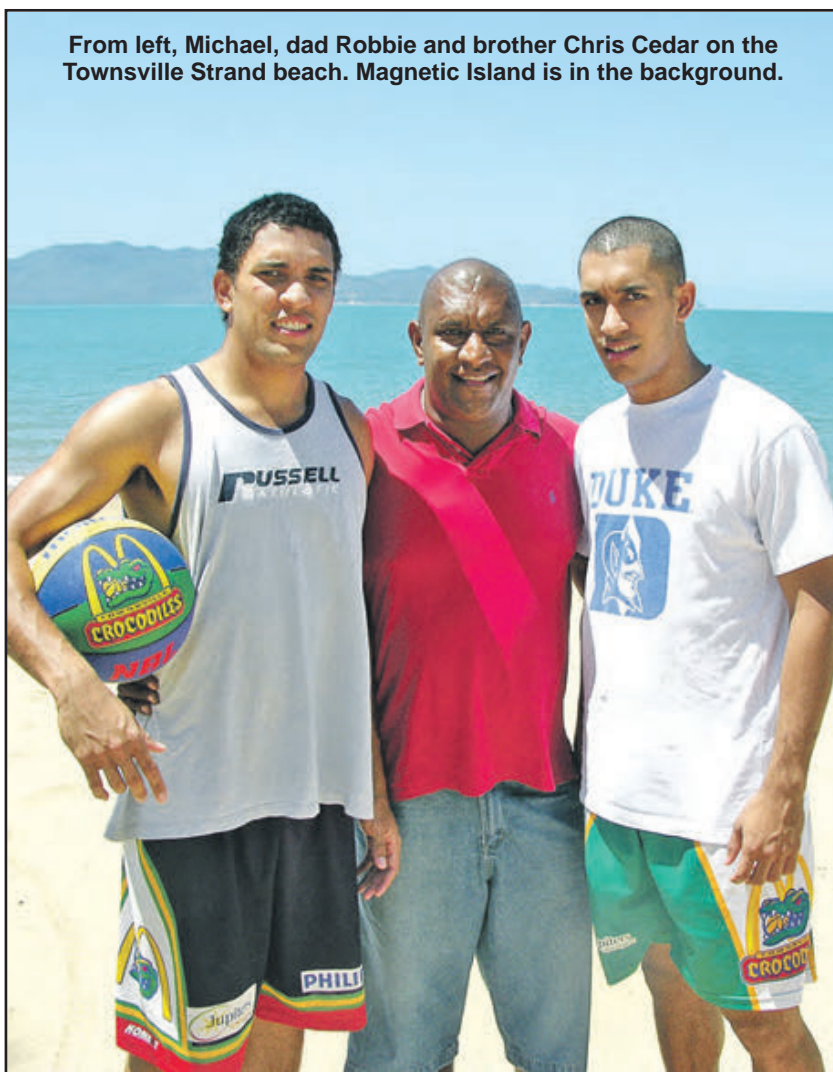
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# Cedar's magic touch

From left, Michael, dad Robbie and brother Chris Cedar on the Townsville Strand beach. Magnetic Island is in the background.



By ALF WILSON



MICHAEL Cedar, with descendants from the Torres Strait, was named the National Basketball League's most valuable player of the week for his career best 31-point tally in the Townsville Crocodiles stunning 94-68 win over the Melbourne Tigers.



The 24-year-old Cedar was best on the court against a Melbourne Tigers side which included his former team-mate in 2009/10 MVP Corey 'Homicide' Williams.

The game was played before a packed house at the Townsville Entertainment and Convention Centre on 26 November.

Statistics reveal just what an influence he had during the handsome victory. Cedar made 12 of 19 shots from the field at 63.2 per cent accuracy, including six of 11 three pointers at 55 per cent.

## Debuted in 2006

Guard Cedar was born in May 1986 at Townsville and is 190cm tall and weighs 82kg and made his debut for the Crocodiles in 2006.

He joined the Crocs roster after progressing through the Carmichael Ford/McDonald's Sharp Start Program and was a member of the School Sport Australia team that toured New Zealand in 2004.

He was a graduate of the Town High Tropics program and is a former Queensland junior representative.

Three seasons ago, Cedar and younger brother Chris became the first Indigenous brothers to play together in an NBL side when they were in the Crocs team which lost 85-78 to the Sydney Kings at the Townsville Entertainment Centre.

The Cedar brothers, whose descendants hail from

Darnley Island, credit much of their success to their father Robbie, a former quality Townsville A-grade rugby league forward.

"It's exciting playing for my home town in the national competition. I'm close to my family and friends and the supporters here are the best in the league," Michael Cedar said.

"I'm also looking forward to continuing to strengthen my game under coach Trevor Gleeson, and continue to improve my performance on the court each night.

"The Crocodiles are a great club to be a part of and I know that we are all going to be working hard to improve on our position. I give my team-mates a lot of the credit for my 31 points."

## Stunning upset

Following on from the win over the Melbourne Tigers, the Townsville Crocodiles can look forward to 2011 with enthusiasm after beating top side the New Zealand Breakers 96-79 at their home venue – the Swamp – on New Year's Eve.

Point guard Cedar scored 15 points and had five assists and the victory left the Crocs fifth on the ladder with eight wins and seven losses.

The NZ Breakers still led the table after that round with ten wins and three losses.

In other family news, his dad Robbie Cedar has been appointed coach of the Indigenous side Bindal Sharks for the 2011 Townsville and District Rugby League season.

Already some quality Indigenous players have indicated they want to line up for Sharks under the experienced Cedar, who was a big second rower who played for many years with defunct Townsville club Souths.

Cedar Snr said the Bindal Sharks would provide him with an opportunity to give back to the community from his playing days, the memories, friendship and loyalty by involving the families and community to throw their support behind the only Indigenous club in Townsville.

Meanwhile, Chris Cedar has agreed to stay loyal to the Crocodiles after being involved in a tug-o-war with fierce North Queensland NRL rival the Cairns Taipans who wanted to sign him for the remainder of the season.

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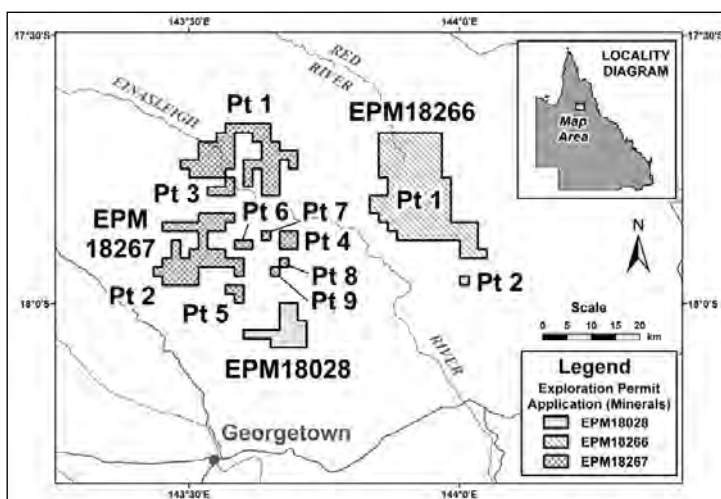
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## Collard shines at AIS tournament



YOUNG Nyoongar soccer player Jacob Collard (pictured) last month represented Western Australia at a national youth tournament at the Australia Institute of Sport in Canberra.

The West Australians finished second behind South Australia.

Jacob, 15, was subsequently chosen in an Australian team in an exhibition game against the winning South Australians.

*The Koori Mail* featured Jacob in our 8 September edition after he had returned from South Korea, where he represented Football West's National Training Centre (NTC) team in the

Cangjin tournament last August-September.

Keen judges rate Jacob the most exciting Indigenous soccer prospect in Western Australia.

He began playing soccer at the age of four.



# Bronzed Dizzie



A BRONZE statue of Jason Gillespie has been unveiled at the Adelaide Oval in an

acknowledgement of the great Indigenous South Australian's contribution to cricket.

Cricket Australia Chairman Jack Clarke unveiled the statue during the Second Test between Australia and England.

It captures the essence of Gillespie in delivering stride after he releases the ball.

It sits in the members' area, where the practise nets were before the refurbishment of Adelaide Oval.

Gillespie, a descendent of the Kamilaroi people of NSW, is generally recognised as the first person of Aboriginal heritage to play Test cricket.

## 71 Tests

He donned the 'Baggy Green' in 71 tests, collecting 259 scalps during one of Australia's most dominant eras in the game.

He became just the sixth Australian bowler to pass the 250-wicket mark.

He was a key member of a powerful bowling attack that included opening partner Glenn McGrath and spin wizard Shane Warne.

All played pivotal roles in the team that collected a world record 16 successive victories from 1999 to 2001.

