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It's not bush tucker!



LOCAL woman Stacey Santo holds a cane toad she collected as part of the latest 'toad out day'

in Townsville. Stacey was among many Indigenous people to join in the toad hunt where thousands of the poisonous introduced pests are 'weighed in' before being sent to meet their maker. Stacey brought in 20, but the record for the day collected by one person was 1800 weighing an impressive 169kg. In all, more than 600kg of toads were put down.



Photo: ALF WILSON

Colour trial



A MELBOURNE newspaper columnist accused of racially vilifying nine fair-skinned Aboriginal people says he abhors racism and is simply trying to advance debate on a matter of public importance.

Herald Sun columnist Andrew Bolt wrote a series of articles and online blogs about 'self-obsessed' 'white Aborigines' with mixed cultural heritage 'scuffling at the trough' of Indigenous-specific grants and privileges.

Activist Pat Eatock, lawyer Professor Larissa Behrendt, former ATSIC Chairman

Nine sue commentator

Geoff Clark, author Dr Anita Heiss, academic Wayne Atkinson and four other prominent people were amongst those named in the articles and blogs entitled 'It's so hip to be black' and 'White fellas in the black' and say they were offended and humiliated.

Their case against Mr Bolt and his employer The Herald & Weekly Times

began in the Federal Court in Melbourne last Monday. The group wants the columnist to apologise, and a court order restraining him from publishing similar articles.

Mr Bolt has questioned why fair-skinned Aboriginal people of mixed heritage 'choose' to identify as Aboriginal – something he suggests is trendy, political and a bonus when applying for jobs.

But the plaintiffs say they've always been Aboriginal and should be able to identify as such without having aspersions cast on their character.

The case is seen as an important one in terms of 'identity politics' – effectively a matter of racial protection versus free speech.

At the time of printing, the case was expected to conclude early this week. Judge Mordy Bromberg was expected to decide on the case by the end of the year.

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Koori Mail twenty500

What: A gala dinner celebrating 20 years and 500 editions of the Koori Mail. Looking back on the events and people that have shaped Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander life over the past two decades.

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My FAMILY JACK SAGIGI – Weipa, Qld



● Pictured above, from left, are Mary Mills, Ina Mills, Tari Sagigi holding son Kunio and Jack Sagigi.

HERE I am with my wife Tari and three-year-old son Kunio for the recent wedding of Justin Tapim in Townsville, north Queensland.

With us at the wedding were Tari's sisters Mary Mills and Ina Mills from Thursday Island and we were glad to catch up with them. A day before the wedding we all enjoyed going shopping at the Castletown Shopping Centre where there were lots of people.

Tari and I are rugby league players and supporters and we hope Kunio also gets involved when he grows up. We believe that playing sport builds the character of young people and we are a real football family.

I am the nephew of well known former Thursday Island rugby league player and forward Robert 'Bongo' Sagigi.

When working in the Torres Strait a few years ago we lived on Prince of Wales Island which is just across from Thursday Island.

I played for the Central Cape York Suns

when we made our debut at the 2008 Zenadth Kes Cup (Torres Cup) on Thursday Island.

That year I was proud to be a member of the Kulipyam side which won the final of the Island of Origin Series grand final on Badu Island when we beat Mulga Tigers.

In the 2009 season I played for Suburbs club in the Kaiwalagal Rugby League (KRL) competition on TI but we didn't make the grand final.

Tari is also a good rugby league player and she shone for the Sundown Sirens which took out the women's KRL grand final and she scored a try but was injured.

I was in the Badu side Mulga United which won the final of the 2009 Island of Origin Series on TI.

In the last Cape York wet season competition, I played for Carpentaria Raiders which reached the preliminary final before losing 34-26 to Mapoon Magpies.

We have many friends – Aboriginal and others – at home in Weipa.

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OUR CHILDREN



JIMEKA RICHARDSON was all smiles as she listened in the audience with fellow Bwgcolman High students from Palm Island, Queensland, during an Australian Defence Force forum at Townsville's Lavarack Barracks on 30 March. See our report and more photos on Page 38.

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Wahluu campaign mounted



Wiradjuri man Bill Allen on Mount Panorama – or Wahluu – overlooking the NSW city of Bathurst.



BATHURST these days is best known for two 'tribes' – Ford and Holden. That's because the central-western

New South Wales city hosts some of Australia's best motor racing at its world-famous Mount Panorama circuit.

But local Aboriginal man Bill Allen says the original tribe – the Wiradjuri people – deserve appropriate recognition as well.

So he's stepping up a campaign to make that happen.

"Mount Panorama is rightly famous for its racing track, but its history goes back a long, long time before that," the Wiradjuri community leader said.

"It's known as Wahluu to the Wiradjuri people, and it has several sites associated with the initiation of young men."

Mr Allen believes it's well past time the landmark was given dual names – Wahluu and Mount Panorama – and he'll be taking his case to the local naming authorities.

"We've got the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout here in October, just before the next Bathurst 1000 motor race," he said.

"I can't think of a more appropriate time for the authorities to recognise the Wiradjuri history of the area by giving the mountain both names.

"This is not about making money or anything like that. It's simply about recognising the original people and the fact that Bathurst has an Aboriginal – a Wiradjuri – history."

Congress leaders to be named



THE first elected co-chairs of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples should

be known later this month.

Voting for the positions concluded late last month, with the organisation reporting a Congress member response of more than 25 per cent – higher than for similar non-compulsory elections and proportionately more than recorded in ATSIC elections.

In line with Congress policy, all 10 candidates are now being scrutinised by the Congress Ethics Council to confirm their eligibility and that they meet required standards of probity.

Delayed

That process normally would have been done before the election, but it was delayed when the co-chair nomination period was extended.

Current Congress co-chairs Josephine Bourne and Sam Jeffries said they were pleased

with the interest shown by Congress members.

"Our members voted in line with other similar elections, with more than 25 per cent mailing their ballots back," Ms Bourne said.

Mr Jeffries said Congress Ethics Council members were now checking on all six male and four female candidates to ensure they meet strict standards.

"We hope to announce the outcome of the election later this month," he said.

New head office for Institute

Lowitja O'Donoghue and Wurundjeri Elder Joy Murphy Wandin are all smiles at the opening of the Lowitja Institute's new head office in Melbourne. Turn to pages 32-33 for full details on the health research body's new headquarters in Melbourne.



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Shake-up likely as Coalition wins poll



A NEW approach to Aboriginal Affairs in New South Wales appears likely following the demolition of the Labor Government by the Liberal-National Coalition at the 26 March State election.

Just prior to the polls, the *Koori Mail* caught up with then Shadow Aboriginal Affairs Minister Kevin Humphries, a National Party MP, who revealed some of the Coalition's plans for Aboriginal affairs.

But last Sunday it was revealed that Mr Humphries would not be the new NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs. Instead, new Premier Barry O'Farrell has installed Sydney-based Liberal MP Victor Dominello in the role. *The Koori Mail* could not speak to Mr Dominello, a lawyer elected in 2008 to the seat of Ryde, in time for this edition.

But earlier, Mr Humphries – who will also be a minister in the O'Farrell Cabinet – said the Coalition in Government would target education, training and employment in order to improve social disadvantage issues.

"Other neglected issues to focus on are that no government has taken

a restoration approach to cultural identity and what it means to be an Aboriginal person living in this country today," he said.

"There's tinkering around arts and languages programs, but we can do much better and mainstream Australia wants that to.

"People who feel proud and connected with where they come from are more likely to be productive members of society."

Land Rights Act

Mr Humphries had also foreshadowed a shake-up of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act and the network of land councils throughout the state.

"Why would you treat 119 land councils the same? In many cases their characteristics are unique," he said.

"We won't treat them the same but will encourage the better-performing ones to operate more independently.

"Do we need to revive the Act? Yes we do ... but the Act came in in 1983 and things change."

Mr Humphries said the Coalition also would look closely at the NSW Department of Aboriginal Affairs.



Every reason to laugh ... This file photo shows new NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell, left, with his new Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello. *Newspix image*

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Praise as Burney retains her seat

By MARGARET SMITH

NEW South Wales still has an Aboriginal MP – but not an Indigenous Cabinet minister.

Linda Burney, a Wiradjuri woman, held her western Sydney seat of Canterbury, but her Labor Party was soundly defeated by the Liberal-National Coalition led by new Premier Barry O'Farrell.

The former Community Services Minister will now serve on the front bench in the Labor Opposition.

Ms Burney said she was proud of what she had achieved as Community Services Minister, especially the 'Keep them Safe' initiative – a five-year plan aimed at ensuring children and families were supported through online mandatory reporting guidelines, improving outcomes for Aboriginal communities, and workplace development and capacity building.

She is concerned the new Government might not support 'Keep Them Safe' programs.

At her last official function as Minister, she congratulated the Red Cross Young Parents Program for the work being done with young mothers and children.

Long-time friend and Sydney University's Koori Centre associate co-ordinator Lynette Riley said she wasn't surprised



Linda Burney ... held her seat of Canterbury.

Ms Burney held her seat.

"Not only is she a savvy politician, she is an eminent representative for her electorate and for all Aboriginal people," Ms Riley says.

"Linda has been a tireless worker for her electorate and as a Minister for the previous State Labor Government."

Former Premier Bob Carr told the *Koori Mail*: "I realised that Linda Burney had a challenging background when I heard her talking about growing up in the country, and being told

as a girl that she wouldn't amount to anything. There is still an unbelievable amount of discrimination that exists in Australian society.

"But Linda's talent, positive approach and lack of bitterness is impressive. In her role as Minister for Community Services she had to grapple with very difficult problems, such as people who didn't always behave rationally. I think we need Linda Burney as much in Opposition as we did in government."



At left, NT Independent MP Alison Anderson and other Aboriginal people joined the rally with Action for Alice protestors outside a special Alice Springs sitting of the NT Parliament last Tuesday. They were calling for the NT Government to act on alcohol-fuelled violence in the town. At right, Barbara Shaw, left, and Marlene Hodder of the Intervention Rollback Action group (IRAG) at the same rally, with a message aimed at the Action for Alice campaign. AAP Image

Heat on in Alice

By KIRSTIE PARKER



NORTHERN Territory politicians were thick on the ground in Alice Springs last week and some big Federal names could roll into the town within weeks, but Aboriginal locals appear split on whether either will do any good.

The town has been the subject of heated public debate and intense media scrutiny since February, when a group of local business owners and residents launched a controversial television campaign for a tougher approach to law and order.

The Action for Alice group blames Aboriginal youth for a reported 47 per cent increase in alcohol-fuelled crime in the town since 2007, a year after the then-Howard Government announced the NT Intervention in 'prescribed' remote communities.

On 21 March, Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott called for a 'new intervention' in Alice Springs and other larger towns like Katherine and Tennant Creek to deal with problems he conceded stemmed partly from an influx of people from prescribed communities trying to escape the Intervention, especially alcohol restrictions.

He said the 'top-heavy' Intervention had helped in remote communities but had dramatically worsened social dysfunction in Alice Springs, where there was greater access to alcohol, inadequate accommodation and too few support services.

"That's where the problems have transferred to," he told ABC Radio.

Mr Abbott called for more police, mandatory school attendance, better alcohol management and an insistence on work for the dole – measures he admitted could cost \$20 million.

"When you have got a serious social crisis, you have got to take serious measures," he said.

Mr Abbott called on Prime Minister Julia Gillard to join him at a summit with Aboriginal people, whom he said history had shown should be involved in solutions.

However, the PM gave the Opposition Leader short shrift, accusing him of playing politics and 'hunting for a headline'.

Ms Gillard told a Canberra press conference that Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and the Opposition's Indigenous Affairs spokesman Nigel Scullion had been working co-operatively to improve Indigenous housing, health and education –

'putting policy before politics'.

"It's a pity Mr Abbott couldn't do the same," she said, adding that she would visit Alice Springs with Ms Macklin 'in due course'.

NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson, who declared that Mr Abbott had 'form for dog whistle politics and focus group tested slogans and not much else', echoed Ms Gillard's comments. The Australian Greens and Amnesty International also weighed in, saying a new intervention would simply deliver more of an already failed approach.

But, while the Government would probably have liked the matter to end there, that wasn't to be.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda urged Ms Gillard to take a bipartisan approach to finding new solutions to growing dysfunction.

Alice Springs Country Liberal MP Adam Giles suggested the PM 'swallow her pride' because Mr Abbott's calls were 'a genuine

Mail that Prime Minister Gillard should visit but would 'probably be judgmental and do what the Action for Alice mob want'.

"As for Tony Abbott, I don't think he needs to come because his party put the Intervention into the Territory in the first place," Ms Shaw said. "He was there when they announced they were going to invade our communities and make them prescribed areas."

Ms Shaw said that, if Mr Abbott knocked on her door at Mt Nancy town camp, she'd give him 'the real story'.

"He voted for legislation which was supposed to protect women and children and it hasn't," she said. "The Intervention in the NT is not working."

Ms Shaw has criticised the Action for Alice campaign, saying its push for a zero-tolerance approach towards alcohol-related crime would result in even more Aboriginal people being locked up in an already bloated prison system.

Others have suggested some of the

Aboriginal one instead of one of overpopulation.

He said Alice Spring's current population of about 34,000 was projected to jump to about 50,000 within the next 20-30 years, about 70 per cent of whom would be Aboriginal.

"But we're not seeing anyone attempting to do some 'futuring', having a look over the horizon to see what we have in front of us and thinking 'how many houses, jobs and services will we need?'"

"All we see is short term solutions – 'let's get it out of sight and out of mind' – or alternatively 'let's get a community action plan'. Well, the road to where we are now is paved with community action plans that have never been actioned."

Mr Pearce said he also saw little point to either the PM or the Opposition Leader making flying visits to Alice Springs.

"In other words: Tony, Julia, don't bother coming if all you'll do is make us feel we've been loved for 'a little bit, short time'.

"Do, however, come if you choose to say we'll be on this journey together 'little bit, long time'. We don't want a fling, we want a marriage."

Meanwhile, another intervention critic, veteran journalist Jeff McMullen criticised the Federal Government for its continuation of the Intervention, despite Minister Jenny Macklin's admission in a letter to him that

the policy had been 'a major shock' and a 'serious affront' causing 'anger, fear and distrust' in Aboriginal communities. Ms Macklin also insisted the Intervention had achieved valuable results around community safety and care of children.

"The Intervention is social engineering at its worst and the most damaging policy inflicted on Indigenous people since the Stolen Generation," Mr McMullen replied in a letter to Ms Macklin.

"A reasonable discussion of the alcohol problems in Alice Springs, which both you and Mr Abbott say that you seek, would begin by admitting that Australia has a drinking problem. Stop stereotyping Indigenous people and targeting them with calls for 'behavioural change'.

"Address alcoholism and unrestricted use of alcohol as a national, social problem."

The *Koori Mail* also approached Tangentyere Council, the organisation that services the Alice Springs town camps, for comment.

No response had been received at the time of printing.

'...Tony, Julia, don't bother coming if all you'll do is make us feel we've been loved for 'a little bit, short time'. Do, however, come if you choose to say we'll be on this journey together 'little bit, long time'. We don't want a fling, we want a marriage' – Lhere Artepe CEO Darryl Pearce

attempt to bring about change for the better'.

And, last week, ten Elders from Alice Springs and surrounding communities signed a letter to Ms Gillard, urging her to visit with Tony Abbott 'and sit down with us together in the dirt with no media'.

"This is our home and it deeply saddens us that such events are not only being reported and therefore tarnishing our reputation but are unfortunately continuing to occur on an almost daily basis," a version of the letter read.

"...As Aboriginal elders and residents of Alice Springs we were pleased to learn that you are proposing to visit our community to discuss solutions to the problems.

"...We accept that it may take some time to fix all the problems but fear that this may never be achieved if you are unable to work with and include the Opposition in any visits to Alice Springs."

However, not all local Aboriginal leaders were sold on the benefits of either national leader visiting.

Anti-intervention campaigner and town camp resident Barbara Shaw told the *Koori*

lobby group's members directly benefit from the misery caused by alcohol, through ownership of licensed premises and takeaway outlets.

Ms Shaw wants the trading hours of Alice Springs alcohol outlets reduced, more alcohol rehabilitation programs established in remote communities, bush trips and mentoring for kids, proper funding for a local youth centre, and a focus on all Territory communities instead of just township hubs.

Last Tuesday, Action for Alice members held a protest outside a special sitting of the NT Parliament in Alice Springs. Standing together with them holding placards declaring 'We are united as one' and 'save our kids' were Independent MP Alison Anderson and some Aboriginal people identified as being from Yuendumu.

However, Ms Shaw turned up and took a different view, urging voters to 'put people before profits'.

Darryl Pearce, the CEO of local traditional owner organisation Lhere Artepe, told the *Koori Mail* decision-makers incorrectly saw the problem as an

Nine sue over race

Article claims called a 'head-on assault'

By KIRSTIE PARKER



A SERIES of print and online articles written by newspaper columnist Andrew Bolt and published

extensively throughout Australia constituted a 'head-on assault' of a number of successful, high-achieving Aboriginal people, the Federal Court heard last week.

Nine Aboriginal people are suing Mr Bolt and his employer, The Herald & Weekly Times.

They say articles entitled 'It's so hip to be black' and 'White fellas in the black' published in the *Herald Sun*, in affiliated newspapers and online in April and August 2009 vilified them by suggesting they had chosen to identify as Aboriginal – even though they had mixed heritage – because it was trendy, political and helped their careers.

The lead plaintiff is 73-year-old NSW activist Pat Eatock. She has been joined by eight others: Victorian brothers academic Wayne Atkinson and native title specialist Graham Atkinson; law



Lead plaintiff Aboriginal activist Pat Eatock navigates through a phalanx of media outside the Federal Court in Melbourne last week. Also pictured is former ATSIC chairman Geoff Clark, another party to the action.

professor Larissa Behrendt; Victorian artist and photographer Bindi Cole; former ATSIC Chairman Geoff Clark from Victoria; health worker and Labor candidate at the last Queensland state election Leeanne Enoch, Sydney-based author Dr Anita Heiss, and lawyer and Fulbright scholar Mark McMillan.

The group members, most of them fair-skinned, want an apology from Mr Bolt and an order

restraining him from publishing similar articles. They're not seeking damages.

The case, being heard by Justice Mordy Bromberg, is seen as an important one in terms of 'identity politics', a matter of racial protection versus free speech.

The plaintiffs are being represented on a pro-bono basis by a team led by former Federal Court judge Ron Merkel QC. Both he and Mr Bolt's senior counsel

Neil Young QC have track records in native title court proceedings – Mr Merkel as a judge determining claims and Mr Young as a lawyer for plaintiff Wayne Atkinson in the landmark Yorta Yorta case.

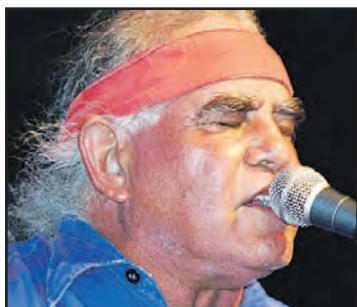
The first days of last week's proceedings saw opening statements from the prosecution and defence, and evidence from and cross-examination of Ms Eatock, Ms Cole and Prof Behrendt, as well as Mr Bolt.

Dr Heiss had travelled to Melbourne for the case but was not called to the stand. Instead, she, Wayne and Graham Atkinson, and Geoff Clark watched from the public gallery, along with media and local Aboriginal community members.

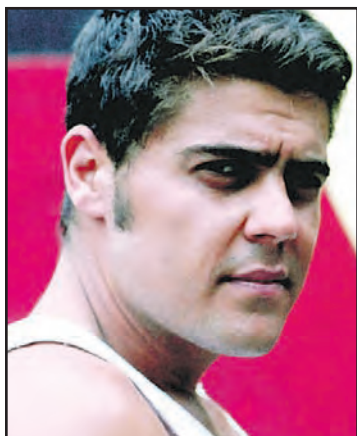
The prosecution team contends that the case is about race, ethnic origin and colour –

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500 great reasons to celebrate



KEV CARMODY



DAN SULTAN

DO you remember where and when you read your very first *Koori Mail*?

If it was our first edition and fresh off the press, it might surprise you to learn that it was almost two decades ago.

That's right... it was nearly 20 years and 500 editions ago that this humble community newspaper first hit the streets.

Back then, we hoped to give a voice to Aboriginal people everywhere, celebrate our community's many achievements, and provide more detail on important issues affecting our people.

We like to think we've been pretty successful.

Edition 500 of the *Koori Mail* will be published on 4 May, and it promises to be a beauty. And we're hosting a major event in Sydney to celebrate this milestone and our 20th year.



A gala dinner, 'Koori Mail: Twenty500', will be held at CarriageWorks in Wilson Street, Eveleigh (near Redfern), Sydney from 6.30pm on Saturday, 7 May.

During the course of the night, we'll look back on the events and people that helped to shape Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community life over the past two decades.

We'll explore what has changed and what has stayed the same, the struggles, the wins, the highs and the lows – in everything from land rights, justice and politics to health, education, reconciliation and sport – and how they played out on the pages of the *Koori Mail*.

Tickets also include a memorable three-course meal and performances by the

legendary Kev Carmody, multiple ARIA Award winner Dan Sultan, Casey Donovan, Mary G, the NAISDA Dancers and others.

We're hoping to see as many of our readers, Indigenous community members, friends and supporters there as possible. But numbers are strictly capped at 500, so don't miss out.

You can buy your ticket for 'Koori Mail: Twenty500' from Ticketmaster, at \$85 per person, \$75 for concessions, or \$800 for groups of ten (plus booking fee). To do so, call Ticketmaster on 1300 723 038, go to any Ticketmaster outlet or online at www.ticketmaster.com.au/event/1300467FB2C59D67

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essentially their clients' rights to determine their own identity, without having aspersions cast on the genuineness of their Aboriginality or their motives for claiming or choosing to be Aboriginal.

"Language such as 'part-Aboriginal' is used throughout," Mr Merkel said of the articles in question.

"None of the persons before your honour have identified as 'part-Aboriginal'. That is an insulting term. They are identified as an Aboriginal person."

Mr Merkel variously described the articles in question as misleading, gratuitous, offensive and said they were underlined by a discredited 'eugenics approach' – common in the early years of Hitler's Germany – where biological descent was taken as a signifier of a person's capacities.

"What is unusual and extraordinary about the present case is, Mr Bolt, in his articles, has taken us back to that eugenic approach to Aboriginality," Mr Merkel said.

And later: "The fact that they don't look Aboriginal according to Mr Bolt's book shows that that is a man who is living in a mindset frozen in history."

"...What these articles are saying is, these people aren't really Aborigines. And they're in the trough, and they're taking – their snouts in the trough, and putting other Aboriginal people, the real Aboriginal people that Mr Bolt thinks should be getting all the benefits, they're taking away these benefits."

But Mr Bolt and his lawyers insist that the case is about free speech and a matter of public interest and public importance.

Taking the stand last Tuesday, the columnist angrily rejected Mr Merkel's comments about eugenics, saying they were false, grossly offensive, crossed the line and misrepresented his long-held and vigorous

Plaintiffs tell of upset at articles

opposition to the eugenics movement.

Mr Young told the court that, in publishing the articles, his client had no intention to offend. He denied that Mr Bolt had engaged in any form of attack 'on all Aboriginal people, or all fair-skinned Aboriginal people'.

"...(Mr Bolt's) thesis is, because of their European heritage and skin colouring, the opinion that Mr Bolt expresses is that the individuals, by an act of will, could make a choice to embrace all aspects of their heritage," Mr Young told the court.

"His view is that the societal consequences of that may be deleterious in the long run. It's a perfectly rational viewpoint."

And, last Thursday: "...It's a matter of public interest that people of mixed heritage, if they identify solely with the Aboriginal heritage, may lead to undesirable social consequences, and that the better course, in the interests of cohesion in society, is to identify with all aspects of their heritage."

In his witness statement, tendered in court, Mr Bolt said that he had abhorred racism throughout his life.

"I consider racism to be a gravely divisive social force. I believe that racism is perpetuated by emphasising racial differences. I believe that we should resolve to find what unites us rather than what

divides us," his statement read.

When questioned by Mr Merkel's colleague Herman Borenstein SC, Mr Bolt said he believed that stressing racial division encouraged racism and, on that basis, one of the plaintiffs, Geoff Clark, was 'not a victim of racism, he is a racist'.

"And that's quite proudly. He divides us," Mr Bolt said, before being directed by Justice Bromberg to refrain from naming individuals.

During the proceedings, Mr Merkel and Mr Borenstein forensically examined assertions that Mr Bolt had made in relation to the backgrounds of their clients, who testified that they had always been Aboriginal and the columnist had failed to contact them in the course of writing his articles.

Mr Bolt was forced to concede that some of his mostly online sources may have been incorrect, and that he'd erred in his articles, for example, in saying that Prof Behrendt had a German father. Her father was, in fact, the late well-known Aboriginal educator Paul Behrendt.

In her witness statement, Prof Behrendt – a Harvard graduate, law professor, former NAIDOC Person of the Year and 2011 NSW Australian of the Year – said that Mr Bolt had trivialised what she had

achieved because she was light-skinned.

"Bolt implies in the first article that I choose to identify as an Aboriginal in order to gain some kind of advantage... some kind of rorting of my Aboriginality," her statement read. "...To say I'm not Aboriginal or not Aboriginal enough because of my skin colour is a denial of my race and my identity... This is hurtful, insulting and offensive."

Mr Bolt had written that Pat Eatock only publicly identified as an Aboriginal person at the age of 19, a claim vigorously refuted by the now elderly pensioner.

When Mr Young suggested in questioning that Ms Eatock had held a string of Aboriginal jobs that were indicative of a successful Aboriginal career, she responded 'Where's my mansion, where's my car? I live in a one-bedroom housing commission flat. That's not great achievement.'

Mr Bolt agreed under questioning by Mr Borenstein that he'd known that some of the plaintiffs would be offended by what he'd written.

"They would be insulted by having their opinion contradicted, yes," he said.

"I thought they would, if confronted with the consequences of their actions, be offended... upset... and, I hoped, remorseful but clearly not," he said.

Mr Bolt also admitted he'd been wrong to suggest particular positions held by Dr Heiss had been ones reserved for Aboriginal people. But he refused to apologise for the mistake, insisting it was a mere 'detail' and his overall point that claiming Aboriginality could advantage job applicants remained.

At the time of printing, the case was continuing but expected to wind up early this week.

Justice Bromberg's decision is expected later this year.

What Andrew Bolt wrote

IN the first article 'It's so hip to be black', Mr Bolt wrote of 'a new black race' – 'the political Aborigine'. He listed Ms Cole, Prof Behrendt, Dr Heiss, Ms Eatock, Mr Clark, Wayne Atkinson and Graham Atkinson as well as a number of other Aboriginal people not party to the current court action including authors Tara June Winch and Kim Scott, former ATSI Chairperson Lowitja O'Donoghue, Tasmanian lawyer Michael Mansell, 2009 Australian of the Year Professor Mick Dodson, Victorian educator Dr Mark Rose, and ABC radio presenter Daniel Browning.

Mr Bolt trawled through the histories of those he named, highlighting – often erroneously, it was revealed in court – aspects of their mixed cultural heritage and their careers.

Ms Cole has an Aboriginal father and her mother was English Jewish. She could, Bolt wrote, have 'joined any one of several ethnic groups, but chose

Aboriginal, insisting on a racial identity you could not guess from her features'.

"She also chose, incidentally, the only identity open to her that has political and career clout. And how popular a choice that is now," he wrote.

Mr Bolt described Prof Behrendt as 'a professional Aborigine' who looked 'as German as her father'. He said she'd 'won many positions and honours as an Aborigine'.

"But which people are 'yours' exactly, mien liebchen? And isn't it bizarre to demand laws that give you more rights as a white Aborigine than your own white dad?" he wrote.

"...I'm not saying any of those I've named chose to be Aboriginal for anything but the most heartfelt and honest of reasons. I certainly don't accuse them of opportunism, even if full-blood Aborigines may wonder how such fair people can claim to be one of them and take black jobs.



ANDREW BOLT

"I'm saying only that this self-identification as Aboriginal strikes me as self-obsessed and driven more by politics than by any racial reality.

"It's also divisive, feeding a new movement to stress pointless or even invented racial differences we once swore to overcome. What

happened to wanting us all to become colour-blind?"

Mr Bolt concluded by highlighting as a 'healthier truth' comments by singer and former *Australian Idol* winner Casey Donovan that she was proud of being Aboriginal, but 'proud of being half-white, too'.

"In fact, let's go beyond racial pride. Beyond black and white," Mr Bolt wrote. "Let's be proud only of being human beings set on this land together, determined to find what unites us and not to invent such racist and trivial excuses to divide. Deal?"

In the second article 'White fellas in the black', Mr Bolt wrote about Mr McMillan, who received a Black Women's Action in Education Foundation (BWAEF) scholarship to study in the United States several years ago, and artist Danie Mellor, who won the 2009 Telstra Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award.

Published with the article were photos of Mr McMillan and Mr

Mellor and the line 'If, studying the faces of these two 'Aboriginal' men you think this is surely the most amazing stretch of definition, you're wrong'.

"...That's modern race politics at our universities and anywhere else where grants and privilege are now doled out. Hear that scuffling at the trough? That's the sound of black people being elbowed out by white people shouting 'But I'm Aboriginal too'..."

Mr Bolt described Mr McMillan and Mr Mellor as 'privileged' and 'representatives of a booming new class of victim you'd never have imagined we'd have to support with special prizes and jobs'.

"They are 'white Aborigines' – people who, out of their multi-stranded but largely European genealogy, decide to identify with the thinnest of all those strands, and the one that's contributed least to their looks," he wrote. "Yes, the Aboriginal one now so fashionable among artists and academics."



Rally organiser Sam Watson said the fight for justice would continue.



Sam Bullock of the Socialist Alliance asked 'where's the bloody justice'.



Wayne 'Coco' Wharton, of Brisbane, hit out at those who controlled the Queensland police.

Rally voices anger at Mulrunji cop-out

By DARREN COYNE



A SMALL but vocal gathering of protesters gathered outside Queensland Parliament House in Brisbane late last month to condemn

the decision not to take action against six police involved in the death in custody investigation of Mulrunji Doomadgee on Palm Island in 2004.

The case has been investigated by two coroners, both of whom found flaws in the police handling of the investigation, while a report by Queensland's Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) last year recommended disciplinary action against the officers involved.

However, after an investigation by an outgoing senior police officer, the Queensland Police Service said no disciplinary action would be taken, although two officers would receive 'managerial guidance'.

The CMC then announced that because no disciplinary action was being taken, its hands were tied.

Protest organiser Sam Watson told the rally on 23 March that it was obvious there were two systems of justice operating in Queensland.

"One is there to protect the Queensland Police Service and the other is there to crush Aboriginal people," he said.



The Reverend Alex Gater offers up a prayer at the beginning of the rally outside Queensland's Parliament House.

Palm Island man Jai Cummings rejected the notion that his fellow Islanders 'rioted' after the death in custody.

"It was not a riot. I don't want people to call this a riot because it was never a riot," he said.

"It was resistance against something that's been happening for a long time in this country to the natives of this country."

Another speaker, Sam Bullock of the Socialist Alliance, said the blood of Mulrunji Doomadgee was on the hands of those involved in the investigation of his death.

'Justice?'

"The police, the CMC and the whole justice system. One covers the other, one hand cleans the other," he said. "It's been seven

years. Where's the bloody justice?"

"If it was a blackfella who killed a cop he'd have been in jail for the rest of his life. They'd lock him up and throw away the key."

Brisbane man Wayne 'Coco' Wharton said 'racist white pigs' controlled the police force, and he accused passing students of not

giving 'a shit until they kill one of your friends'.

"What we seen from the police last week ... was a kick in the face to every black person and white person in this state," he said, accusing the Queensland Police Union of being 'the biggest racist political tool in this state'.

Mr Watson said further protests were being organised.

Meanwhile, the Queensland branch of Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation said everyone should feel less safe because it was obvious Queensland police were not accountable.

"Queenslanders are shocked those responsible for the botched investigation into the death of Mulrunji Doomadgee have not been held accountable and will not be appropriately disciplined," ANTaR Qld President Kitty Carra said.

"It is a stain on Queensland's reputation and is a very serious issue of accountability."

"The fact that a perfectly healthy man died within two hours of arriving at the police station is shocking."

"We all have the right to expect that the police would have carried out a thorough, impartial and rigorous inquiry. The same level of inquiry which they would have carried out if it had been the police officer who died of massive injuries, not the arrested Aboriginal man."

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'It was not a riot (on Palm Island). I don't want people to call this a riot because it was never a riot. It was resistance against something that's been happening for a long time to the natives of this country'

– Palm Island man Jai Cummings speaking during the protest rally at Parliament House, Brisbane

Funny business down south



ANYONE wanting a good belly laugh should be heading to Melbourne this month. The city is hosting the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, which features the best up-and-coming Indigenous comedians battling it out in the Deadly Funny National Grand Final on 16 April.

And as a warm up, the Footscray Community Arts Centre is holding the world premiere of *Mia Stanford: Unclassifiable*, a one-woman comedy show. Mia Stanford comes from the Northern Territory and now lives in Melbourne, although she has travelled to 27 countries during her 30 years. She grew up with 27 foster brothers and sisters, and draws on those experiences in her routine.

Her show is about celebrating difference, devouring life experience and honouring your roots.

She was the winner of the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Deadly Funny Award in 2007, Fringe Festival Outstanding Achievement Award 2010 and the Aunty Eleanor Harding Emerging Talent Award 2010.

Having performed last night at the Footscray Community Arts Centre's new performance space, she has a further four shows – this Friday and Saturday, 8 and 9 April, and then the following Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$20/\$15, or \$10 for groups of six or more. Tickets from Footscray Community Arts Centre on (03) 9362 8888 or www.trybooking.com/7203

Deadly Funny

And for those still up for more laughs, the Deadly Funny National Grand Final will showcase the best Indigenous comedians.

Now in its fifth year, Deadly Funny is a development initiative of The Melbourne Comedy Festival. Under the initiative, established comedians travel to Indigenous communities to host workshops.

The deadliest jokesters then play off at the Deadly Funny National Grand Final for a chance to win \$2000 and a deadly trophy.

Denise McGuinness, of Victoria, was the 2010 Deadly Funny National Winner. Second place went to Sam Conway from Queensland, while Sean Dow, from Western Australia, came third.

The event will be held from 3.30pm at the Melbourne Town Hall Supper Room on Saturday, 16 April. Tickets are \$19/\$15/\$12.50.

Hoping to draw some laughs ... Indigenous Comedian Mia Stanford, who will perform in Melbourne this week.



New approach call over jail numbers

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL people continue to be locked away in prisons in large numbers, prompting calls for a new approach to dealing with offenders.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics figures show 26 per cent of all prisoners in Australia are either Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, despite the total Indigenous population being just two per cent of the population.

The average daily number of full-time Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adult prisoners in Australia in the December quarter 2010 was 7413, comprising 6795 (92 per cent) males and 618 females.

And while the highest Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander prison population was in New South Wales (2200), Western Australia (1749) and Queensland (1649), the Northern Territory had the highest incarceration rate per 100,000 people.

With 679 prisoners per 100,000 people, the NT topped WA which had 260, and NSW with 180 per 100,000.