Gillespie was one of the Wisden Cricketers of the Year in 2002, and

along with playing for his native South Australia, he also played first-class cricket for Yorkshire and Glamorgan.

He is also fated as the first nightwatchman to score a double century – in his final Test match against Bangladesh at Chittagong in April 2006.

In this remarkable innings, he batted for 574 minutes and 425 balls, remaining 201 not out.

During a career which spanned from 1994 to 2008, Gillespie played 189 first-class games, taking 613 wickets at a highly respectable average of 26.98.

He also played 97 one-day internationals for his country and a single Twenty/20 contest in national colours.

He made his Test debut against the West Indies at Sydney in 1996 and his one-day international debut against Sri Lanka at Colombo in the Singer World Series in 1996.

On 29 February 2008, Gillespie announced his retirement from first-class cricket in Australia and then played for a period in the unauthorised Indian Cricket League for the Ahmedabad Rockets.

At the end of the 2008 English domestic season, he retired from all first-class cricket.

His batting certainly developed over his career and Gillespie finished with an average of just under 20.

He is now concentrating on rebuilding Zimbabwe cricket as coach of the Mid-West Rhinos combination.

– PETER ARGENT

● MAIN PICTURE: Jason Gillespie and his bronze replica.  
● INSET: Sculptor Ken Martin with Jason Gillespie at the Adelaide Oval.



# Bathurst to host Knockout meeting



Carrington Oval, Bathurst – venue for the 2011 NSW Rugby League Aboriginal Knockout Carnival.



ANOTHER 'think tank' meeting ahead of the 2011 NSW

Rugby League Aboriginal Knockout tournament is to be held – this time at Bathurst – the venue for this year's carnival.

This follows a meeting in Sydney on 11 December, where about 20 people representing about 15 teams gathered to discuss the 2011 Knockout.

The meeting was called by 2010 Knockout winners Aboriginal Connections (AC) Walgett.

## No decisions

Spokesman Matt Rose said no decisions were made at the 11 December meeting.

"We called that meeting to give people an opportunity to air their views on how the Knockout should be run," Rose said.

"We looked at ways to improve the event.

"There were questions about our choice of the

2011 venue, but we were able to address those.

"People wanted to know about the facilities and whether they were up to scratch."

One of the reasons Bathurst was chosen for the next meeting was so that delegates could inspect the 2011 Knockout venue – Carrington Oval.

Rose said it was also generally agreed that there should be a general tightening of the regulations so there was no confusion.

"We'll look at tightening the rules and regulations and how we can enforce them," he said.

"If we get all that in place, it will make for a better tournament and easier to run.

"We took ideas on board and listened to what others had to say."

No date for the next meeting has been announced, but it will be held in March.

Rose said he would announce the date through *The Koori Mail*.



# Far north RL unity

By ALF WILSON



RUGBY league in the far north of Queensland is set for a shake-up with the formation of a committee consisting of officials from the Torres Strait, Northern Peninsula Area, Central Cape York and the South-East Cape.

Queensland Rugby League Northern Division Divisional Manager Scott Nosworthy said the committee would result in an alliance that would see the new structure govern isolated rugby league in the far north.

"It will be great for the region where rugby league is thriving," Nosworthy said.

## Direct access

The major advantage of the concept is that the northern remote regions of Queensland will have direct access to the QRL Northern Division and not rely on the Cairns and District Rugby League (CDRL) being their representative.

Northern Division Chairman Nigel Tillet said the time was right for remote rugby league regions to have their own

representative at the Northern Division meetings.

"Particularly that local input can be directly expressed to seeking the developments needed in the Torres Strait and Cape York. The new direction is about community ownership," Tillet said.

Mr Nosworthy and Mr Tillet were instrumental to pushing for greater recognition of the remote regions and were able to convince regional officials to commit to the new structure to advance remote rugby league.

## Interim chairman

The new league committee also includes South-East Cape region, with former prominent Indigenous league champion NQ representative player Harry Deemal appointed as interim chairman until the new body becomes fully incorporated.

The committee, which has delegates from all associated Torres Strait and Cape district leagues, is being seen as the catalyst to creating exciting progression for remote regions.

One of the committee's first tasks is to find a name and a logo that reflects the remote regions.

A logo design competition involving local schools is being planned.

It is hoped formation of the new organisation will end fractures in rugby league administration in the far north.

Torres Strait officials had left no doubt with QRL officials of their intentions to form their own divisional league when it decided that it was ready to go it alone.

The Kaiwalagal Rugby League and Outer Islands Rugby League (OIRL) agreed there should only be one Torres Strait rugby league administrative body.

The OIRL agreed to relinquish its desire to establish its own league, with the trade-off being that the outer regions be guaranteed two executive seats on the KRL committee.

"This was a logical move," said OIRL President Colin Maka.

"Not only will it enable the Torres Strait to better utilise our limited human resources, but it will also make it easier to structure appropriate local competitions."

KRL Secretary L J Shibusaki agrees that the meeting with QRL officials in Cairns was particularly productive in that it should lead to greater opportunity for exposure and career pathways for remote men, women and junior rugby league athletes.

"Our priority is to have continual quality training and development programs

across our regions so we can build a culture of professionalism," she said.

"One of our immediate objectives is to have a QRL development officer based in the Torres Strait."

While in Cairns, Torres Strait officials were also able to discuss ideas and strategies as to how the 2011 season and beyond may unfold, with particular interest in a local competition that may include men's reserve grade and an expanded women's competition.

## Foley Shield

Preparation for the Foley Shield was also a talking point, as was the inaugural women's competition scheduled for Cairns on 30 April and 1 May.

Further development and support of Junior Rugby League is also considered essential to the growth and development of Torres Strait rugby league.

Prominent rugby league administrator Wayne Guivarra said: "I'm very encouraged that the QRL is finally grasping the logistics involved and the substantial cost to participating in the Foley Shield and other southern events and their commitment to sourcing funds to assist remote involvement."

The 2011 Foley Shield will be held in Townsville from 20-22 May.

# Former boss wants boycott

By ALF WILSON



FORMER Kaiwalagal Rugby League (KRL) President Harry Cook has called for a boycott of the 2011 Foley Shield rugby league campaign by Cape-Torres officials and players.

However Wayne Guivarra, the elected publicity spokesperson for the 2011 Cape-Torres Foley Shield Interim Committee, has rejected

the call.

The controversy erupted in November over the decision to have a combined Cape York and Torres Strait side in the Foley Shield next year.

Eight sides – Townsville City, Townsville Country, Mackay, Cairns, Innisfail-Eacham, Mount Isa-Mid West, Palm Island-Bowen and Cape-Torres – will compete at the north Queensland league carnival in Townsville in late May.

Torres-Cape, which has since had its name changed to Cape-Torres, entered the Foley Shield during 2009 in a blaze of glory beating Cairns, Mount Isa-Mid West and Townsville in qualifying games before losing the final 32-22 to Innisfail-Eacham.

However, that form did not continue in 2010 when Cape-Torres were convincingly beaten by Cairns, Mackay, Innisfail-Eacham and Mount Isa-Mid West and finished at the bottom of the table.

Townsville went on to thrash Mount Isa-Mid West in the grand final on the Jack Manski Oval at Brother's Leagues Club in Townsville.

KRL administers the four-club competition on Thursday Island and Mr Cook resigned late in the season as president.

While in the top job, Mr Cook campaigned for Torres and Cape to have separate sides in the 2011 Foley Shield.

It looked certain that would occur and the QRL Northern Division, which runs the Foley Shield, was also certain that would occur.

With that in mind, the Northern Division accepted a second Townsville side (Country), which would have increased the number of sides to eight, thus eliminating a bye.

## Mood changed

But when Mr Cook departed, the mood changed and it was decided Cape-Torres would still compete in a combined side, which resulted in the Northern Division giving Palm Island-Bowen the nod to ensure eight sides.

Mr Cook referred to a letter which was sent to the Northern Division by the KRL in May of this year.

"If we accept the Torres-Cape concept in 2011 as advertised by KRL executives in the recent Torres News with regards to nominations for officials, this shows that the KRL executive are going back on their word to represent the aspirations of the KRL delegates and the community," Mr Cook said.

"The letter in May of this year indicated that we would not accept a combined Torres-Cape team in 2011. Therefore, I am calling for a boycott of the 2011 Foley Shield because the current KRL executive has made a closed-door decision without consulting with the KRL delegates and the community.

"It has been tabled and moved by KRL delegates that KRL will not be involved in a Torres-Cape Rugby League team if Torres Strait does not represent its own region with pride as Torres Strait."

Mr Guivarra is a Badu Island councillor and has run the popular Island of Origin carnival for many years and reacted to the call for a boycott.

"I must first make clear to everyone that Harry Cook, is not in any way connected to the 2011 Foley Shield interim committee or any other current Foley Shield developments," Mr Guivarra said.

"Mr Cook's call to boycott the 2011 shield is being seen by the experienced majority as so negative, as the opportunities to participating at this time- honoured event is the best passage to date to offering meaningful exposure of our gifted rugby league athletes."

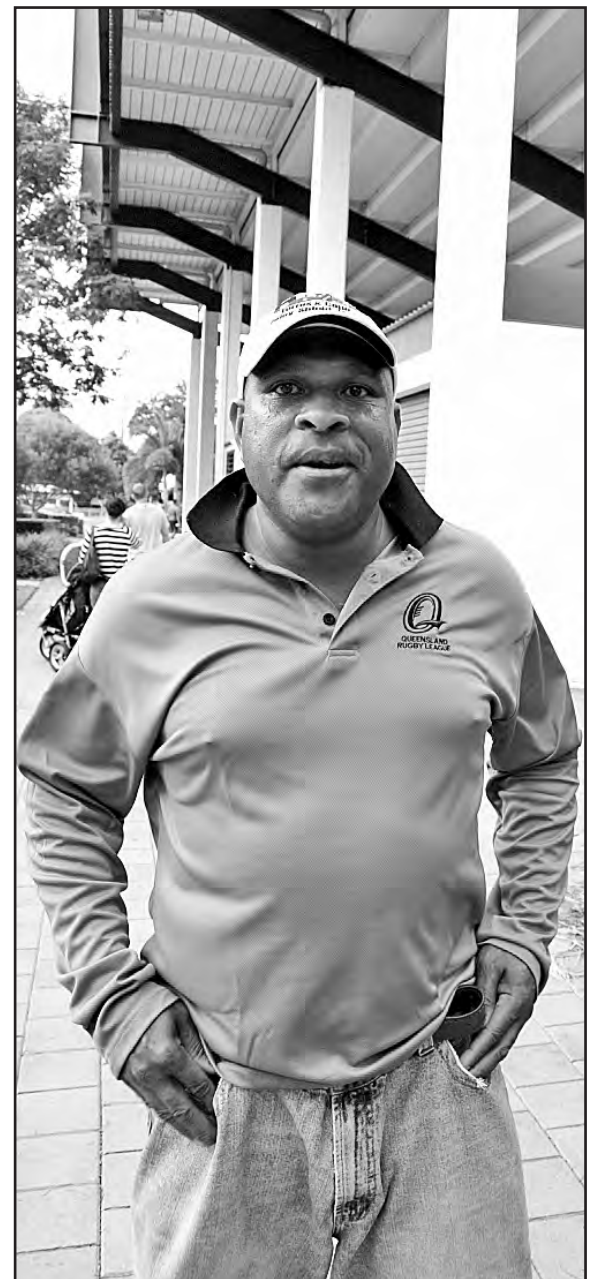
Mr Guivarra said the time would come when the Torres Strait may want to go it alone.

"There are many things we need to get in order first such as ensuring we build a solid expansive senior competition, develop a strong and productive regional junior competition, cultivate experienced qualified coaches, identify and encourage committed officials, and support trained quality staff such as League Safe personnel and trainers, qualified medics and even respected selectors," he said.

"We also we need a balanced and structured governance committee, while attracting committed funding support is probably the most essential ingredient to Torres Strait rugby league development plans."

Mr Guivarra said local officials were working closely with QRL officials and other funding agencies to secure positive benefits and outcomes.

"I plead to all Torres Strait rugby league players and supporters to ignore the recent Foley Shield boycott call and continue to support a controlled approach," he said.



HARRY COOK



# Lush grounds likely

By ALF WILSON



RECENT flooding in North Queensland won't affect the world's biggest cricket carnival – the Goldfield Ashes – to be held at Charters Towers from 21-24 January, according to the captain of the West Indigies side which will attempt to win the hardest division.

A record 220 teams have nominated for the carnival, which began in 1948 with just six teams.

Cricketers from around north Queensland will converge on Charters Towers for the Ashes and it is estimated about one-fifth will be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

## 50 overs

Men's A-1, A-2 and B-1 matches are played under the 50-over format.

Games in B-2, men's social and the women's will be played as 35-over games, with batters required to retire at the end of the over in which they reached 50.

At the 2010 carnival, West Indigies finished a highly creditable fifth of 126 teams in the B-2 division.

The previous year, Indigenous side Black Bream won the division, but have been promoted to B-1.

West Indigies captain Glenn Butler said that the recent rain had made the fields greener, which would improve players' comfort levels.

"There won't be much dust



West Indigies captain Glenn Butler (rear, extreme left) and team-mates at last year's carnival will again take cover in case of rain.

around like most years," he said.

Butler has recruited a strong side, including Badu Islander Jimmy Ahmat, who is better known for his rugby league ability.

"Jimmy can bat and bowl and is a good fieldsman," Butler said.

Badu Islander Ahmat led and starred for the Kulpiyam side which reached the grand final of

the Cairns All Blacks rugby league carnival in October before losing 28-20 to Cherbourg.

West Indigies was one of 17 teams which won all three games in B-2 last year. They scored 814 runs, took 30 wickets and finished with 23.14 points for their fifth placing in a section which is considered the hardest to win because of the

huge number of teams.

Winning team Pelletscones registered 25.14 points.

Ahmat is the son of the late Badu island Council Chairman Jack Ahmat.

The carnival will utilise about 70 fields. A lighter side to the carnival is the tradition of fieldsmen and wicketkeepers wearing women's dresses if they drop a catch.

Batsmen who fail to score often have to wear a rubber duck on their heads until another team-mate makes zero runs.

Some teams which can't reach Charters Towers due to flooded roads may withdraw from the carnival and the official draw will be conducted during the week leading up to the Ashes.

# Cooktown hosts carnival

By ALF WILSON



BIG crowds turned out at Cooktown, in far north Queensland, for the second John Bowen Memorial Indigenous rugby league carnival in mid-December.

Eight teams battled it out in the men's division, with Yarrabah Seahawks defeating Mossman Rainforest Dragons 44-14 in the final on 12 December.

Players came from Hopevale Aboriginal community, Cooktown, Wujal Wujal, Mossman, Coen, Cairns, Yarrabah and even as far away as Townsville.

In a women's exhibition game, Mossman Sharkettes defeated the Hopevale side.

Carnival co-ordinator Roxanne Hart, from Hopevale, is a niece of the late John Bowen, after whom the carnival was named.

"We had more than 400 people there on day one and another big crowd on finals day, even though it was very hot. Some top-class football was displayed," she said.

The carnival was sponsored by Far North Queensland Sport & Recreation Management.

One of the men's team was the Brothers In Arms Memorial team and player Jerome Woibo said John Bowen had been a tireless worker for young people at Hopevale.

"For us brothers here, it was not just a football game, but about respect for John," he said.



Members of Wujal Wujal Yindleey team which competed at the Cooktown John Bowen Memorial Indigenous Rugby League carnival. Most of these players will represent Wujal Wujal in a new 2011 competition featuring four sides.

## Toowoomba knockout attracts ten teams

TEN teams will contest the second annual Toowoomba Warriors rugby league knockout tournament on Saturday 29 January.

It will be held at the Newtown Football Club grounds and is being organised by the Toowoomba Warriors Reunion Committee.

The inaugural tournament last year attracted eight teams and was won by St George.

The ten teams nominated for this year are St George, Kambu (Ipswich), Chinchilla, Toowoomba Warriors, Toowoomba Maso Mob, Toowoomba Giddy Goannas, Toowoomba Rellies, Warrego Eagles (Eidsvold), Cunnamulla All Stars and Murri All Stars (Toowoomba/Cunnamulla).

Spokesman Laurie Stewart said prizemoney this year would be \$8000 to the winners, and \$2000 to the runners-up.

He said all of the \$1000 entry fee was returned in prizemoney.



# 12 home games for Thunder



TWELVE home games – eight in Darwin and four in Alice Springs – have been served up to the Northern Territory Thunder for their 2011 North-East Australian Football League (NEAFL) season.

The first home game will be against Aspley in round one at TIO Stadium, Darwin.

"We are pleased with the 2011 draw. It includes 12 home games and these will be split as they were in 2010 – eight games in Darwin and four in Alice Springs," said Thunder CEO Stuart Totham.

"The spread of games is reasonably even, starting with four of our first five rounds as home games and finishing off with two home games in Darwin at the end

of the season.

"With six games against AFL reserves teams and the challenge of playing against the best State League teams in the country, season 2011 promises to be an exciting and challenging season for the club."