The North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) said the NT's 'lock 'em up' mentality was not working.

NAAJA chairwoman Dorothy Fox said that while figures in other states were going down, the NT Aboriginal prison population had increased by eight per cent.

"Putting people in jail is not addressing the causes of crime and not making the community safer," Ms Fox said.

She called on the Government to allow more Aboriginal people to

- More than one in every four prisoners is Indigenous
- Over 7400 Indigenous people in prison
- NT has highest incarceration rate, followed by WA
- 'Lock them up' mentality under attack

access Community Corrections orders, which allow offenders to be supervised in their community while doing programs that address their crimes.

"This is crucial to address the reasons why people are getting into trouble and to get them back on track," she said.

"And more emphasis is needed to provide culturally relevant support to Aboriginal people at all stages of the criminal justice system, whether it be improving access to diversion for first offenders, or after their release from prison.

"Unfortunately there is a lack of resources being put into rehabilitation options in regional or remote communities and the option of community work is often not available."

While imprisonment rates for Indigenous people remained high, there was a marginal decrease in the latest figures.

The national average daily Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander imprisonment rate in the December quarter 2010 was 2250

per 100,000 adult Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population, a decrease of 1 per cent from the previous quarter and by 4 per cent from the December quarter 2009.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda has been a vocal supporter of investigating options other than jail.

He said more money should be spent on prevention, early intervention and diversion instead of automatically reverting to a 'lock them up' approach.

"Justice reinvestment gives us hope; by reinvesting funds from our existing imprisonment model to preventative programs and community services at the local level where there are acute problems, we have a chance to get in early and address the underlying causes of crime," he said.

Yuendumu people leave Alice Springs



A GROUP of more than 100 people from the remote community of Yuendumu, 300kms north-west of Alice Springs, have gone home after leaving the community because of violence.

The group had been staying at

Adelaide parkland after violence broke out between families in relation to the stabbing death of a young man.

But they returned to Alice Springs just over two weeks ago after being evicted from the Adelaide parks.

They had been staying at the new Apmere Mwerre Visitor Park in Alice

Springs before leaving for Yuendumu last Tuesday on buses organised by the Northern Territory Government.

Police say they have placed additional officers in Yuendumu to guard against further unrest.

The families have left their township at least twice since last year after

continuing conflicts in the community and vocal debates about whether there was still a place for traditional punishment.

The dispute originally arose after a man was fatally stabbed, with the family of the dead man demanding payback punishment.

Fund to assist tragedy families

By ALF WILSON



THE Federal Government and Opposition have given bipartisan support to the establishment of a trust fund to assist the families of five people

who died when the ill-fated *Malu Sara* sank in the Torres Strait in October 2005.

A Private Member's Motion by Federal Member for Leichhardt Warren Entsch was passed by Parliament on 25 March.

Immigration officers Wilfred Baira, 38, Ted Cyril Harry, 54, and passengers Valerie Saub, 34, Flora Enosa 34 and her daughter, Ethena Enosa, 5, died on 15 October 2005 when their poorly equipped and shoddily built government boat, the *Malu Sara*, sank en route for Badu Island after leaving Saibai Island. Only one body was ever recovered.

Known as the 'Malu Sara Motion', the Victims' Family Trust Fund motion put forward by Mr Entsch was to:

- Examine ways of providing educational assistance to the children of the victims and to support appropriate commemorations on Badu, Iama and Thursday islands.

- Construct appropriate memorials on Badu, Iama and Thursday islands to properly commemorate the tragic event, and provide respectful places for the family of the victims to pay their respects and

remember their loved ones.

- Fully examine the court's judgment, including the contractors and others named in the report of the Queensland Coroner into the same incident.

- Strongly encourage the Government to ensure that the Department of Immigration and Citizenship's contract and tendering procedures are fully reviewed to ensure that lapses such as this do not occur again.

- Condemn the Department of Immigration and Citizenship for its gross negligence.

- Express its deep sympathy for the victims of the tragedy.

Mr Entsch said it is a great day for the people of the Torres Strait and the victims of the *Malu Sara* tragedy.

"I am pleased with the outcome. I will be working to establish an appropriate trust and identified trustees," he said.

Jason Briggs, the Cairns-based lawyer for the

Saub family whose daughter Valerie died when the boat sank, told *The Koori Mail* that Valerie's father John and other family members supported the work that Mr Entsch has done to maintain the pressure on Government for a meaningful response to the tragedy.

"John and his family would like to thank Warren for the continued efforts he is making to pursue this matter – as they believe that in the end it needs a response from Government that is genuine," Mr Briggs said.



John Saub, the father of Valerie Saub who died when the *Malu Sara* sank in the Torres Strait.



Kev Carmody and Native American performer Buffy Sainte-Marie.

Carmody to lend support

By DARREN COYNE

FOR a fella who admits to being 'pretty crippled with arthritis' these days, Aboriginal singer/songwriter Kev Carmody jumped at the chance to perform with one of the finest Native American performers, Buffy Sainte-Marie.

Mr Carmody will support Ms Sainte-Marie at a concert in Melbourne on 20 April and another in Sydney on 23 April, which will also feature Canadian singer Michelle Shocked.

Mr Carmody told the *Koori Mail* that he first met Ms Sainte-Marie back in the early 1960s.

"When we heard she was coming out our agent mentioned us to her promoter and she said yeah, and even cut her bracket to get us in," Mr Carmody said.

Like Mr Carmody, who is widely known for the song he co-wrote with Paul Kelly, *From Little Things Big Things Grow*, Ms Sainte-Marie can also lay claim to a hit, *Love Lifts Us Up Where We Belong*, as well as the timeless protest song *Universal Soldier*.

Mr Carmody said he also had some other projects in the pipeline – aside from teaching his three grandchildren as well as another Koori lad the didgeridoo, and spending time in the garden.

Next month he will perform at *The Koori Mail's* 20th anniversary celebrations in Sydney, and then in August he will join Paul Kelly on Gurundji country in the Northern Territory to mark the 45th anniversary of the Wave Hill walk off.

"Paul and I will then do something up in the Tiwi Islands in September," he said.

Asked if another album might be in the pipeline, Mr Carmody admitted he had been 'writing a few songs' and had just started in a little bush studio 15kms from his family home.

"The family went through a heap of cassettes from the 1970s that were written during the protest years in Queensland and I reckon I could do ten albums right now without writing another song," he said.

"The great part about playing with Buffy and Michelle is that these days we can network with Indigenous cultures all over the world," he said.

And while his performing days are entering their twilight years, Mr Carmody said there were plenty of 'phenomenal' young performers putting out their own versions of protest songs following in his footsteps.

Playing with non-Indigenous performers such as Missy Higgins, John Butler and Paul Kelly had also resulted in broad friendships.

"The highlight of my career has not been awards – it's been sharing the music," he said. "Like on that *Cannot Buy My Soul* CD that Paul (Kelly) did. He brought all these different people together and they become one big musical family."

Mr Carmody believes, however, that there is still much work to be done before the 'protest song' genre fades away.

"The younger ones are coming on but the themes they are singing about are just the same," he said.

"This gap is getting wider and for us fellas we're at the bottom of the can and they just keep kicking us. I feel positive that things will change because the younger generation has a much greater ability to network than we did.

"I feel positive that the younger mob can bring about change using things like SMS and Twitter ... technology changed things in Tunisia and Egypt and it can happen here.

"But it's the younger ones who can take it on. Us old fellas can sit back and just let them do it."

'The younger ones are coming on but the themes they are singing about are just the same'

Tough new grog laws for Territory



THE Northern Territory Government has introduced what it says are the country's toughest ever alcohol reforms.

"Too much alcohol-fuelled violence and anti-social behaviour are occurring right

across the Territory," NT Minister for Alcohol Policy Delia Lawrie said during a special Alice Springs sitting of the Parliament last week.

"We're stepping up to the plate with the toughest reforms in our nation and we believe the toughest reforms in the world."

The reforms include a

register of banned drinkers, tougher penalties for licensed premises and the illegal trade of alcohol, an alcohol tribunal and mandatory rehabilitation for problem drinkers.

The hope is that the changes will not only reduce drink-related crime and violence but also ease the heavy burden problem

drinkers place on the judicial system.

Government figures show alcohol-related crime and illness costs the NT \$642 million each year or \$4197 per adult, compared to \$943 per adult nationally.

Almost 70 per cent of domestic violence assaults in the NT are alcohol related, and

alcohol-related deaths in the NT are three times higher than the national average.

Between 2000 and 2005, 48 per cent of road deaths in the NT involved alcohol.

Ms Lawrie said funding for the Territory-wide reforms would be announced when the NT Budget was handed down next month. – AAP

Translator hope for the west

By LIZ MURRAY



THE Western Australian Indigenous Affairs Minister says he will push for extra funding to extend Aboriginal translator services to the Goldfields and Pilbara regions, following the deaths

of two people.

Minister Peter Collier's move was sparked by an Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC) campaign on International Day for Mother Languages (21 February), which raised the alarm about the urgent need for translators for Aboriginal people.

WA Equal Opportunity Commissioner Yvonne Henderson said government departments needed funds for interpreters, especially in the areas of health and justice where the use of interpreters was essential.

She said an Aboriginal baby died because 'the mother did not understand the doctor's instructions to apply a medicine topically (on to the body) instead of orally (by mouth)', and that another Aboriginal person constantly broke parole until an interpreter was engaged to explain the reporting conditions properly.

Mr Collier also detailed the death of an elderly Aboriginal woman admitted to hospital with cancer who did not have a translator.

He said there was no justification for an avoidable death, and that the deaths would have to be investigated.

Ms Henderson said: "Although it is unfortunate it has taken accounts of a child and a woman losing their lives to draw attention to the lack of interpreting services in WA, it is encouraging to hear the Minister is committed to solving the problem."

In June last year, the EOC released a report on Indigenous interpreting services, which found a lack of qualified interpreters severely affected the ability of Aboriginal

people to access crucial government services such as justice and health.

The report said 20 per cent of remote Indigenous people had difficulty understanding or being understood by service providers. It suggested the core language groups should be covered by a statewide model, and it identified a need to raise awareness of interpreter use, among government service providers.

"Kimberley Interpreting Service (KIS) is the only Aboriginal interpreting service in the state and while it receives some funding, this barely covers the costs of helping the many Aboriginal communities in desperate need of its service," Ms Henderson said.

(KIS) co-chair Annette Kogolo, a Walmajarri woman, said the services they provided spanned simple translation all the way to education, and that communication and language skills were very important to all the community.

In the Kimberley region there are 26 language groups, more than any other area in WA, which created a heavy demand on interpreter services, and Ms Kogolo said KIS had 117 interpreters to cover services for all those groups.

Ms Kogolo said people who worked at hospitals sometimes did not have an awareness of a person's need for an

interpreter, but that complex medical terms could be completely unknown to people for whom English is a second language.

"Court jargon and medical terminology can be difficult, and we need to explain it to people," she said. "It's very, very complicated."

Minister Peter Collier confirmed the Government was exploring funding options for the development of Aboriginal interpreting services in the Pilbara and Goldfields regions.

"I have met with the Director General of the Department of Indigenous Affairs, with discussion to continue on the issue," he said.



Kimberley Interpreter Service co-chair Annette Kogolo.



A crowd looks on in Ipswich as Prince William is presented with Maxene (Macka) Bennetts' artwork *A Journey Together*.

Photo by Sarah Harvey courtesy of the Queensland Times

Artwork that's fit for a prince



FOR south-east Queensland artist Maxene (Macka) Bennetts, being commissioned to create an artwork for Prince William during his recent

tour to Australia rates as a career highlight. Her work, titled *A Journey Together*, was presented to the prince during his visit to the flood-ravaged city of Ipswich on 20 March.

Ms Bennetts is a descendant of the Aboriginal people of south-east Queensland who were forcibly removed from the Deebing Creek settlement in Ipswich to Purga Mission. Her grandmother was the last Aboriginal baby born at the settlement.

Having previously supplied artwork to Ipswich Mayor Paul Pisasale, Ms Bennetts said she received a call from the Mayor's office the Monday before the prince's visit and was given a deadline of less than four days to come up with a piece.

She said she worked 'non-stop' to complete the artwork in just 64 hours.

"This has been a highlight of my career," she said.

"How many people have their work go to royalty. The heir to the throne – the future King of England."

Ms Bennetts said the themes in *A Journey Together* related to the recent flooding, since that was the reason for Prince William's visit and she wanted to do something that was 'current'.

She and her two daughters Georgia and Ella were included amongst the VIP section and got to meet Prince William during his official visit to WESTmac College in Ipswich last month.



Artist Maxene (Macka) Bennetts and Ipswich Mayor Paul Pisasale with her artwork *Goanna Dreams* which was a gift to the city.

She said she was introduced to the prince as the artist who had done the artwork for him, which was later presented to him on stage. "He said 'that's wonderful, thank you' and I got to shake his hand and I curtsied and said 'your royal highness – enjoy'," she said.

Ms Bennetts has had her artworks go around the world, with her pieces presented to the President of Indonesia and Australian Ambassador to the United States Kim Beazley amongst others.

She is currently working on a National NAIDOC poster entry and completing works for a future solo exhibition, local art awards and gallery acquisitions.

Eric, take a bow



Bangarra Dance Theatre performer Elma Kris presents Eric Avery with his Diploma in Careers in Dance at the NAISDA Dance College graduation ceremony held late last month. Eric was one of four NAISDA students to receive diplomas. Turn to page 39 for more on the graduation. Photo: AMANDA JAMES

Action call on racism



THE Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA) has called on the Federal

Government to take a more prominent and active position on the elimination of racism in Australia.

FAIRA chairperson Les Malezer said that despite signing the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD), the Government had not shown itself to be a dedicated and committed force against racial discrimination.

"In 2011 we are facing a number of extreme examples of the failure of the Government to take action," he said.

Mr Malezer said these included:

- Australia's failure to ratify Article 4a of the race convention relating to racial vilification.
- Australia's Constitution having discriminatory provisions.
- No full-time race commissioner. Mr Malezer said the race commissioner in Australia was still a part-time position despite increasing and more frequent instances of racial conflicts occurring in Australia.
- No anti-racism strategy.
- CERD reports being ignored. Mr Malezer said that since 1999 CERD had produced six specific reports on Australia and on each occasion called on the Government to comply with

its obligations under the convention. These reports and recommendations had been ignored.

"Much-needed reforms in the area of land rights and native title, and in political participation in the governance of Aboriginal affairs, are not addressed, and the Government continues to forge deeply divisive policies into Australian society leading to greater despair, dispossession and disempowerment," he said.

"FAIRA refers in particular to the ongoing impoverishment of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia and their specific needs to gain political, economic, social and cultural equality through special and concrete measures.

"The lack of purpose, of objectives and targets, and strategies means the Government is unable to address the disadvantages and create equality.

"The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are left without any hope and without any means to engage with the Government in seeing or accounting for realistic and humane targets for non-discrimination.

"FAIRA calls for the national government, supported by the State and Territory governments, to review its current policy-less status and establish the steps towards an anti-racism strategy in this country."



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This piece of artwork is entitled "Moran" (Camping place)
painted by the Yidding Artists

'Bush Blitz' yields significant finds



SCIENTISTS and Indigenous people surveying

plants and animals on several Indigenous protected areas near Heywood in south-western Victoria have discovered species that are likely to be new to science as well as populations of species that are threatened elsewhere.

About 40 scientists and Indigenous owners and rangers took part in the survey which is part of the nationwide 'Bush Blitz' – a three-year biodiversity discovery program supported by the Australian Government, BHP Billiton, Earthwatch Australia and Terrestrial Ecosystems Research Network (TERN) AusPlots.

The Bush Blitz at Lake Condah in the Budj Bim National Heritage Landscape, which covers several Aboriginal-managed properties, has found two new species of blind crustaceans from the pitch black waters of underground caves.

Dr Mark Norman, from Museum Victoria, said the scientists were finding plants and animals that had not been recorded in the region. One of the most spectacular finds was a population of the bizarre mountain katydid.

"This relative of the grasshopper typically occurs in high country in south-eastern Australia where changing climate is impacting its habitats," Dr Patrick Honan, from Museum Victoria, said.



Bush Blitz scientists with Budj Bim (Gunditjmara) rangers Deb Rose, left, and Simone Sailor studying animals collected for identification during the Bush Blitz at Lake Condah in the Budj Bim National Heritage Landscape near Heywood, Victoria.

"It's fantastic to find these insects here, as lowland populations in healthy habitat may help buffer this species from the impacts of climate change."

Other finds of conservation significance include six frog species occurring in high numbers throughout the reserves. These include the swamp-dwelling pobblebonk and the tree-climbing brown tree frog. A population of a threatened native fish, the dwarf galaxia, has also been discovered.

"We had divers sampling and filming in flooded sinkholes

and the creek systems finding an array of aquatic plants which are providing homes to a range of fishes, shrimps, dragonfly nymphs, tadpoles, crabs, leeches and rarely-encountered freshwater sponges," Dr Norman said.

Diversity

"Moth diversity is also very high, with more than 100 species found in just two nights, some of which could be new to science."

Bush Blitz team leader Kate Gillespie, from Parks Australia which co-ordinates the program, said a highlight of the

survey has been the close collaboration between the Gunditjmara community and the visiting scientists.

Gunditjmara traditional owner Joseph Saunders said the Bush Blitz would help the next generation build on the traditional knowledge of the Gunditjmara country.

Scientists from Parks Australia, Museum Victoria, National Herbarium of Victoria, University of New South Wales, and South Australian Museum took part in this Bush Blitz, the first to be conducted in Victoria as well as the first on Aboriginal-managed lands.

Rare plant grown at Desert Park



A RARE plant species discovered near Alice Springs in a project led by traditional owners and staff from the Central Land Council has been successfully cultivated at the Alice Springs Desert Park.

After its discovery, the traditional owners gave permission for the species, *Typhonium* sp. 'Sandover', pictured, to be taken to the Alice Springs Desert Park for cultivation.

Botanists have grown the corm (a type of stem) of the plant to its mature size, which is 30cm high, with a spread of about 50cm.

The species was found at a site near Utopia, where only 12 plants exist.

The trip was organised after advice from scientist Dave Albrecht, from the Department of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport (NRETAS) Herbarium.

Alice Springs Desert Park curator of botany Scott Pullyblank said the species was principally a tropical genus that typically flourished in the Territory's Top End.

"The NRETAS Herbarium and Kings Park and Botanic Garden in Western Australia assisted in identifying the species," he said.

"Typhonium is a fascinating plant that generates heat of up to 12 degrees above the environment around it, sending out a unique smell that attracts native dung beetles as pollinators.

"It has pale green leaves with a distinct flower that is a vibrant maroon colour.

"Since this remarkable discovery, Desert Park botanists will continue to monitor the growth of the corm to ensure that such a rare species can continue to prosper in the arid climates of Central Australia."

Central Land Council staff plan to assist traditional owners in protecting the native population of the rare plant.



Smokes campaign is working, says Calma



THE Federal Government's Indigenous anti-smoking co-ordinator, Tom Calma, says a campaign designed to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

to butt out is working. The Government has channelled more than \$800 million into its Indigenous chronic disease package, aimed at closing the life-expectancy gap between black and white Australia.

Mr Calma, along with Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon and Health Minister Nicola Roxon, met with some of the 355 health staff funded under the program in Canberra.

It was the first time so much money had been invested in stamping out the biggest killer of Indigenous people, Mr Calma said.

"The focus is on prevention, it's on reduction and it's on cessation," he said.

"We're not expecting overnight



'We're not expecting overnight successes, although we are seeing them already' – Tom Calma

successes, although we are seeing them already."

Tharawal Aboriginal Medical Service worker Kerryanne White, who spends her time in the Liverpool, Wollondilly, Camden and Macarthur communities in western Sydney, said that of the 32 people who had signed up to the anti-smoking campaign she was running, eight had quit in the six

months since it started. The rest were still contemplating kicking their habits.

"It's good to have that idea in the back of their head," she said.

"The ball's in their court, that's what I say, when they are ready I am there for them."

Ms White said she was especially targeting young social smokers aged

between 12 to 21 who hadn't yet formed serious habits.

Ms Roxon said the Government was committed to cutting the Indigenous smoking rate of about 50 per cent in half by 2018.

"We reckon we can reach that target because of the very heavy investment we're making," she said.

Meanwhile, a new anti-smoking advertising campaign targeting Indigenous people is now under way.

The Federal Government has launched the print, television and radio ads which tell the story of a young Aboriginal woman who's lost family and friends to smoking-related diseases.

"This campaign addresses the harsh reality that one in two Indigenous Australians smoke, and one in five will die from smoking-related diseases," Minister Roxon said.



YANNIMA PIKARLI TOMMY WATSON

Artist, lawman busy in Sydney

By MARGARET SMITH



REKNOWNED
Pitjantjatjara artist and lawman Yannima Pikarli Tommy Watson has been in Sydney to attend the opening of his latest exhibition, and the launch of a major book about his life and work.

The 76-year-old paints huge canvasses in bold, vibrant colours, reflecting his desert dreaming and celebration of country. His works have been collected by most state galleries in Australia, and also the Quai Branly Museum in Paris. One of his paintings was sold at auction recently for \$240,000, the highest amount paid for a living Aboriginal artist.

Tommy Watson began his painting just 10 years ago, and spends his time between his community at Warakurna, near the Great Victoria Desert, and his home in Alice Springs. He's been a stockman, a builder of roads, a handyman at Yuendumu and Papunya, and is a respected lawman.

His paintings have been described as 'incandescent' by National Gallery of Victoria Indigenous art curator Judith Ryan.

The artist says of his art: "I paint from my heart. I can't do those works again like

some other fellas – it can't be real dreaming if I do."

Watson is an intense and reflective man who remembers his grandparents' influence.

"When I was young they would take me round the country, when I was a child. That's why we look after country, go out whenever we can. See if the rockholes are good," he says through his interpreter.

Watson has been careful not to include sacred images in his work, and is adamant that this knowledge must be protected.

Sacred knowledge

Marie Geissler, who co-authored the book on the artist, said of Watson: "He's a very meditative painter, and he's always been careful to safeguard his people's sacred and ceremonial knowledge, by not including these images in his paintings."

Geissler met Watson four years ago. "I found his work extraordinary and movingly powerful. He adds a new dimension to the modern world of contemporary Aboriginal art," she said.

"Every painting is very different, which is a reflection of his great imagination."

Tommy Watson's work is on view until 24 April at Agathon Galleries, 1d Danks Street, Waterloo. The book, *Yannima Pikarli Tommy Watson*, is published by MacMillan, retailing at \$95.

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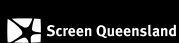
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Warmun is on the road to recovery



THE Western Australian Government has allocated an initial \$500,000 to co-ordinate the recovery of the

flood-hit Warmun community in the East Kimberley region.

Deputy Premier Kim Hames said the funding would be allocated to the newly-formed Warmun Aboriginal Community Re-establishment Taskforce which will co-ordinate the recovery efforts to rebuild housing and infrastructure damaged during the flooding.

"Our priority is to rebuild Warmun to allow community members to return to their homes as soon as possible," Dr Hames said.

"Due to the severe nature of the damage and the remote location of Warmun, we know this will take careful co-ordination which will be made possible with this task force."

The task force will be chaired by Kimberley Development Commission CEO Geoff Gooding and include representatives nominated by directors-general from the departments of Indigenous Affairs, Housing and Child Protection.

It will also include relevant

additional members from State and Federal governments, local government and the Warmun Aboriginal community.

Dr Hames will be joined by Regional Development Minister Brendon Grylls, Indigenous Affairs Minister Peter Collier and Housing Minister Troy Buswell to assist with the work of the task force.

Mr Grylls said the initial \$500,000 funding would also be used to meet the needs of people who had been evacuated.

Disaster area

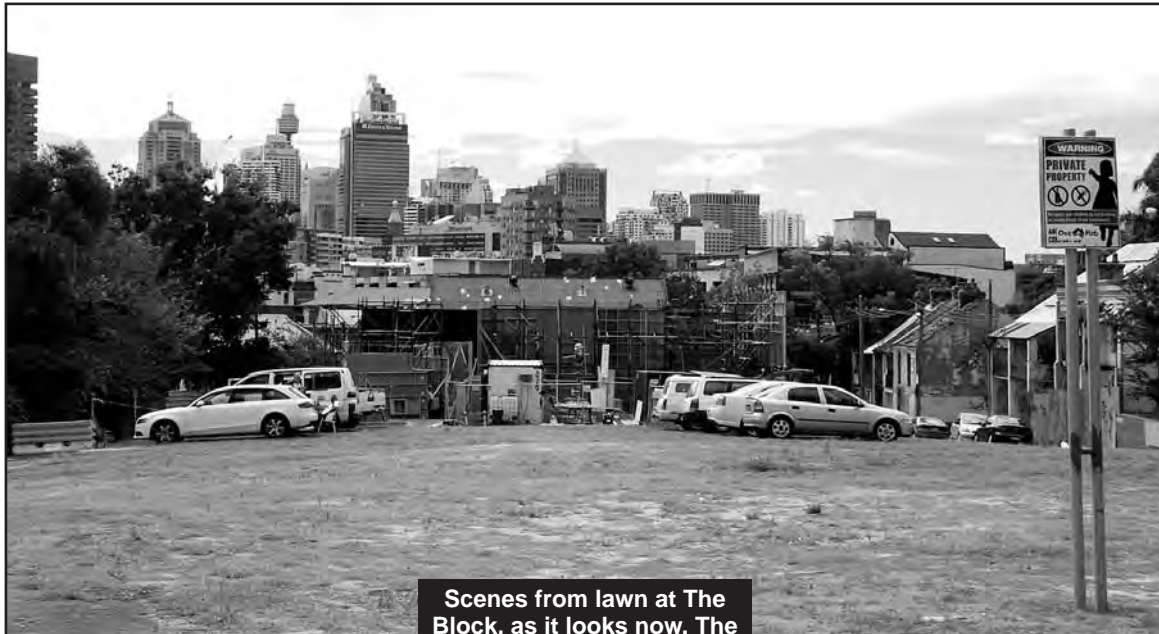
The flooding experienced by the Warmun community and generally throughout much of the Kimberley has resulted in the region being declared a disaster area.

All Warmun locals were evacuated soon after the floods and have been housed at the Ord Stage II workers village (Garjjang) in Kununurra.

Mr Collier said support would be provided to the task force through the Aboriginal Affairs Coordinating Committee.

Damage at Warmun was being evaluated, but it was estimated that of 65 public houses, at least 30 were severely damaged and would require demolition, while the remainder were uninhabitable.

Razor team at Block



Scenes from lawn at The Block, as it looks now. The film sets are designed to invoke 1920s Paddington.



By KIRSTIE PARKER



WALKING around The Block in Redfern these days could leave a person feeling a little confused. Old buildings and homes on the iconic strip have been slated for demolition in the coming months, as part of the Aboriginal Housing Company's \$60 million redevelopment plans. But when the *Koori Mail* took a stroll down Eveleigh Street early last week, we found the lawn in front of the famous flag wall a hive of construction activity. The sound of hammers and drills rang out as walls went up, instead of down.

An enquiry to the bunch of tradies on site soon cleared things up – they were building a set for Channel Nine's new 13-part drama series *Underbelly Razor*, which is expected to screen later this year.

Underbelly Razor, the fourth *Underbelly* series, depicts the violent and vicious world of Sydney's old razor gangs, especially two notorious underworld figures, vice queen Kate Leigh and brothel owner Tilly Devine.

Aboriginal Housing Company (AHC) CEO Mick Mundine confirmed that the show's producers were paying to use the area for filming.

He said the set depicted another inner-Sydney suburb, Paddington, in the 1920s and 1930s.

The Block had been chosen as a location because of its early terrace houses and narrow lanes, the kind where sly grogging

flourished in the days of old. It's expected that some other scenes will be shot in the Berkley Pub in nearby Abercrombie Street.

Mr Mundine said he understood filming would begin this week and wrap up after a month or so.

The AHC is still looking for a financial backer for its plans to redevelop The Block with 62 new homes and 9000 metres of commercial, retail, cultural and community space.

In its dying days, the former Keneally Government announced \$2 million in funding for the AHC to demolish old buildings, many of them long condemned, and amend its development application.

Re-housed

Mr Mundine said most of The Block's former tenants had been re-housed elsewhere in Redfern and other suburbs including Waterloo, Alexandria and Erskineville.

Only four out of 40 remaining old terraces were still occupied. Several on the corner of Caroline and Louis streets were due to come down on the 19th of this month, with others to follow.

"Everything is running smoothly with the relocation and the demolition," Mr Mundine said. "It's about time things started looking up and they are."

He said the AHC was awaiting a decision on a \$32 million funding application under the National Rental Affordability Scheme (NRAS). He also expected to meet with representatives from the Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Australia later this month.

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Events held around the country



National Rural Health students from the Australian National University in Canberra out collecting signatures for the Close the Gap pledge.



National Heart Foundation cardiovascular health director Trevor Shilton, Aboriginal health coordinator Lyn Dimer and chief executive Maurice Swanson at a Close the Gap Day event.

Closing the gap



AUSTRALIANS around the country have marked the fifth annual Close the Gap day with a range of

celebrations focused on improving the health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The day resounded with calls from health workers around the country for improved services and strategies to reduce the life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

From students about to embark on their careers to long-term health campaigners, thousands called for Federal and other levels of government to continue to work with Indigenous people to ensure positive outcomes.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation CEO Richard Weston said the life expectancy of Indigenous Australians would not improve until 'fractured lives were healed'.

"Building culturally strong community programs locally designed by Indigenous people, delivered by Indigenous people, from an Indigenous world view, improves the well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," he said.

"Three years ago (then Prime Minister) Kevin Rudd gave the Apology to Indigenous Australians acknowledging the legacy of trauma and grief in Indigenous communities as a result of colonisation and policies of removing children from their families. This began the healing process.

"To move forward with healing our community, critical issues such as inadequate housing, education and employment must be addressed along with



Staff members from the South Australia office of the National Heart Foundation gathered to sign pledges on Close the Gap Day.

Indigenous control of services."

ANTar National Director Jacqueline Phillips said the large gap between Indigenous and other Australians in life expectancy and life opportunities would close only if the public pressure on politicians persisted for many more years.

Ms Phillips said the progress that had been made in the five years since the grassroots campaign for health equality was launched showed people could make a real difference in positively influencing the political agenda.

"The Close the Gap campaign has also shown that there are many successful programs designed and run by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people that can produce positive results if they are given reliable, adequate support," she said.

Commonwealth Indigenous anti-smoking co-ordinator Tom Calma said the Government had

channelled \$800 million into its Indigenous chronic disease package.

Along with Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon and Health Minister Nicola Roxon, Mr Calma met with some of the 355 health staff funded under the program.

Anti-smoking

One of those, Tharawal Aboriginal Medical Service worker Kerryanne White, who spends her time working in the Liverpool, Wollondilly, Camden and Macarthur communities in western Sydney, said of the 32 people who had signed up to the anti-smoking campaign she was running, eight had quit in the six months since it started.

Meanwhile, public sector health workers urged governments to ensure realistic health funding was provided.

Australian Services Union assistant secretary Kevin Place said it was time to ensure more Indigenous people were recruited and trained as public health workers.

Australian Greens senator Rachel Siewert said the time had come for the Government to invest in some key commitments made in the 2008 Close the Gap statement, which to date had not been addressed.

"Efforts to improve health and life-expectancy outcomes rely on partnerships in all aspects of health, life and community – and this can only be achieved through full and effective consultation," she said.

National Rural Health Students Network Co-chair Francesca Garnett said a sharper focus was needed to prepare doctors, nurses and allied health professionals to work well in

Indigenous communities. She also called for an increase in clinical placement opportunities for medical, nursing and allied health students in Indigenous settings.

"Placements need to be funded and supported so more students get to experience Indigenous health," she said.

"Not only will this lead to better understanding of Indigenous health issues, but it may also lead to more health professionals deciding to work in these communities."

Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists President Dr Maria Tomasic called for improved mental health services for Indigenous people, saying they suffered much higher rates of mortality and poor health, and that the link to mental health could not be ignored.

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Mentally ill man released

By LIZ MURRAY



A MENTALLY ILL Aboriginal man held in prison for 10 years without being convicted has been granted day release – but only after a public outcry.

And his plight has highlighted a catch 22 situation with Western Australia's mental health laws.

Marlon Noble, 29, was arrested in 2001 over sexual assault allegations in a WA north-west country town, but was deemed unfit to stand trial by three psychologists and imprisoned without any conviction under the state's *Mentally Impaired Accused Act*.

WA Attorney-General Christian Porter told Parliament he could allow Mr Noble's release, but a recommendation for it had never been made by the Mental Health Impairment Review Board.

Mr Noble was put on a community reintegration 'testing' regime, the Attorney-General said, and given home leave of 24 hours a week in 2008, 36 hours in 2009 and 48 hours in 2010, but that leave stopped abruptly after a positive drug sample.

Despite an affidavit from his carer explaining she had given him a cold tablet, he was returned to prison and not released again, his lawyer Matthew Holgate told media.

Following the discovery of irregularities, the reliability of the drug tests is now under independent review by Robert Cock, the former Director of Public Prosecutions.

In mid-March when Mr

Noble's story emerged, the Australian Human Rights Commission condemned the WA Government's treatment of the man.

Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the imprisonment of an unconvicted Aboriginal man with an intellectual disability 'was nothing short of a disgrace', and the Government had obligations under the international Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to ensure equal access to justice for disabled people.

Mr Gooda said people who

fell under the jurisdiction of mental impairment laws could actually spend longer in jail than offenders found guilty of similar crimes to those alleged.

"Prisons should not be used as a treatment option for people with intellectual disability, nor should they be used to warehouse people the system simply doesn't

know how to accommodate," he said.

Disability Discrimination Commissioner Graeme Innes echoed Mr Gooda's dismay at Mr Noble's treatment, along with WA Equal Opportunity Commissioner Yvonne Henderson.

WA Shadow Minister for Mental Health Ljiljanna Ravlich said the case highlighted the deficiencies of the Act and the lack of alternatives to prison for people with mental illness.

The Mentally Impaired Accused Review Board 2010 Annual Report showed 19 people with a known mental illness were in custody, with 12 of these in prison or detention centres.

'Prisons should not be used as a treatment option for people with intellectual disability'



Batchelor Institute director Adrian Mitchell, left, and CDU Vice-Chancellor Professor Barney Glover watching NT Education Minister Dr Chris Burns witnessing the signing of the agreement at a ceremony at Batchelor Institute on 24 March.

New Indigenous centre 'could be life-changing'



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda says a new Indigenous

knowledge centre could be life-changing.

Mr Gooda welcomed the move by Charles Darwin University and Batchelor Institute to establish the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledge and Education.

"Access to quality education is one of the fundamental ingredients for a healthy, independent and self-sufficient life," he said.

"The right to access the same standards of education as all other Australians, and the right

to access culturally appropriate education in our own languages are enshrined in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

"Let's seize opportunities like this to make sure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Northern Territory, and younger Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in particular, have the same opportunities as the rest of Australia.

Opportunities

"The same opportunities to make choices about their employment options, their living arrangements, their health, and most importantly, their futures."

The centre's focus on Indigenous knowledge was

extremely important, Mr Gooda said. He particularly welcomed the potential of the centre to jointly deliver qualifications in areas of significant relevance to Indigenous communities including health, education and Indigenous Knowledge.