Included in this year's draw will be four games against AFL reserve sides, the Brisbane Lions, the Gold Coast Suns and the newly-formed Greater Western Sydney Giants franchise.

Thunder fans will have the opportunity to see all three AFL reserves sides in action in Darwin this year, Gold Coast Suns in round two, Brisbane Lions Reserves round 11 and GWS Giants in round 14.

The NT Thunder will also play the Gold Coast Suns in Cairns and GWS Giants in Sydney.

Thunder coach Murray Davis said: "It's exciting for our players and supporters that we have the opportunity to showcase our skills against quality AFL reserve sides in Darwin and interstate. The exposure this will give some of our up-and-coming players is tremendous."

## Every opportunity

Davis is confident that Thunder has every opportunity to perform well this season given the fact they have 12 home games.

Davis is also pleased to be able to showcase the Thunder in Alice Springs so early in the year with the side playing Redlands in round four at Traeger Park.

Meanwhile, the Thunder have re-signed James Wray (Waratahs), Jacob

Schaper (Waratahs) and Mitchel Taylor (Wanderers).

Joining the squad for 2011 is Alex Erlandson (Wanderers).

Re-joining the squad is Iggy Vallejo (St Marys) and Karl Lohde (St Marys)

James McNamee (Wanderers) is out.

The AFL last year announced the creation of the NEAFL, bringing teams from Queensland, the NT, NSW and the ACT together.

It will consist of two conferences – the Northern Conference (Queensland and NT), and the Eastern Conference (NSW and ACT).

For the majority of the year, teams will play other teams from within their respective conferences, but there will be cross-conference games.

# One of the greatest



THE Australian football world continues to mourn the loss of an Aboriginal great and the

first ever Indigenous Norm Smith Medallist.

Australian Football League (AFL) CEO Andrew Demetriou said Australia's national game would remember Maurice Rioli as a genius with the football in his hands.

Rioli, 53, passed away in Darwin after suffering a heart attack on Christmas Day. He was buried last Friday after a State funeral in St Mary's Cathedral, Darwin.

"I had the great pleasure of playing against Maurice and he was a wonderful skilled player who could control a game," Demetriou said.

"Maurice's name will live on in the history of our game as a winner of the Norm Smith Medal, for his efforts in the 1982 grand final, and as a champion player for Richmond.

"He was the trailblazer for footballers from the Northern Territory in making their mark in the VFL and the AFL and he continued to serve his community long after his playing days, with his work in public life."

## Team of Century

Rioli was named in the centre in the Indigenous Team of the Century, was a three-times All-Australian and dual Richmond Jack Dyer Medallist.

He played 118 games and kicked 80 goals for Richmond between 1982 and 1987, and won the club best and fairest award twice (1982 and 1983).

"Maurice was an enormously important figure in the game as a player, and more broadly in the leading role he played for Indigenous Australians," Tigers CEO Brendon Gale said.

"He will be remembered as one of the greatest players in the Tigers' proud history.

"Maurice was loved by the Richmond Football Club family. He inspired millions. The friendships that he made



Michael Long, Aunt Joy Murphy and Maurice Rioli at the Welcome to Country ceremony during the Australian Football League (AFL) round 15 match between the Richmond Tigers and the Essendon Bombers at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on 9 July 2005.

– Getty Images

were enduring."

Hawthorn CEO Stuart Fox said Maurice Rioli was a true champion of Aussie rules football with his legacy extending well beyond his playing days into community life.

"The club offers its full support to the broader Rioli family and in particular Cyril, who is understandably very upset at the passing of his uncle," Fox said.

## Trail-blazer

Maurice Rioli was considered a trail-blazer for Indigenous footballers and has been remembered as a genius of the game.

Born on Melville Island, in the Northern Territory, on 1

September 1957, Rioli started his career in Darwin before being recruited to Perth side South Fremantle in the 1970s.

He was later signed by Richmond, where he played 118 games, kicking 80 goals and picking up two back-to-back club best and fairest awards in 1982 and 1983.

In 1982, the talented mid-fielder became not only the first Indigenous Norm Smith Medallist, but the first player from a losing side to take the coveted award – in Richmond's grand final defeat against Carlton.

Rioli was a Brownlow runner-up in 1983.

After playing out his career in Fremantle, Rioli moved back to

Darwin where he became the State Member for Arafura in 1992 until his retirement from Parliament in 2001.

Rioli was working as a community services manager for the Tiwi Islands Council when he died.

## Name lives on

The Rioli name has lived on in the AFL with two of his nephews – Hawthorn star Cyril Rioli and former Essendon player Dean Rioli – making major contributions to the code.

Essendon star Michael Long is Rioli's brother-in-law.

Rioli had a successful career in Western Australian and his native Northern Territory. With

South Fremantle in 1980 and 1981, he won Simpson Medals for his grand final performances.

He also returned after a distinguished career with Richmond and led the team into the grand final in 1989.

In his two stints from 1975-81 and 1988-90, Rioli played 168 games with the South Fremantle Bulldogs.

Rioli had a short stint with St Mary's before travelling south.

He was one of six inaugural legends in the AFL Northern Territory Hall of Fame, along with Bill Dempsey, Michael Long, the late David Kantilla, Michael McLean and Darryl White.

– PETER ARGENT and AAP



# They're from all over

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER months of identifying the best talent across the State, the South Australian National Football League (SANFL) has

announced its inaugural Aboriginal under 21 squad.

Trained by recently-retired AFL legend Andrew McLeod, captained by North's Kriston Thompson and Port's Isaac Weetra, the squad is the first of its kind in Australia.

Two teams from the squad will do battle before the first round of AFL pre-season NAB Cup matches on 11 February at AAMI Stadium, Adelaide, parading their talents in front of many AFL and SANFL recruiters.

Players come from all areas of the State, including suburban Adelaide, many regional centres and the APY Lands in the State's north, and feature some of the best-known football names in local football.

## League level

Among the group are a handful of players who have played at League level, a number of State under-age players and footballers from many rural competitions.

The squad will be refined and split in two before a big match is staged at AAMI on 11 February.

The SANFL will run 'Life and Employment' workshops for all players as part of the League's commitment to driving Indigenous employment opportunities.

"The SANFL see this State Aboriginal under 21 side as the perfect opportunity to showcase the best Aboriginal talent from this age group all over South Australia," SANFL Aboriginal Employment and Participation Manager James Moore said.

"This game will allow SANFL Aboriginal League players to play with their country counterparts from as far south as Mount Gambier, east to the Riverland and north to the APY Lands.

"These country footballers will be able to learn from League players like Kriston Thompson, Isaac Weetra, Wade Thompson, Derick Wanganeen, Tim Milera, Peter Lindsay and Daniel Scott-Collings, and this in turn hopefully will give the country players the drive to maybe have a trial at an SANFL Club.

"We expect SANFL and AFL Recruiters to attend the game on 11 February and it is a perfect opportunity for the players in the squad to put their name up in lights.

"The squad will also have some employment and life skills workshops during the program to provide some employment pathways.

"The SANFL, in conjunction with the AFL, is committed to providing not only elite Aboriginal pathways, but also employment pathways for Aboriginal youths."

Moore said to have someone like Andrew McLeod as coach one of the sides was a great coup.

"Andrew works in the AFL with similar superstars like Chris Johnson and Michael O'Loughlin, so we are hoping to convince one of these players to also become involved with the game," Moore said.