The commissioner also welcomed the announcement that CDU and Batchelor Institute would form a partnership in higher education to deliver state-of-the-art instructional, research, teaching and computer facilities.

"Plans for the centre to use mobile learning units to reach out to service remote areas will be crucial to making sure that the opportunities provided by the new centre will be available to as many people as possible," Mr Gooda said.



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Redfern the site for Anzac Day service



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and women will be honoured at the 2011 Redfern Aboriginal Anzac Day commemorative service and march

on Monday 25 April. Organisers say this year there will be a focus on honouring Indigenous sistas, mothers, aunties and grandmothers. While some served in the armed forces, those who stayed home held families and communities together and cared and comforted their men when they returned from war and helped them adjust back to 'normal' family and community life.

To give people an opportunity to participate in the main Sydney march and other Anzac Day events, the Redfern commemoration starts at 12.45pm with a wreath-laying ceremony at Redfern Park War Memorial. From there, a march to the Block will start at 1pm, for a formal commemorative service and community gathering with entertainment at the Redfern Community Centre from 1.30-4.30pm.

Grog restrictions at Kimberley centres



TWO more Aboriginal communities in the Kimberley have adopted alcohol restrictions that ban the selling and supply of liquor.

West Australian Racing and Wagering Minister Terry Waldron said the section 175 restriction were imposed after he was lobbied by members of the Looma and Pandanus Park communities.

Liquor licensees caught breaching the restrictions face a \$5000 fine, while all other people in breach could cop a \$2000 fine.

The restrictions give police the power to seize and dispose of opened or unopened liquor containers throughout the community.

Dialysis service on wheels for Territory



A NEW mobile renal dialysis service based in Alice Springs has been launched. The bus, a converted Isuzu truck, will allow Indigenous people needing dialysis to visit their communities for special events.

Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the vehicle comprised a two-chair, nurse-assisted renal dialysis clinic area for up to four patients, plus onboard accommodation for staff.

"The bus has already been trialled at the Garma Festival in Arnhem Land," he said.

"It is now providing respite services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Central Australia, starting with its schedule of visits in Ali Curung, and Elliott."

Health school for Monash University



MONASH University will this Friday celebrate the launch of its new Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health. The school, made possible by a major

donation from the Harvest Alliance Foundation, will work to improve Indigenous health outcomes.

The launch will be from 10am at the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne.

Harvest Alliance is a community organisation that provides financial services contributing to the welfare and sustainability of all. All proceeds are for the benefit of the community.

Skilled Kirsty wins national honour



SKILLED Group has named Kirsty O'Keeffe, 21, of Tweed Heads, its national Aboriginal and Islander Employee of the Year.

Ms O'Keeffe completed the Certificate III in Business and Administration and has been placed with the local Tweed Shire Council for the past 18 months. She previously undertook the Retail Certificate while working in the jewellery industry.



A group of rangers taking part in the Booderee gathering on country at Jervis Bay.

Rangers meet at Booderee National Park



A GROUP of Indigenous people from across Australia descended on Booderee in New South

Wales to explore how Indigenous Protected Areas (IPAs) could protect the environment, and help to 'close the gap'. The Wreck Bay community and Booderee National Park staff hosted more than 200 land managers and rangers at the gathering.

The rangers and managers are responsible for looking after nearly 24 million hectares across the country, from the islands off Tasmania's coast to the Central Desert and the wetlands of the Top End.

Park manager Scott Surridge said it was wonderful to have so many people ready to share their stories, and a great opportunity for Booderee staff to learn more about how their Indigenous colleagues operated.

The land managers and rangers look after IPAs – areas of Indigenous-owned land or sea whose traditional owners have entered into an agreement with the Commonwealth Government to manage their country for conservation.

IPA Director Bruce Rose said the protected areas not

only provided environmental benefits for all Australians but also helped to strengthen culture and to close the gap in Indigenous disadvantage in some of this nation's most remote communities.



Mr Rose also paid tribute to two men heavily involved in the IPA program.

"It was a great honour to announce the inaugural winners of the Kevin McLeod Award and the Steve Szabo Award," he said.

"Adam Walker, from Tyrendarra Indigenous Protected Area in Victoria, won the Kevin McLeod Award for his mentoring of

many junior rangers. Many people would know and remember Uncle Kev from the Wreck Bay community – Booderee was his home.

"Sadly he passed away almost a year ago. Uncle Kev joined the public service in 1970 and played a central role in developing policy in natural and cultural heritage management and furthering Indigenous training and employment. He was well known and respected for his generosity and mentoring of younger staff.

"Nywaigi traditional owner Phil Rist, from Queensland's wet tropics, won the Steve Szabo Award for his outstanding leadership of the Girringun Aboriginal Corporation. Steve was one of the founders of the Indigenous Protected Areas program. He was a man who possessed a great ability to inspire others through his strong ethics and amazing skills and knowledge.

"Adam and Phil are continuing the traditions that Uncle Kev and Steve started when the Indigenous Protected Areas program was introduced more than 10 years ago – a pride from working on country, providing leadership to communities and helping pass on important knowledge and culture to younger generations."



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Nominating as a candidate for the elected body

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Nominations open on Monday 11 April 2011. Nominations must be given to the ACT Electoral Commissioner by the close of nominations at 12 noon on Wednesday 27 April 2011. Forms can be hand delivered to the office of the Commissioner or they may be faxed to (02) 62050382 or scanned and emailed to elections@act.gov.au.

The form you require to nominate for election to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body is available from the office of the ACT Electoral Commissioner or from the Elections ACT website www.elections.act.gov.au.

Late nominations will not be accepted under any circumstance.

Election information

An election is being conducted to elect 7 members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body for the ACT.

Key dates for the 2011 election are:

Election start day (Candidate nominations open)	Monday 11 April 2011
Electoral rolls close	5pm Wednesday 20 April 2011
Nominations close	12 noon Wednesday 27 April 2011
Nominations for candidates declared	12 noon Thursday 28 April 2011
Order of ballot paper decided	After nominations declared, Thursday 28 April 2011
Voting starts	Monday 2 May 2011
Last voting day	Saturday 7 May 2011
Counting of votes commences	Tuesday 17 May 2011
Election declared	As soon as counting is completed

Voting for the elected body

To be eligible to vote you must be an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander, be at least 18 years old and be on, or eligible to be on, the ACT electoral roll.

Voting for the Elected Body will be from Monday 2 May 2011 until Saturday 7 May 2011, inclusive.

You will be able to vote at any of the following polling places at the times shown (right).

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Monday 2 May 2011 to Friday 6 May 2011	9am to 5pm	ACT Electoral Commission Ground Floor, North Building, Civic Square, London Circuit Canberra City (next to the Multicultural Centre, Canberra Museum and Gallery, and the Civic Library)
Monday 2 May 2011	9am to 6pm	Gungahlin Child and Family Centre Ernest Cavanagh St, Gungahlin
Tuesday 3 May 2011	9am to 6pm	West Belconnen Child and Family Centre Cnr Starke St and Luke St, Holt
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Thursday 5 May 2011	9am to 6pm	Tuggeranong Child and Family Centre 159 Anketell St, Greenway
Friday 6 May 2011	9am to 6pm	Belconnen Library 12 Chandler Street, Belconnen
Saturday 7 May 2011	8am to 12noon	Erindale Neighbourhood Centre Cnr Sternberg Cres & Comrie St, Wanniasa
Saturday 7 May 2011	2pm to 6pm	Southside Community Services Boolimba Cres, Narrabundah

How to vote for your preferred candidates

Ballot papers for the election will show the names of all candidates in a single column. To make your vote in the election, number 7 boxes from 1 to 7 in the order of your choice. You may then show as many further preferences as you wish by writing numbers from 8 onwards in the other boxes.

Voting in this election is not compulsory.

The election will be conducted by Elections ACT in accordance with the requirements of the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Act 2008.

For further information on the election contact Elections ACT on (02) 62050033 or visit their website www.elections.act.gov.au.

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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



LILLIAN LANDERS

Student and mum
Riverdale, WA

Favourite bush tucker?
Kangaroo stew.

Favourite other food?
Chilli.

Favourite music?
Opera.

Favourite book?
Oliver Twist.

Favourite holiday destination?
Broome.

Favourite television show?
Home and Away.

Favourite leisure activity?
Going to the beach.

What do you like in life?
To see people smiling.

Who would you most like to meet?
Indigenous Boxer Anthony 'Choc' Mundine.

Who would you choose to sit with around the campfire?
(Country music great) Slim Dusty, (US actor) Denzel Washington, and (US singer) Tina Turner.

What would you like to see happen for Aboriginal people?
I'd like to see the release the pain of the past and the use of knowledge to empower us in the future.

Quote



'(Tony Abbott) voted for legislation which was supposed to protect women and children and it hasn't ... the Intervention in the NT is not working'

— *Alice Springs town camp resident and campaigner Barbara Shaw*
● See report Page 5

Unquote

A fair go in the colour debate

IT'S a gutsy – some might say gutless – act to question a person's identity from the lofty perch of a newspaper column or blog.

Especially without speaking directly to the person in question, paying demonstrably scant attention to facts, and relying on pretty fallible research (including unverified online sources).

We know that identity can be a contentious matter within our communities, and long will it be, but journalists and columnists will never be appropriate arbiters.

This may beg the question, 'Well, how should these things be decided?' We suggest the same way they have been for years now: through specific Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities applying the three-pronged definition of an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person, encompassing descent, self-identification and community acceptance.

During last week's Federal Court proceedings relating to the alleged racial vilification of nine prominent fair-skinned Aboriginal people, respondent Melbourne columnist Andrew Bolt's senior counsel suggested there was a high level of contention in the broader Indigenous community about the definition. We agree with Professor Larissa Behrendt who opined that any contention was more likely to surround the ability or otherwise of particular individuals to meet the criteria, rather than the definition itself.

Journalists make mistakes all the time. Indeed, this publication is not immune to making them and will readily apologise in cases of consequence. But some of



OUR SAY

Bolt's errors were substantial and, strung together, they made for a possibly fascinating read but also one that was undeniably damaging to those whose antecedents he stumbled over.

Mr Bolt invokes a notion that to do anything other than ignore racial difference is racism. He's wrong. There's nothing wrong with anyone – Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal – being proud of their heritage. Problems arise when that heritage lays them open to derision.

At issue in the Eatock v Bolt case reported in this edition are key sections of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*, which prohibits offensive behaviour based on racial hatred.

In a nutshell, the law says it's unlawful to offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate a person or a group of people on the basis of race. There are some exemptions, including where things are done or said reasonably and in good faith, or in the public interest, in a 'fair and accurate' report, or one that reflects genuinely-held beliefs.

In the end, the case will rest on whether the plaintiffs and their lawyers have successfully made their case. We await Justice Bromberg's decision with interest.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Half a century of caring for kids

By SIV PARKER

FOR nearly 50 years, Arrente man Barry Abbott has been taking care of children – his own and those of others.

It's possible that somewhere between 300 and 400 kids and young adults, most aged between eight and 25 years, owe their lives to his care of them on Central Australian outstations during that time.

Along the way, he has received the 2005 Prime Minister's Award for Excellence and Outstanding Contribution to Drug and Alcohol Endeavours, and he was last year named the 2011 Northern Territory Senior Australian of the Year.

High praise indeed, but in the early days Barry simply saw kids in trouble and took them into his family's home, first at Papunya about 240kms north-west of Alice Springs, and then Wallace Rockhole to the south.

A trained stockman who knows every stock route in the Territory, these days he manages a rehabilitation program at Ilpurla Aboriginal Corporation, a remote outstation between Alice Springs and Uluru.

"I've got seven of my own and I am a great grandfather now," he told the *Koori Mail* late last month.

"And I have worked with kids from all over the Territory and from other places. I grew up that many of them and I did it out of my own pocket for the first 25 years."

Barry's charges get an opportunity to become part of a working cattle station. They're up at dawn and work long days, learning new skills like saddlery, breaking in horses and vehicle maintenance and stock work. It's all about instilling in them a strong work ethic, discipline and a sense of pride, self-worth and hope.

The Ilpurla program focuses on substance misuse and behavioural issues. It is case-managed around referral, medical assessment, 24-hour observation, counselling, treatment, work skills training, post-release and follow up.

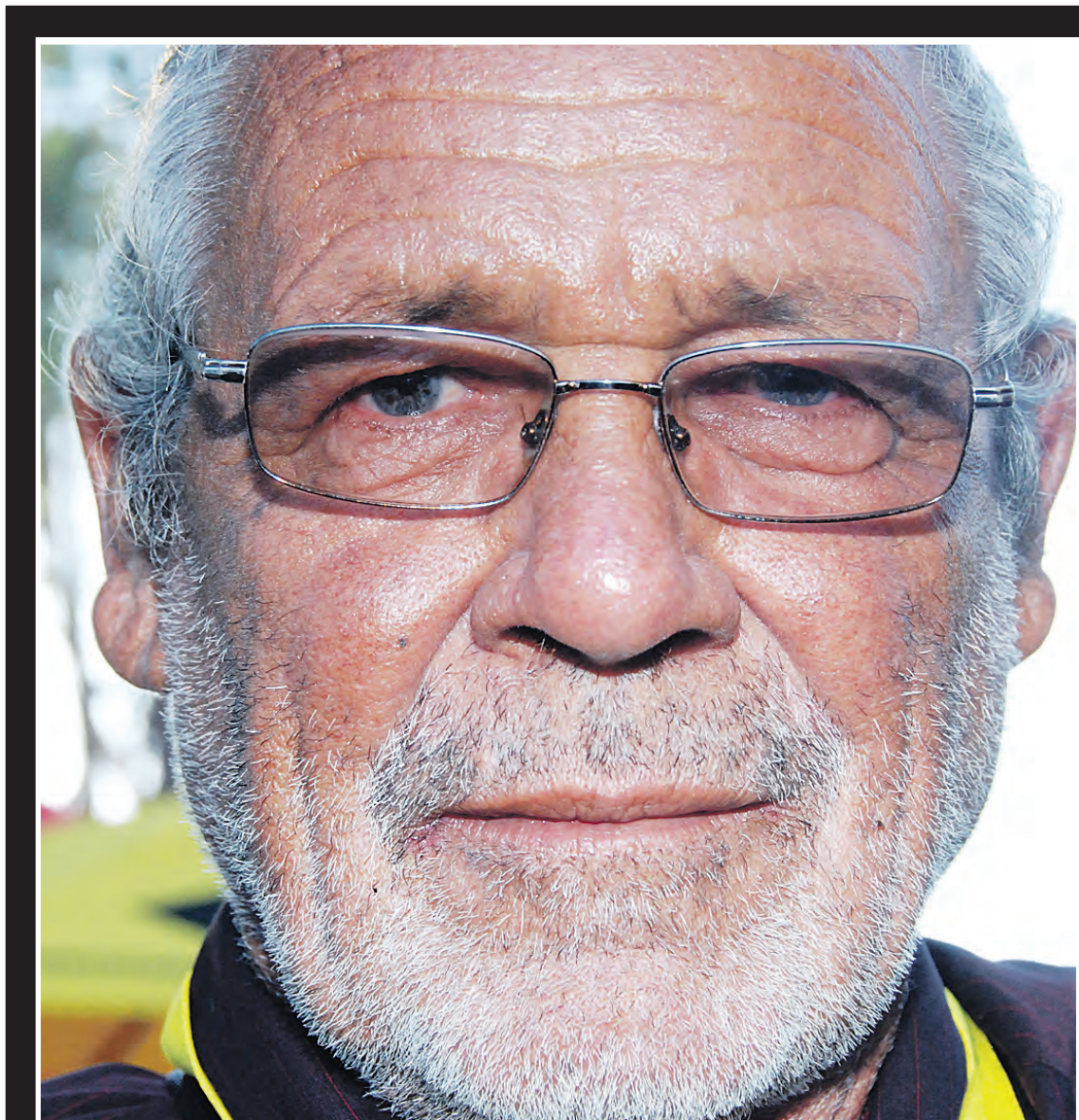
The main purpose of the corporation is to provide holistic and culturally appropriate care. Its Aboriginal extended family model of care can be summed up in simple but culturally rich terms.

"They belong to me, and I belong to them," Barry said matter-of-factly.

Whilst at Ilpurla for anything up to a year, clients receive 24-hour care from Barry and his partner, and a small team of staff.

Unlike other treatment centres, Ilpurla accepts boys from anywhere, often drug users and petrol sniffers, and at the request of the Alice Springs courts.

However, referrals to Barry's program have come from all over the NT, from as far afield as north



'A few out of 300-400 kids might have slipped and gone back on the petrol or been caught for drink and drive ... but I've had a good success rate of kids going out here' – Barry Abbott

Western Australia, Townsville and Palm Island in Queensland, and Mildura and elsewhere in country Victoria.

"If they're the worst kids – the ones no-one else can handle, the hopeless or damaged kids – those are the ones I'll take on," he said.

"I deal with any language, any colour. We are all the same, we all bleed the same, we all come from mother and father."

Barry keeps track of his past charges and says he can go anywhere from South Australia's Pitjantjatjara Lands to communities on Arrente, Luritja, Anmatjere and Warlpiri country today, and see kids who have returned home and had families, gotten jobs and become involved in their communities.

"I can go anywhere without looking over my shoulder, because there is somebody there that I raised," he said, proudly.

"Half of them are 30- to 40-years-old now and their kids call me grandfather and great grandfather."

First child

Barry was only 17-years-old when the first such child came into his care. He saw that the boy's mother was drinking and could not care for him so he stepped in.

"I thought I did the right thing and took him back the next day but she said 'You keep him'. He was about four and half so I took him back to the station with me. I was working seven days a week, so

when I left, mum would look after him everyday, and I got him every night.

"After 24 years he left me and went to Queensland and worked on a few properties up there. He had a few kids of his own. He passed away early last year. I couldn't go to the funeral which was very sad, but I think he had a better life."

Back in the early days, kids came with no support.

"There was no Centrelink money or nothing," Barry said. "I was just a kid myself and I didn't know you could go to Centrelink... no one told me about it," he said.

It wasn't until a chance encounter with Steve Hatton, then Chief Minister of the NT (1986-88) at the Alice Springs Cup in 1988

that there was any formal recognition of Barry's work.

"Steve Hatton knew my old man too and we were talking at the races," Barry recalled. "I had a couple of good old horses, I had to train horses to make a little bit of money to keep me going for the kids. And Steve said to me 'Where do you get the money for these kids?'. I said 'Here, my animals, that keeps me going'. And he said 'No, we need to get you some money'."

"I only had an old trayback then, in those days you could throw anyone on the back. It gave me an idea for a vehicle, a good little bus to get around in, and little bit of money for a little bit of tucker and clothes. That made it a lot easier for me."

With the additional funding, Barry was now caring for up to 20 kids and made the decision to relocate further west to Ilpurla, 258kms from Alice Springs.

Petrol risks

Petrol sniffers are at risk of brain damage, and prolonged use can lead to disability. Around 2005, numbers were thought to be as high as 700 in central Australia alone. Coronial inquiries and investigations into deaths of people identified as abusing volatile substances, recommended that services such as Barry's be better funded.

Barry believes the best treatment is tackling the issues head-on, to get to the point where he and the client both feel it's time for them to leave and return to their own communities, healthy and ready to work.

"A few out of 300-400 kids might have slipped and gone back on the petrol or been caught for drink and drive, or whatever, but I've had a good success rate of kids going out here," he says.

"(These kids) are not here just because there's no petrol because then the first opportunity when they get back to their community is to say 'Where's the petrol?'," he said.

"A lot of people reckon you shouldn't have petrol on the place. Well, that's wrong... the only time I lock petrol up is at night. I've got mesh around it on my verandah.

"You can't stop petrol or paint in the place where you work. During the day you put it out. You talk about it but you don't go back on it, you don't hide anything from them. Show them what it can do, what it's for."

Measures to combat petrol sniffing have included efforts to introduce nationwide mandatory rehabilitation for substance abuse, and the roll-out of non-sniffable fuel. But you can't run motorbikes on Opal, Barry said. "And you can't run a lawn motor with Opal, I've tried that."

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AMSANT moves to set up peak body



THE Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) is advertising for an interim board for a new Aboriginal Peak

Body for Child Youth and Family Safety, Wellbeing and Child Protection.

AMSANT CEO John Paterson said last year's 'Growing them strong, together' report and the Northern Territory Government's

response provided an historic opportunity to 'get it right' when reforming child safety and well-being and child protection systems in the Northern Territory.

He said it was known from many consultation meetings that there was already intense interest and commitment across the Territory.

"We are moving towards establishing an Aboriginal-controlled peak body which will be responsible for representation,

policy and capacity building, advocacy and research in the critical areas of child, youth and family safety and protection," he said.

Integral role

"It won't be a service provider—but will have an integral role in the establishment of Aboriginal Child Care agencies that are at the centre of the board of inquiry's recommendations, as well as providing strong

leadership and advice to government.

"We understand that getting this reform right requires strong leadership, real partnerships and significant resources.

"At the heart of any future success, most importantly, will be Aboriginal people making decisions and taking action to protect and support our children and young people.

"We know that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

community of the Northern Territory has the talent, skills and commitment to take this task on."

Mr Paterson said AMSANT was proud to be standing beside the Indigenous community, government, the mainstream non-government sector and the many other individuals and agencies tackling child safety and well-being reform in the NT.

For more details about the interim board go to www.amsant.org.au

How to handle office gossip

SO the other day I was at this work event doing my thing working hard as you do. It was a break time and everyone was getting a cuppa and catching up.

As you know, all the real work happens in the break, so I was getting around and yarning up big to everyone who was there. Work is like a mini community – you get to know people a bit more every time you see them even though you may never meet outside of work.

I ran into this one who I've worked with for a few years and now we yarn up like we old-time friends. They were in a bit of a pickle at work and wanted to share their yarn with me.

"Oh Ms Koori Love," they reckon. "I'm having such a rotten time at work."

"You see, I'm in love with



Ms KOORI LOVE

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this one at my office, and everyone knows about it! I can't do anything at my work before they start teasing me about this one and pointing and giggling when we are both in the same room together.

"I know everyone wants us together but if I want to have a relationship with this one it's gotta be our decision and not our workmates, eh. What do you think?"

Ah yes. Them lovely work mates who love you so much they wanna marry you off. I see this a bit in my travels.

Work is like a family of its own. One day everything is traveling along fine, the next everyone knows your business and you are office topic of the week.

This is what happens when people get together. They yarn about what's going on and the new topic of the week.

There's nothing more exciting to yarn about than who's hooking up with who. This kind of gossip is gold in the workplace. What else

can we yarn about in breaks? The work? The project we are working on? No way! That stuff is boring when everyone can yarn up about you and your love life!

We can't control what people say behind our backs, but we can control how we react to it.

Keep on working hard. Don't let the gossip get you down. Make people focus on your work by doing it well.

If people still go on, tell someone about it. Report what's happening to someone who can make a difference.

New relationships are hard work without all the stress of being under the microscope of your work mates.

What you reckon? Yarn about it at www.mskoorilove.com.au

Caring for kids

● From previous page

"You see a lot of those old community cars on the road everywhere – they're burnt out because of the Opal. The old people left on the communities are lucky to get a lift into town now."

Though sniffing is now declining in Central Australia, Barry said other drugs and behavioural problems were emerging.

"We don't just deal with kids any more," he said. "They can be 20- or 30-years-olds, and we deal with drugs, alcohol, paint and petrol.

"They have a dorm but they camp outside when they feel like it. I will camp with them. We'll sit down and talk about it and, if they got a lot of problems somewhere else, family, court or Corrections ring me up.

"When those kids are stealing I tell them they are hurting other people. I say 'They're not rich, they are just like us, they're still paying the banks off'.

"I leave my door open. I don't lock it – even if I go all day – and I haven't had anything missing from my house yet.

"I take them into town when I do shopping, two at a time. They get their own money from Centrelink, they shop and they help me pack up the motor car. They buy me a feed and say 'Grandfather, I bought you this'. If you give trust, they have trust in you."

With clients referred through a mix of voluntary placement, court-ordered treatment, and referrals from the Attorney-General's office through Central Australian Youth Link Up Service (CAYLUS), Ilpurla was granted recurrent funding in the 1980s.

"We are on the internet and my place has been recommended by Corrections,



Prime Minister Julia Gillard hosted a reception at The Lodge in Canberra for all of the state and territory Australian of the Year finalists on 25 January. Barry Abbott is standing behind the PM, to the right. AAP Image

parole officers, case workers and also judges, some of them dead now, poor buggers," Barry explained.

"You can't send your kids to just anywhere – you've got to have the background done on them, check that they are ready to come here. Like all my staff, they got police checks, the whole lot.

"I got a pretty good place here now," Barry said, but he still believes Ilpurla could receive much more support.

"Some places have a lot of things we haven't got," he lamented. "I know about services in the cities. If we had another room for a dorm for girls, we'd do that too, and we could take couples.

"We haven't got a basketball court, we haven't got a music room. If we had a room for it, we would have an exercise place, and all for them. We'd just be good with a big shed and an air-con and a fan.

"But we're struggling to get a lot of the things we need; I don't know why. I tell anyone they can talk to anyone about us,

get all the records they want but they've never been out here.

"I've asked Federal ministers if they want to come here but it's too rough, too isolated, and too small for them to come here."

Barry may be 67 this month, but there's clearly a lot of fight left in the old fella yet. And he's never forgotten what drives him to help others.

"I was just a bush kid myself, I got kicked out of every school," Barry said candidly. "Now I know I should have went but everyone thinks that when it's too late."

"Still, I've had a good life. I've done something for myself, I've earned my living, helped a lot of kids.

"I am happy, the kids are happy, and now their kids call me grandfather and great grandfather now.

"I have worked with kids for nearly 50 years and I'll never stop. I'll leave in a wooden box, I will, and then my kids will take over."

Australian Government
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

ARE YOU AN ABORIGINAL OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PERSON WORKING AT A UNIVERSITY?

You may be eligible for a scholarship to study in your chosen field in 2012

Scholarship applications are now open for eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander higher education academic and general staff across Australia who actively encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to complete higher education qualifications.

The program provides professional development opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholars and reflects the Australian Government's commitment to improving education outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

How the scholarships will work:

- Up to five national Indigenous Staff Scholarships are awarded each year for a 12 month period.
- Successful applicants can take 12 months leave from their job to study full time in their chosen field.
- Up to \$23,600 will be paid as a living allowance and up to \$11,800 to cover tuition fees and student contribution amounts for the year.
- Priority will be given to staff at postgraduate levels who have not previously received an Indigenous Staff Scholarship.
- Scholarships will be awarded on merit against the selection criteria outlined in the guidelines on our website.
- Scholarship recipients will be selected by the Minister for Tertiary Education on advice from the Indigenous Higher Education Advisory Council.

Applications close on: 31 July 2011

No late applications will be accepted.

Want to know more?

For more information and to apply go to www.deewr.gov.au/iss



The Rev Alex Gater speaks at the rally outside Queensland's Parliament House last Wednesday. The rally was called after it was announced there would be no disciplinary action taken against six police officers involved in the investigation of the death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee on Palm Island in November 2004.

Blatant cop-out by Queensland police

ABORIGINAL people comprise about two per cent of the overall population. But does our minority status entitle us to minimum justice or no justice at all within the legal system?

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) has made an unbelievable decision to offer 'managerial guidance' to those police officers involved in the Mulrunji Doomadgee death in custody investigation.

This callous decision rubs more salt into an already festering wound.

What happened led to Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley (the police officer who arrested Mulrunji and whose actions led to his death – he was found not guilty by a jury after being charged with manslaughter) receiving generous compensation and being promoted.

No heat was ever applied to Mulrunji's cold case!

Queensland's Fitzgerald Inquiry (1987-89) investigated claims of police corruption. Then-premier Joh Bjelke-Petersen was called to testify. Top government officials resigned, as well as the Police Commissioner.

What's changed since then? Twenty-something years later it appears there still exists a

certain element within the Queensland police who remain untouchable.

'Managerial guidance' is a blatant cop-out – a pathetic excuse.

It's a black day indeed for some of those who wear the blue uniform of the Queensland police.

CORALIE CASSADY
Townsville, Qld

BUTTERFLY LOVE

(A tribute to
Caroline Munro)

THE love of a butterfly, so soft and so rare, like the life it represents as it drifts through, unaware.

Nothing in existence could ever compensate your love. Not the beauty of a butterfly, nor the wings of a dove. A wing's beat would be just a notion of your affection. Soft, and gentle like a sun's glow, your warm, beautiful complexion.

My heart skips a beat, at just the thought of your name, there's no connection no more and no-one to blame. Only of a spirit who strongly guarded, never fall. Like a butterfly's love, would be the greatest love of all.

Only of love and a humble life lost, which could never compare to or was never a cost.

Like the glory songs of heaven, 'in the sweet by and by'. You had the presence of an angel, like Mother Nature's Lullaby.

You forever kept your guard and ruled with an iron fist of heart, it was the same iron fist that made us, your family, who we are. Respectful, loving and grateful, was all that we could be. I'm so proud to say I'm your grandson, appreciation, far as the eye can see.

With tears of pain and broken hearts, so longed for you will be. I'm finally coming to terms that you're no longer here with me..

A butterfly shall indicate that you'll always be around, when one's life is lost, a new one is found. In abundance they flutter, so pretty, so blue. My heart was shattered forever, the day we lost you.

And though they were everywhere, in all forms and shades. I felt as though you were with me while I knelt, I cried and prayed.. Prayed for your peace, prayed for you above. Your kindness will radiate forever, like the Butterfly Love.

WILL MUNRO
By email

Keeping Your Say short and sweet

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You can help us by keeping your letters to 400 words or less and poems generally no more than 25 medium-length lines. This will increase your chances of being published.

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The best way to build a united nation

I HAVE spent countless hours over the past months analysing and building a solid knowledge base of the Australian Constitution – a Constitution devoid of the rights and inclusion of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Admittedly it has been widely accepted at a Federal level that a referendum should be held on the recognition and inclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples into the Australian Constitution.

There has also on many occasions been two words we have heard more than most with a seemingly flippant use – 'Nation Building'. These words have different meanings to everyone I have discussions with on the topic.

I believe there are moments when we have the ability to affect the decisions being made about who as a people we are proud to be, about what needs to be done to

achieve reconciliation, what it is that defines us as a people open to other cultures and religion while still maintaining our own culture, and finally how we can direct and support all Australians to build a nation united by dignity and respect.

I so often hear that we have nothing to prove to the broader Australian community and perhaps, yes, we can argue that point, but we do have a responsibility to our communities, our families and ourselves to make a little difference.

It is with changes to the Australian Constitution through inclusion, with bipartisan political support and clear, strong voices that we overcome Indigenous disadvantage and build a nation united by equality, respect, dignity and pride.

SHAYNE T FARRELL
Adelaide, SA

Red Cross helping out in tough times

IT'S been a difficult start to the year for Australia, with natural disasters in Queensland, Victoria, parts of Western Australia and now, also, for our friends in New Zealand, Japan and the Asia Pacific.

These disasters may seem like yesterday's news for some of us, but thousands of people still face months of physical and mental hardship as they depend on organisations like Red Cross to help rebuild their lives.

Research shows recovering from major disasters can take at least five to seven years, and Red Cross will be there to help assist individuals as they rebuild their lives and support them on their long journey to recovery.

But Red Cross doesn't only help people impacted by natural disasters. We support vulnerable people across Australia every day. Year-round, we are working in communities right around the country, providing services like a nutritious start to the day for hungry school children and support for elderly and isolated people in their own homes.

During Red Cross Calling, our March fund-raising campaign, thousands of Red Cross members, supporters, community

groups and schools have raised funds to support the work of Red Cross in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region.

Through the power of humanity, by the efforts of ordinary people involved in extraordinary activities, our supporters make a huge difference to the lives of people who need it most. The energy, compassion and action of our supporters enables Red Cross to help people in need.

I wish to sincerely thank the many people who have donated to Red Cross Calling this year.

The funds raised through Red Cross Calling supports our everyday work to provide help and hope when people need it most.

This includes our vital work helping people prepare, respond and recover from disasters like the ones so many Australians have faced in the past few months.

It's not too late to make a donation. Simply go to www.redcross.org.au or phone 1800 811 700.

DI JAY
NSW Executive Director
Australian Red Cross

Do you need help to live independently at home?

Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centres

are here to help.

A Centre can:

- Provide you with information on local aged & community care services available to suit your needs
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For family carer support and counselling you can contact your state or territory Carers Association on **1800 242 636***



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TRIENNIAL PROGRAM 2012-14 (ARTS AND CULTURE)

The City of Melbourne's Triennial Program (Arts and Culture) provides three years of funding for organisations and festivals, enhancing Melbourne's cultural identity and reflecting Council's objectives for the City of Melbourne.

Applications are now invited for one of the following categories: Community engagement through the arts, Arts programs, Arts Festivals

Application forms are available for download at www.melbourne.vic.gov.au.

Applications close Monday, 9 May, 2011



The NSW Environmental Trust invites applications to the Protecting our Places Aboriginal Grants Program

This program supports Aboriginal community groups and organisations to protect land that is significant to Aboriginal people and run education projects about the environment and its importance in Aboriginal life. Grants of between \$2,000 and \$35,000 are available. (Total program \$500,000)

**Applications open on 19 March 2011
and close at 5pm on 3 June 2011**

Information Workshops will be held to help applicants prepare a quality grant application and provide information on managing projects.

The **information workshops** will be held in:

Sydney – Blacktown (28 April) **Tumut** (3 May) **Merimbula** (4 May)
Broken Hill (10 May) **Dubbo** (12 May) **Inverell** (17 May) **Tamworth** (18 May) **Singleton** (19 May) **Lismore** (24 May) **Kempsey** (25 May)

To register for workshops phone Trust Administration on (02) 8837 6093.

For more information about the program and support with filling out your application

contact the **Aboriginal Programs Officer** on (02) 8837 6399 or

Tami Partridge on 8837 6093.

Guidelines and application forms are available on the Trust website:

www.environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au

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The First Australians

THEY invaded us, and took our land, then labeled me a criminal.
We are the first Australians here, don't call us Aboriginals.

They want to assimilate us now, and they will never stop.
While our blood is spilt on sacred ground, they give medals to the cops.

I met Lex Wotton the other day; he is a strong black man.
Our people need leaders and warriors; he hopes you lend a hand.

He inspired me through his words; I wished him all the best.
If the innocent are condemned, that shows we are oppressed.

How can justice be served, when the jurors were all white.
Can you see the hypocrisy here; he would never win that fight.

I hope he is vindicated soon, that's just the right decision.
A life was lost through negligence, while our brother sits in prison.

My thoughts are with Richard Saunders too, much love and much respect.
You're a warrior amidst our Dreamtime now, your people will never forget.

No one is held accountable, for Black Deaths in Custody.
If you're black you're expendable, we all endure this tragedy.

They said that we were primitive, and we survived for thousands of years.
They don't teach the youth our history; it's something that they fear.

I have seen a pattern towards my skin colour, we are persecuted worse.
We get more years than half-caste mob; it seems we are truly cursed.

They are saying if you're dark in complexion, we are the worst offenders.
It's not us who commit the serious crimes, have a look through prison centres.

My daughter wished she was my skin colour, I told her you don't want this.
This country hates me 'cause I'm black, I'm glad I can't grant this wish.