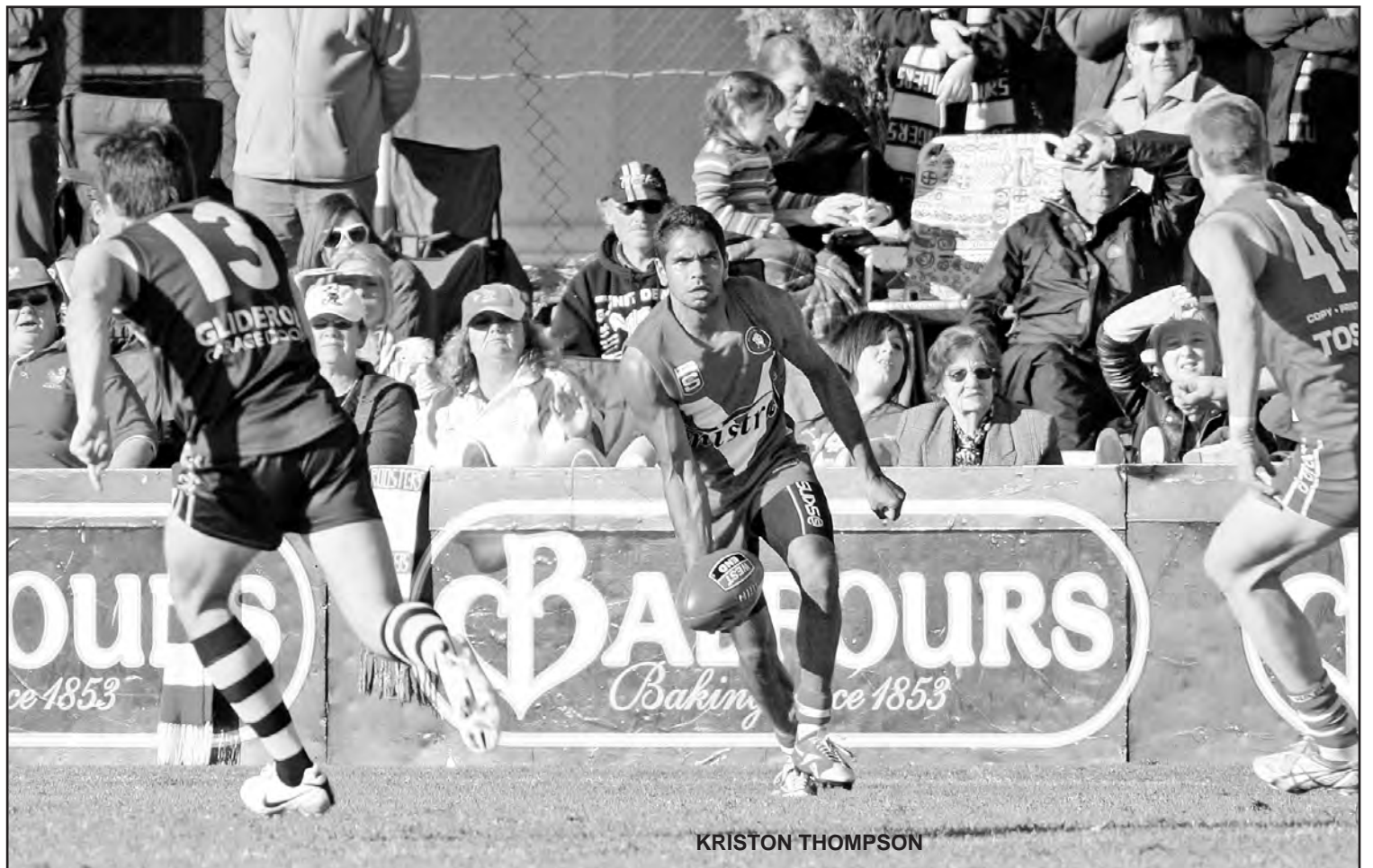
"We have local coaches in Clyde Rigney Jnr, Trevor Wanganeen, Joffe Pearce, Corey McLennan and former AFL Player Harry Miller Jnr also part of the coaching group on the day, so the expertise will be immense.

"We have even convinced Sturt League player Jeremy Johncock and former Port

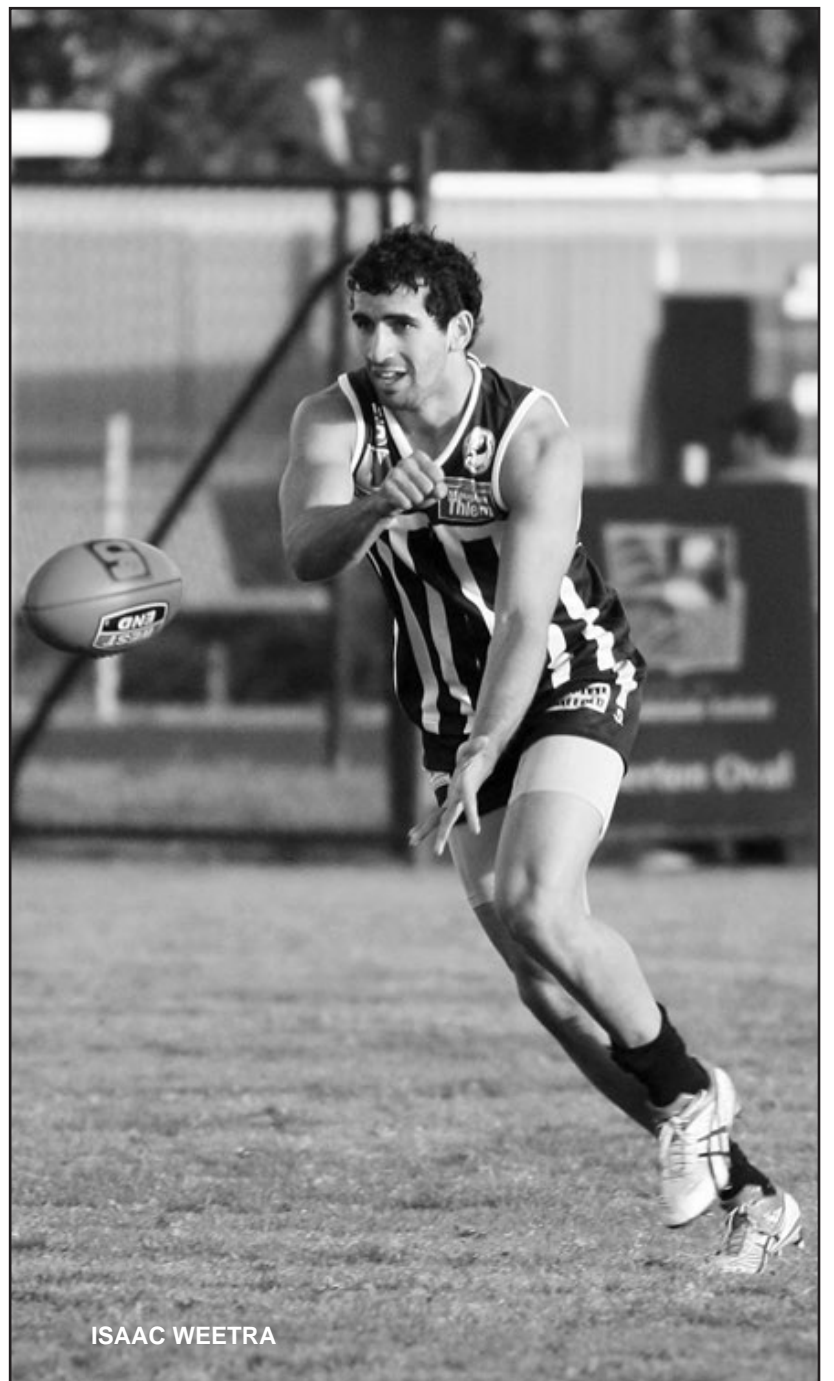
Adelaide AFL player Don Dickie to be our runners, while legend Jack Johncock (Crows footballer Graham's father) will be head trainer on the day."

## The South Australian squad

The 2011 South Australia Aboriginal under 21 squad is: Benbolt, Lawrence (Ceduna), Benbolt, Steven (Ceduna), Bilney, Kingsley (Pt Lincoln/Mallee Park FC), Blewit, James (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC) Brusnahan, Ben (Raukkan FC), Brusnahan, Jarrad (Beverley/Raukkan FC), Burgoyne, Anthony (Elizabeth), Burgoyne, Joseph (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC), Calliss, Bobby (West Whyalla FC), Campbell, Dylan (Elizabeth Park), Colson, Dwayne (Central Whyalla FC), Dixon, Kyrone (Narungga/Central District FC), Dudley, Dean (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC), Frank, Amos (APY Lands), Harradine, Trevor (Narungga), Ingkatji, Ushma (APY Lands), Karpany, Gary (Raukkan FC), Lawrie, Ziggy (Ceduna), Lindsay, Peter (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC), Long, George (Port Magpies FC), Love, Owen (Raukkan FC), Love, Raymond (Raukkan FC), McKenzie, Chad (Pt Augusta), McKenzie, Jamahl (Coober Pedy/Pt Augusta FC), Milera, Tim (Port Magpies FC), Millar, Zac (North Adelaide FC), Miller, Kye (Pt Lincoln), Miller, Troy (Pt Augusta), Miller, Wade (Ceduna), Peters, Nelson (APY Lands), Rankine, Matthew (Raukkan FC), Rigney, Josh (Raukkan FC), Roberts, Keiran (APY Lands), Roderick, Jayden (Pt Lincoln), Sansbury, Lyle (Narungga), Scott-Collings, Daniel (Glenelg FC), Steele, Dean (Pt Augusta/North Adelaide FC), Stone, Keiran (Berri/West Adelaide FC), Summner, Timmy (Raukkan FC), Sumner, Daniel (Raukkan/Woodville-West Torrens FC), Suttie, Michael (Narungga/Glenelg FC), Taylor, Samuel (Pt Augusta), Thompson, Kriston (Pt Augusta/North Adelaide FC), Thompson, Wade (Pt Augusta/North Adelaide FC), Wanganeen, Derrick (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC), Ware, Corey (Ceduna), Ware, Quade (Pt Lincoln/Port Magpies FC), Warren, Jordan (Pt Augusta), Warrior, Steven (Narungga), Weetra, Isaac (Raukkan/Port Magpies FC), Wilson, Anthony (Raukkan/Port Magpies FC), Wilson, Luke (Raukkan/Port Magpies FC), Wittwer, Joshua (Central District FC), Zadow, Joe (Norwood FC).