There are those who are black when they can benefit, through the colour of their skin.
They have no pride or identity, to me that is a sin.

Too Black Too Strong is a way of life, my daughter has much pride.
Those blacks could learn a lot from her, her colour is inside.

Where are all the academics now, with their masters and PhDs.
If their education was about money, who will set our people free?

This country has always been a dictatorship, the police are their enforcers.
K-Rudd needs to be more proactive now; he has

the power and the resources.

I hardly read the paper, or watch the news on the TV. The only news you will read about us, is slanderous negativity.

I do commend SBS, for the *The First Australians* and the facts.

You've kept it real for my people, there's also *Living Black*.

So before I press, I need to tell you, something I was told.

It upsets me, and frustrates me, white man is very cold.

Aboriginal is abbreviated, it means Abolish Original. We are The First Australians here; they are convicts, which are criminals.

TROY HOPKINS
Oxley, Queensland

Editor's note: This poem was written in 2009 while the author was serving a prison sentence. It was then that he met

Lex Wotton who was serving a sentence over the Palm Island 'riots' following the death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee, and was inspired to write this poem. Mr Hopkins told the Koori Mail he was considering changing the 'K-Rudd in power' reference to Prime Minister Julia Gillard. But he said: "Just because we have someone else running the show, the results towards our people will never change."

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Your Say

Gurrumul an inspiration

I THINK it's fair to say that singer/songwriter Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu has made all Indigenous people proud to be a blackfella in this country.

This man leaves you thinking how far we have come at putting ourselves out there real in your face with words written from the heart.

Indigenous people have disadvantages by just being born into this land of the 'fair-go' country.

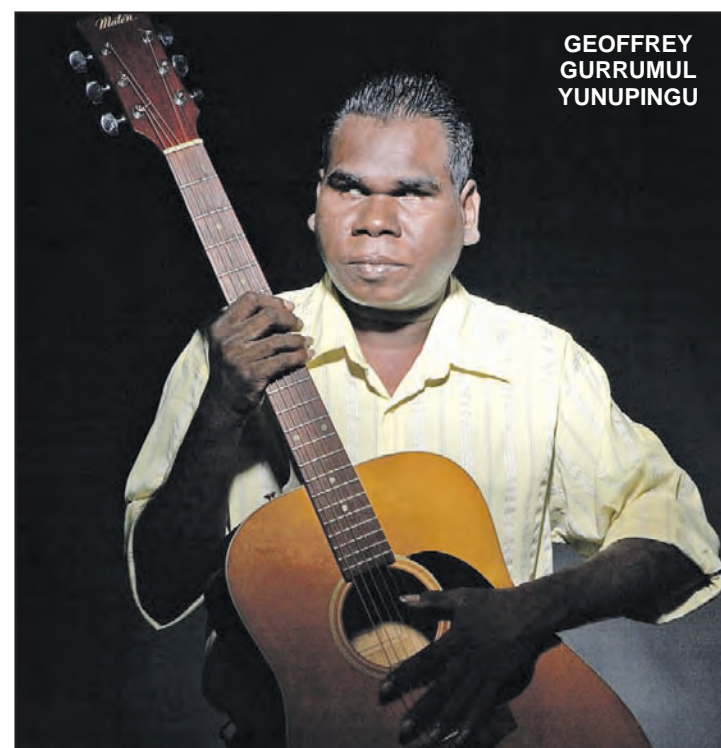
Geoffrey was born blind, never knowing what the colour of his skin was, only to be told 'you're a blackfella'.

Listening to Geoffrey's music in his own lingo made me feel this man never lost his identity – only his sight.

So for Geoffrey to get on the cover of world-renowned magazine *Rolling Stone* is such an inspiration for all people of Australia.

I only hope that he doesn't get left by the wayside once the promoters can't make a wage from his misfortune of being born blind and his magical talent of captivating audiences wherever he sings.

It's fantastic to see Geoffrey go overseas and gain the



GEOFFREY GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU

respect of other countries – something he deserves.

In this country (the fair-go country), our struggle to become somebody rather than nobody is always set in the back of a whitefella's mind.

Well done Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu, you set the foundations for many young impaired blackfellas to give it a go.

JULIE LEWIS
Como, WA

Great vehicle to have your say

AS a former board member and supporter, I am an avid reader of the *Koori Mail*.

I am proud that it is printed on my own Bundjalung country.

To have something like the *Koori Mail* set up, and being able to keep the newspaper going without depending on funding from government, says something for good management by the board and its members.

The paper has come a long way since going Australia-wide. It's like they say – whisky improves with age. *Koori Mail* is going from strength to strength. It gives Aboriginal people a voice, and this is something that should make Aboriginal people stand up and be proud.

I believe more Aboriginal people should use the paper to voice their opinion. That is what it was set up for – so that Aboriginal people can have a say.

Come on Australia, where are our leaders! Have your say.

CHARLES MORAN
Bundjalung man
Via Casino, NSW

'That Spot'

THAT one single spot
You focus on every
time you stare.
Every thought in my
body
Is portrayed as that
spot.

I can see my future
And my past in that
spiritual space.
How I wish I could be
that spot
And see how large
it is,
The open world and
all of its features.

As I sit there in
raptures,
Dreaming into that
spot.
The void in which I

stare is everything,
My happiness, my
family, my culture, my
friends.
I can see the lives of
all around me,
Their love, their hate
and their sorrow.

That spot gives me
courage.
As brave as a newly
inducted warrior.
Snap back to reality.
The best 30 seconds
of my life,
As I lose myself in
that spot.

LACHLAN FALCONER-ADAMS
Year 9
Wangi Wangi

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HE loves your glamorous
words, he loves your
well-developed lines
Every dimpled comma,
apostrophe,
He loves the way you bat your
pretty sentences at him

He loves your bold columns,
your curvy paragraphs
He loves your full-hipped
ideas,

The gorgeous booty of your
mind

He wants to kiss your public
profile, to caress your large
projects
To hold your library books, to
be pressed against your grand
designs,

He lusts after your lectures
and awaits the day he can

bury his face in your novel
And inhale your observations,
your funny commentary,

He longs to lay entwined,
in your humour and your
laughter,
The gorgeous booty of your
mind.

GRAHAM BALLARD
Casino, NSW

INVITATION TO ATTEND

Green Teams Alliance (GTA) and our partnering organisations will be travelling throughout the Many Rivers Region in April to connect with community on the opportunities and support available to those wanting to take advantage of the expanding Green Economy. You and a representative of your organisation are invited to join us at:-

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This event is supported by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations through the Indigenous Employment Program.



No-one can benefit from locked-up land

LAND is one of the greatest assets that many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have, yet for decades collective ownership and paternalistic government regulations have prevented them from developing this asset for the economic benefit of their family and future generations.

The battle for land rights has been hard-fought, and First Australians have painstakingly won land ownership since 1975. The recognition of these rights has been viewed by some as the end of the struggle, but we are now entering a new phase of land rights: The right of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to have the same rights over the future use, development and protection of their land as other Australians.

Each state and territory has treated Aboriginal land rights slightly differently and not all jurisdictions have a formal process for making claims to land. Only the Northern Territory, Queensland and New South Wales have a formal claims process.

In Western Australia, South Australia and Victoria, Aboriginal land trusts have been established to acquire, manage and use land for the benefit of Aboriginal people. In Queensland, land can be

transferred to an Aboriginal community under the state's Aboriginal Land Act, but the community does not hold freehold title of the land. This means they cannot sell or mortgage the land, and there are restrictions on leasing it.

In NSW and the NT, Aboriginal people can make a claim for unused Crown land under the respective Aboriginal land rights acts if the land is 'claimable', which means it is able to be sold or leased, is not already occupied, and is not likely to be needed for residential purposes.

But the problem begins when government authorities decide that in order to set aside 'green zones' for the community, parcels of land need to be retained as parklands for conservation. There are many cases where prior to the actual handover of land, there is a complete change in the ways in which the land can be used.

In NSW more than 10,000 land claims remain undetermined, and there is no legal requirement in any of the three jurisdictions with a formal claims process for the claims to be resolved in a timely fashion.

In Tasmania, it takes an average of 28 days for a development application to be dealt with. Many claims under the NSW Aboriginal



NIGEL SCULLION

Land Rights Act are in the system for 18 to 20 years before they are considered. Imagine how a commercial developer would react if it was subject to this process?

These claims form a vast network of parcels of land that should already have been granted, and while some of them are very small and don't appear to be particularly valuable, in many cases it's everything to the claimants who still live on country in regional NSW.

A successful land claim requires Aboriginal landowners to prove their traditional relationship to the land, which involves extensive research by anthropologists with the burden of proof resting on the claimant. Since 2009, NSW claimants face the additional barrier of formal land boundary surveys, for which they must foot the bill. Until these expensive surveys are undertaken the precise area to be transferred is unknown, and the land remains under the control of the Land and Property Management Authority.

These acts of land tenure bastardry against the original land owners continue unabated, and one has to question the motives of a department which is able to nimbly change the land-use conditions at the last minute after such a lengthy process to leave Aboriginal people with no opportunity to earn a living from it.

Normal legal practice would be that when there's a case under way, people can't just step in and alter the parameters. But in the case of NSW Aboriginal land claims it has simply become the convention, that between when the claim is lodged and when the land is handed over, significant conditions are attached.

It's symptomatic of an archaic and patronising view that Aboriginal

people only want to conserve their land and have no interest in or are unable to exploit the development opportunities that land represents.

I believe Aboriginal people do not want paternalistic governments that control their interests – they want to participate in and contribute to our economy.

Environmental laws that protect the unique biodiversity values of specific regions in Australia are important and must be enacted. But the price paid to enact these laws must be shared equally by all Australians, not manifestly borne by Aboriginal land owners.

All Australians need to fight for this next tranche of land rights. It shouldn't be an Aboriginal fight. Australians should have the fight with the NSW Government, and in the case of the Wild Rivers Act, the Queensland Government, to demand equality for our First Australians.

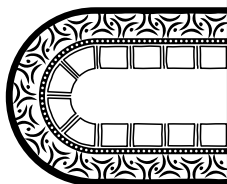
It's not about the land you get, it's what you're able to do with it, and we need to demand that legislation is put in place that ensures Aboriginal people have the same or equitable economic opportunities that other Australians enjoy with regards to their land.

**Northern Territory senator Nigel Scullion is the Federal Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs.*

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Celebrations bring cultures together

By ALF WILSON



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander culture was represented at the combined Harmony Day and International Women's Day celebrations in Townsville on 24 March.

Organised by the Intercultural Centre, the dual celebration was attended by many different nationalities who came together to celebrate their harmonious existence and show appreciation towards each other's culture.

There was a feast of food, entertainment, games and workshops and this year's theme for Harmony Day was 'Everyone Belongs'.

Aboriginal poet Coralie Cassidy was there as part of a local mainstream community mental health organisation TCCAG (Townsville Consumers and Carers Advisory Group).

Along with non-Indigenous TCCAG committee members Kristy Smyth and Jill Kennedy, Ms Cassidy distributed health information kits as well as their newsletter 'Mental Health Happenings'.

Murray Island's Komet dancers represented the Torres Strait, and members Aicey Day and his daughters Emily Day, 7, Aigaris Day, 9, Addie-Mae Day, 5, and son Aipura Day, 19, entertained the audience.



Aicey Day with other Komet dancers – his daughters Emily Day, 7, Aigaris Day, 9, Addie-Mae Day, 5, and son Aipura Day, 19.

Dad 'wants answers'

By LIZ MURRAY



AN Indigenous Perth father is awaiting answers on the removal of two of his children from their mother's care by the Department of Child Protection (DCP), and their placement with

non-Indigenous carers.

Youth worker and human rights activist Glenn Moore said it had been four years since his battle began with DCP for custody of his eldest daughter, and then his other daughter after she was taken from her mother as an infant.

DCP last month responded to a 'second-tier' complaint by Mr Moore that acknowledged the department's failure to provide support for the two girls, aged five and three, to know about their family and culture.

A complaint about the children's care was dismissed by DCP staff, who said there was nothing wrong with the way the children were being treated in the department's care.

A senior department complaints investigator said 'some work' had been done in meeting the children's cultural needs, but there was an 'opportunity for improvement in developing the connections between the children and their families'.

The investigator recommended the development of a cultural plan in consultation with the girls' family, and an update of the children's care plan, pursuant to the normal three-monthly review.

Mr Moore said it had been eight months since the department last held a three-monthly review into his children's

case, and that the reunification process had stalled as a result.

He said he had only one hour of contact with his daughters fortnightly and 'this equates to one day a year'.

Mr Moore, whose mother was from the Stolen Generations, said he had been 'traumatised by racial bias and cruel and insensitive handling by non-Indigenous DCP staff', which regularly saw him stereotyped and dismissed.

He felt he could not trust DCP to monitor his daughters' care, or admit wrongdoing, and he was fearful for their safety every day.

"I have no trust or faith in a system that saw my mother and all her siblings taken from my grandparents, and my grandparents taken from my great grandparents," he said.

"I just want my children back where I know they are safe and loved."

Little support

Mr Moore said his family had received little or no support from the DCP Aboriginal Engagement Unit, and that the DCP was 'constantly moving the goal posts' with regard to what they required of him, despite cultural differences having caused serious problems and ongoing misunderstandings in his communications with case workers.

WA Shadow Child Protection Minister Sue Ellery said a four-year placement of two Aboriginal children in a white couple's care sounded unusual.

The reunification process was difficult, she said, and in some cases had been known to be hindered by case workers and resisted by foster families.

She said DCP was not systemically



GLENN MOORE

racist, 'but there is a difference between the policies and procedures set down in writing and sometimes the practice'.

DCP Director-General Terry Murphy said one in five Indigenous children in DCP custody were with non-Indigenous carers.

He said DCP's focus was to provide children in care with a safe, stable and nurturing environment, 'not accommodating parents who have not been able to care for their children, particularly after a prolonged absence', but said he could not discuss the individual case.

"This may mean that the biological parent's considerations take a secondary priority," he said.

"The opportunity for reunification with a biological parent remains open for a very long time in the life of the child, however, it is not in the child's best interests for this to become open-ended across an indefinite time period," Mr Murphy said.

"If, despite strenuous efforts – that includes discussions with family, an Aboriginal carer cannot be found, Aboriginal children have a cultural plan that sets out how they will stay connected with their family and culture.

"Family connections are the main focus of a cultural plan."

Stolen Generations expert Antonio Buti, who is now the MP for Armadale and honorary senior fellow at the University of WA Law School, said that while working for the Aboriginal Legal Service, he saw inter-generational trauma from the Stolen Generations, and Aboriginal people could have reasonable expectations of government departments to consider their cultural identity.

He said departments should consult directly and widely with Aboriginal people and communities, and it was important to recognise WA has many language groups and each has different cultural beliefs and practices.

"What is imperative is any department working with Indigenous children must have an Indigenous perspective at play and that pre-conceived assumptions on how children should be raised, are not implemented," he said.

"The government departments need to consult with Aboriginal communities and professionals that have expertise on Aboriginal culture, before deciding how to act."

Fears over sacred site



LANDOWNERS and an Aboriginal man say they fear a Queensland coal seam gas company has destroyed parts of a sacred stone site west of Brisbane.

Cattle farmers Rob and Sharon Lohse said parts of the ancient Aboriginal stone arrangements had vanished with Queensland Gas Company's development of the Sean 12 gas well at Kogan, near Dalby.

The well is on a property known as Kerrsdale, adjacent to the Lohses's property Kia-Ora.

Mr Lohse said the couple considered themselves to be guardians of the sacred site since they bought their property 15 years ago.

He said 25 per cent of the sacred site overlapped Kerrsdale, a claim that Queensland Gas Company denies.

Two of the stone configurations appear to have been destroyed by the gas development, he said.

"They haven't followed the correct procedure," Mr Lohse said.

"They went in and cleared a few acres, put a road in... there were two stone arrangements there, and we haven't been able to find them.

"I was out there with (Aboriginal man) Neil Stanley. We walked the area and we couldn't find them."

Mr Stanley, a Barunggam man, said

the site was a place for initiation and secret men's business.

"They've cut a 3000-year-old tradition... where the boy becomes a man," he said.

"I'm just shaking my head... my eyes just water."

He said Barunggam people dealing with Queensland Gas Company were not properly protecting the heritage site.

Archaeology consultant Michael Strong, who inspected the site in 2000, said it could possibly be thousands of years old.

Cared for

The sacred site had been fenced off from cattle for nearly 100 years and was very well cared for by the Lohses, Mr Strong said.

"When you walk into the paddock, you're seeing the vegetation Aboriginal people would have seen traditionally, that has been lost or virtually wiped out... since European settlement," Mr Strong said.

"You've got ecology that's quite crucial."

Mr Strong said it would be 'appalling' if the site had been damaged.

"Cultural sites are protected in Queensland, there's a \$750,000 fine for destroying them knowingly," he said.

Mr Strong said he knew of cases where companies were happy to pay the fine and continue with their mining efforts.

"It's a very cynical approach," he said, adding that he was not attributing blame in this case.

The Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM), Queensland Gas Company, concerned landowners and Mr Stanley met in early March to discuss the stone arrangements.

Neighbour Bill Anderson said State Government departments were rubber-stamping gas companies' paperwork.

"The gas companies have a green light to do whatever they want, and the Government is acting as the department to smooth the way for them," he said.

Queensland Gas Company spokesman Ben Myers denied there was a sacred site on the Kerrsdale property.

"We've had the local traditional owners give full clearance and a archaeologist visit the site," he said.

"We've done everything by the book."

Mr Myers said the company was following all proper procedures and had not broken the laws.

He said Mr Stanley did not represent the Barunggam people in a legal sense.

"He's decided to take the position he has. It's really a matter for the Barunggam people," he said.

"The process is written in law, it's the process everyone else has used.

"We've followed it to the letter." – AAP

\$20,000 prize offer in literary awards



THIS year's Queensland Premier's Literary Awards includes the Unpublished Indigenous Writer – Arts Queensland David Unaipon Award with prizemoney of \$20,000.

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Visit www.literaryawards.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 3405 5215 for more information.

Heritage protection for NT rock shelter



THE Djirurri Rock Shelter at Wellington Range in West Arnhem Land has been declared a Northern Territory heritage place.

Territory Heritage Minister Karl Hampton said the declaration would provide legal protection to the site.

"Ronald Lamilami, senior traditional owner from the Mayurrulidj-Namunidjpuuk clan belonging to the Maung language group, has supported the heritage declaration of the Djirurri Rock Shelter," Mr Hampton said.

"Djirurri is one of the most extraordinary rock art complexes in the Territory – in terms of pigment rock art it is the largest, most varied and historically significant across Australia."

The Djirurri Rock Shelter has also been nominated to the National Heritage List with the approval and support of Mr Lamilami and is currently being considered.

Centrelink training may be expanded



A CENTRELINK in-house Indigenous training scheme developed in Bendigo may be expanded to other offices.

The Ngarranga (meaning 'to know or understand') Indigenous Training Package was designed to keep Centrelink staff better informed about local Indigenous issues and to help them provide a higher level of service for Indigenous customers.

Centrelink Indigenous Services Officer at Bendigo Sue Allengame said Ngarranga now looked likely to be adopted in other offices.

Ms Allengame and her team received a Centrelink Australia Day Award for their efforts.

"We're really honoured, and we'll continue our efforts to ensure we provide the best possible service for all Indigenous Australians," she said.

New art gallery, cafe opened in Moree



A NEW Indigenous art gallery and café will provide training and job opportunities for Indigenous Australians in the Moree area of north-west NSW.

The Yaama Ganu Centre and Cafe Gali has been established with the assistance of the Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) and Indigenous Land Corporation.

Eight Indigenous people employed by Cafe Gali are receiving on-the-job training and work experience in hospitality. The Indigenous art gallery is part of the centre.

Healthy Kids scheme for Mt Isa children



A PROGRAM aimed at improving the health of children is under way in the north-west Queensland city of Mount Isa. The Xstrata Healthy Kids program, which will run for 32 weeks, provides regular free activities in local parks for Mt Isa children.

A Queensland Health nutritionist also will be on hand to discuss healthy eating tips with parents while their children play.

The program is backed by giant mining company Xstrata and will be run by the organisation Kids Sports. The program aims to support initiatives from the Living with Lead Alliance partnership in Mt Isa.

Law firm adopts RAP



NATIONAL law firm Maurice Blackburn launched its first

Reconciliation Action Plan on Close the Gap Day.

It was launched by Aboriginal barrister Munya Andrews at the firm's head office in Melbourne, with staff from Sydney participating via video link.

"It is marvellous to see a high-tiered law firm use 'dirty words' such as 'reconciliation' and 'respect'," Ms Andrews said.

She particularly welcomed the work Maurice Blackburn is involved with for Aboriginal people not consulted about a nuclear waste dump at Muckaty Station, in the Northern Territory.

Maurice Blackburn chief executive Greg Tucker said the firm had been dedicated to Aboriginal issues for many years.

"Australia has a reputation as a developed country where there's a fair go for all," Mr Tucker said.

"Unfortunately, the reality falls vastly short – 17 years short. That's the life expectancy gap between



Tarwirri executive officer Aislinn Martin, barrister and guest speaker Munya Andrews, Maurice Blackburn Social Justice Practice Indigenous and Land Rights Sub-Committee member Janet Van der Kolk and Maurice Blackburn trainee lawyer Kaylene Hunter at the launch of the law firm's Aboriginal Reconciliation Action Plan on Close the Gap Day in Melbourne.

Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians, and it's the reason why we chose national Close the Gap Day to launch our Reconciliation Action Plan.

"We developed our plan in consultation with Reconciliation Australia and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representative bodies, including the Aboriginal Law Students and

Lawyers Association of Victoria, Tarwirri.

"This plan is about action, not lip service. It's a plan that we will continually work towards and update as we progress."

Bill takes aim at family violence



THE Federal Government has introduced a Bill aimed at combatting family violence and providing greater

protections for children within the family law system.

Attorney-General Robert McClelland said the Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011 would create a safer and fairer family law system and prioritise the safety of children.

He said the amendments would encourage people to bring forward evidence of family violence and child abuse, and help families, family law professionals and the courts to better identify harmful behaviour through new definitions of 'family violence' and 'child abuse'.

"This legislation will significantly improve the protections in place to ensure the safety of children in the family law system," Mr

McClelland said.

"It will help people within the system to understand and recognise family violence and child abuse, and encourage them to act.

"The Government will not tolerate family violence or child abuse, and nor should any member of the Australian community."

Mr McClelland said more than 400 submissions were received from the community during the public consultation process.

Plenty of support

"A total of 73 per cent of respondents expressed support for the measures and a further ten per cent made no specific comment on the Bill but offered information about personal experiences," he said.

"The level of interest and support from the community around these changes indicate two things – that the Government is responding to a clear need to improve and strengthen aspects of family law, and that the

overwhelming majority of the community supports the Bill."

He said the Family Violence Bill responded to three reports received by the Government from the Australian Institute of Family Studies, Professor Richard Chisholm AM, and the Family Law Council.

"The Family Violence Bill retains the substance of the shared parenting laws introduced in 2006 and continues to promote a child's right to a meaningful relationship with both parents, but emphasises that the best interests of the child must come first," he said.

"The Government continues to support shared care but only where this is safe for the child."



Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland...
"This legislation will significantly improve the protections in place to ensure the safety of children in the family law system."



Office
of Water

NSW water sharing and licensing: opportunities for Aboriginal communities

The NSW Office of Water is running a series of workshops on water sharing planning and licensing relevant to Aboriginal communities throughout inland NSW, and pilot areas on the coast (Northern Rivers).

The workshops will run in two stages:

Stage 1: Two day community engagement workshops to provide information on the water planning process, planning drivers and relevance of plans to Aboriginal people, and relevant licensing opportunities.

Stage 2: One day water dependent cultural assets identification workshop to compile appropriate information on high priority Aboriginal water dependant cultural assets, cultural flow requirements and/or sensitivities to water extraction.

Workshops for the month of April 2011 are:

5/6 & 19 April - The Town & Country Club, Yeoman St, Boggabilla 9am - 5pm

7/8 & 18 April - Pius X Aboriginal Corp, Pius X Hall, Anne St, Moree 9am - 5pm

13/14 & 20 April - Riverside Restaurant & Function Centre, 13-31 Campbell St, Inverell 9am - 5pm

To RSVP or for further information contact:

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From left, Joanne Selfe from DEEWR, graduates Anthony Ferris and Amy Foster, Federal Member for Chifley Ed Husic, graduate Melena Coppini and Muru Mittigar guide Sonny.

Skilled, and ready to work in retail



FORTY Indigenous Australians from Western Sydney have graduated from Jobfind's Retail Skills Indigenous Employment Program.

Funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations' (DEEWR) and offered in conjunction with the Australian Retailers Association, the program has helped Indigenous locals develop skills to find meaningful and sustainable work in the retail industry.

As well as receiving theoretical training by working through a nationally-accredited Certificate III in Retail, participants in the program undertook hands-on work experience thanks to partnerships between Jobfind Centres Australia and local retailers such as Myer, Kmart, Target and Bunnings Warehouse.

Participants also completed Budda-Jitja, Jobfind's pre-employment training program

designed by Indigenous Australians for Indigenous job-seekers.

Jobfind says Budda-Jitja has been used by thousands of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to learn skills such as using a computer, time management, dealing with money, reading and mathematics.

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib commended the graduates for their work and commitment.

"When it comes to long-term sustainable employment, proper training is absolutely essential and forms the foundation of a career," he said.

"By completing this training, the participants have proven they have what it takes to build a successful career in retail."

The graduation ceremony took place at Muru Mittigar Aboriginal Cultural and Education Centre, Penrith, and included traditional entertainment, boomerang throwing and a cultural talk by the Muru Mittigar staff.

Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Celebrating 25 years

Celebrating gives an individual a time to reflect, to appreciate, and to be grateful for the successes and to also recall and be humble for rising to the challenges of the professional and personal barriers that have been placed along the road as we gather to savour this auspicious occasion.

WAMS are celebrating for two main reasons;

One - is to thank our clients and our community who are the foundation of our operations and our partners from a local to a national level who support us each day to ensure we provide a quality health care service.

The second reason - is to recognise the efforts of the staff and the Directors who have all worked together since 1986 as WAMS now celebrate this silver anniversary.

For Aboriginal people - such a milestone of existence is a major accomplishment in surviving both the State and Commonwealth governments political changes around the livelihood for Aboriginal affairs and Aboriginal Health"

Tuesday 12 April - Street parade with a baby show to follow and a carp muster for the afternoon.

Wednesday 13 April - will be the family day which will be held on Number 2 and 3 ovals. There will be live performances including Troy Cassar-Daley, Jimmy Little, Sean Chollburra and many more, children's games, youth activities.

For all those budding entertainers out there we will be having a talent quest as well.

Thursday 14 April - we are launching our Community Gardens with Mark Olive ("the Black Olive") holding cooking demonstrations and to finish off the festivities there will be a silver anniversary ball that night.

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TV Guide

6th April to 19th April

All times are AEST. For SA/NT - 1/2hr and for WA - 2hrs.

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Wednesday 6th April

- 12.00 Across the Lifespan G (News & Doc)
1.00 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Wind M (Entertainment)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
5.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
5.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
7.00 Message Stick G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.30 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
8.30 Across the Lifespan G (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Black Pearls PG (Music & Radio)
11.00 Straight Shootin' PG (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 7th April

- 12.00 Sacred Ground PG (News & Doc)
1.00 100 Days Of Freedom M (Documentaries)
1.45 Woorabinda: The Long Journey from Taroom G (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
5.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
5.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God PG (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God PG (News & Doc)
7.00 Straight Shootin' PG (Entertainment)
7.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.00 Culture Warriors PG (News & Doc)
11.30 NITV News (News & Documentaries)

Friday 8th April

- 12.00 Black Pearls MA (Entertainment)
1.00 Live at the Basement PG (Music & Radio)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
3.00 Point Of Origin G (News & Doc)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
5.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
5.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Doc)
12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 YAARNZ 3 PG (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
7.00 Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G (Entertainment)
7.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
8.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
8.30 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Doc)
9.00 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 9th April

- 12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.00 Nukkan Ya Ruby G (Special Interest)
3.30 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
5.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
6.00 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
7.00 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
8.00 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
8.30 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Darling River Kids PG (News & Doc)
10.00 Boodjarri Business PG (News & Doc)
10.30 Drinking For Two G (News & Doc)
11.00 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
11.30 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
12.00 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
12.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.30 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
3.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Best of Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
6.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
6.30 Medicine Woman G (News & Doc)
7.00 Sacred Ground PG (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Cool School Antarctica G (News & Doc)
8.30 One Night The Moon PG (Entertainment)
9.30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
10.00 Across the Lifespan G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Documentaries)



NITV News

NITV News features the rich diversity of contemporary life within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, broadening and redefining the news and current affairs landscape. Don't miss latest news from the oldest culture, at 5:30pm AEDT.



Sunday 10th April

- 12.00 Gulpili: One Red Blood M (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Chiefs M (Documentaries)
3.00 Sitting Bull PG (News & Documentaries)
4.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
5.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
5.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
6.30 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
7.00 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
8.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
11.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
11.30 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
12.00 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
12.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
1.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
2.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
3.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
4.30 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
5.00 Grounded PG (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
7.00 Gathering G (Entertainment)
7.15 Home Away From Home PG (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
8.00 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Cool School Antarctica G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith M (Movies)

Monday 11th April

- 12.00 Tamara Sangam Mandrika Rupa G (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Chiefs M (Documentaries)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 ELLA 7'S 2009 G (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Gathering G (Entertainment)
12.15 Hawalkii G (Entertainment)
12.30 Straight Shootin' (Entertainment)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay PG (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
6.30 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Doc)
7.00 Medicine Woman G (News & Doc)
7.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.30 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
9.00 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
11.00 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 12th April

- 12.00 Tamara Sangam Mandrika Rupa G (Documentaries)
1.00 Black Man's Houses PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Wind M (Entertainment)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini PG (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.00 Cool School Antarctica G (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
6.30 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
7.00 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
8.00 Living Black Series 14 NC (News & Doc)
8.30 WHO WE ARE PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Black Pearls PG (Music & Radio)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Wednesday 13th April

- 12.00 Point Of Origin G (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Live at the Basement PG (Music & Radio)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You PG (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God PG (News & Doc)
7.00 Message Stick G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.30 WHO WE ARE PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Woorabinda: The Long Journey from Taroom G (News & Documentaries)
9.15 Working With Community G (News & Documentaries)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Doc)
10.30 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
11.00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 14th April

- 12.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Doc)
1.30 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
7.00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
7.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Friday 15th April

- 12.00 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
1.00 A Frontier Conversation G (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
4.00 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Searching for God G (News & Doc)
7.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
7.30 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Doc)
8.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
8.30 On The Up and Up G (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
10.00 One Night The Moon PG (Entertainment)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)

Saturday 16th April

- 12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
1.00 Back to Pikangikum M (News & Doc)
2.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
5.00 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
6.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
8.00 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
8.30 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
9.00 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Drinking For Two G (News & Doc)
10.30 Boodjarri Business PG (News & Doc)
11.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Doc)
12.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
12.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.30 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
3.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
3.30 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
4.00 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
5.00 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
6.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
6.30 On The Edge PG (Entertainment)
7.00 On The Edge PG (Entertainment)
7.30 On The Edge PG (Entertainment)
8.00 On The Edge PG (Entertainment)
8.30 On The Edge PG (Entertainment)
9.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
9.30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
10.00 Medicine Woman G (News & Doc)
10.30 Lyndon's Story PG (News & Doc)
11.00 Black Pearls MA (Entertainment)

Sunday 17th April

- 12.00 The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith M (Movies)
2.00 Gulpili: One Red Blood M (News & Documentaries)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
6.00 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
7.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
10.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
11.00 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
11.30 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
12.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
12.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
1.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
2.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
3.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
4.30 Keeper G (Documentaries)
5.00 Best of Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
7.00 Gathering G (Entertainment)
7.15 Working With Community G (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Straight Shootin' PG (Entertainment)
8.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 The Colony M (Entertainment)
11.00 The Colony M (Entertainment)

GO LINGO

Join deadly host Natalie Alannah Ahmat and Indigenous and non Indigenous kids aged 11-12, to battle it out for maximum points in spelling, grammar and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language games.

Go Lingo Premiering on NITV April 18th from 10am (AEST) Monday to Friday.



Monday 18th April

- 12.00 FOUR SHEETS TO THE WIND MA (Movies)
1.30 Mana Wahine: Maori Women and Power M (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You PG (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
11.00 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.00 Gathering G (Entertainment)
12.15 Home Away From Home PG (News & Documentaries)
12.30 Straight Shootin' PG (Entertainment)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Like, Me Like You PG (Kids & Family)
4.00 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Medicine Woman G (News & Doc)
7.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.30 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
9.00 Matatahi G (Entertainment)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 In The Shed G (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Doc)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 19th April

- 12.00 Gang Girl - Tarnz Story MA (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Wind M (Entertainment)
1.30 100 Days Of Freedom M (Documentaries)
2.15 Home Away From Home PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.30 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
12.30 Searching for God PG (News & Doc)
1.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
2.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
2.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
4.00 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong NC (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 OPINION PIECE NC (News & Doc)
7.30 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Living Black Series 14 NC (News & Doc)
8.30 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
9.00 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
11.00 Culture Warriors PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Healthy outlook as Lowitja

Base is in ideal location

By KIRSTIE PARKER



IT was inevitable – given current Indigenous health and life-expectancy statistics – that there'd be some melancholy, but the recent launch of the Lowitja Institute's head office in Melbourne was overwhelmingly cause for celebration.

Speakers and performers at the event remarked how much brighter the future seemed with the ground-breaking organisation's establishment in one of the country's top health precincts.

Movers and shakers in Indigenous health were amongst 150-or-so people who attended the laneway party next to 179 Grattan Street in Carlton on 24 March.

Elder Auntie Joy Murphy Wandin said her Wurundjeri people were very happy to have the Lowitja Institute on their country.

"I used to say that if our community gets researched any more I am going to scream, that blackfellas are the most researched people in the world," she told those gathered.

"I'm sure that's still the case but, with the Institute opening, it will be about us saying, teaching, mentoring, and making sure not only what outcomes there are but that they're culturally appropriate."

Patron Lowitja O'Donoghue AC CBE DSG said she was proud to lend her name to 'the first national outfit solely committed to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research'.

'Proud'

"And I am proud to have my name linked with such exceptional people as Pat Anderson, Dr Ian Anderson and Kerry Arabena," Dr O'Donoghue said of the Institute's Chairperson, Director of Research and Innovation, and CEO.

"There needs to be Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation at all levels of health service and policy, administration and practice.

"...And the Lowitja Institute must be alive and known throughout Australia for its fearless work. Our work must be done and must be seen to be done."

Institute CEO Kerry Arabena said that, for Indigenous people to have 'long and fulfilling lives', they needed the very best health research and engagement with as many people on

the issue as possible.

Chairperson Pat Anderson said the decision to locate the collaborative, evidence-based research body in Melbourne acknowledged that most Indigenous Australians lived in cities and towns.

It would strike the balance between people who lived in remote areas and those who lived in urban areas, she said.

"We have the knowledge, research and know-how to collaboratively build a national research agenda which will improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," she said.