KRISTON THOMPSON



ISAAC WEETRA



# Ugle a Giant

By PETER ARGENT



THE Greater Western Sydney Giants have secured three emerging young stars from Western Australia, including Indigenous talent Gerald Ugle, along with Nathan Wilson and Simon Tunbridge.

These latest recruits are among the 12 Giants allowed as their priority listed 17-year-olds in 2010.

Ugle, who hails from Beverly, is a small midfielder who attracted attention in 2009 with his performances at Blacktown Olympic Park for the under 16 national championships, averaging 18 disposals a game.

## WAFL debut

Playing for the Perth Demons, Ugle made his senior debut in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) this year.

The seventh AIS-AFL academy graduate now at the Giants, Ugle said he was looking forward to making the move east.

"I was just so relieved when I heard the news," he said.

"All my hard work has finally paid off. I just can't wait to get into training now.

"It's a big comfort already having a few mates here that I have spent time with through the AIS.

"I know it's going to be a big change, but it's something I have wanted for so long.

"In the end, this is where I want to be."

Giants high-performance manager Alan McConnell said the three WA recruits were an exciting additions to the Giants' growing list.

"Ugle is an intelligent and articulate young man who prepared himself exceptionally well for the recent draft combine, giving us every encouragement to make this selection," McConnell said.

"He is among three great players we just selected from the west that we're looking forward to working with.

"They are making a big step moving across the country to pursue their AFL dreams and we certainly have the right support networks around them to ensure they can deal with the challenges they will face."

Ugle has already made the move to Sydney.

Other Aboriginal players who have been previously selected by the AFL's 18 franchises are Curtly Hampton and Damian Williams.

In a unique piece of scheduling, the first round of the NAB pre-season cup next year is a round-robin series, which includes the Giants, who will be elevated to the AFL competition in 2012.

The Giants will play in the North-East Australian Football League (NEAFL) next year.

The NEAFL will be introduced in 2011, bringing together teams from NSW, Queensland, ACT and NT into one competition.

The new league will build upon the existing competitions of AFL Canberra and AFL Queensland.

The NEAFL will consist of two conferences – the Northern Conference (Qld and NT teams) and the Eastern Conference (NSW and ACT teams) – in which the GWS Giants will play next year.

Their conference opposition during 2011 will include the five Canberra clubs – Ainslie, Belconnen, Eastlake, Queanbeyan and Tuggeranong, along with the Sydney Swans reserves side.

For most of the season, NEAFL clubs will play within their respective conferences. In addition there will be a number of opportunities through the year for clubs to play cross-conference games.



GERALD UGLE

## That's some dunk!



OFFICIAL Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander national basketball championship photographer Trevor Walley, of Western Australia, took this great picture of Queenslander Deba George on his way to winning the slam dunk competition at the conclusion of the national tournament in Melbourne last November. George is from far north Queensland and his Jamie Jackway Balaz team was beaten 52-45 by the Melbourne Black Eagles in the final of the men's competition. But in the dunk competition, George was a standout.



# Unknown enemy

## RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

THE All-Stars rugby league match is less than four weeks away and the excitement is building.

I must admit that despite all the anticipation, there is a sense of fear because at this point, the enemy is unknown as the voting for the All-Stars team enters its final stages.

I don't know how the other players feel, but every time I try to pick a side from the players available, I come up with a different combination.

And what scares me the most is that every combination I come up with is just as formidable as the first one!

No wonder the general public finds the process of voting for the side so intriguing!

The only consolation I have is that All-Stars coach Wayne Bennett admitted that he also found it 'too difficult' to pick the NRL All Stars team and is happy to leave the selection process in the hands of rugby league fans.

### Plenty of quality

Given Bennett's coaching record at all levels of the game it speaks volumes for the quality of player on display.

"I tried to pick a team last week and I gave up half way through because it was getting too difficult," Bennett said.

"I had to pick a team the other day and had trouble with the centres myself.

"Players like Shaun Kenny-Dowall, Josh Morris, Chris Lawrence; they would all have to come into the mix." (See P68)

I met Wayne Bennett when the concept of the game was being discussed and he certainly has an aura about him.

His acceptance of the coaching role went a long way to giving the match credibility.

He was a gracious loser last year, but I am certain he will not want to taste defeat a second time.

I found it interesting that it was reported that he was confident the NRL All-Stars can counteract what was seen as the intense passion of the Indigenous team through their 'personal pride'.

"As they showed last year, they are competitive people, who have a deep pride in themselves and don't like to be shown up," he said.

He will no doubt be using that line to challenge the final members who are



NRL All-Stars coach Wayne Bennett.

selected in the NRL All-Stars team.

You can sense that he wants to create the intense rivalry that has been the hallmark of the State of Origin series.

Bennett said the All-Stars concept is important to the game and the seven-times premiership-winning coach has made it clear he wants to be involved for the long term.

"It's important now, but it's a different concept (than Origin)," he said. "It has its place, and as shown last year, the players, fans and administrators have embraced it.

"It will never be Origin, but it was never designed to be Origin, but it was definitely played with the intensity of Origin.

"... I was elated last year when they asked me (to coach). It was something I wanted to be part of.

"I asked them for the job back for 2011 and beyond. It was a great week, and the players and staff all embraced it, and I know the players that were there last year but are unlucky this year will miss it. It was a fun week with the community, and it was a great game of football."

### Preferred positions

Bennett is taking the process so seriously that he has issued his preferred positions for the 64 players shortlisted for stage two of NRL All-Stars voting, which concludes on 27 January.

The fans face the challenge of selecting 16 players from the short list of 64 to join Australian captain Darren Lockyer and New Zealand captain Benji

Marshall in the NRL All-Stars side.

"I am asking the fans to think like a coach when they place each of the players into position and it isn't going to be easy," Bennett said.

"I have said before that I will be starting Darren Lockyer at five-eighth and Benji Marshall at halfback, so I will be looking for players who can cover multiple positions.

"Someone like Todd Carney is a great utility player, so I am glad that he has rated well in the first round of voting and I have made no secret of the fact that I want to see Cameron Smith as hooker.

"This is a game that all of the players will embrace and I hope we get the same spectacle as we did last year."

Carney rated highest in the Roosters' voting for stage one and says he is keen to be a part of the match.

"I'd love to be part of this team and it would mean a lot to me to know the fans had voted me in," Carney said.

"You just have to look at some of the players up for selection to know any player in the NRL would want to be part of this squad.

"I really hope the public votes for me and I get the chance to take the field with the game's best players – it would be an incredible match to be part of."

And Carney is no certainty to be part of the team!

Look at the players listed here and you'll understand what I mean.

The boys will be up against it, but I am certain we'll turn up to play on the day!

### Brisbane Broncos

Corey Parker - edge forward  
Ben Hannant - tight forward  
Alex Glenn - outside back  
Ben Hunt - utility, hooker, inside back

### Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs

Greg Eastwood - tight forward  
Frank Pritchard - edge forward, tight forward

Bryson Goodwin - outside back  
Ben Roberts - inside back

### Canberra Raiders

David Shillington - tight forward  
Bronson Harrison - edge forward  
Josh Dugan - fullback  
Jarrod Croker - outside back

### Cronulla Sharks

Paul Gallen - tight forward  
Jeremy Smith - edge forward, tight forward

Nathan Gardner - fullback  
Colin Best - outside back

### Gold Coast Titans

Ashley Harrison - edge forward  
Mark Minichiello - tight forward  
Kevin Gordon - outside back  
William Zillman - fullback

### Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles

Anthony Watmough - edge forward  
Brent Kite - tight forward  
Jamie Lyon - outside back, inside back  
Tony Williams - outside back

### Melbourne Storm

Cameron Smith - hooker  
Adam Blair - edge forward, tight forward  
Cooper Cronk - inside back  
Chase Stanley - outside back

### Newcastle Knights

Neville Costigan - edge forward, tight forward  
Zeb Taia - tight forward  
Akuila Uate - outside back  
Kurt Gidley - utility

### North Queensland Cowboys

Dallas Johnson - edge forward  
Matthew Scott - tight forward  
Antonio Winterstein - outside back  
Ashley Graham - outside back

### Parramatta Eels

Nathan Hindmarsh - edge forward, tight forward

Tim Mannah - tight forward

Jarryd Hayne - fullback

Luke Burt - outside back

### Penrith Panthers

Luke Lewis - edge forward, utility  
Petero Cironiceva - tight forward  
Michael Jennings - outside back  
Michael Gordon - outside back

### St George Illawarra Dragons

Ben Creagh - edge forward  
Dean Young - utility, hooker  
Darius Boyd - fullback

Brett Morris - outside back

### South Sydney Rabbitohs

Dave Taylor - edge forward, tight forward  
Roy Asotasi - tight forward  
Fetuli Talanoa - outside back  
Junior Vaivai - outside back

### Sydney Roosters

Nate Myles - tight forward  
Braith Anasta - inside back, utility  
Todd Carney - inside back, utility  
Shaun Kenny-Dowall - outside back

### New Zealand Warriors

Feleti Mateo - edge forward  
Simon Mannering - edge forward  
Lance Hohaia - fullback, utility  
Manu Vatuvei - outside back

### Wests Tigers

Gareth Ellis - edge forward  
Robbie Farah - hooker  
Lote Tuqiri - outside back  
Chris Lawrence - outside back





The 2010 Flying Boomerangs on tour in Tonga.