Keynote speaker former Federal Health Minister Michael Wooldridge said it was fitting that the Lowitja institute was in Melbourne because a third of all the country's bio-medical research and the health research facilities were located within 2kms.

'Where the action is'

"For the Institute to be here right where the action is shows that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research is entirely serious," he said.

Before a moving performance with his son Amos, singer Archie Roach summed up the Institute's opening as 'a momentous occasion'.

"I have seen many things in this old city," Archie said. "Not far around the corner, there's a park up on Swanston Street that we used to call number two park years ago. My old mates... a lot of them are not here anymore... but they would have loved to bear witness to what is going on here today."

"I remember one time when one old uncle went along to a health service. He came out with tears in his eyes and I said 'Are you right, Unc?'"

"He said, 'I'm just so happy that I was treated today by an Aboriginal doctor... I never thought I would see the day'."

"Our old people fought for our people to be educated so sitting here today makes you feel pretty good... because we know what it took."

The Lowitja Institute brings together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations, academic institutions and government agencies. The culmination of more than 14 years of research activity by the Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) for Aboriginal and Tropical Health and the CRC for Aboriginal Health, it also hosts the CRC for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health.



Dr Kerry Arabena, Pat Anderson, Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue, Joy Murphy Wandin and Dr Michael Wooldridge outside the Lowitja Institute in Grattan Street, Melbourne.



Koori Youth Will Shake Spears perform.



Oxfam Australia colleagues Peter Nathan, a Pitta Pitta man from north Qld, and Karrina Nolan, a Yorta Yorta woman from Melbourne.



Qld Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) deputy chairman Matthew Cooke and CEO Selwyn Button.

Institute head office opens



Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue and Wurundjeri Elder Joy Murphy Wandin at the opening of the institute headquarters.



Tarina Sansbury with young Waru Roach.



Lowitja Institute CEO Dr Kerry Arabena.



Institute chairperson Pat Anderson and Victorian educator Geraldine Atkinson.



Helen Kennedy, Kylie Belling and Savannah Kruger at the launch.



Archie Roach performs, with son Amos in the background. Archie said the opening was 'a momentous occasion'.



● ABOVE: From left, Michael Bissell (Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative), Aaron Ross (National Congress), Gregory Phillips (Monash University), Dameyon Bonson (Hearspace), and Darren Grassick (Disability service provider Yooralla).



● LEFT: From the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), interim CEO Kate Kellerher, chairman Justin Mohamed and Janine Englehardt.

Descendance in Hawaii during tsunami alert



INDIGENOUS performing group Descendance were in Hawaii when tsunami alerts triggered by the Japanese earthquakes in February sounded.

While the feared waves did not cause great damage, the US islands went on full alert as sirens sounded.

Descendance were among the featured artists at the 17th Honolulu Festival, Hawaii's premier cultural event, which culminated in a grand parade of Pacific countries performing across the city and down to Waikiki beach.

This year more than 200,000 people turned out for the festival.

Descendance heads to Moscow, in Russia, later this month where they will perform at venues until 4 May.

● Pictured: Descendance performers at the Honolulu Festival in Hawaii.



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Upgrading the Pacific Highway Kempsey bypass

The RTA has formed an alliance with Leighton Contractors, AECOM and Coffey Geotechnics to design and build the Kempsey bypass.

Construction activities between March 2011 and May 2011 include:

- The movement of a large quantity of soil between North Coast Railway Line and Pola Creek.
- Controlled blasting in two locations between the Pacific Highway at South Kempsey and Crescent Head Road.
- Constructing the Crescent Head Road overpass and bridges over the North Coast Railway Line including piling and substructure works.
- Constructing side tracks on Old Station Road and Inches Road in preparation for bridge works.
- Geotechnical investigations continuing for the Macleay River and floodplain bridge.
- Start constructing the Frederickton levee.
- Constructing access tracks in preparation for works on the Frederickton Interchange.

Please drive with care and follow the signs. The RTA appreciates your patience and apologises for the inconvenience.

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For further information or to ask a question or raise a concern contact 1800 306 004 (toll free) or visit the website www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific

Australian Government
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Transport
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Aboriginal Heritage Great Western Highway upgrade Mount Victoria to Lithgow.

The RTA is proposing to upgrade the Great Western Highway between Mount Victoria and Lithgow.

An Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will be undertaken for this project and may result in the RTA:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the Code of Practice for archaeological investigations in NSW, and or
- Undertaking an environmental assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

The RTA invites Aboriginal people and/or Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the Mount Victoria to Lithgow area to register with the RTA.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by **28 April 2011**.

To register your interest, please contact Jeff Charlton, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisor, Western Region:

Ph: 02 6861 1658

Mob: 0428463258

Email: Jeffery_Charlton@rta.nsw.gov.au

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'Big Apple' visit for Mudgin-gal

MUDGIN-GAL Aboriginal Corporation Women's Centre recently sent two of its workers, CEO Dixie Link-Gordon and education manager Ashlee Donohue, to New York City – the 'Big Apple' – where they were part of the Australian Delegation for the 55th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2011.

Mudgin-Gal has been an incorporated organisation for the past 18 years and is governed by Aboriginal women. It services the Redfern and Waterloo area of Sydney, doing community outreach, including domestic violence and sexual support work.

"It goes to show that a little organisation based in Redfern can be a part of a worldwide event," Ms Link-Gordon said.

"We have learnt so much by attending this conference and are confident that Mudgin-gal is on par with the world when it comes to education on the effects of domestic and community violence."

Ms Donohue said this was evident when they attended the launch of the 'National Plan To Reduce Violence



Mudgin-Gal Aboriginal Corporation Women's Centre education officer Ashlee Donohue and CEO Dixie Link-Gordon with assistant chief commanding officer of the New York City Domestic Violence Unit Kathy E Ryan.

Against Women and Their Children', with mention of the 'Tackling Violence' initiative under recent reforms.

Linda Burney, but the concept is that of Mudgin-gal's CEO Dixie Link-Gordon, who is also

'Who would ever have thought two Aboriginal women who work in Redfern (would be) rubbing shoulders with the NYC assistant chief of police ... Too deadly!'

'Tackling Violence' is a NSW Government-funded activity endorsed by former Community Services Minister

the project educator. The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is a functional commission of the

United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), dedicated to gender equality and advancement of women.

Every year, representatives of member states gather at the United Nations headquarters in New York to evaluate progress on gender equality, identify challenges, set global standards and formulate concrete policies to promote gender equality and advancement of women worldwide.

Ms Donohue said one thing they did notice was a lack of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women participants, and Mudgin-gal urged all Indigenous non-government organisations which work with women to become involved in the Status of Women forums.

"A highlight of our trip was the opportunity to meet and talk to Kathy E Ryan, assistant chief commanding officer of the New York City Domestic Violence Unit!," she said.

"Who would ever have thought two Aboriginal women who work in Redfern (would be) rubbing shoulders with the NYC assistant chief of police ... Too deadly."



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First bank branch opens in Redfern



TWO Indigenous employees are amongst the ten staff at the newly-opened Redfern branch of the Commonwealth Bank – the only bank operating in the inner-Sydney suburb.

They are Indigenous

school-based trainee Benj Thompson and full-time employee Sam Doku.

Redfern resident and Elder Uncle Max Eulo kicked off the official opening on 23 February with an Acknowledgement to Country and a smoking ceremony.

Commonwealth Bank inner-west

Sydney area manager Nick Rainey said the launch of the Redfern branch was a great opportunity for staff to meet the local community.

"I believe it is fantastic that Commonwealth Bank supports the community of Redfern and are involved in participating with local events," he said.



Staff at the newly-opened Redfern branch of the Commonwealth Bank are, front row from left, Samrat Ganguly and Pragash Santi; middle; Indigenous full-time employee Sam Doku, Angelina Mojsovski, Dailyn McIntyre, Arifur Mahmud, Kaniz Fatema, Sunita Rele; back; Mohammad Chowdhury, Indigenous trainee Benj Thomson, Mark Jones, Ross McEwan and Tarun Mohanta.

Centre of Excellence ready to celebrate



THE National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) will mark its first anniversary with a community day celebration this Friday.

Located in Redfern, the NCIE hosts development opportunities for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in the areas of arts and culture, learning and innovation, health and well-being and sport and recreation.

Since opening last February, the centre has hosted programs for more than 7300 young people from across Australia and has worked with well-known athletes, celebrated artists and respected community leaders in inspiring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people to achieve their dreams and aspirations.

All are invited to join special guests and sporting greats at a free community afternoon tea on Friday from 4.30pm.

\$115,000 to provide development help



THE Federal Government is providing \$115,000 for a new Indigenous business to provide economic development assistance to Indigenous people in the Murdi Paaki and Orana Regions in Western NSW.

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib said Boomalli Consulting would receive the funding from the Australian Government's Indigenous Employment Program to provide services to drive Indigenous business.

"Boomalli will provide consulting services to help develop Indigenous businesses in the local economies, encouraging business-to-business activity in remote areas, joint ventures and enterprise partnerships," he said.

"Boomalli has engaged a local consultant to provide specialist support and mentoring to new and existing Indigenous businesses in the area. This assistance will help increase economic enterprises, employment and training."

The project aims to empower local Aboriginal people to build their capacity and independence in an economic environment.

Cancer survivors to have national forum



THE Australian Indigenous Cancer Survivors Forum will be held at the NSW Cancer Council office, 153 Dowling Street, Woolloomooloo on 19 May from 9am to 4pm.

The aim of the forum is to give Indigenous cancer survivors and carers the opportunity to share their experiences following their treatment.

Cancer Council community liaison officer Veronica Saunders said Aboriginal Australians experienced particular challenges in their cancer journey and the Cancer Council hoped its involvement as principal sponsor would help survivors and carers to connect with each other and with services that could help them.

To become a forum support partner contact info@m247consulting.com or telephone 0410 630 316.

More houses, works for Qld community



YARRABAH is to get more houses and refurbishments for existing premises. The State Government has allocated \$5.6 million for 31 new and extended houses and \$1.9 million to refurbish 20 houses in the north Queensland community.

The work will be rolled out over four years.

Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Curtis Pitt said the housing projects at Yarrabah were part of the biggest spending on social housing in Queensland for decades.

"Not only are we building more homes for the people of Yarrabah, we're creating jobs and training opportunities for local tradies and apprentices," he said.

"These funds couldn't have come at a better time for Yarrabah with jobs and job security more important than ever."

Cultural heritage ignored, says PhD researcher



AUSTRALIA'S rules for mining development devalue the nation's Aboriginal culture and may continue to disempower Indigenous Australians.

These are among the conclusions of Dr Jillian Marsh as part of research carried out for the former Desert Knowledge CRC and released by Ninti One Ltd.

Environmental impact rules may still allow for the destruction of sites of cultural significance to Aboriginal people, says Dr Marsh, after she documented and analysed the negotiations surrounding the Beverley uranium mine in South Australia for her doctorate at the University of Adelaide.

Dr Marsh is believed to be the first Adnyamathanha person to be awarded a PhD.

"My conclusion was that in this case, the environmental impact process did not work for the community," she said.

"It was tokenistic on the part of government and industry; the Aboriginal Heritage Act was ignored. It was all about getting a mine, not about protecting cultural heritage.

"This is clear from the public documents such as the Environmental

Impact Statement and Press statements made by the South Australian Minister for Primary Industries released at the time of approval."

Dr Marsh said some negotiations between miners and Aboriginal communities were still carried out in an atmosphere of fear, suspicion, bullying and compulsion.

In the Beverley case, community members were forcibly removed from public meetings and protesters injured, she said.

Little research

Dr Marsh said she was surprised, when she began working on her study, to find there was very little case study research in Australia into the negotiations between Aboriginal and mining interests.

"It was the first time anyone has documented the colonial role of mining in the region known as the Flinders Ranges of South Australia, yet the history of mining parallels the history of over 100 years of colonisation," she said.

"My research suggests that Aboriginal communities are not opposed to mining or development - but they are opposed to the destruction of their culture, their land, their sites, and to the bullying that goes on around mineral exploration and mining.

"And they often feel disempowered by the complex, legalistic processes of negotiation they are often forced to accept."

Dr Marsh said the concerns documented in her thesis were not just about economic loss suffered by Aboriginal communities no longer able to access their traditional lands and bush foods, but also spiritual loss of their connection to country.

"Current concerns included a proposed expansion of the Beverley Mine, and a proposal to drill a tunnel through Mount Gee. Mt Gee is the final resting place of our spiritual Creator known as Virdnimuru. They are planning to drill a tunnel right through Virdnimuru's head," she said.

Dr Marsh's thesis is titled 'A Critical Analysis of Decision-making Protocols Used in Approving a Commercial Mining Licence for the Beverley Uranium Mine in Adnyamathanha Country: Toward Effective Indigenous Participation in Caring for Cultural Resources'. It was completed at the University of Adelaide in May 2010. Her PhD was granted in February 2011.

● Download: http://www.desertknowledgecrc.com.au/resource/jillianmarsh_phd_effectiveindigenousparticipation_beverleymine.pdf

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of South Australia and adjoining waters

Notification day: 20 April 2011

National Native Title Tribunal

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1350, Adelaide, SA, 5001, **on or before 19 July 2011**. After 19 July 2011, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Ramindjeri

Federal Court File No: SAD162/2010

Date filed in Federal Court: 22 October 2010

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration: Although this application has not been registered, it may still proceed to mediation in the Tribunal and/or determination in the Federal Court.

Description of the application area: The area subject to this application covers about 20,230 square kilometres and is located over Adelaide and extending southwest over Kangaroo Island out to twelve nautical miles off shore as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the Local Government Authorities of Adelaide, Burnside, Campbelltown, Charles Sturt, Holdfast Bay, Marion, Mitcham, Norwood Payneham and St Peters, Onkaparinga, Port Adelaide Enfield, Tea Tree Gully, Unley, Victor Harbor, West Torrens City Councils and Adelaide Hills, Alexandrina, Kangaroo Island, Mount Barker, Yankalilla District Councils and Walkerville Municipal Council.

Data statement: Claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Dept of Environment and Heritage (SA) and Geoscience Australia.

For assistance and further information contact Monica Khouri on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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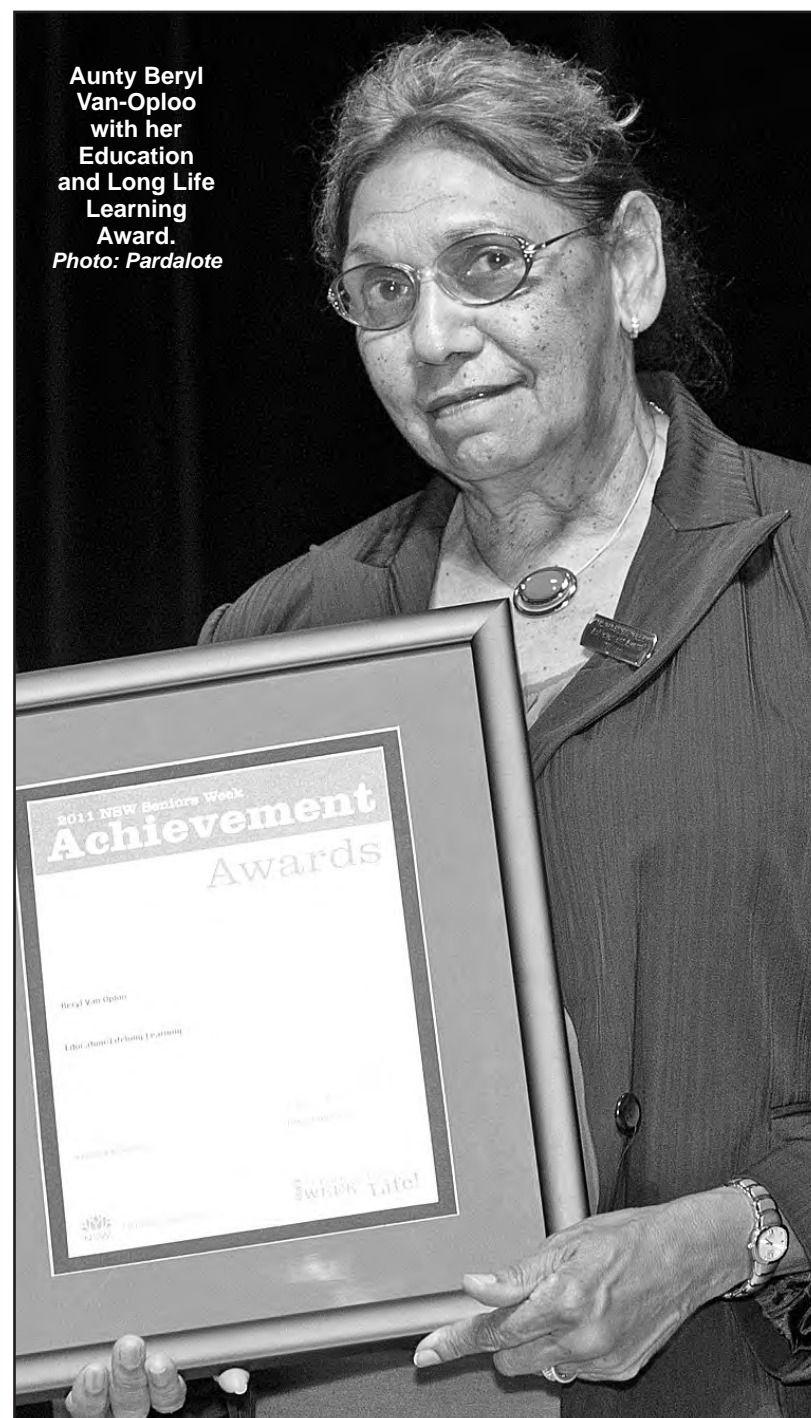
Gariwerd Workshop: Register your interest

How should cultural heritage be managed at Gariwerd (Grampians National Park)?

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council invites Traditional Owners with a connection to Gariwerd to register their interest to attend a workshop in Halls Gap on 16 - 17 June 2011 to talk about cultural heritage management at Gariwerd.

You must register your interest by 29 April 2011 to receive an invitation to the workshop. More information is available at www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/indigenous/aboriginal-heritage-council Follow the link 'Gariwerd Project'.

To register your interest, contact the Council's Secretariat on (03) 9208 3243 or email vahc@dpcd.vic.gov.au.



Aunty Beryl Van-Oploo with her Education and Long Life Learning Award.
Photo: Pardalote

A taste of success for senior



REDFERN community leader and trainer at Yaama Dhiyaan Hospitality Training School

Aunty Beryl Van-Oploo has received an achievement award for her contribution to the local community.

Aunty Beryl received the Education and Long Life Learning Award as part of Seniors Week and held a Bush Tucker tasting event at Yaama Dhiyaan as part of the Seniors Week program.

The NSW Seniors Week Achievement Awards recognise outstanding leadership, initiative and contributions made by seniors and seniors organisations to the wider community.

Aunty Beryl was recognised for her instrumental role in setting up Yaama Dhiyaan, Australia's first and only hospitality college specialising in Indigenous culture and cuisine.

"After all these years, it is great

to get some recognition – even if I am a senior," said Aunty Beryl with a smile.

"But on a more serious note, it is great to be recognised, especially as an Aboriginal person."

Aunty Beryl's teaching ability and use of bush tucker has been described as 'truly inspirational'.

Since the start of Yaama Dhiyaan, she has trained and found employment for more than 160 students.

As a Seniors Week ambassador, Aunty Beryl was pleased to run a bush tasting event at

Yaama Dhiyaan on 22 March, with participants sampling a wide variety of native foods including emu, wattle seed bread and pepper berries.

Along with the food sampling, Aunty Beryl spoke about the importance of native foods and how they play a significant part in the Aboriginal diet – not only for health, but also for the connection with the land.

'It is great to be recognised, especially as an Aboriginal person'

Officer from the west judged to be the best



JODI HOFFMANN has been named the 2010 Trevor Christian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services (ATSILS) Employee of the Year.

Ms Hoffmann, the media officer at the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia (ALSWA), was named winner at a recent legal services meeting in Melbourne.

ALSWA CEO Dennis Eggington, who presented the award to Ms Hoffmann, acknowledged her commitment to community and commending her professionalism and contributions as media officer for the past five years.

A Nunga woman from Adelaide, Ms Hoffmann is the mother of two and has lived in Perth for more than 20 years. Her role at ALSWA includes handling media enquiries, producing ALSWA newsletters and reports and presenting *Law Matters*, ALSWA's fortnightly radio program on 6NME Noongar Radio (100.9 FM).

She said she felt 'extremely surprised, humbled and honoured' to receive the award.

"The work undertaken by ATSILS throughout the country is so important and I feel very fortunate to be part of such a dynamic team at ALSWA who are all working tirelessly within the area of social justice," Ms Hoffmann said.

Ms Hoffmann has worked in radio and was formerly the *Koori Mail's* WA correspondent.



Jodi Hoffmann
with her award.

Job funds to help victims



INDIGENOUS people in disaster-affected areas of Queensland will be able to benefit from the \$83 million Queensland Natural Disasters Jobs and Skills Package.

The Federal Government has allocated \$3.5 million from the Indigenous Employment Program to help Indigenous Australians work in areas affected by the floods and cyclone.

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib said the funding would support training and employment projects to assist Indigenous Australians in affected communities to get back on their feet.

"One of the best ways we can help Indigenous Australians and disaster-affected communities is to create local opportunities that relate directly to cleaning up the damage or skilling them in preparation for the recovery phase," he said.

"We know that one of the impacts of a



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disaster can be a loss of jobs, apprenticeships and training opportunities for local people while businesses are

rebuilt. The task of reconstructing after the disasters is an enormous one, but we are committed to providing support to help Indigenous Australians to help themselves.

"We will also be engaging Indigenous employment co-ordinators who will work to ensure that Indigenous Australians are able to connect with all training and employment opportunities presented in each region."

Senator Arbib said the Government would consult with Indigenous communities about the need for these positions and their role with each community to identify what were the most needed resources during the clean-up and recovery phase.

The package is being co-ordinated through Skills Queensland in partnership with the Australian and Queensland governments.

● Further information on the package can be found at www.skills.qld.gov.au or by contacting the Jobs and Skills Package Hotline on 1800 773 048.

New NACCHO CEO named



BUNDJALUNG woman Donna Ah Chee is the new Chief Executive Officer of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO).

Ms Ah Chee had been deputy CEO of the Central Australian Aboriginal Congress in Alice Springs for the past 11 years. Originally from the far north coast of NSW, Ms Ah Chee has lived in Alice Springs for more than 20 years.

She has been involved in the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) and, at the national level, with NACCHO for many years. She has also served on many Northern Territory and national bodies such as the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Committee.

NACCHO chair Justin Mohamed said Ms Ah Chee brought a great range of skills and experience to NACCHO.

"This is an important time to build on the advances in Aboriginal health and the strength of the 152 Aboriginal community controlled health services across Australia," he said.

"I'm looking forward to Ms Ah Chee being part of the NACCHO team serving our members and backing our communities for a healthier future."

Samoans guilty of manslaughter



FOUR Samoans have been cleared of murdering rugby league star Johnathan Thurston's uncle in a Brisbane park, but were found guilty of manslaughter. Vaai Saua Emelio, 19, Likisone Siliga, 26, Len Junior Wilson, 19, and a juvenile who was

15 at the time and cannot be named, all pleaded not guilty in the Supreme Court in Brisbane to the murder of Richard Saunders on 25 October, 2008.

A jury found them not guilty of Mr Saunders' murder but guilty of the lesser charge of manslaughter. Emilio was also found guilty of one count of aggravated assault, with Siliga and Wilson each convicted of two counts of aggravated assault and one of common assault.

The juvenile was also convicted of assault counts relating to attacks on two other men, Harold Bond and Gordon Willis, who were with Mr Saunders.

All will be sentenced next month. - AAP

Meeting backs Hickey family



A PUBLIC meeting in Melbourne has given support to the family of Redfern teenager TJ Hickey, who claim they are being harassed by New South Wales police.

TJ Hickey died in 2004

after being impaled on a fence after police pursued him on his bicycle. He was aged 17 at the time.

The meeting backed a complaint by TJ's mother Gail Hickey to the United Nations Human Rights Committee and called for authorities to allow the

Hickey family to place a suitable memorial plaque at the site where TJ died.

And those attending also voted unanimously to condemn police action in arresting and charging members of the Hickey family attending the 21st birthday party for Tisha Hickey in the Sydney

suburb of Riverstone last September.

Tisha Hickey and six other party-goers face charges of riot following police action.

A protest rally is planned for outside Parramatta Court on 23 May, when the charges are due to be heard.



Private Natalie Whyte was at one display showing students Army gear.



Ayr High School students Evenis Doolah, Lyle Gesah, Danella Monday and Mary Tabo.



Kaine Kackadoo, from Winton, who attends All Souls St Gabriels School in Charters Towers checked out a grenade launcher.

Students soldier on

By ALF WILSON



MORE than 100 Indigenous students from 12 north Queensland high schools attended an Australian Defence Force (ADF) forum at Townsville's Lavarack Barracks on 30 March where they got to ask challenging questions about life and check out possible careers.

Pupils from All Souls St Gabriel's School at Charters Towers, Ayr State High, Palm Island's Bwgcolman Community High, Home Hill High, Ingham High, Kirwan High Townsville, Northern Beaches State Deeragun, Ryan Catholic School, the Cathedral School, Thuringowa High, Townsville State High and William Ross High took part in the Indigenous Youth Challenge forum to discuss their opinions on the ADF.

Military personnel asked the

Indigenous Students the question 'What does the Australian Defence Force have to do with you?'.

The students were presented throughout the day with various scenarios to explore the issue and investigate the relevance of the ADF in today's society and to their own lives.

Pupils were asked questions on a series of subjects such as bullying, education, religion, detention, and were awarded points depending on their answers.

Popular

One lot of questions which was popular was about why they would make a good school captain.

The students were shown pictures on a big screen of well-known Indigenous servicemen who had been involved in different conflicts such as World Wars I and II.

They attended a display by defence force dogs and then checked out the latest army equipment.

Navy, Army and Air Force personnel were on hand to answer questions, talk about their

experiences and demonstrate some of their activities.

Winton youth Kaine Kackadoo, who goes to All Souls St Gabriels School in Charters Towers, enjoyed getting a close look at a grenade launcher.

"This has been a very good day and we have really enjoyed it," he said.

Harriet Tapim, of Pimlico High School, was shown a Mag 58 machine gun and said she would seriously consider a career in the ADF.

Chris Wicks, the Head of Campus at Bwgcolman High, said it was a great opportunity for the pupils.

"This is sensational and has provided a great opportunity to get the students thinking about careers and the ADF caters for many with various abilities," he said.

Marine technician Gabriel Mills hails from Thursday Island and went to primary school there before going to Abergowrie High near Ingham as a boarder.

"This has been a great day and I can recommend the military as a career for Indigenous youth. You get to travel a lot and there is a lot of variety," he said.



Pimlico High students Rebecca Laakso-Tomkins and Harriet Tapim with Private Jarad Thomas, who is holding a machine gun.



Ingham High students at the forum were, from left, Tania Tom, Sage Clemments, Jason Clarkson and Zackariah Cassady.

Researcher to study golden staph



MENZIES researcher Dr Steven Tong has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship for his research into golden staph, a major cause of severe community and hospital acquired infections.

Dr Tong, a Research Fellow with Menzies School of Health Research, explored the epidemiology of golden staph in northern Australia and showed strains of golden staph bacteria were resistant to antibiotics and caused skin infections, and could be fatal if they

entered the bloodstream.

Previous research by Dr Tong showed the annual incidence of golden staph bloodstream infections to be six times higher in the Indigenous community compared with the rest of the population in northern Australia.

The scholarship will enable Dr Tong to spend seven months at the Duke University Medical Centre in the US state of North Carolina, one of the world's leading centres for staphylococcal research, to gain an international perspective on the disease.

"It is likely that these antibiotic-resistant golden staph strains have arisen in remote Indigenous communities where staphylococcal disease is highly prevalent," he said.

Skin infections

At Duke University, Dr Tong will continue his research into a peculiar strain of golden staph that is the main cause of skin infections in Aboriginal communities.

He will investigate whether this strain of golden staph is as virulent as

other strains.

Dr Tong will also undertake a second project examining the relationship between golden staph and infection affecting the lining of the heart muscle.

Twenty-six Australians were awarded 2010 Fulbright Scholarships which are worth up to \$45,000 and enable scholars to study and research in the US for three to 12 months with the key aim of fostering mutual cultural understandings between the two countries, and establishing collaborative research relationships.

The class of 2010



NAISDA Dance College's graduation for the class of 2010 was held late last month at the Gosford Regional Gallery.

The keynote address was given by NAISDA graduate and board member Gail Mabo, who

reflected on the main lesson she had learned from NAISDA was that she was not merely learning to dance, but she was also an ambassador for her culture.

In addition to 27 certificates being awarded, four developing artists – Eric Avery, Travis De Vries, Ann-Janette Phillips and Steven Smith-Ince – received

their Diploma in Careers in Dance at the culmination of their studies.

A highlight of the ceremony was traditional Elcho Island dances by NAISDA cultural tutors Heather Mitjanga Burarrwanga and Tony Wuduku Ganambarr.

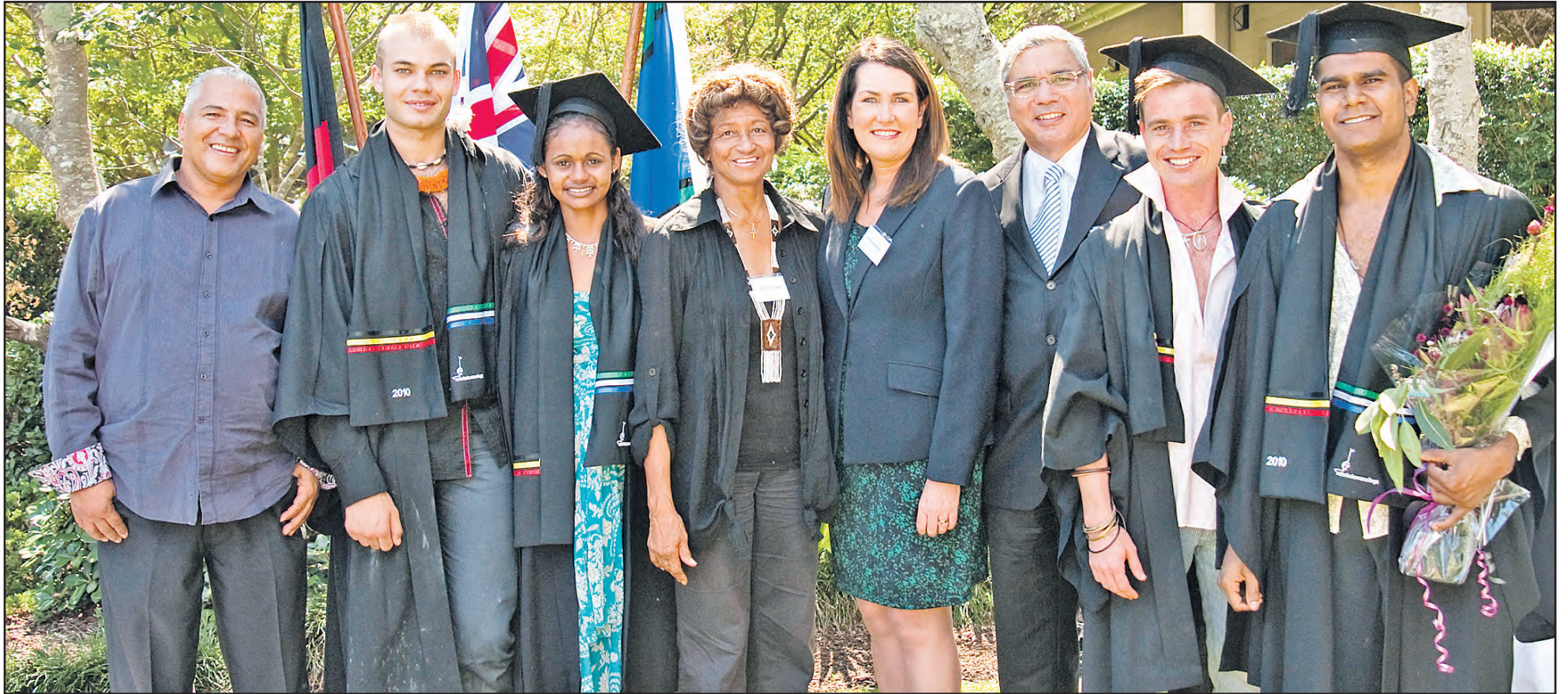
In a first for NAISDA, the Chairman's Award for Excellence

was also presented.

NAISDA chair Warren Mundine told the audience the award was for a developing artist who had made a positive contribution to college life, as well as having a distinguished artistic and academic record. The first winner was Travis De Vries.

Among the many family, friends and community members at the graduation were NAISDA founder Carole Johnson, Bangarra Dance Theatre's Elma Kris and the Federal MP for Robertson Deb O'Neil.

● Look for more on NAISDA in our special Education Feature in our next edition.



From left, NAISDA director Kim Walker, Travis De Vries, Ann-Janette Phillips, NAISDA founder Carol Johnson, Robertson MP Deborah O'Neil, NAISDA chair Warren Mundine, Steven Smith-Ince and Eric Avery. Photos by NATHAN CAPTAIN and AMANDA JAMES



The four diploma graduates, Ann-Janette Phillips, Eric Avery, Steven Smith-Ince and Travis De Vries with MC Roy Ah See, who is a NSW Aboriginal Land Council councillor.



Cultural tutor Tony Wuduku Ganambarr.

Tennant Creek rises to Challenge



Last Kinection rapper Naomi Wenitong with fans in the Hip Hop House.



Puggy Hunter award winner for Spirit at the Vibe 3on3 Ruth Katakarija with Black Diamond Claude Williams.



Some of the basketball action at the Vibe 3on3 event in Tennant Creek. All photos by Andrew Rosenfeldt

3on3 event was a first



ABOUT 400 young people took part in the National Indigenous 3on3 Basketball and Hip Hop Challenge – the Vibe 3on3 – held at Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory.

Students attended songwriting workshops in the week leading up to the event with Northern Territory singer/songwriter Shellie Morris, later performing their compositions at the Vibe 3on3 on Friday in front of hundreds of students.

The Vibe 3on3 Friday event featured a 3on3 basketball tournament, rapping and break dancing lessons, art workshops, a dance competition and a health and careers expo, all accompanied by a backing track of the latest RnB, hip-hop and Indigenous music.

The Vibe 3on3, held on Warumungu land, was a free event for Indigenous and other students that encouraged sportsmanship and leadership, taught new skills and helped build self-esteem, as well as promoting reconciliation at a grassroots level.

After the welcome to country by Francine McCarthy, local students from the group 'Culture Crew from YDU' performed at the opening ceremony. Local performances were a highlight of the event, including a rap from 'TCG'.

Indigenous singer-songwriter Nathan Foley, Last Kinection's Naomi Wenitong and hip-hop performer Brothablack were among the role models on the day.

Local dignitaries attending the event included Barkly Shire Council deputy shire president Tony Boulter and Julalikari Aboriginal Corporation president Gina Smith.

The event aimed to give students an opportunity to learn more about a healthy lifestyle and their future career.

Executive producer Gavin Jones



Australian Rugby 7s player Matt Sonter runs the skip-a-thon at the Health Expo.



Former High 5 star Nathan Foley with students from Barkly College.

declared the event a success and thanked the local committee.

"We couldn't have staged such a successful event without the help of a truly wonderful local committee. They did everything possible to make the event a memorable one for the kids of Tennant Creek and surrounding regions," he says.

"I'd also like to thank our local sponsors Barkly Shire Council and St John Ambulance Service. This is the first time we've been to Tennant Creek and, hopefully, we can bring the Vibe 3on3 back again."

The Vibe 3on3® aims to promote healthy lifestyles, strengthen communities and boost self-esteem.



Greg Tait who plays local policeman Texas (and grandfather of wayward kid Bullet) in the film... In order to work on the film Tait, a Gidja man, took leave from his job as a police officer at Halls Creek in the Kimberley.



Lucas Yeeda who played 13-year-old Bullet and Nyoongar man Dean Daley-Jones who plays urban drifter TJ, Bullet's estranged father, in a scene.

Focus on mad men of the Kimberley

By RACHEL SCOLLAY

FOR Stephen Pigram of Broome act the Pigram Brothers, doing the music for the film *Mad Bastards* was always going to be the easy part.

Based on the real-life experiences of Kimberley men and with a cast made up almost entirely of non-actors, *Mad Bastards* hits screens around Australia next month – nine years after initial development started.

During that period, Pigram and his brother Alan went from 'just doing the music and helping out with the script... keeping an eye on the cultural aspects' to taking on the role of co-producers – a first for the brothers.

Mad Bastards was also new territory for writer/director Brendan Fletcher as his first feature film, and Pigram said a lot of the time they were flying by the seat of their pants.

"There were times we thought we weren't going to make it," he said.

The brothers first met Fletcher in 1997 when they were looking for someone to shoot some music videos for their album *Saltwater Country*.

"We didn't really know him, we met him through an acquaintance," Pigram said.

"We flew him up. He did it for bugger all, but we promised him a few days' fishing. We looked after him.

"It turned out to be a really good collaboration. We got several music clips done and enough left over for a documentary for the ABC."

The experience led to further collaborations, including the 10-minute short drama *Kulli Foot*, which tells the story of a young sports star who must choose between leaving home or staying. The film went on to win the Dendy Award at the 2000 Sydney Film Festival.

"The idea came about through talking with Brendan. It's about a young fella torn between two worlds," Pigram said.

"It was shot on my bush block out of Broome.

"Brendan only had two crew members – the camera man and the sound man. The rest of the attachments was all of us. We did all the music and all the catering. It was another step in the collaborative process."

Fletcher, who comes from a white middle-class family in Sydney, then started travelling more widely around the Kimberley and meeting 'other characters' – some of who literally went on to become characters in *Mad Bastards*.

"The three of us always had this idea to make a feature, but to base the characters



Alan and Stephen Pigram – Stephen Pigram said the brothers composed a lot of the incidental music for *Mad Bastards* 'on the run' while filming was taking place.

and stories on real people, who actually got to perform in the film," Pigram said. "And even get our mob speaking how they actually speak..."

"It just took us a while to find the right combination of people wanting to tell their stories and be in the film."

Mad Bastards tells the story of TJ who is a mad bastard, and his estranged 13-year-old son Bullet who is on a fast track to becoming one too. In the opening scenes of the film we see Bullet setting fire to a building with a Molotov cocktail.

The people in the lead roles brought their own lives to the story – basically playing themselves.

Greg Tait, who plays the police officer Texas, was the local copper at remote Halls Creek for nearly 17 years. Dean Daley-Jones, the tough, angry TJ who arrives in

town to meet his son for the first time, is currently getting to know his own teenage son in real life. And when the cameras film John Watson taking a group of troubled boys deep into the bush to teach them Aboriginal culture, it's actually what he does all the time.

"There's not much fake in the film," says Tait, who along with Daley-Jones and Watson is credited as one of the film's writers. "It's pretty real. If anything we played it down a bit."

Pigram said a mad bastard was their name for the one who is dragging the net in the deep end where all the crocodiles are.

"They are brave to the point of being mad," he said. "We were all mad at some point, especially when we were young and full of stupidity because we'd been drinking."

While the film has some scenes in Perth, most of it was shot in the Kimberley.

"Most of it is shot in a little place called Wyndham (1060kms north-east of Broome)," Pigram said.

"We wanted to show the community environment, and the problems you have (out on community), and then also the town environment, so we captured all of that we hope.

"One of the underlying themes of the film is trying to show the different layers that our people live in. Rather than all Aboriginal people are all in one situation out in the desert...that there are many different layers of colonisation.

"Some people have been hammered for 100 years, some for 200 years, some only for the last 80 years. There are all these different layers of problems. It's not just a simple blanket you can throw over all Aboriginal people in Australia."

Pigram said they didn't want to be 'really preachy', but the film gave people a glimpse of the different layers.

"There are common problems as well, like the alcohol problem, that's a thread in the film," he said.

"A lot of us are looking for solutions to it. I don't know if the film gives you any, but it certainly raises the issue."

Pigram said the final script was ever-changing, with an initial six-week shoot in the middle of 2009, and a second shoot about six months later in the wet season.

"Even when we were shooting, there were points in there where we were adapting the script to fit the situation," he said.

"We wanted to have that flexibility, to allow for the kind of shoot we wanted to do with community people.

"It was a very different way of making a film."

The Pigram Brothers and Alex Lloyd will be performing live in cinemas as part of an Australian preview tour of *Mad Bastards*, which will also feature a Q&A session with director Brendan Fletcher. The film has a national cinema release on 5 May.

Preview tour dates.

● **Broome:** Sun Pictures, 18 April 6.15pm.

● **Perth:** Luna Palace, Leederville, 20 April 6.15pm.

● **Byron Bay (NSW):** Dendy, 25 April 6pm.

● **Brisbane:** Palace Barracks, 27 April 6.30pm.

● **Sydney:** Chauvel, 28 April, 6.30pm.

● **Melbourne:** Palace Westgarth, 29 April 6.45pm.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations in breach

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations listed below have not lodged their 2009–10 reports with the Registrar. This means they are in breach of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* or related legislation. Reports are due by the end of December each year.

Failure to comply may result in the deregistration or prosecution of the corporation.

Please contact 1800 622 431 if you need help with your reports or if you believe the corporation has already lodged its 2009–10 reports.

Anthony Beven, Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

ICN	Corporation Name
8	Ilpeye-Ilpeye Aboriginal Corporation
16	Mitakoodi Aboriginal Corporation
18	Lundja Aboriginal Corporation
22	Noradidgee Aboriginal Corporation
111	Wogayala Aboriginal Corporation
139	West Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation for Legal Aid
146	Ngurawaana Group (Aboriginal Corporation)
161	Muludja Aboriginal Corporation
171	Pilbara Aboriginal Land Council (Aboriginal Corporation)
180	Djugerari Aboriginal Corporation
199	Mallingbarr Aboriginal Corporation
212	Karnte Aboriginal Corporation
220	Geraldton Sporting Aboriginal Corporation
222	Marula Aboriginal Corporation
237	Gulunurru Aboriginal Corporation
238	Karmulinunga Aboriginal Corporation
264	Yambah-Mpweringe Aboriginal Corporation
297	Undoolya Aboriginal Corporation
300	Mpweringe - Arncliffe Outstation Council Aboriginal Corporation
302	Apmwerre Aboriginal Corporation
306	Gular Aboriginal Corporation
319	Western Desert Puntukurnparna Aboriginal Corporation
326	Albany Aboriginal Corporation
352	Pmer-Ulperre Aboriginal Corporation
366	Imintji Aboriginal Corporation
369	White Eagle Aboriginal Corporation
377	King George River Aboriginal Corporation
409	Ngarantjadu Aboriginal Corporation
410	Alkupitja Aboriginal Corporation
412	Arncliffe Aboriginal Corporation
419	"Kootana" Women's Centre Palm Island Aboriginal Corporation
442	The Arrernte Council of Central Australia Aboriginal Corporation
462	Wurreranginy Aboriginal Corporation
467	The Gooddo Aboriginal Corporation for Day Care
469	Ellimatta Housing Aboriginal Corporation
473	Punju Ngarugudi Njama Aboriginal Corporation
494	Parukupan Aboriginal Corporation
495	Pia Wadjari Aboriginal Corporation
515	Purnululu Aboriginal Corporation
516	Tirralintji (Aboriginal Corporation)
518	Dandaloo Gayngil Aboriginal Corporation
535	Anhelke Aboriginal Corporation
543	Arrkilku Aboriginal Corporation
558	Wagga Advancement Aboriginal Corporation
562	Ngalingkadji (Aboriginal Corporation)
599	Lundinwarra Aboriginal Corporation
649	Milargoon Aboriginal Corporation
653	Tweteye Aboriginal Corporation
671	Yuenmanda (Elder Clan Women) Aboriginal Corporation
673	Watarru Community (Aboriginal Corporation)
678	Gnowangerup Aboriginal Corporation
681	Yanay Yanma Aboriginal Corporation
684	Kuriku (Aboriginal Corporation)
695	Nungali Jaminjung Aboriginal Corporation
727	Gilaroong Aboriginal Corporation
734	Intjartnama Aboriginal Corporation
743	Eight Mile (Aboriginal Corporation)
744	Pantjanj Aboriginal Corporation
751	Mount Pierre Pastoral Aboriginal Corporation
757	Milba Community Aboriginal Corporation
760	Tnerle Aboriginal Corporation
764	Djilimbardi (Aboriginal Corporation)
776	Marurum Aboriginal Corporation
779	Iragul Aboriginal Corporation
791	Angkerle-Ireng Aboriginal Corporation
804	Galeru Gorge Aboriginal Corporation
811	Djoodood Aboriginal Corporation
817	Uluperte Community Aboriginal Corporation
822	Winjan Aboriginal Corporation Mandurah
824	Murtalki Aboriginal Corporation
826	Redmond Aboriginal Corporation of Resource Development
831	Windjingayr Aboriginal Corporation
869	Mungkarta Community and Outstation Aboriginal Corporation
870	Borroloola Cemetery Trust Aboriginal Corporation
880	Jundah Aboriginal Corporation
897	Mingarwee Aboriginal Corporation
916	Ngalingunda Aboriginal Corporation
934	Mpwarre Aboriginal Corporation
952	Gular CDEP Aboriginal Corporation
977	Innawonga Aboriginal Corporation
980	Port Hedland Regional Aboriginal Corporation
988	Labrabuntja Aboriginal Corporation
991	Wurrkleni Aboriginal Corporation
993	Ngurdalingi Aboriginal Corporation
996	Warrana Aboriginal Corporation Employment and Training Development
1008	Bidjilj Aboriginal Corporation
1020	Nyummwah Aboriginal Corporation
1032	Djarrung Aboriginal Corporation
1045	Mparntwe Sacred Sites Aboriginal Corporation
1049	Murphy Creek Aboriginal Corporation
1063	Stingray Heads Fishing Aboriginal Corporation
1067	Yirralale Aboriginal Corporation
1073	Jukanyula Aboriginal Corporation For Childrens Enrichment
1077	Bygnunn Aboriginal Corporation
1097	Wulununjur Aboriginal Corporation
1112	Dodnun Aboriginal Corporation
1160	PARKES MULTI PURPOSE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
1168	La Djardarr Bay Aboriginal Corporation
1177	Majaddin Aboriginal Corporation
1179	Bedourie Aboriginal Corporation

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1180	Larinyuwia Group Aboriginal Corporation
1186	Waina Family Aboriginal Corporation
1219	Borninyun Aboriginal Corporation
1245	Gulumonon Aboriginal Corporation
1296	Yarri Yarri Aboriginal Corporation
1329	Goolarrgon Aboriginal Corporation
1330	Wakuthuni Aboriginal Corporation
1347	Gurima Aboriginal Corporation
1375	Koorrabay Aboriginal Corporation
1429	Kurnturlpara Outstation Aboriginal Corporation
1431	Kalpitapita Aboriginal Corporation
1475	Yuibera Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
1484	Barrel Well Community Nanda Aboriginal Corporation
1548	Marta Marta Aboriginal Corporation
1588	Dilinya Aboriginal Corporation
1601	Marnebulorge Aboriginal Corporation
1614	Yarramouup Aboriginal Corporation
1616	Middle Lagoon Aboriginal Corporation
1645	Karkurla Language & Culture Aboriginal Corporation
1655	Ledawooloo Aboriginal Corporation
1708	Limingan-Wulina (Land Holding) Aboriginal Corporation
1723	Mount Greenwood Aboriginal Corporation
1724	Aputula Homelands Aboriginal Corporation
1726	Jungalina Aboriginal Corporation
1754	Kamilari Employment Aboriginal Corporation
1758	Delye Aboriginal Corporation
1773	Yulga Jinna Aboriginal Corporation
1800	Yupanalla Aboriginal Corporation
1807	Manyallaluk Aboriginal Corporation
1808	Buttah Windee Aboriginal Corporation
1848	Bulgandramine Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation
1859	Lalpa Aboriginal Corporation
1864	French Family Aboriginal Corporation
1900	Aboriginal Corporation of Employment and Training Development
1931	Gurdanji-Bingbinga Aboriginal Corporation
1938	Nyirripi Sports Club Aboriginal Corporation
1945	Wubalawun Aboriginal Corporation
1954	Perte Therre Aboriginal Corporation
1962	Darumbal-Noolar Murree Aboriginal Corporation for Land and Culture
1983	Pwerte Marnte Marnte Aboriginal Corporation
2013	Murwangi Community Aboriginal Corporation
2041	Yubulyawun Aboriginal Corporation
2049	Witlin Aboriginal Corporation
2113	Goondi Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
2115	Youngaleena Bunjima Aboriginal Corporation
2121	Karliwampa Aboriginal Corporation
2158	Pukaiki Aboriginal Corporation
2160	Wandoo Aboriginal Corporation
2186	Dhoeyoema Clan Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
2194	Dowar Waier Development Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
2209	Ngalyipiparnta Aboriginal Corporation
2216	Dhamuway Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
2217	Ankwepeyey Aboriginal Corporation
2219	Ngapagunpa Aboriginal Corporation
2248	Lowarda Aboriginal Corporation
2261	Mackay Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation for Alternative Care and Foster Care Services
2276	Partakula Aboriginal Corporation
2292	Artekerre Aboriginal Corporation
2322	Yantjarwu Outstation Resource Centre Aboriginal Corporation
2379	Southside Housing Aboriginal Corporation
2392	Nyilil Aboriginal Corporation
2400	Watiyawanu Artists of Amunturrnga Aboriginal Corporation
2432	Neem Aboriginal Corporation
2433	Gascoyne Sports Aboriginal Corporation
2439	Yubanyang Aboriginal Corporation
2459	Gurunadji Aboriginal Corporation
2476	Thayoree Aboriginal Corporation
2498	Lanarra Homelands Aboriginal Corporation
2508	Gum Hole Aboriginal Corporation
2519	Nguna Morrt Aboriginal Corporation
2613	Koko Muluridji Tribal Aboriginal Corporation
2616	Nadjinem Aboriginal Corporation
2618	Warrga Aboriginal Corporation
2648	Budulah Aboriginal Corporation
2664	Kalumbulan Aboriginal Corporation
2665	Djimung Gnuadu Aboriginal Corporation
2668	Camfield Mudburra Aboriginal Corporation
2674	Ngadalargin Aboriginal Corporation
2677	Mimirri Aboriginal Corporation
2686	Eagles Sporting Club Aboriginal Corporation
2711	Kirrendirri Cultural Resource and Family Research Aboriginal Corporation
2727	Puyurru Aboriginal Corporation
2742	Beetlloo Aboriginal Corporation
2760	Roma Aboriginal Corporation
2815	Wakuripu Aboriginal Corporation
2819	Mangaplu Biyawal Bingarawal Aboriginal Corporation
2841	Maddarr Aboriginal Corporation
2849	Ankarr Aboriginal Corporation
2864	Miyilpurnuru Aboriginal Corporation
2865	Bard-Gunwarde Aboriginal Corporation
2874	Utiyime Aboriginal Corporation
2879	Namerinni Aboriginal Corporation
2894	Kunbohwinjig (Fresh Water) Aboriginal Corporation
2896	Namarrkon Aboriginal Corporation
2903	Ngurrara Aboriginal Corporation
2910	Mungalawurru Aboriginal Corporation
2912	Eidsvold Wakka Wakka Aboriginal Corporation

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2913	Jillyung Aboriginal Corporation
2955	Wamanki Aboriginal Corporation
2957	Waluwarra Aboriginal Corporation
2969	Marrgoon Aboriginal Corporation
2972	Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
2991	Lira Aboriginal Corporation
2997	Winganjie Blue Water Aboriginal Corporation
3015	Gunda-ah-Myro Aboriginal Corporation
3047	Bluebush Aboriginal Corporation
3049	Yarrigu Bunna Aboriginal Corporation
3062	K'gari Educational and Culture Centre Aboriginal Corporation
3064	Kadjina Community Store Aboriginal Corporation
3072	Karljinjariyi Aboriginal Association
3078	Yuriny Aboriginal Culture Centre (Aboriginal Corporation)
3130	Erub Traditional Land Owners Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
3146	Jumbarr Ngunjul Aboriginal Corporation
3149	Djilbard Community Aboriginal Corporation
3150	A Dreaming of Yarrun Aboriginal Corporation
3162	Choorilj Aboriginal Corporation of Resource Development
3176	Inbinba Atwatye Aboriginal Corporation
3201	The Aboriginal Corporation of West Coast Cape York Peninsula Traditional Land Owners
3334	Wongutha Birni Aboriginal Corporation
3336	Collie Aboriginal Corporation
3364	Peron Island Enterprise Aboriginal Corporation
3380	Mani Mani Aboriginal Corporation
3448	Pananykarra Aboriginal Corporation
3459	Winyuduwa Aboriginal Corporation
3465	Miller-Beeliar Aboriginal Corporation
3471	Mer, Dowar and Waier Torres Strait Islanders Corporation For Fisheries
3529	Amawurra Aboriginal Corporation
3538	Kokatha Mula Nation Far West Division Aboriginal Corporation
3545	Yuyung Nyannung Aboriginal Corporation
3600	Bombers Football, Sporting & Social Club Aboriginal Corporation
3601	Kalamaia Kapun Aboriginal Corporation
3605	Marrangu Aboriginal Corporation
3612	Porumalgal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation RNTBC
3613	Warraberalgal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation RNTBC
3624	Walginnam Employment and Training Aboriginal Corporation
3636	Wallamara Aboriginal Corporation
3654	Millwarparra Aboriginal Corporation
3658	Bamaga Berilbal Dance Team Torres Strait Islander Corporation
3673	Wonderers Aboriginal Corporation
3681	Goobiny Aboriginal Corporation
3718	Choorilj Farm Management Aboriginal Corporation
3738	Belang Aboriginal Corporation
3739	Karntimarta Aboriginal Corporation
3762	Osborne Islands Aboriginal Corporation
3804	Gilgandra Booris Playgroup Aboriginal Corporation
3808	Nyurnpa Aboriginal Corporation
3810	Moogardi Aboriginal Corporation
3815	Ngadju Aboriginal Corporation
3822	Bari Dhabu Fisheries (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation
3836	Mer Peibre Dance and Cultural Troupe Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
3861	Gebaralgal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation RNTBC
3879	Bornor Gundi Gurrama Aboriginal Corporation
3914	Omoke Aboriginal Corporation
3928	Bana Mindilji Aboriginal Corporation
3929	Wiyakali Aboriginal Corporation
3946	Yellagundimara Aboriginal Health Council Aboriginal Corporation
3957	Church of Yondi Aboriginal Corporation
3961	Mudjarri Aboriginal Corporation
3981	Kurlamunya Mumpulunya Aboriginal Corporation
3996	Mulgin Aboriginal Corporation
4004	"Joining in the Dreaming" Aboriginal Corporation
4010	Inner Island Kulkalgal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation
4019	Dake Aboriginal Corporation
4028	Southern Barkly Aboriginal Corporation
4041	Cockatoo Aboriginal Corporation
4064	Ware Corner Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
4088	Yapatjarra Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Health Services
4120	Helping Our People Engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
4138	Manban Aboriginal Corporation
4143	Tjalka Boorda Aboriginal Corporation
4163	Gnardumunn Aboriginal Corporation
4189	Kurnturlpara Cattle Aboriginal Corporation
4212	The Artists of Ampilatwatja Aboriginal Corporation
4230	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation Gold and Gloves Sports & Recreation Club
4263	Yumali Aboriginal Corporation
4271	Nona Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
4277	Bulgundi Aboriginal Corporation
4285	Ilyarne Aboriginal Corporation
4297	Roseby Park Community Council Aboriginal Corporation
4302	Burnett River Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders Corporation
4313	Djapu Aboriginal Corporation
4335	Malengangani Aboriginal Corporation

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4353	The Holy Child Stolen Generation Aboriginal Corporation
4382	Balunu Development Aboriginal Corporation
4389	Little Burning Mountain Aboriginal Corporation
4399	Kullarri Indigenous Womens Aboriginal Corporation
4401	Clifton Indigenous Family Enterprise Aboriginal Corporation
4404	Townsville Thuringowa Region Indigenous Men's Aboriginal Corporation
4412	Janama Aboriginal Corporation
4415	Yaruman Art and Culture Aboriginal Corporation
4422	McLennan Aboriginal Corporation
4468	Wiriyajarrayi Cattle Aboriginal Corporation
4469	Pikiyi Aboriginal Corporation
4478	Munamunara Aboriginal Corporation
4479	WYN Health Service Aboriginal Corporation
4497	Nyamarrang Burr Aboriginal Corporation
4528	Giggari-G Aboriginal Corporation
4531	Australia Vine Aboriginal Corporation Enterprises
4536	South East Coast Gadu Elders Aboriginal Corporation
4549	Malulgal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation RNTBC
4552	Bunbudi/Bilnara Aboriginal Corporation
4560	Kimberley Enterprises Aboriginal Corporation
4566	Grujurung Festival Aboriginal Corporation
4568	Lambou Native Title Aboriginal Corporation
4573	Irlpme Aboriginal Corporation
4576	Mparntwe Aboriginal Corporation
4577	Jaycos Beach Aboriginal Corporation
4578	Parrjala Yawarra Aboriginal Corporation
4583	Badu Ar Mua Migi Lagal (Torres Strait Islanders) Corporation RNTBC
4588	Wailwan Elders Council Aboriginal Corporation
4591	Arilla Paper Aboriginal Corporation
4593	Martu Idja Nyiyaparli Aboriginal Corporation
4595	Ilkewarnt Ywel Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC
4605	Dhain Yuurray Aboriginal Corporation
4645	Darda Aboriginal Corporation
4657	Cherbourg Multi - Media & Resource Association Aboriginal Corporation
4679	Kongabulla Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation
4705	Wangkumarra Aboriginal Corporation
4707	Jabirr Jabirr Nations Aboriginal Corporation
4730	Wintawari Guruma Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC
4740	Barkandji Native Title Group Aboriginal Corporation
4750	The Cunnamulla Aboriginal Environment, Social and Emotional Well-Being Aboriginal Corporation
4751	Hand of God Ministries Aboriginal Corporation
4784	Gamilaroi Trading Aboriginal Corporation
7011	West Coast Aboriginal Corporation Enterprise Network
7026	Ngauwudu Aboriginal Corporation
7030	Kinjilfie Aboriginal Corporation
7043	Karajarri Cattle Aboriginal Corporation
7044	Djugun Tribal Creations Aboriginal Corporation
7056	Arkerkerre Awaperte Aboriginal Corporation
7060	Lall Bay Puran Aboriginal Corporation
7061	Ninnie, Boobagum, Nuchy Aboriginal Corporation
7077	Jinjamarra Baba Aboriginal Corporation
7087	Iri Babiniliji Burru Aboriginal Corporation
7099	Kambuwal Medical Centre Aboriginal Advancement Health Services Aboriginal Corporation
7103	Dordluk Aboriginal Corporation
7119	Thurrbil Community Justice Aboriginal Corporation
7126	Gupulul Marayuwu Aboriginal Corporation
7136	Weena Mooga Gu Gudba Aboriginal Corporation
7142	Kirridi Outstation Aboriginal Corporation
7153	TRAWQ Indigenous Corporation
7169	MacDonnell District Sporting and Social Club Aboriginal Corporation
7191	Central Australian Aboriginal Language Centre Aboriginal Corporation
7204	Warwick Indigenous Mens Association Group Indigenous Corporation
7218	Kungurakan Aboriginal Corporation
7219	Marlathunoo Aboriginal Corporation
7227	The Desert Rose United Pentecostal Church Nyirripi Indigenous Corporation
7230	Aputula Housing Aboriginal Corporation Goolarabooloo / Milibinyarri Indigenous Corporation
7240	Black Diamond Indigenous Corporation
7243	Undanbi Cultural Community Care Aboriginal Corporation
7256	Gunbalanya Aboriginal Corporation
7260	Buthu Lagau Saral Torres Strait Islander Corporation
7272	Jhar Jiims Indigenous Corporation
7274	Pirnte Aboriginal Corporation
7282	Cassowary Coast Sporting for Youth Indigenous Corporation
7285	Anilidika Aboriginal Corporation

See www.oric.gov.au for an up-to-date list.

This list was last updated on 30 March 2011.

Opportunities galore at APY Lands expo



SOUTH Australia's APY Lands has been hosting a special work expo this week. The expo, which was first held last year, continues today in Ernabella, tomorrow in Fregon and in Mimili on Friday. It has already been held in Pipalyatjara and Amata communities.

The Anangu Work Expo aims to link some of South Australia's most remote communities with education, training and employment opportunities.

TAFE SA is one of the main organisers of the event, which includes a free barbecue and live music performances.

Accommodation the key focus of service



ABORIGINAL young offenders with a history of homelessness will be a key focus of a new accommodation support service for New South Wales.

NSW Juvenile Justice CEO John Hubby said the Supported Accommodation Service was aimed at helping the young offenders gain independent living and stay out of custody.

"The service will be delivered in the mid and far north coast by YP Space MNC and Northern Rivers Social Development Council, in the Riverina Murray region by Mission Australia, and in south west Sydney by CatholicCare," he said.

"It will reach young offenders aged 13 to 18 years with complex needs and young people leaving detention, particularly Aboriginal young offenders."

Jobs initiative plan at Qld department



QUEENSLAND Education Minister Cameron Dick is encouraging Indigenous people to consider a career in the state's Department of Education and Training.

He said the department was offering 'Proud, Skilled and Ready', an initiative designed to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workers.

"We are aiming to employ around 800 new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in various roles and locations across Queensland by 2013," the Minister said.

"This is part of the Government's deep commitment to employing more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the Queensland Public Service.

"Last year, Queensland became the first state to sign up to the Australian Employment Covenant which aims to provide 50,000 jobs for Indigenous Australians."

For more information, go to www.deta.qld.gov.au/proudskillready or call 1800 554 650.

Officers advising on television changes



EIGHT Aboriginal community liaison officers have been working in regional Victoria and parts of regional NSW to raise awareness about the need to be ready for the local changeover to digital-only

free-to-air TV transmission on 5 May.

The regional areas undergoing the digital switchover are north-central Victoria (Bendigo, Echuca and Castlemaine); Goulburn Valley/Upper Murray (Albury/Wodonga and Culcairn and Holbrook, NSW) and Shepparton, Wangaratta and Deniliquin, NSW; north-central Victoria (Swan Hill, Kerang and Balranald, NSW), and south-western Victoria (Warrnambool, Portland and Hamilton); Gippsland (Bairnsdale, Traralgon, Orbost, Lake Tyers, Lakes Entrance and Moe) and south-west Victoria (Ballarat, Horsham and Stawell).

Each officer is working with Aboriginal households in their own community and in nearby towns to ensure people are ready for the analogue TV signal switch off on 5 May.

Bendigo's Anne Conway said it was important for residents to know about buying the right equipment to receive digital TV and if eligible, accessing Government assistance schemes. For more information got to www.digitalready.gov.au or call 1800 20 10 13.





Mamu Health Service's Jackie Martin helping out in cyclone-hit Tully, north Queensland.

Services helping out after cyclone

By CHRISTINE HOWES



COMMUNITY-CONTROLLED health services across north Queensland have banded together to assist communities

hit by Cyclone Yasi.

Some areas have been affected by further flooding, hampering relief efforts.

But, where possible, smaller Aboriginal communities such as Camu on the Bruce Highway north of Cardwell, and Jumbun, just off the highway, are being supported by local health services.

Mamu Health Service, based at Innisfail, has been central to supporting these communities as well as other Indigenous people to the south in Mission Beach, Silkwood and Tully.

Also offering help have been Cairns-based Wuchopperen and Apunipima Cape York Health Councils, along with similar organisations such as Mulungu in Mareeba, Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Health Services, Girudala in Bowen, ATSIHS Mackay and Bidgerdii in Rockhampton.

Mamu Health Service CEO Jeff Warner said they had all helped with the relief effort and recovery.

"And they're still contributing as well," he said.

"Mamu Health Services were in Jumbun and other sites within two days of the cyclone."

Mamu Health Services manager

Colleen Purcell said being on the ground was important to letting people know what was going on.

"Recovery management areas were set up so people could go and fill in forms for disaster relief, but for our mob from their communities there was no communication because there was no mobile phones, no televisions, no radios in some places so they didn't know they were supposed to be there or they couldn't get there," she said.

"So that was a way Mamu helped, with transport and also co-ordinating and meeting with the other services and getting them to actually go to those communities.

"We also took a whole health team with nurses, health workers and a doctor to do home visiting as well as set up at major spots like Giringun Aboriginal Corporation, in Cardwell, and the Community Support Centre in Tully.

"One of the really important things is the high incidence of diabetes amongst our people. A lot of them are insulin-dependent and if they don't have a fridge to store medications they were running into lots of trouble there as well."

● Mamu's Jeff Warner said he was grateful to *The Koori Mail* for its contribution of \$1500 to the cyclone-affected area. The money was raised through donations and sales at this year's Yabun concert in Sydney. *The Koori Mail* Board of Directors matched dollar-for-dollar the amount raised.



CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

WADJEMUP RECONCILIATION GRANT FUNDING

The Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) is committed to working with Aboriginal people in a spirit of reconciliation and invites expressions of interest from persons or groups for grant funding under its Reconciliation Action Plan initiatives.

Funding will prioritise grant applications that contribute to reconciliation in the following key priority areas:

1. Peoples' strengthening connection to Wadjemup (Rottnest Island), or needing to connect to Wadjemup.
2. Activity that supports the RIA's reconciliation policies and activities in its Reconciliation Action Plan (copy available on website rotnnestisland.com).
3. Activity that supports the RIA's objectives such as sustainability and Aboriginal economic development.
4. Contribution to the development of the Aboriginal peoples in general e.g. education, employment.

Expressions of interest are due by 4.00pm on Friday 29 April 2011.

For further information and to obtain applications forms, please contact either of the following RIA officers:

- Mr John Tedesco, Manager Planning and Governance, ph 9432 9363, email john.tedesco@rotnnestisland.com.
- Mr Reg Yarran, Aboriginal Project Officer, ph 9372 9759, email reg.yarran@rotnnestisland.com.

Successful applicants will be advised by mail. Applications received after the closing date will be regarded as being late and will not be considered.



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Local Health Network

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Permanent Full Time

Hunter New England

New Lambton

Creation of an eligibility list for future Perm/Temp, Full/Part time and casual positions.

This position has been advertised for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to apply. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

In the event that there are no Aboriginal applicants, then the mainstream internal applications from this advertisement will be utilised. Mainstream internal applicants eligible to apply must be a current employee of NSW Health and be employed in a permanent capacity or have been continuously employed for more than 12 months on a temporary full or part-time employment contract/s and have been through a merit selection process.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person the following maybe requested:

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- b) a reference letter stating that the person is Aboriginal and accepted by community. (The letter must be supplied by an Aboriginal organisation).

Enquiries: Kerrie Kelly 02 4921 3554

Ref ID: 23073

Closing Date: 17 April 2011

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Enquiries: Keren Fletcher, 02 6776 9605 or Wendy Lam, 02 6776 9766

Ref ID: 23403

Closing Date: 17 April 2011

Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Population Health, Tamworth

Temporary Full Time (up to 24/06/11)

Creation of eligibility list for future Perm/Temp, Full/Part time and Casual positions

This is an Identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Hunter New England Local Health Network deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginality status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions. Confirmation of Aboriginality can be provided as evidence via:

Applications can be lodged on line at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment
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a) a confirmation with a common seal on it from an Aboriginal organisation; or

b) a reference letter stating that the person is Aboriginal and accepted by community. (The letter must be supplied by an Aboriginal organisation)

Enquiries: Peter Massey, 02 6764 8021

Ref ID: 19425

Closing Date: 24 April 2011

Project Officer

Clinical Operations, Location Negotiable

Temporary Full Time (up to 30/06/2013)

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

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Enquiries: Sharyn Tyter, 02 4922 3375

Ref ID: 22237

Closing Date: 24 April 2011

Female Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Drug and Alcohol Clinical Services, Taree

Temporary Full Time (up to 29/06/2014)

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

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Applicants must be female - exemption is claimed under Section 31(2)(h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

Enquiries: Bill Robertson, 02 6592 9916

Ref ID: 20624

Closing Date: 24 April 2011

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ANTaR wants to see action



AUSTRALIANS for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) has called for action to address what it says is continuing racial discrimination against Indigenous people.

Speaking on Harmony Day, ANTaR National Director Jacqueline Phillips said concerns continue to be expressed by the

international Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination that the legislation enabling the continuing operation of the Northern Territory intervention remains racially discriminatory.

"ANTaR welcomes the Federal Government's recent announcement to put a stronger effort into tackling racism in Australia as part of their new multiculturalism policy," Ms Phillips said.

"Eliminating racial discrimination is essential to enabling Australia to reach its full potential as a nation.

"This can never be achieved while we have racial discrimination embedded in any of our laws, or indeed in our nation's Constitution.

"ANTaR has welcomed the cross-party commitment to holding a referendum aimed at properly recognising the unique

status and identity of the First Peoples of our land.

"The public debates and consultations that will take place over the next year or more must include consideration of whether to remove racially discriminatory clauses in our Constitution, including section 25 which empowers state governments to prevent people from any specific race from being able to vote."



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Corporate Services Administrative Officer	Regional Administrative Officer	Project Officer - IT	Assistant Manager – Management Accounting	Senior Personnel Officer
<p>Perth Regional Office APS Level 3 \$46,337 - \$49,769 pa, plus superannuation</p> <p>Duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Under general direction, be responsible for ensuring that Regional Office financial processes and records are managed and maintained in compliance with legislation and AHL policies and procedures.Collect, collate, code, and certify invoices as received whilst maintaining the supplier database.Assist with certification of accounts for payment and forward to Central Office.Administration of RecruitmentProvide accurate advice on routine finance and payroll issues.Provide relevant financial and payroll reports. <p>Want to know more? 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Excellence award-winners named



THE winners of the 2nd Excellence in Indigenous Health Awards have been named. The awards, which attracted more than 70 entries, recognise the success and steps made by service providers, communities and individuals working to make a difference in health disadvantage.

● **Environmental Health category winner: Mary G Enterprises.** Mary G reaches her audience through a national live

radio show every Wednesday via the National Indigenous Radio Service, videos and commercials, public appearances, concerts and workshops. She uses humour, song and wit towards closing the gap in health disadvantage.