# Mixed success



THE Flying Boomerangs tasted sweat victory and defeat after being outmuscled by 37 points by the South Pacific Under 16s side on 18

December.

The all-Indigenous Boomerangs, made up of 14 and 15-year-olds, were pitted against the older all-star side in their second exhibition match that ran alongside last week's Youth AFL Oceania Cup in Tonga.

After beating the Oceania Under 16s by 144 points a few days earlier, the Boomerangs faced their biggest test when they came up against the representative side that exploded out of the blocks in the first term.

South Pacific scored the first three goals through strong marking and the creation of space in the forward line before Josh Pitson hit back with a clever six-pointer and Clayton McCartney converted on the run.

The local team went from strength to strength in the second quarter to cap a three-goal-to-zero effort with a late major that opened up a 30-point break at

half-time. The size, strength and tenacity of the hosts saw Boomerangs coach Andrew McLeod call for a greater commitment to the contested ball, which saw the visitors kick three of the first four goals of the third quarter, with the creative skills of Elijah Edwards on show.

South Pacific hit back to restore a four-goal break at three quarter-time, although a checkside goal right before the siren from Shannon Jaragba kept the Boomerangs in touch.

Ultimately, the match was sealed with a magnificent goal on the wrong foot from the boundary by PNG player Theo Gavuri, who was clearly best on ground.

McLeod implored his players to learn from the experience of the match and a successful tour.

"It's how you react to a loss and adversity that defines you in football, and by extension, life," he said.

"It's up to us to continue to take on the challenge and learn from the great experiences we've had this week."

## Deserved victory

AFL national talent manager Kevin Sheehan said the South Pacific side deserved the victory after arriving at the game motivated by the past week's lessons.

"The kids were so determined to do well. All the talks they've had in recent days from the three assistants and from Chris Johnson and Andrew McLeod were centred on grabbing their chances," he said.

"These boys were pumped. They'd had a full combine the day before with beep tests and speed and agility and the Lloyd/Buckley tests as well.

"There was that and education from the coaches they'd been talking to. They were simply ready to play."

In the grand final of the Oceania Cup contested by seven sides from the South Pacific, the Papua New Guinean Binatangs defeated reigning premiers Tonga by 46 points in a low-scoring decider.

South Pacific 13.4 (82) d Flying Boomerangs 7.2 (45).

Boomerangs' goals: Elijah Edwards 2, Josh Pitson, Clayton McCartney, Taran Etto, Shannon Jaragba, Zac Bates.

Best: Zac Bates, Elijah Edwards,



The Flying Boomerangs perform their war cry before one of their matches in Tonga.

Derek Collinson, Darren Hayes, Aaron Christensen

Game 1: Flying Boomerangs 26.4 (160) d Oceania Under 16s 2.4 (16).

Goals: Clayton McCartney 7 Joshua Pitson 4, Jonathon Tomsana 4, Taran

Etto 3 Derek Collinson 2, Jay Kennedy-Harris 2, Shannon Jaragba 2, Sebastian McGorm 1 William Rioli 1.

Best: Jay Kennedy-Harris, Aaron Christensen, Joshua Pitson, Clayton McCartney, Malcolm Karpny, William Rioli, Elijah Edwards, Leonard Lyons.

The Flying Boomerangs is a personal development and leadership program incorporating a match series against developing international countries (South Africa 2006 and 2008, PNG 2009 and Tonga in December 2010).

The participants are 14-15 years of age and were selected from the KickStart Camp that was conducted in Sydney in August.

The Boomerangs will return to Sydney in late January to continue their leadership development with AFL players during the AFLPA Indigenous Player Camp. — With AFL BigPond



The AFL Flying Boomerangs' Clayton McCartney during a training run in Tonga.



Johnathon Tomsana in action for the AFL Flying Boomerangs



# Search begins



Rob de Castella, centre, with Charlie Maher, left, and Caleb Hart in the Australian Outback in preparation for the 2010 New York Marathon.



A NATIONAL search has already started for six male and four female Indigenous athletes to compete in this year's New York Marathon.

Hot on the heels of the first assault on the famous marathon by four Indigenous male athletes last November, The Marathon Project has started its search for athletes to contest this year's event on 6 November.

This year the project will be centred around the Australian running events calendar, with athletes experiencing the running culture that Australia has on offer.

A spokesman for The Marathon Project said 2011 would see the introduction of a female team that would run autonomously, enjoying their own training camps and events.

The Marathon Project aims to take six males and four females to 'the Big Apple'.

## Fully-paid

"We are now searching for male and females aged between 18 and 30 who would like an all-expenses paid trip to New York in 2011 and are willing to undergo the training required to complete the 42.195 km marathon," the spokesman said.

"Applicants must have passion, commitment and leadership potential to encourage others to lead a healthy life."

In the initial recruitment phase The Marathon Project is broadening its search and is accepting applicants from throughout Australia.

If you are Indigenous or know of an Indigenous person who fits the criteria, visit [www.themarathonproject.com.au](http://www.themarathonproject.com.au) and fill out an application on the 'want to run' page, or follow this link <http://www.themarathonproject.com.au/index.php?id=31>.

"We encourage you to nominate people who you believe would love to be



Caleb Hart, left, and Charlie Maher preparing in the Australian Outback for the 2010 New York Marathon.

a part of the project, or forward the attached flyer to others to extend the search," the Project spokesman said.

## Recruitment camp

"We will be in contact with applicants early in the New Year, and encourage those who apply to start or continue running over summer to put them in good stead for the recruitment camp in

early 2011."

The Marathon Project is overseen by former champion marathon runner Rob de Castella.

"Thanks to a handful of amazing people in 2010, all four athletes made it to the start line in New York," the project spokesman said.

They were Charlie Maher, Caleb Hart, Juan Darwin and Joseph Davies.

Maher was the first of the foursome to finish, clocking 3:32.41, followed by Davies 3:54.02, Darwin 4:40.34, and Hart 5:01.28.

Maher, from Alice Springs, is a high-profile Australian football player in the Northern Territory.

Davies is from Kununurra (WA), Darwin is from Maningrida (NT) and Hart is from Alice Springs.



# All Blacks carnival on rocky ground



THE fourth annual Indigenous Reconciliation Rugby League carnival planned for the 26 January long weekend in the flood-ravaged city of Rockhampton is still on... at

this stage.

But officials say if more heavy rain falls, they may have to call it off.

When *The Koori Mail* spoke to carnival organiser Walson Carlos on Wednesday, the focus on the widespread Queensland flood disaster was on Rockhampton, where the Fitzroy River was peaking at 9.2 metres.

Carlos said he had been told that barring no more heavy rain, roads in and out of Rockhampton should be clear within ten days of the flood peak.

"That means roads should be open about a week before the start of the carnival," he said.

But the news was not encouraging. More heavy rain was being predicted for vast areas of Queensland.

Carlos was unsure about other parts of Queensland and how the flood situation may affect teams travelling from throughout the State.

"But at this stage, we're still going ahead with the carnival, starting on Saturday 22 January and ending on Monday 24 January," he said.

The Rockhampton carnival has quickly evolved into one of the best organised All Blacks tournaments in Australia.

It will be held a Browne Park and

Victoria Park and will offer \$22,000 to the carnival shield winners, with \$8000 going to the runners-up.

The plate winners will receive \$4500, and the runners-up \$1500.

The women's winners will receive \$2000.

In the men's shield event, 24 teams have been placed in pools of three, with each team playing the other two in their pool.

These games will be played over 20-minute halves, with a two-minute interval and will be completed on the first day.

On the second day, pool winners will enter a quarter-final knockout phase, with games again over two

20-minute halves, with two-minute intervals.