● **Child and Maternal Health category winner: Mookai Rose.** Mookai Rose Bi-Bayan (MRBB) is a community organisation in Cairns that provides pre- and post-natal care to women from Cape York, Torres Strait and Gulf communities.

MRBB is the only service in far north Queensland to provide a combined accommodation and primary health care service for women requiring before- and after-birth care and support.

● **Improving Access to Primary Health Care category winner: WDNWPT – Western Desert Ngnampa Walytja Paljantjaku Tjutaku.** Ten years ago, the people from Kintore in NT and Kiwirrkurra in WA did some paintings and had an option of

selling them. In doing so they raised \$1 million to improve life for their people with kidney disease. The result was WDNWPT, a community controlled, non-government organisation which provides dialysis in remote communities and a range of holistic services in Alice Springs.

The Excellence in Indigenous Health Awards and presentation ceremony formed part of the Improving Social Determinants of Indigenous Health conference, backed by the *Koori Mail*.



Award-winner Mary G

Reform to allow records access



NORTHERN Territorians will be among the first group of Australians to have access to e-health records under a new national health reform e-health project. The Federal Government says Indigenous Australians will benefit from e-health records as they will reduce the chance of medical errors and save patients from having to repeat their health history every time they visit a new doctor.

Federal Health Minister Nicola Roxon said the NT Department of Health and Families has been selected as one of nine new e-health lead implementation sites nationally for the Government's \$467 million national personally controlled electronic health records project.

"E-health is one of the critical elements of the Gillard Government's efforts to modernise our health system through national health reform," Ms Roxon said.

"In this project, we can see a practical example of how e-health can improve health care for Indigenous Australians.

Testament

"While this project will cover potentially one per cent of Australia's population, it will also cover almost a quarter of the Australian land mass. This is again testament to the power of e-health in helping to overcome the tyranny of distance to provide better health care to Indigenous Australians."

Minister for Indigenous Health and NT MP Warren Snowdon said Territorians would be able to access a personally controlled electronic health record, along with Indigenous Australians in six East Kimberley hospitals in Western Australia and in remote Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services in South Australia.

"This is good news for the Territory and our neighbouring states of Western Australia and South Australia and it's exciting that Indigenous Australians will be front and centre of e-health," Mr Snowdon said.

"We know many Indigenous Australians are required to travel regularly to access a range of services, and now this record will follow them wherever they go.

"This will provide patients with continuity of care and ultimately will result in improved health outcomes for the Indigenous community."

Details of the lead implementation sites and the National e-Health Conference Report can be downloaded from www.yourhealth.gov.au

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Those needing care can ASK



A NEW health brokerage service has now been established for Indigenous people in the inner-north of metropolitan Melbourne.

Called ASK (Access Services for Koories), the program is aimed at increasing the access of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to quality, culturally appropriate primary health care by linking individuals to a network of health providers.

It was launched by Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon.

"ASK will be undertaking to make a real difference to health outcomes for Melbourne's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by forging better integrated service delivery," the Minister said.

"Local clients will gain a greater knowledge of what the mainstream health system can offer them, and mainstream health providers will learn to provide services in a culturally and clinically appropriate way."

An Australian Bureau of Statistics report found that, nationally, more than one-quarter of Indigenous adults reported problems accessing one or more health services.

The new brokerage results from a stronger alliance between the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) and the Northern Division of General Practice.

The ASK brokerage project is at 66 Sackville Street, Collingwood. The new Victorian service joins those already operating in New South Wales and Western Australia.



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Department of Health and Ageing

Indigenous Remote Service Delivery Traineeships

What are the Indigenous Remote Service Delivery (IRSD) Traineeships?

The IRSD traineeships will provide funding to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged care and primary health care services in remote locations to employ Indigenous Australians as trainees in business administration. The Department of Health and Ageing will also arrange for the delivery of fully funded culturally appropriate and targeted training to suit the business and management needs of aged care and primary health care services.

Services can elect one certificate level from Certificate I through to Advanced Diploma as per Business Services Training Package (BSB07) for each trainee they nominate. Services will be selected from an order of merit based on their application.

This funding round priority will be given to applications that request **Diploma** and **Advanced Diploma** level qualifications. However Certificate I to IV may still be considered.

The IRSD traineeships are fully funded including wages, training and on-costs.

Who can apply?

Aged care and primary health care services that provide care to a majority of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people in remote locations that wish to employ a trainee may apply. This can be done by downloading the form at the Department's website at www.health.gov.au and clicking on the Tender and Grants link.

What will be funded?

The Department will provide funding for:

- wages, including on-costs, for the employment of trainee/s in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged care or primary health care service; and
- training in business and management through a registered training organisation contracted by the Department.

Where can I get further information?

You can get further information from the Department by downloading the documentation from www.health.gov.au and clicking on the Tender and Grants link.

How do I apply?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged care and primary health care services can request documentation including an application guide and application forms by accessing the Department's website at www.health.gov.au and click on the Tender and Grants link.

When is the closing date?

The closing date is **6 May 2011**. Late applications may be accepted at the discretion of the Department of Health and Ageing.

Contact Officer: Jodie Kiermaier

Phone number: (02) 6289 3748

Email address: IRSDTraineeships@health.gov.au

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Fellowship funds help researchers



THREE Indigenous people have received funding for health research

and projects through the Rowan Nicks Russell Drysdale Fellowships.

They are Dr Glen Hughes, Olga Collis-McAnespie and Cynthia Payne.

The fellowship provides financial support for Indigenous people undertaking research or establishing projects which will make a tangible difference in Indigenous health and welfare.

Dr Hughes and Ms Collis-McAnespie received \$60,000 over one year to pursue their chosen projects, while Ms Payne received the second half of the 2010 fellowship she opted to receive over two years.

Dr Glen Hughes was recognised for his work improving oral health in socially disadvantaged Indigenous communities.

Having worked in Nepal, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Kiribati and the Solomon Islands, Dr Hughes believes the poor standard of oral health in socially disadvantaged Australia rivals that of any of these developing countries.

He has spent the past 16 years working with Indigenous communities in South Australia, the Northern Territory, Queensland and New South Wales.

His fellowship will allow him to quantify the unmet oral health needs in the Australian Indigenous community. Based on early pilot studies, he expects the burden of untreated disease to exceed \$1 billion.

An interactive workshop to help Indigenous women to reach their full personal and leadership potential will be the subject of Olga Collis-McAnespie's fellowship.

The program, titled 'Express Yourself', aims to empower women to take responsibility for their own and their families' lives, identifying barriers and developing skills to allow them to reach their full potential.

A managing consultant with Culgoa Dreaming Consultancy, Ms Collis-McAnespie has devoted her life and studies to improving



NSW Governor Marie Bashir presents Glen Hughes with his fellowship.



Rowan Nicks Russell Drysdale Fellowship recipients Olga Collis-McAnespie, left, and Cynthia Payne.



conditions for her own people and improving awareness and understanding in the wider community, with more than 30 years' experience in Indigenous consultancy.

She also works full time as a mentor to year 11 and 12 students at Bourke High School and is a councillor on Bourke Shire Council.

Cynthia Payne will continue her work assisting people and improving health with a holistic approach through the Coastlands Community Wellbeing project.

Her work, based on the Indigenous concepts of health as not only physical but also social, emotional, cultural and spiritual well-being of the whole community, is done in the Hinchinbrook community, which was severely damaged by Cyclone Yasi.

Ms Payne's work is also about addressing different layers of grief and loss, which are often at the core of illness and poor health or prevent people from making changes to their life choices that will ultimately lead to improved health.

Blake Prize looking for spiritual art



ARTISTS exploring spiritual or religious themes in their work are

invited to enter the Blake Prize, with entries closing 24 June.

Blake Society chair Rod Pattenden said the Blake Prize was celebrating its 60th anniversary this year. He invited artists to explore their most passionate responses to life and its meanings.

Each year the Blake receives more than 1000 entries from artists around

Australia using diverse media and approaches.

"What (the Blake Prize) has done best, over its long history, is to sponsor a conversation about what matters most in our culture," Mr Pattenden said.

"This is the big picture side of what we understand by the word spirituality.

"It is the public face of tolerance, hope and compassion."

The winner of the Blake Prize will receive \$20,000, while the winner of the John Coburn Emerging Artist Award and the winner of the MUA Blake Prize for Human

Justice will each receive \$5000.

Judges for the 60th Blake Prize are artist and Plimsoll Gallery exhibition co-ordinator Pat Brassington, Macquarie University lecturer Dr Julian Droogan and Artspace Visual Arts Centre executive director Dr Blair French.

Award winners will be announced in Sydney on 15 September, with the Blake Prize Exhibition running from then until Saturday 15 October at the National Art School Gallery.

For more information go to www.blakeprize.com



CASEY KEED

Dance helps kids at risk

AN 18-year-old Indigenous contemporary dancer is using her passion for dance to transform the lives of Indigenous teenagers and kids through an outreach program she created called Dance Beyond Barriers.

Casey Keed has run free community classes since establishing the program 12 months ago with fellow hip-hop artist Gary French, using funds from performances to pay for some costs.

About a dozen people aged five to 25 are part of Dance Beyond Barriers, performing hip-hop and contemporary dance at high-profile Canberra events and as widely as Kempsey, Coffs Harbour, Nambucca, Dubbo and Gilgandra.

Ms Keed says that the group deals with issues like domestic violence, homelessness, sexual abuse, and drug and alcohol abuse and performs dances relating to them, to give kids awareness on the issues and the traumatising effects they have.

"We work mainly with kids who are passionate about dance but who are also at risk and feel they

have no way out," Ms Keed says.

"Through dance they are growing their self-esteem."

Ms Keed believes that dance is a sacred form of expression and wants to also change the face of dance in Canberra through a new performance group called the 'DBB Pro Dance Crew', specialising in their own styles of hip-hop and contemporary dance.

"I try to bring a raw edge to our dance choreography, so we are expressing what is real and not dancing just for the show of it," she says

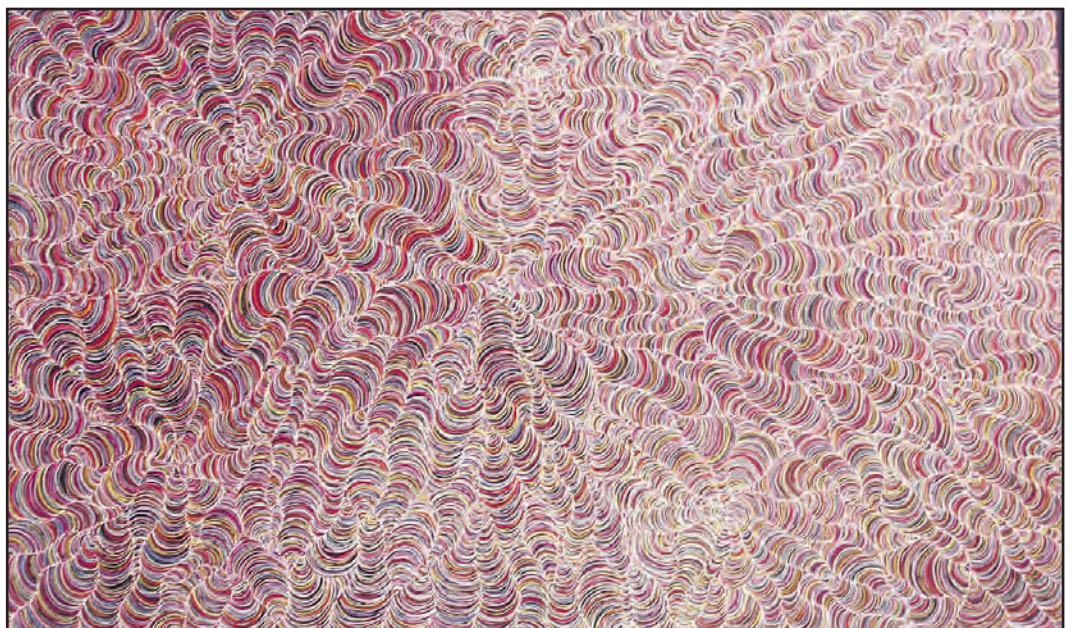
Ms Keed is also turning heads as a dancer herself – she has performed with Quantum Leap in 2009 and Kulture Break Development Academy in 2010.

But she attributes a lot of her talent to spending hours in the studio doing what she is most passionate about – dancing.

Last year Ms Keed was accepted into the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dance Academy, but has deferred for a year while she starts university and works on securing more financial support for Dance Beyond Barriers.



Clockwise from top left: Finalist in the 2010 Blake Prize *Camel Camp Church* by Dinni Kunoth Kemarre, acrylic on linen, courtesy of the artist and Mossenson Galleries; Winner of the 2007 Blake Prize *Stations of the Cross* by Shirley Purdie, natural ochre and pigment on canvas, courtesy of the artist and Warmun Art Centre; and (below) finalist in last year's Blake Prize *Akwelkerrmwerlkerr* by Genevieve Kemarr Loy.



All dolled up in Narrogin



DOLL-MAKING is enjoying a revival in the Southern Wheatbelt region of Western Australia, after Noongar women in Narrogin started making cloth doll figures in 1994, with the craft now extending to nearby Pingelly and Brookton.

Narrogin projects and cultural officer for Community Arts Network WA (CAN WA) Geri Hayden said an exhibition of the works was planned for the West Australian Museum in Perth this September, running through until January 2012.

All the figures are made from recycled clothing and blankets and are hand stitched.

"Dolls are being made which tell stories, recall family members and create a wonderful feeling of communion and healing when the ladies are sitting sewing and talking," Ms Hayden said.

The project is being funded by the Wheatbelt Development Commission, Lotterywest, and the Town of Narrogin as part of CAN WA's Strong Culture Strong Communities initiative.

For more information call Geri Hayden on 0410 129 586.



Clockwise from top: Geri Hayden from Narrogin, with her spirit woman figure; Grace Merritt from Narrogin with her twins figures; Joan Dinah from Narrogin with her Gingerbread man figure; and Anne Kickett from Pingelly with her sitting woman figure.

Photos by NALDA SEARLES and CECILE WILLIAMS

New members for arts board

THE Australia Council for the Arts has appointed four new members to its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board.

Board members play a key role in setting policy and assessing grant applications for their artform.

The new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board members are Rachael Maza-Long, Monica Stevens, Melissa Lucashenko and Jeanette James.

Ms Maza-Long, one of Australia's most recognisable screen and theatre actors, is currently artistic director of Melbourne's Ilibjerr Theatre.

Ms Stevens is a founding member of Bangarra Dance Theatre and a key player in the formation of the national Indigenous dance peak body, Blak Dance.

Ms Lucashenko, a Yugambeh/Bundjalung woman, is an award-winning novelist.

And Ms James is a Tasmanian shell necklace stringer, one of just three senior custodians of the stringing tradition. Her necklaces have been acquired and exhibited by museums and private collections throughout Australia.

Australia Council CEO Kathy Keele said: "This is an amazing group of artists whose knowledge and experience will provide our boards with new perspectives and ensure their discussions and policy making are lively and meaningful."

Oster takes on CEO role at the Indigenous Art Code



THE Indigenous Art Code has its first chief executive officer.

John Oster has taken on the role at the organisation, set up last

year to assist Indigenous artists to negotiate fair terms of trade for their work and give buyers greater certainty that the work they buy is ethically sourced.

The code aims to play a vital role in stamping out exploitation and unfair practices which harm Indigenous visual artists and the integrity of art collections.

Indigenous Art Code chair Ron Merkel QC welcomed Mr Oster to his new role.

"As the former executive officer of Desart, the peak body for central Australian Aboriginal art and craft centres, John brings to the position a wealth of experience in Indigenous arts as well as extensive involvement in the development of the Code," Mr Merkel, a former Federal Court judge, said.

"John has almost 20 years of arts administration experience, more than

half of which has been in the Indigenous sector.

"His skills and leadership will be invaluable to the Code at this critical time in its history."

Mr Oster said he was looking forward to 'building strong and productive relations with all players across the Indigenous art sector; artists, dealers and the many valuable contributors to this vital and robust element of Australian cultural life'.

Membership

The Indigenous Art Code Ltd is managed by a board whose membership includes Indigenous artists, dealers, artists' resource organisations and independent professionals.

There are currently 94 members of the Indigenous Art Code Ltd - of which 45 members are dealers including significant galleries and Indigenous-owned art centres.

Indigenous artists, including collectable artists such as Hector Burton, comprise more than 40 per cent of the company members.



JOHN OSTER

Bangarra looks to year ahead



A scene from Bangarra's *Belong* which premieres in Brisbane on 1 July.

BANGARRA Dance Theatre has unveiled its Australian touring schedule for the year, with the world premiere of two new works scheduled for July. It has also announced a number of new programs in development for 2011. And this year also sees leading Aboriginal lawyer and academic Larissa Behrendt taking up her new role as Bangarra's chair after serving on its board since 2005.

Prof Behrendt, who took over the position from outgoing chair Aden Ridgeway, said Bangarra was committed to creating 'extraordinary contemporary Indigenous theatrical works'.

"Bangarra is at an exciting stage," she said.

"We've achieved both artistic and business success over two decades.

"This year we have a new artists-in-residence program and traineeships for Indigenous young people across the company."

The new artists-in-residence program will see four respected Indigenous artists appointed to Bangarra – Frances Rings (choreographer), David Page (composer), Kathy Marika (cultural consultant) and Jacob Nash (designer). Meanwhile, Bangarra, which already employs around 70 per cent Indigenous staff, will be

opening up job placements and traineeships across all company functions for Indigenous young people.

Bangarra is also excited about its new theatrical program *Belong*, which features two new works; *ID* by Bangarra artistic director Stephen Page, and *About* by choreographer and dancer Elma Kris.

As part of the next generation of Indigenous storytellers, her choreographic debut was *Emeret Lu* as part of *True Stories* in 2007.

With *ID*, Stephen Page draws on his personal experiences of observing contemporary Indigenous people tracing their bloodlines, re-connecting with their traditional heritage and living modern lives in a challenging urban society.

About is inspired by creation stories from Saibai Island, weaving a contemporary fusion of song and dance, reflecting Torres Strait Islander cultures.

Belong will have its world premiere in Brisbane at Queensland Performing Arts Centre's (QPAC) Playhouse on 1 July where it runs until 9 July.

Belong then tours to Sydney, Perth, Canberra, Wollongong and Melbourne.

JACK CHARLES

One-man show hits Belvoir St



AFTER a sell-out season at the Melbourne Festival, Uncle Jack Charles is bringing his one-man show *Jack Charles v The Crown* to the Belvoir St Upstairs Theatre in Sydney.

From Stolen Generations to Koori theatre in the 1970s, from film sets to Her Majesty's prisons, Jack Charles v The Crown runs the gamut of a life lived to its utmost. Much of that was captured in the candid documentary *Bastardy* (2008) and now, on stage he explodes the truths behind those prison stints, abuse and addiction cycles, and gets back to doing what he loves most – entertaining the masses.

Jack Charles is one of Australia's most highly regarded performers. Although an actor, musician, potter and gifted performer, in his almost 70 years he has also been homeless, an addict, a cat burglar and a regular in Victoria's prisons. An Aboriginal Elder who pioneered Koori theatre in the early 1970s, Uncle Jack co-founded the first Aboriginal

theatre company in Australia, Nindethana. He was also a television regular and the star of movies including *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith*. He has worked with top Australian actors, directors and writers and was the subject of Amiel Courtin-Wilson's award-winning documentary *Bastardy*.

Directed by Rachel Maza-Long, and co-written by Uncle Jack and John Romeril, *Jack Charles v The Crown* marks the start of Belvoir's three-year partnership with the Balnaves Foundation. From 2011 to 2013 the Balnaves Foundation will provide the financial underpinning for Belvoir to present Indigenous works in the Upstairs Theatre as well as providing opportunities for the next generation of Indigenous theatre-makers to stage their work in the Downstairs Theatre.

Uncle Jack v The Crown runs until 17 April at the Belvoir St Theatre, 25 Belvoir St, Surry Hills, Sydney: Tuesday 6.30pm, Wednesday to Friday 8pm, Saturday 2pm & 8pm and Sunday 5pm. To book tickets phone (02) 9699 3444 or visit www.belvoir.com.au

New novel out for Anita Heiss



THE creator of the 'Koori chick lit' genre, Anita Heiss, has just released her latest book *Paris Dreaming*, which is published by Random House Australia.

The book is a follow-up to *Manhattan Dreaming* and sees main character Libby sworn off men, content to focus on her high-powered job at the National Aboriginal Gallery in Canberra.... That is, until fate takes her to Paris to work at the Musee du Quai Branly.

● See our next edition for news and photos from the *Paris Dreaming* launch.

Welcome to *The Koori Mail's* National Calendar of Events. We welcome your submissions. Please keep them short and include a daytime telephone contact number for checking purposes. Items can be emailed to calendar@koorimail.com, faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666.

National

Until 8 April: Logo design competition – the Indigenous Literacy Project is calling all artists for a logo competition, ILP is looking for a vibrant, exciting new logo. All welcome to enter. Details: www.indigenousliteracyproject.org.au

5-6 May: Third Aboriginal Health Research conference, showcasing Aboriginal health, research and promoting community, research and policy engagement and exchange in Aboriginal health, to allow communities to describe their health and research priorities and to provide opportunities for sharing information and establishing collaborations among Aboriginal community members, researchers and policy-makers. Register now and have your say. All welcome. Held at Doltone House, Sydney. Details: (02) 9744 5252 or email dhudnall@gemspl.com.au or visit www.gemsevents.com.au/craih2011

11-13 May: Puliima National Indigenous Language and Technology Forum. The Puliima Forum is held every two years to bring people together from around Australia and overseas, who are working to reclaim and strengthen their endangered traditional languages. Learn of innovative project ideas, new products and equipment from an inspiring group of people who share passion and commitment to celebrate the languages. All welcome. Held at State Library of Queensland, Brisbane. Details: (02) 4927 8222 or visit www.acra.org.au/puliima

17-19 May: National Indigenous Domestic Violence Conference has added a list of speakers who will be presenting various results of their research studies and different programs concerning the control and eradication of family violence. All welcome. Held at Sea World Resort, Gold Coast. Details: emailsosmedical@ymail.com or visit <http://www.domesticviolenceconference.net/>

NSW-ACT

Until 11 April: Pink Sunrise, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the dialogue around the issues of indignity and sexuality in contemporary Australia by Indigenous artists Destiny Deacon, Jeffrey Samuels, Arone Meeks, Karla Dickens, Clinton Nain, Jenny Fraser, Clint Lingard and Nichole Boeree. All welcome. Held at Boomalli Gallery, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.org.au

Aboriginal gambling community workshop is a new program hosted by the expert Ashley Gordon aimed at targeting problem gambling in over 20 NSW communities. Free and all welcome. Details: (0409) 245 597 or (1800) 752 948, Dates and locations: Lismore/Kyogle/Casino – 11 April. Kempsey – 22 April. Newcastle – 10 May. Moree – 6 June. Armidale – 9 June. Redfern – 20 June. Cowra – 20 July.

6-7 April: Whichway Introductory Workshops, open to all NSW Indigenous musicians who want to learn more about the industry and take the next step in their career. Special guest featured such as the Last Kinection and more. All welcome. Held at Gadigal Information Service, Redfern. Details: (02) 9281 1600 or email frank@musicnsw.com

7 April: Aboriginal community meeting – all Aboriginal community members are invited to discuss a range of natural resource issues in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment. Lunch will be provided, free and all welcome. Held Waratah Room, Lithgow Workers Clubs, Lithgow. Details: (02) 4725 3050

8 April: The National Centre of Indigenous Excellence first anniversary community day

Dan Sultan, Archie Roach head line-up

ARIA Male Artist of the Year Dan Sultan will be joining Archie Roach as part of the line-up for this year's Bilyana concert on Saturday 9 April.

Just outside the small town of Eldorado, in northern Victoria, Bilyana is a natural amphitheatre that is renowned for its festival of folk, rhythm and life.

Sally Dastey (Tiddas) is also part of the line-up.

Eldorado is a four-hour drive from Canberra and two-and-a-half hours from Melbourne.

Tickets to Bilyana are \$55 for adults and \$38 for youth or \$165 for a family, with children under 12 free. The price includes a camping site.

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DAN SULTAN Photo by Martin Philbey

celebration hosting development opportunities for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in the areas of arts and culture, learning and innovation, health and wellbeing and more. This event includes family activities and afternoon tea, featuring celebrity guests and much more. Free and all welcome. Held 180 George Street, Redfern. Details: (02) 9291 3363 or email dawn.barnable@edelman.com or visit www.ncie.org.au

8 April: Film screening of *Our Generation* featuring guest speaker Jeff McMullen, former ABC foreign correspondent. Refreshments provided. Free and all welcome. Held at Amnesty International Action Centre, Level 1, 79 Myrtle St, Chippendale. Details: 0420 354 096 or email nswdignity@amnesty.org.au or visit <http://www.ourgeneration.org.au>

12-14 April: Walgett Aboriginal medical service is celebrating 25 years. This event includes a street parade, silver anniversary ball and a family day with children games, youth activities and also features live performances including Troy Cassar-Daley and Jimmy Little and more. All welcome. Held in the community of Walgett. Details: (02) 6828 2970 or Naomi.barrett@walgettams.com.au or visit www.walgettams.com.au

15 April: Indigenous soccer gala day for Indigenous kids who are struggling with domestic violence issues. Four teams, made up of two secondary-age teams and two primary-age teams of children, have been selected, but organiser Theresa Ardler is still on the lookout from the Indigenous organisations in making up a team set to take on the NSW Police team located at Nowra. Free barbecue lunch, stalls and entertainment. Kick-off set for 10am until 3pm. Free and all welcome. Held at the south Nowra soccer field, Nowra. Details (02) 4447 8037 or email theresa@southcoastams.org.au

15 April: Opening of Carved Trees Aboriginal Cultures of Western NSW, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous artworks form Aboriginal artist Djon Mundine. Free and all welcome. Held at State Library of New South Wales, Macquarie St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9273 1770 or email rsvp@sl.nsw.gov.au or visit www.sl.gov.au

18-19 April: Kempsey Family Community Centre will acknowledge Macleay Valley Aboriginal service personnel with a two-day program of events leading up to Anzac Day. This event includes wreath-layings, an expo,

exhibitions, presentations and much more. Free and all welcome. Held at Kempsey Family Community Centre. Details: (02) 6562 1911 or email mavis.symonds@kempsey.nsw.gov.au

21 April: Black Pearls 2011 – a night to celebrate our community past and present, to support our brothers and sisters and others living with HIV/AIDS, mental health issues, suicide, sexual abuse and substance abuse and other problems faced by our community. This event will include performances and more. All welcome. Held at the Imperial Hotel, Cellar Dance Bar, Erskineville. Details: (0415) 465 650 or email blackpearls@hotmail.com.au

25 April: 2011 Redfern Aboriginal Anzac Day commemoration – the community is welcome to join Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and servicewomen and their families honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sisters, mothers, aunts and grandmothers. Some served in our armed forces. This event includes wreath laying ceremony at the Redfern Park War Memorial, followed by a march to The Block for a formal commemorative service and community gathering at the Redfern Community Centre. Free and all welcome. Held at Redfern Community Centre, Redfern. Details: (0417) 929 701

2 May: Screening of *Our Generation* showcasing the ground breaking new documentary on the NT Intervention and Aboriginal rights. Followed by Q&A led by Jeff McMullen. Free and all welcome. Held at Hornsby RSL, Acacia Room, 4 High St, Hornsby. Details: (02) 9482 2994 or email dbabb@bigpond.net.au or visit <http://www.ourgeneration.org.au>

Western Australia

11 April: National Native Title Council third breakfast seminar series aimed at benefiting land rights in NSW, including professional Indigenous keynote speakers who will talk about the dual Indigenous land systems in NSW. Cost involved. All welcome. Held at Somerset St George's Terrace, 85 St George's Terrace, Perth. Details: (08) 9326 7822 or email brian@nntc.com.au

Until 16 April: Women from Kintore Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the importance of women's dreamings and ceremonial culture accompanied by a swathe

of new stylistic experimentation by many Indigenous female artist. All welcome. Held 115 Hay St, Subiaco. Details: (08) 9388 2899 or email art@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au

Queensland

Every Wednesday: Culture night for the preservation, promotion and presentation of Aboriginal culture and heritage. Culture night aims to enhance community cultural identity and enhance the self-esteem and identity of our youth and our future. This event includes plenty of activities art workshops, storytelling, traditional songs, corroboree and 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

2 April: Muddy Waters flood relief dinner-dance, featuring live entertainment, action prizes and traditional dancers. All welcome. Held at Rec Club, Alba Lane, Kingston. Details: (0427) 347 686

15-18 April: Cherbourg Dormitory Reunion. Link-Up Queensland is hosting a reunion for ex-residents of the Cherbourg boys, girls and single mothers Dormitory. People who were part of the dormitory system in Cherbourg can register. Guided tours of the Cherbourg Historical Precinct Ration Shed. Held at the Barambah Environmental Education Centre, 39 km south-east of Goomeri. Details: (1800) 200 855 or (07)3034 8411 or (0419) 840 822

Northern Territory

Until 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 maker and object. All welcome. Held at Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs. Details: (02) 9320 6000 or visit www.aboriginalartnews.com.au

Victoria

9 April: Bilyana Natural Event presents Dan Sultan in an evening of music, magical surrounds and featuring special guests. Costs apply. Held Bilyana, Eldorado. Details: (02) 6680 9871.

Young people urged to aim high



Dubbo College youth and transition officer Hannah Williams, left, with students Blaize Fuller and Chelsea Flanders and Peter Gibb, from the Indigenous Coordination Centre.



THE founder of the IPROWD (Indigenous Police Recruitment Out West Delivery) program, which prepares Indigenous people for the NSW Police Academy, has urged young people in Dubbo, mid-western NSW, to aim high and not let anything get in the way of achieving their goals.

Peter Gibb, from the Indigenous Coordination Centre, made his comments as one of three speakers at a motivational day held for Year 11 and 12 students at Dubbo College.

Mr Gibb said he had had to overcome many barriers himself. "The statistics are not great

for my people," he said.

"Be it health issues, education and training, juvenile detention and incarceration rates, unemployment and suicide, Indigenous people do not fare well.

"But we have to get over that and the only way is to encourage our young people to value their education and commit to a positive future. They must set the example for those that follow them and the onus is especially on the eldest child in the family.

"They must work hard and if they do, I know they will achieve what they want to and inspire their younger siblings to do just the same."

Mr Gibb grew up in

Weilmoringle, north-western NSW. The death of his sister while in custody prompted him and his family to set about improving life for Indigenous people, ultimately coming up with the IPROWD program, which was launched in Dubbo in 2008.

The program provides Aboriginal people with the broad foundation and physical skills needed to enter training in the NSW Police Force. The success of the program in western NSW has resulted in its spread to other areas of the state.

Other speakers on the day were Kerry Perron, from TAFE, and Craig Biles, from Juvenile Justice.

Top UQ post for Shannon



THE University of Queensland (UQ) has appointed a Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Education) to lead all Indigenous initiatives across the university.

Indigenous health expert Professor Cindy Shannon, a Ngugi woman and descendant of the Quandamooka people of Moreton Bay, has taken on the role.

She initially will be responsible for leading the implementation of an Indigenous strategy to strengthen leadership in the university in relation to Indigenous education and links to the community as part of UQ's strategic plan.

UQ Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul Greenfield said that by creating the new Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Education) position and appointing Prof Shannon, the university was declaring its commitment to stronger leadership in Indigenous higher education.

"The University of Queensland has a responsibility to extend to young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the same excellent opportunities that we offer all young Australians," he said.

"For maximum impact we must work alongside Indigenous Australians, and the respect earned by Prof Shannon in academic and Indigenous circles makes her the ideal person to fill this demanding leadership role."

Prof Shannon is the chair of the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Foundation, which was established in 2008 and currently funds 450 scholarships to support Year 11 and 12 Indigenous students in Queensland schools. She said her core goals as UQ's Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Education) were to improve the participation and success of Indigenous students at university.

"UQ is well placed to support the higher education aspirations of a number of these scholarship recipients," she said.

"The University of Queensland has significantly extended the number of scholarships available to Indigenous

Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit (ATSIS), which was formed in 1984 as a centre of excellence and expert opinion on teaching, research and consultation in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and publishes *The Australian Journal of Indigenous Education*.

"The ATSIS Unit will continue to provide personal and academic support to Indigenous students to complete their studies and will also develop its academic profile by embedding Indigenous perspectives into the university curricula, which will have a positive effect on Indigenous outcomes," she said.

Prof Shannon has worked in many urban, regional and remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and has specialised in Indigenous health for more than 18 years. She is the current Director of the Centre for Indigenous Health at the University of Queensland and guided the development and implementation of Australia's first degree-level program that specifically targeted Aboriginal health workers.

She has contributed to national health policy through membership of a number of national committees, including as chair of the Queensland Ministerial Advisory Committee on AIDS, Sexual Health and Hepatitis and as a member of the National Health and Medical Research Council where she chairs its Indigenous Advisory Committee.



'We also intend to take a proactive approach to Indigenous student recruitment through developing close relationships with communities'

– Prof Cindy Shannon

students and our outreach program that provides support to prospective Indigenous students in Years 11 and 12 has helped students succeed at university.

"We also intend to take a proactive approach to Indigenous student recruitment through developing close relationships with communities."

As part of her new role, Prof Shannon will be director of UQ's Aboriginal and



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League greats back on the job in Cairns



● ABOVE: Mareeba State High School students Aza Gutchen, Michael Romelo and Aleesha Kostuch with FOGS star Neville Costigan.

● RIGHT: Arch McManus and Marvin Rivers with rugby league legend Arthur Beetson at the Cairns FOGS Expo.



By CHRISTINE HOWES



THE first regional FOGS (Former Origin Greats) Indigenous Employment and Careers Expo for 2011 has been hailed the biggest yet, with more than 60 exhibitors and 3000 students attending in Cairns late last month.

FOGS favourite Arthur Beetson said football and jobs had always been connected for him.

"There's nothing more independent than having a quid – or a dollar as they call it these days – in your pocket," he said.

"When I was playing, I came through with a bloke called Jack Gibson who was the coach of the century, and if you didn't hold down a job, you never got a start."

Mr Beetson travelled to Cairns with fellow football greats Alfie Langer, Brent Tate, Steve Price, Neville Costigan and FOGS executive chairman Gene Miles.

Mr Costigan said he got a kick out of working with the kids.

"It's just good to try and get the young kids involved in education so they've got something behind them – the more education the better," he said.

'Smiles on faces'

"It's good to come and see a smile on the kids' faces and I get a kick out of it, too, so it's pretty good.

"I was lucky to have footy when I got out of school. I did a few things when I was with the Broncos as well, so I've got some certificates.

"I'd like to see other kids do that as well so they can succeed in life."

Outstations North student Marvin Rivers, originally from Western Australia, was presented with an achievement certificate at the expo.

He said that although he missed everyone back home, he had been keen to see some new country.

"I enjoy it," he said. "It's pretty good being recognised for saddlery, making bridles and station work."

Saddlery school teacher Arch McManus said Marvin was one of the best students he'd ever seen.

"He couldn't thread a needle on day one, but within four days he'd made a beautiful bridle," he said. "I've done nine or 10 saddlery schools and I've never seen anyone as good as this boy. He is the best, tell his mother to be proud of him."