Teams that failed to qualify for the shield quarter-finals will enter the plate competition on the second day.

The women's competition also will start on the second day.

Shield and plate semi-finals will begin at 8am on the third day, with the plate grand final scheduled for 1.30pm, and the shield grand final at 3pm.

The shield grand final will be an 80-minute game. The plate grand final will be played over

two 30-minute halves.

The carnival is being organised by the Rockhampton-based Central Queensland Indigenous Development (CQID).

— GRAHAM HUNT



WALSON CARLOS

# League stars to try hands at cricket



Can Wendell Sailor play cricket? We'll find out tomorrow night when a team of rugby league legends takes on rising young Indigenous cricketers.



INDIGENOUS rugby league stars are to try their hands at cricket in a celebrity match under lights at the Sydney Cricket Ground tomorrow.

Preston Campbell, Wendell Sailor, Jamie Soward, Scott Prince, Jamal Idris, Greg Bird, Ben Barba, Ryan James, Jonathan Wright, Nathan Merritt and two Broncos players will line up against the hottest young Indigenous cricketers from the Cricket Australia Youth Indigenous Squad.

They will meet in a Twenty/20 match.

World Cup member Dan Christian was a member of last year's CA Indigenous team. Pre-match entertainment will feature Jessica Mauboy.

The match, sponsored by the Federal Government's Learn, Earn, Legend scheme, will celebrate Indigenous cricket and will be played for the Jack Marsh Cup, a highlight of the Primary Club's two-day Marathon cricket event at the SCG on tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday.

Jack Marsh was a legendary Bundjalung cricketer and sprinter from cricket's golden age. His talents were compared with the great English bowler S F Barnes by former Test captain Warren Bardsley. Marsh was denied national honours despite being the premier fast bowler of his age.

The match will take place on the 50th anniversary of the famous 1960-61 series between Australia and the West Indies when Richie Benaud and Sir Frank Worrell revitalised the national game, breaking down racial and cultural barriers with spirited, attacking cricket.

Tomorrow's match will start at 6.30pm.

# Cleared at last

## Inglis within whisker of walking away from league



GREG Inglis and Roy Asotasi have called for changes to the salary cap after a trying summer that nearly ended Inglis' National Rugby League (NRL) career and saw centre Beau Champion forced out of South Sydney.

Disillusioned and confused at a system which had left him without a club for 200 days, Inglis strongly considered abandoning his rugby league career – but with his future settled, he now hopes NRL boss David Gallop will give the salary cap an overhaul.

Originally released by Melbourne in August to help the disgraced club start 2011 under the cap, Inglis then reneged on a handshake deal to join Brisbane before settling on South Sydney.

### Looking elsewhere

However when his deal at the Rabbitohs was initially blocked by the NRL, who questioned the independence of some third-party deals, Inglis contemplated looking elsewhere.

Only a last-ditch meeting with Gallop on Christmas Eve saved his NRL career.

"To be honest, I was very close to leaving this code," he said last week.

"I had a meeting with Gallop (on Christmas Eve) and we got the result that night because I was ready to walk that day.



GREG INGLIS



BEAU CHAMPION

"It was very close and it was very intense."

The lengthy saga convinced Inglis that something needed to be done about the state of the salary cap.

"I think whoever is in charge of the NRL or the salary cap has got to have a hard look at it," he said.

"Don't take my case (as the) example, there's others in the past as well.

"Something has to be done, I do hope that no other player goes through this .... It is an ordeal and it does take its time."

Inglis was supported by his new captain, Roy Asotasi, who said young players were starting to understand the realities of the salary cap.

Asotasi said the Rugby League Players Association was working hard to prevent a similar scenario happening in the future, but admitted it was a slow process.

"It's quite disappointing," he said.

### Lost Champion

"Obviously we lost Beau Champion and he had a great season in 2010, and for him to leave the club I'm sure he's real disappointed, but it's a business and the boys have to understand that and they do now.

"(The RLPA is) hoping we can get that kind of stuff sorted, but that doesn't happen overnight.

"It's a long process but we've got to try and keep chipping away at it."

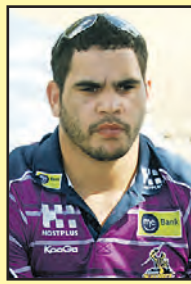
Inglis believes the decision by Champion, a cousin of his and a South Sydney junior, to join the Storm was mutually beneficial to both parties.

"He wasn't forced out (by Inglis' arrival) and Souths weren't ready to let him go," Inglis said.

"I think for him career-wise, it's a better opportunity for him, down there and also being coached by Craig Bellamy."

Pressed about the deal, Inglis admitted: "Obviously, in that sense, I would've had to find another code or another club to go to (if Champion hadn't left)." — AAP





**Inglis finally cleared to join Bunnies**

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## Immortalised in bronze



**JASON GILLESPIE**, the man generally regarded as Australia's first Indigenous Test cricketer, has joined the growing list of cricketing greats to be immortalised in bronze. Gillespie was at the Adelaide Oval last month during the Second Test between England and Australia, for the unveiling of the sculpture in his honour. It depicts Gillespie on his bowling follow-through. ● See page 78 for details.

# Stars to shine



THE stars will be out in full next month as the very best of our Indigenous Australian football and rugby league talents strut

their stuff.

First, there will be the bi-annual Australian Football League (AFL) match at Darwin's TIO Stadium on 5 February between the Qantas Indigenous All-Stars and AFL club Richmond.

A week later, at Skilled Park, on the Queensland Gold Coast, the second Harvey Norman Rugby League All-Stars match will be played.

It will feature the Indigenous All-Stars against the National Rugby League (NRL) All-Stars and follows on from last year's inaugural match, won 16-12 by the Indigenous All-Stars.

The Darwin and Gold Coast games are celebrations of the two codes' diversity and commitment to Indigenous culture and helping people and communities in need.

The Indigenous All-Stars rugby league line-up was announced last November by coach Laurie Daley and features Preston Campbell (c), Nathan Merritt, Willie Tonga, Greg Inglis, Jharal Yow Yeh, Scott Prince, Johnathan Thurston, Tom Learoyd-Lahrs, Travis Waddell, George Rose, Sam Thaiday, Jamal Idris, Greg Bird, Ben Barba, Jamie Soward, Carl Webb, Cory Paterson, Joel Thompson, Ryan James and Matt Bowen.

### Lewis injured

In the NRL All-Stars camp, Australian and Panthers utility Luke Lewis has been ruled out of next month's fixture.

His spot in the 64-man short list will be taken by Penrith's New Zealand international prop Sam McKendry, 21.

Stage Two of voting for the NRL All-Stars team remains open until 11.59pm AEDT on 27 January 27.

The final line-up of 16 players will join Australian and New Zealand Test captains Darren Lockyer and Benji Marshall.

An additional two players will be selected by coach Wayne Bennett at the conclusion of stage two voting for a seven-man bench.

Bennett admitted last week he found it 'too difficult' to pick the NRL All-Stars team and is happy to leave the selection process in the

hands of rugby league fans.

Bennett was speaking on NRL.com to help fans with stage two of the voting process, which involves picking 16 players – but only one player from each club – off a shortlist of 64 to join Darren Lockyer and Benji Marshall.

"I tried to pick a team last week and I gave up half way through because it was getting too difficult," Bennett told fans on NRL.com

Meanwhile, the Richmond Tigers are using the Darwin game as part of its preparation for the NAB pre-season Cup.

The Tigers will kick off their 2011 NAB Cup campaign the following week against Carlton and Collingwood at Etihad Stadium, Melbourne.

They also return to TIO Stadium in round ten of the regular season to face Port Adelaide.

"We are proud and excited to be a part of this event, which is a fantastic opportunity to showcase our young Richmond team against some of the most talented Indigenous players in the country," Richmond chief executive Brendon Gale said.

Richmond is building an Indigenous Institute at Punt Road, which will be completed early this year, and Gale said the unique fixture against the All-Stars would allow the club to continue its work with Indigenous communities.

"We will incorporate the community camp activities in the Northern Territory in the lead-up to the match, including visiting local Indigenous communities, which will provide some of our players with rich learning and development opportunities," he said.

"This is an extension of the work we have been doing in the Northern Territory, in particular the Alice Springs region, where we have been visiting schools and football clubs for the past three years and delivering important messages, including the promotion of healthy lifestyles, attending school and using teamwork and respect in the schoolyard."

The All-Stars have lost only once in the four most recent clashes since 2003, with Matt Campbell, Andrew McLeod, Daniel Wells and Adam Goodes collecting Polly Farmer Medals for best-on-ground performances.

— GRAHAM HUNT and other sources, including AFL BigPond and NRL.com

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