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These are exciting and challenging positions working in the area of Tobacco, Tobacco is a major preventable contributor to the gap in life expectancy between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and other Australians. Much of this difference is due to high rates of "cardiovascular disease, respiratory disease and other diseases related to tobacco" (Closing the Gap Clearinghouse).

Develop and implement policies and collaborative community based programs with the Department of Health, communities, other government, non-government and private sectors, working in a public health model to build individual and community capacity that will prevent and minimise the impact of Alcohol and Other Drugs and in particular tobacco harm in Northern Territory communities.

This position is a Top End Darwin position and travel for up to two weeks at a time may be required.

Quote vacancy number: 211839

For more information please contact David Parfitt on 08 8922 7702 or email david.parfitt@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 15 April 2011

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applicants should address the selection criteria and provide a current CV and contact details for 2 referees (preferably an email address).

A full job description can be obtained by visiting www.nt.gov.au/jobs Further information about these positions can be obtained by **FREECALL 1300 659 247** or email recruitment@nt.gov.au

Information on the Northern Territory and its great lifestyle is available at
www.theterritory.com.au

Note: The preferred or recommended applicant will be required to hold a current Working with Children Clearance notice / Ochre Card (application forms available from SAFE NT @ www.workingwithchildren.nt.gov.au) and undergo a criminal history check. A criminal history will not exclude an applicant from this position unless it is a relevant criminal history.

Department of Health is a Smoke Free Workplace



nt.gov.au/health

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POSITIONS VACANT - SEE OUR AD ON PAGE 44



ARARAT PRISON RECRUITING NOW! INFORMATION SESSIONS

Wednesday 6th and Wednesday 13th April, 6pm - 7pm.

**Register your attendance
by calling 1300 304 128**

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Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
people are strongly encouraged to apply

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Health
Sydney
Local Health Network

COORDINATOR ABORIGINAL ORAL HEALTH PROJECT (ADMIN OFFICER - LEVEL 6)

Ref No: 19838

Salary: \$1088.80-\$1115.80 pw, Temp F/T up to March 2012
at Sydney Dental.

Enquiries: John Kumanidis, (02) 9293 3297.

Closing Date: 15 April 2011.

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine
occupational qualification for this position as described
under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act,
1977 (NSW).

Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Aboriginal Community Development Worker

25 hours/ week (until March 2012)

Community Research Partnerships

2 Positions

MOREE & PARRAMATTA

Northcott Disability Services is a progressive,
non-government organisation with a strong history of
providing quality services to individuals with a disability and
families, currently supporting more than 8000 people across
NSW & ACT.

We are currently seeking 2 (two) experienced Aboriginal
Community Development Workers to join our Community
Research Partnerships team one position is based in Moree
and one in Parramatta. This is an ADHC funded research
project that focuses on early intervention, prevention and
community capacity building with Aboriginal families with
children with a disability aged 0-8 years.

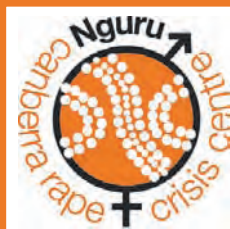
Within this role you will develop relationships with Aboriginal
families and communities that the Project is going to support
& local community organisations who will become key
stakeholders in the Project. You will also organise and
deliver some of the key services for Aboriginal children and
their families and develop resources for families, schools
and communities.

We encourage you to visit our website to obtain a position
description and more information about our organisation:
www.northcott.com.au. Enquiries: Please contact Mariann
Smith on 9890 0541.

Applicants of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background
are strongly encouraged to apply for these positions.

Closing date: 15th April 2011

Essential pre-employment checks will be conducted.
Northcott is an EEC Employer



Vacant Position Nguru Program Coordinator

24 MONTH CONTRACT
Up to 32 hours per week.

Salary Range:
Above SACS Award Grade 6
\$63,567 - \$68,207 per annum, pro rata

The organisation:

The Canberra Rape Crisis Centre (CRCC) is a non-government
feminist organisation working to eliminate sexual violence against
women, young people, children and men. The organisation is
engaged in raising awareness about sexual violence, fostering
partnerships with key agencies and across sectors which contribute
to addressing the structural causes of violence, improving justice
responses and building an integrated service system which better
supports women, young people, children and men impacted by
sexual violence.

The program:

The **Nguru Program** is funded to provide direct services including
support, information and advocacy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander community members who have experienced sexual violence
and other service providers. The Nguru program works closely with
the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in planning,
developing and implementing community education, community
development and capacity building projects which address issues
related to sexual violence.

The position:

The Nguru Coordinator will work supporting indigenous community
organisations and provide guidance and information to organisations
to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients are offered
culturally appropriate services. The Coordinator will also develop and
provide education and training about issues relating to sexual
assault/abuse to mainstream, both non indigenous and indigenous
agencies and communities. The Nguru Program has an important role
networking with indigenous community members and service
providers to identify community issues and advocating for the
development of new approaches and projects to better meet needs.

NOTE:

This is a designated Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander position under
42 (2) of the Discrimination Act 1991.

This is a woman only position under s 34 (1) of the Discrimination Act
1991 which does not make it unlawful for a person to discriminate
against someone else on the grounds of sex in relation to a position
as an employee, contract worker etc, if it is a genuine occupational
qualification for the position.

Child protection legislation requires that the preferred applicant will
be required to undertake employment screening including a Police
check.

For inquiries please contact:

The Canberra Rape Crisis Centre on (02) 6287 3618 or
email: crcc@crcc.org.au for any questions and to obtain the
selection criteria.

Closing Date: Friday 6th of May 2011



Health
Western Sydney
Local Health Network

TREATMENT COORDINATOR

PFT: Salary: According to qualifications, Enquiries: Karen Parsons (02) 8890
3300; Cedar Cottage, Westmead, Ad No: 16362 Close: 20/04/11.

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=16362>

TREATMENT COORDINATOR

TFT: Salary: According to qualifications, Enquiries: Karen Parsons
(02) 8890 3300; Cedar Cottage, Westmead, Ad No: 16433 Close: 20/04/11.

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=16433>

COUNSELLOR, ABORIGINAL MALE

TFT: Salary: According to qualifications, Enquiries: Simon Monk
(02) 9840 4088; New Street Adolescent Service, Cumberland; Ad No: 17089
Close: 20/04/11.

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=17089>

FOR THE ABOVE POSITIONS:

Being male and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are genuine occupational
qualifications for this position as described under Sections 31 and 14 (d) of
the Anti-discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

ABORIGINAL COUNSELLOR

PFT: Salary: According to qualifications, Enquiries: Simon Monk
(02) 9840 4088; New Street Adolescent Service, Cumberland; Ad No: 17091
Close: 20/04/11.

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=17091>

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are genuine occupational
qualifications for this position as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-
discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

The Aboriginal Medical Service in Redfern is an Aboriginal
community controlled health organization. The AMS has a
number of programs that include Drug & Alcohol services.

RECEPTIONIST - DRUG & ALCOHOL UNIT

This would be a rewarding and satisfying position for a person who
has compassion and a desire to work within the Aboriginal
community.

The position is based in Redfern,

Essential Criteria

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Current Driver's License
- Ability to work without supervision and as part of a team.
- Ability to deal with challenging behaviour
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Computer skills
- Reliable and Responsible
- First Aid Certificate or ability to gain one

Successful applicants will require a Working with Children Check
and a Criminal Record Check.

Salary and conditions are based on the Health Service Union of
Australia (Aboriginal Health Workers) Award. Usual hours of work
will be 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.

Contact Officer: Mrs. Gloria Strachan - phone 02 9319 5823,
fax 02 9319 3345 email: amsredfern@amsredfern.org.au

Applications close on Friday 29th April, 2011 and should be sent
to the CEO, Aboriginal Medical Service Cooperative Limited, P.O. Box
1174, Strawberry Hills, NSW 2012.

Emailed applications marked for the attention of the CEO and sent to
amsredfern@amsredfern.org.au

Aboriginality is considered a genuine occupational qualification and
is authorized under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.



Applications are sought from suitably qualified persons
for the following full time permanent vacancies.
These are Aboriginal Identified positions.

Salary: Total remuneration package of up to \$93,531
pa, including salary (\$71,469 - \$84,759) employer's
contribution to superannuation

Teacher Beauty Therapy

Job Ref No: W 11-36

Location: Orange

Teacher Welfare

Job Ref No: W 11-37

Location: Dubbo

Inquiries: Andrew Crowley 6338 2504

Application Form:

Download from: www.wit.tafensw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date: 21 April 2011
(late applications will not be accepted)



www.wit.tafensw.edu.au

Apprenticeships - it's your career



Free Pre-Apprenticeship program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders starts July 2011 (brought to you by Ausgrid, formerly EnergyAustralia).

Whether you're a school leaver or thinking of a career change, consider this -
it's a learning opportunity that shouldn't be missed. If you're an Aboriginal or
Torres Strait Islander looking to try your hand at a trade, the Ausgrid Aboriginal
& Torres Strait Islander Pre-Apprenticeship Program may be for you!

Participating in this fully funded, nationally recognised program will set you up
with the skills and knowledge needed to pursue a career in the energy industry.
And one day a week you'll do work experience at our apprentice training centre
- so you can try things out first hand. At the end of the course, and based on
your results, you will be eligible to apply for our apprentice program.

The 10 week program starts in July 2011 and can be done at two locations;
Petersham TAFE in Sydney or Maitland TAFE in the Hunter. Work experience will
be held at Ausgrid's Silverwater and Wallsend Apprentice Training Centres.

For more information, contact Lyn Wilson, Head Teacher Foundation Studies, at
TAFE NSW - Sydney Institute, on 0409 310 384 or 02 9335 2404 or visit the Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander programs section at www.ausgrid.com.au/careers



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The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

(ACLO)

Permanent Full-time position - Position Number: 123206
Western NSW Region (Bathurst)

Total remuneration package valued at \$70,382 p.a. (salary \$58,249 to \$63,781 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the department at school, region and State Office level, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Proven ability to work collaboratively in teams. Knowledge of Aboriginal education programs, Departmental communities and external agencies. Skills to facilitate change. Understanding of Aboriginal Education Consultative Group role. Effective interpersonal, oral and written skills. Driver's licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Yvonne Hill (02) 6841 3853

Email: Yvonne.Hill@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Joy Rich (02) 6883 6364

Email: Joy.Rich3@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Ms Yvonne Hill, Aboriginal Education Consultant, Department of Education and Training, Arthur Street, DUBBO NSW 2830.

You may also apply for this position online.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 April 2011

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Aboriginal Employment Advisor

Clerk Grade 7/8

Temporary Full-time position - Position Number: 160989
State Training Services Directorate - Sydney/Regional location
Total remuneration package valued at \$95,451 p.a. (salary \$78,142 to \$86,498 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Liaising with key stakeholders on the operation of Aboriginal vocational training programs and policies. Monitoring and evaluating Aboriginal programs and VET applications, projects and programs.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Demonstrated experience in the development and management of programs, including sound financial skills.

Effective communication, negotiation, liaison and customer service skills. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the vocational education and training system, including apprenticeships and traineeships. Good supervisory and organisational skills. Current drivers licence and a willingness to travel. Knowledge of and commitment to the Government's Aboriginal Education and Employment Policies

Notes: This is a temporary appointment for a period up to 31 March 2013, with a possibility of an extension. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Location: Either Sydney or regional location is to be negotiated with successful applicant.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries & Information Packages: Tony Aumuller (02) 6392 8510; Mobile 0427 078 784

Email: Tony Aumuller@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Mr Tony Aumuller, State Manager, Level 1, State Office Block, Cnr Kite & Anson Streets, ORANGE NSW 2800 or email applications to: Tony Aumuller@det.nsw.edu.au

You may also apply for this position online.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 April 2011

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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

(ACLO)

Permanent Full-time position - Position Number: 123213
Western NSW Region (Bourke)

Total remuneration package valued at \$70,382 p.a. (salary \$58,249 to \$63,781 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the department at school, region and State Office level, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Proven ability to work collaboratively in teams. Knowledge of Aboriginal education programs, Departmental communities and external agencies. Skills to facilitate change. Understanding of Aboriginal Education Consultative Group role. Effective interpersonal, oral and written skills. Driver's licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Melissa Kirby (02) 6870 1777

Email: Melissa.Kirby@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Joy Rich (02) 6883 6364

Email: Joy.Rich3@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Ms Melissa Kirby, Aboriginal Education Consultant, Department of Education and Training, PO Box 8, BOURKE NSW 2840

You may also apply for this position online.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to the above position number.

Closing Date: 22 April 2011

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Education
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The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

Senior Aboriginal Employment Advisor

Clerk Grade 9/10

Temporary Full-time position - Position Number: 160988
State Training Services Directorate - Sydney/Regional location
Total remuneration package valued at \$108,318 p.a. (salary \$89,076 to \$98,159 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Managing Aboriginal Programs across State Training Services with responsibility to improve Aboriginal vocational education and training through employment and economic development opportunities in NSW.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Extensive experience in program development and program management. Sound knowledge of employment and training issues for Aboriginal people. Excellent communication, negotiation, liaison and customer service skills. High level administrative, supervisory and financial management skills, with the ability to set work priorities, and meet deadlines. Current drivers licence and a willingness to travel. Knowledge of and Commitment to the Government's Aboriginal Education and Employment Policies.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment for a period up to 31 March 2013, with a possibility of an extension. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants. Location: Either Sydney or regional location is to be negotiated with successful applicant.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

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Closing Date: 22 April 2011

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Join the Community Services temporary caseworker pool now if you want a challenging and rewarding role with the opportunity to improve the lives of children, young people, and their families.

You will benefit from:
Professional support and training, Flexible working conditions and Great career opportunities.

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CLOSING DATE: Friday 29 April 2011



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Government of Western Australia
Disability Services Commission

Direct Care Worker

Accommodation Services

Web Search No: DCW11A (full time and/or part time); DCW11B (Casual)

Level/Salary: Total Remuneration STGA \$48,857 - \$67,732 pa* (*inclusive of base salary, plus a minimum 28% commuted allowance, for a full time employee working a rotating roster)


The Disability Services Commission provides support and assistance to adults with an intellectual disability sharing houses. All new staff receive FULL TRAINING on FULL PAY. Permanent staff will also gain a nationally recognised qualification - Certificate III in Disability Work. Apply now for a job where you'll be TRULY APPRECIATED - all you need to apply is a WA Driver's License and Australian citizenship or permanent residency. We have full-time, part-time and casual positions across the Perth metropolitan area.

To Access Detailed Information: Please visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: (08) 9426 9282 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Libby Drenen on (08) 9426 9616 or email CareersInDisability@dsc.wa.gov.au

Location: Perth Metropolitan Area

Closing Date: Thursday, 30 June 2011 at 5.00pm.



NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

General Administrative Support Officer

Aboriginal Targeted position
Newtown Local Area Command
Central Metropolitan Region, Field Operations
Job Classification: Clerk Grade 1/2
Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 6 months
Suburb: NEWTOWN
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/059

Salary Package: \$62,507. Salary: \$52,104 - \$56,644. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:
The General Administrative Support Officer is within the overall management responsibility of the Local Area Manager. The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Local Area Command focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 for up to 6 months.
- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- The General Administrative Support Officer is classified as a shift worker (non continuous shifts) as per the definition in the Crown Employees (NSW Police Administrative Officers and Temporary Employees Conditions of Employment) Award 2009.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have any further queries after reading the information package please contact the Enquiries Officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:


- Provide high level customer service and quality advice to members of the public through demonstrated effective communication skills.
- Demonstrated computer keyboard, data entry and word processing skills.
- Ability to prepare routine/minor correspondence.
- Willing to undertake necessary training in Court Process duties.
- Ability to operate the corporate records management system.
- Ability to work in a team environment and work unsupervised.
- Possess high integrity and have an understanding of the importance of maintaining confidentiality.
- Broad knowledge of computer systems and administrative practices and procedures.

Enquiries/Information Pack: Michelle Veitch on (02) 9550 8133 or veit1mic@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The Local Area Manager - Newtown Local Area Command, 222 Australia Street, Newtown NSW 2042

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Shoalhaven Local Area Command
Southern Region, Field Operations
Job Classification: Clerk Grade 3/4
Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months
Suburb: NOWRA
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/060

Salary Package: \$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:
The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) is as a member of the Local Area Command, Crime Management Team with the responsibility for providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command (LAC).

The ACLO assists in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing programs that bring about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy.

The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 for up to 12 months.
- This position is 35 hours per week on a rotational roster system and may include overtime.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.
- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number and other supporting documentation
- In accordance with the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration & the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.
- Applicants must indicate a willingness to work shifts/weekends if required.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. Any enquiries about the position must be directed to enquiries officer.
- Applications should address all selection criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement or the application may be rejected.

Enquiries: Inspector Glen Broadhead on (02) 4421 9890 or broad1gle@police.nsw.gov.au

Information Pack: Inspector Glen Broadhead on (02) 4421 9890 or broad1gle@police.nsw.gov.au or Sergeant Ian Pitkethly on (02) 4421 9612 or pitk1ian@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Robyn Hargrave, Local Area Manager, Shoalhaven Local Area Command, NSW Police Force, Locked Bag 3016, Nowra NSW 2541

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. The Aboriginal Health College, as part of the AH&MRC, are currently seeking applications for the following position which is located at Little Bay, Sydney.

Vocational Educator & Assessor (Aboriginal Primary Health Care)

Fulltime, fixed term (12 months)

This position is responsible for teaching, supporting and assessing students and for developing resources materials in the qualifications in Aboriginal Health Primary Health Care at Certificate and Diploma level and other health and community service focussed qualifications.

*** Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.**

For further information on these positions or other positions within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector in NSW, ring 02 9212 4777 or visit: www.ahmrc.org.au/employment.htm

Applications close on Monday, 11 April 2011



ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS OFFICER

Eurobodalla Shire Council

Located on the beautiful south coast of NSW and encompassing the main townships of Batemans Bay, Moruya and Narooma, this position provides the opportunity to continue your career and enjoy a coastal/rural lifestyle.

Council's Aboriginal Community Projects Officer works across six Local Aboriginal Land Council areas representing the Aboriginal community at the local government level. Fostering communication between Council and the Aboriginal community, you will play a key role in managing projects that support Council's Aboriginal Action Plan and the Eurobodalla Aboriginal Advisory Committee.

If you are skilled in Aboriginal community, culture and heritage matters, project management and have the ability to work effectively with local Aboriginal communities, government agencies and other organisations, you are invited to apply for this full time position.

Applicants must identify and be recognised as Aboriginal.

This is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act (1977).

Salary Range: \$1005.62 to \$1115.85 gross per week.

Applications: To apply for this position you will need a copy of the selection criteria/information package which can be obtained by phoning (02) 4474 1016, downloading from Council's website www.esc.nsw.gov.au or emailing positions@eurocoast.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 15 April 2011.

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The Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) provides ambulance services to the public, health institutions, community and sporting groups, businesses, medical research bodies and other Government agencies.

QAS aims to improve health, wellbeing and quality of life of the community through the delivery of high quality pre-hospital emergency care, specialised transport services and a range of related preventative and community services. Ambulance services across Queensland are coordinated through seven Regional Offices located in Cairns, Townsville, Rockhampton, Caloundra, Brisbane, Beenleigh and Toowoomba. Communications centres are located in Cairns, Townsville, Rockhampton, Caloundra, Brisbane, Beenleigh and Toowoomba.

Do you have what it takes?

For further information on the QAS Student Paramedic and Student Emergency Medical Dispatcher Recruitment processes, assessments and other requirements visit the QAS website on www.ambulance.qld.gov.au/recruitment

QAS are recruiting Indigenous applicants for Student Paramedic and Student Emergency Medical Dispatcher positions. Applications are received on a continuous basis anytime throughout the year.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

CONTACT: Indigenous HR Recruitment Officer

PHONE: (07) 3635 3861



Queensland Government



Marketing Development Officer

Are you passionate about Indigenous Economic Development?

In this position you will work with our dynamic team to develop and promote the Indigenous business supply chain. The Marketing Development Officer will play a key role at Mandurah HIBC, working with the organisation's internal and external stakeholders to grow the Chamber's membership and network in the Hunter and to support the development of new initiatives aimed at supporting the sector such as the NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce (NSWICC).

You will work closely with Indigenous Business operators and entrepreneurs to promote their products and services, identify stakeholders in their industry and assist them to access government and private sector procurement opportunities.

Mandurah HIBC works closely with the Australian Indigenous Minority Supplier Council (AIMSC) and is a member of the Indigenous Business Council of Australia (IBCA). As the Marketing Development Officer you will work closely with the CEO to strengthen these relationships, playing an active role in raising the profile of the Chamber Network and the Indigenous Supply Chain.

Essential Criteria for this Key Position Includes:

- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Relevant experience or a Degree or Diploma in Business, Management and or Marketing
- Demonstrated understanding of government and corporate procurement
- A knowledge of the Indigenous Opportunities Policy & the Indigenous Economic Development Strategy
- Demonstrated project management and marketing skills
- Current drivers licence and motor vehicle

If you have the passion, energy and drive to fill this position, please request a complete PD and Selection Criteria by contacting our CEO Debbie Barwick by mobile 0413 068 445 or by email debbie.barwick@mandurahhbc.com.au

Closing Date for Applications -15th April 2011

www.mandurahhbc.com.au

Note: This Position is supported by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR)

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SEARCH Project Officer

The Sax Institute's aim is to improve health, health services and programs by increasing the use of research in policy making. We are an independent not for profit organisation that provides a bridge between researchers, policy makers, health services and funding partners involved in health research.

The Study of Environment on Aboriginal Resilience and Child Health (SEARCH), a flagship project of the Sax Institute, is a large-scale cohort study involving an estimated 2000 urban NSW Aboriginal children recruited through Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) across NSW. The study will describe the links between hearing health, speech and learning development, environment, resilience and health outcomes among Aboriginal children.

A SEARCH Project Officer is required to ensure that all aspects of the day-to-day running of this high profile study proceed smoothly. Under the direction of the SEARCH Study Manager, this person will: assist with the operational components of SEARCH; routinely liaise with participating ACCHSs; coordinate study logistics and trouble-shoot any issues which may affect study implementation.

The Project Officer will be based at the Sax Institute however the role will require frequent travel to participating ACCHSs across NSW. The Project Officer must have a current NSW Driving Licence, be prepared to travel within NSW on a routine basis and be able to work away from home for short periods of time.

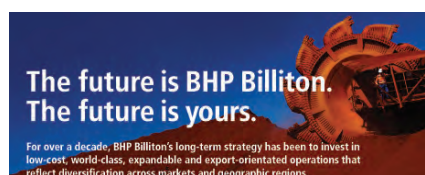
The position requires initiative and the capacity to work with a wide range of people within a complex organisational structure. Experience of working with the Aboriginal Community is essential.

The salary package will be negotiated dependent on the skills and experience of the successful applicant. The Sax Institute is a Fringe Benefit Tax Exempt Employer and offers salary packaging.

Further information and the position description can be obtained from Jane Garnett on (02) 9514 5933 or at jane.garnett@saxinstitute.org.au or via the Career Opportunities section of our website www.saxinstitute.org.au

Applications close Friday 29th April 2011

www.saxinstitute.org.au



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST INDIGENOUS TRADES

BHP Billiton Iron Ore's mining operations in the vast Pilbara region of WA are one of the largest in the world, shipping more than 120 Mtpa of iron ore. Our railways, consisting of more than 1000km of track, connect our mines in the Pilbara with our shipping facilities in Port Hedland. The heavy haulage rail system, the heaviest in the world, with more than 100 locomotives and around 4,500 carriages, uses state of the art technology across all facets of the operation.

Position Synopsis

Due to sustained and continued growth, we currently have a number of FIFO and residential opportunities for self-motivated and safety conscious trades people to join our Iron Ore operations in Port Hedland and Newman in the following disciplines:

- Qualified Mechanical Fitters and Maintainers (Mobile and Fixed Plant)
- Qualified Electricians (Mobile and Fixed Plant)
- Qualified Boilermakers Welders
- Experienced Machinists

You will be accountable for providing quality preventative and breakdown maintenance services in order to ensure that the equipment suffers minimal down time and continuously achieves high levels of availability and reliability. Operating in a climate of continuous improvement, you will facilitate the achievement of an injury/incident free environment through your active participation in safety meetings and site safety programmes.

Skills and Experience

Applicants must hold current trade qualifications, relevant trade tickets/licenses and a current C Class licence. Experience in Mining or Heavy Industry is highly desirable.

Location

These roles are based in Port Hedland and Newman in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. Located on the coast, Port Hedland is the largest regional centre

in the North West, close to Broome, Karratha and Karijini National Park. The 15,000-strong population enjoys well-established education service, entertainment, sporting, shopping and medical facilities, and a strong sense of community. Located in-land, Newman has a population of approximately 8000 people. It has excellent sporting facilities that cater for a wide range of interests and age groups, a well-appointed shopping centre, and education services. Relocation to Newman and Port Hedland will be offered.

A competitive remuneration package is offered commensurate with experience, and includes performance incentive, housing subsidies and a generous superannuation scheme, as well as other benefits.

To submit your application go to www.jobs.bhpbilliton.com before 29th April 2011.

Alternatively contact Marilee Liddell on (08) 9173 680 or Craig Hoyer on (08) 9175 3119.

We reserve the right to commence recruitment proceedings prior to the stated closing date.

BHP Billiton Iron Ore is committed to creating sustainable employment opportunities and career pathways for Indigenous people and increasing Indigenous representation across all areas of the business.

BHP Billiton Iron Ore is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people to apply.

www.bhpbilliton.com

DEMONSTRATE YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Koori Prison Officers

Prisoners come from many different communities - so do Prison Officers.

The Department of Justice employs Koori Prison Officers among many other groups. This career step will have you working with people and families from all backgrounds. Your work will make a real difference.

To find out more information about these positions, or to arrange for an application pack to be sent to you, please call the Indigenous Policy & Services Unit in Corrections Victoria on **(03) 8684 6528**.

Alternatively, you can contact the Department's Recruitment Services Team on **(03) 8684 0015** or email prisonsrecruitment@justice.vic.gov.au

PRISON OFFICERS - OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE NOW



VCAT has ruled that these positions be filled by **Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only** (VCAT exemption number: A293/2010)





The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC), on behalf of the Australian Government, brings together research funding, establishing and maintaining ethical standards in research, and the development of health advice for the Government, health professionals and the public.

GOVERNANCE OFFICER

APS 5 (\$63,257 - \$66,765) OR APS 6 (\$69,782 - \$78,724)

THE GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGY UNIT

The role

The position of Governance Officer provides administrative and planning support to NHMRC's senior executive team by preparing and coordinating governance documents or strategies, providing secretariat support for strategic fora or workshops, and providing liaison, advice and service to all areas across the agency.

This particular position will focus on the implementation of improvements in business processes across NHMRC.

This position will be filled at either the APS 5 or APS 6 level depending on experience, skills and qualifications for a period of six months.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Please refer to the NHMRC Indigenous Employment Strategy which is available on our NHMRC website at: <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about/jobs/index.htm>

How to apply

For further information about this vacancy please visit our website at: <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about/jobs/index.htm>

or contact: Maureen Gain on (02) 6217 9420 (Maureen.Gain@nhmrc.gov.au)

Closing Date for Applications is 9.00am EDTST 18 April 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.

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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (Female)

Lachlan Local Area Command, Western Region, Field Operations

Job Classification: Clerk Grade 3/4

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months

Suburb: FORBES

Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/078

Salary Package: \$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) is as a member of the Local Area Command, Crime Management Team with the responsibility for providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command (LAC).

The ACLO assists in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing programs that bring about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy.

The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- This position is 35 hours per week on a rotational roster system and may include overtime.
- Aboriginality and female are genuine occupational qualifications as authorised by *Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.
- Applicants must hold a current driving licence with clear driving record for past 12 months.
- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number & other supporting documentation.
- In accordance with the *NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act, 1998*, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration and the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the *Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act, 1998*. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.
- Applicants must indicate a willingness to work shifts/weekends if required.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have any further queries, after reading the information package, please contact the Enquiries Officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Enquiries: Inspector Scott Rayner on (02) 6862 9938 or rayn1sco@police.nsw.gov.au

Information Pack: Jenny Barrott on (02) 6862 9902 or barr1jen@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Jenny Barrott, Local Area Manager, Lachlan Local Area Command, NSW Police Force, PO Box 191, Parkes NSW 2870

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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Senior Advisor (Identified)

Office of Fair and Safe Work Queensland

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Justice and Attorney-General

Salary: \$68 687 - \$74 657 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/J2340/11

Key Duties: Contribute to workplace health and safety strategies to enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, organisations, businesses and individuals to achieve safer and healthier workplaces.

Skills/Abilities: Demonstrated ability to build and maintain strong relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander councils, businesses, organisations and individuals in remote communities and urban centres.

Enquiries: (07) 3239 3663

Closing Date: Wednesday, 27 April 2011

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ABC Open Producer - 2 positions

(Dubbo, NSW and Longreach, QLD)

Do you want to be part of the future of Australian media?

Do you want to help your regional community create and collaborate through the ABC?

- An exciting ABC initiative: newly created roles for highly creative multimedia producers
- Engage your community: help your local community find, capture and communicate their stories
- Collaborate, teach and inspire: share your creative and technical skills in text, photography, video and audio
- Initiate innovative online projects

For more details visit...

abc.net.au/careers

abc.net.au/open/jobs

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Land & Waters Aboriginal Corporation ICN4768

The Gunaikurnai Land & Waters Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (ICN 4768) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career in a community / land management focussed Corporation, recently appointed by the Federal Court as the Prescribed Body Corporate for the Gunaikurnai People.

Office Manager

2 year contract with option to extend

\$55,000 - \$65,000 range remuneration package

Bairnsdale - Gippsland, Eastern Victoria

The Office Manager will have strong administrative, computer and interpersonal skills. The Office Manager will also have a major role in assisting the Executive Officer to establish the Corporation's presence in Gippsland and implementing the Gunaikurnai Settlement Agreements.

Cultural Heritage Coordinator

2 year contract with option to extend

\$75,000 - \$90,000 range remuneration package

Bairnsdale - Gippsland, Eastern Victoria

The Cultural Heritage Coordinator will be responsible for all cultural heritage matters including the coordination of all activities relating to the Corporation's obligations as a Registered Aboriginal Party under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 (Vic).

Attractive remuneration packages will be negotiated with the successful applicants.

Full Position Descriptions including Key Selection Criteria can be obtained for each of the above positions by calling:

Charmaine Singleton on (03) 9321 5325 or by emailing her at csingleton@ntsv.com.au

Applications containing a curriculum vitae and addressing the Key Selection Criteria should be marked 'Confidential' and forwarded to csingleton@ntsv.com.au or by post to:

The Chair
Gunaikurnai Land & Waters Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC
C/ Native Title Services Victoria
PO Box 431
North Melbourne VIC 3051

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Applications close on Thursday 21st April 2011.



Government of
Western Australia
Department for Child Protection

Child Protection Worker

Country Services

Web Search No: CP2171 (Pool Recruitment)

Level/Salary: Level 1, SC \$53,665- \$73,578 pa, plus District Allowance

The Child Protection Worker works in the areas of child protection, children in care and family support is responsible for responding to concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of children. Taking legal action to promote the safety and wellbeing of children where necessary.

To Access Detailed Information: Visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No.or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Sarah King on 9182 0500.

Special Notice: Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply. Suitable applicants for these positions will be placed in a pool from which appointments will be made for future similar vacancies that arise within the next 12 months.

Location: Various Pilbara locations

Closing Date: Monday, 18 April 2011 at 5.00pm.

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Legal Support Officer

Clerk Grade 1/2,
Legal Services Division,
Wollongong Regional Office,
(Recruitment Action: RA11/044)

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,506 pa including salary (\$52,104 up to \$56,644) employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Job Description:

Provide quality secretarial, clerical and administrative services to Legal Officers and clients across the key program areas in Legal Aid NSW's legal practices.

Notes:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.
- The purposes of this recruitment is to create an eligibility list to fill future permanent and temporary (full-time and part-time) Legal Support Officer vacancies as they arise at the Wollongong Regional Office within the next 12 months.
- Please quote Job Reference **No.:RA11/044** in your application and in all correspondence relating to this position.
- Applicants must obtain an information package and must address each selection criteria as listed in the advertisement.

Inquiries: Liz McAndrew (02) 4228 8299

Application/Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Sunday, 10 April 2011

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Environment,
Climate Change
& Water

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Audley.

Total remuneration package to \$95,450 p.a. including salary \$78,142 p.a. - \$86,498 p.a.

Clerk Grade 7/8. Permanent Full-Time.

Vacancy Ref: DECCW 095-11.

Facilitate partnerships between Aboriginal people and DECCW.

Provide advice on Aboriginal cultural heritage management and facilitate the exchange of knowledge between the Aboriginal community and DECCW on cultural and natural heritage conservation.

Selection Criteria: To apply for this position applicants must obtain the information pack which contains the selection criteria for the position that must be addressed in your application.

Job Notes: Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Inquiries: Mike Patrick (02) 9542 0643 or 0417 474 328

Information Packages: (02) 9542 0624

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 www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.

Closing Date: Friday, 15 April 2011

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Jobs that make a difference

Do you want to make a difference in the community?

Work for the Department of Human Services or Department of Health.

We value diversity, respect human rights and encourage Aboriginal people with different backgrounds, experiences and perspectives to come and work with us.

We employ school leavers, graduates, experienced professionals, people returning to work and people who are looking for a career change.

In particular, we are looking for people who can bring fresh thinking to some of the challenges involved in providing high quality and innovative services to our clients.

For more information about exciting employment opportunities visit: <http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers> and <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/jobs/>

If you would like assistance in applying for a vacancy please call: 1300 092 406.

If you have an inquiry regarding Aboriginal employment email: aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

www.careers.vic.gov.au



POSITION VACANT

Life Without Barriers is a not-for-profit organisation operating throughout Australia and New Zealand. Our innovative care and support services deliver meaningful outcomes for children, young people, families and communities, promoting rights and valuing relationships.

SENIOR HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER, ABORIGINAL

In line with our commitment to reconciliation, we are seeking an experienced Human Resources professional to join our National team. Reporting to the National HR Manager and working closely with the National Reconciliation Project team, the successful candidate will be responsible for the implementation and overall management of HR strategies and operational plans relating to the organisational Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

To succeed in this position you will possess:

- Tertiary qualifications in Human Resources and/or relevant experience
- A proven background in providing cultural advice and support on Aboriginal matters
- Solid knowledge and experience working with Aboriginal Communities
- Strong policy and procedure development and analysis skills
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Excellent stakeholder management skills
- Ideally, a working knowledge of the community services sector

Due to the scope of duties, the successful candidate must be identified as a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. Life Without Barriers considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Life Without Barriers is a progressive, growing organisation offering ongoing training, support and career advancement opportunities, as well as tax benefits through salary packaging. An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful candidate.

Enquiries

To obtain an information pack please visit www.lwb.org.au
For enquiries contact Amy Smith on 02 4033 4590 or amy.smith@lwb.org.au

Applications close Thursday 21 April.

The successful applicant will be required to undertake suitability checks. Life Without Barriers is committed to the principles of EEO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background or people with disabilities to apply for the position.

www.lwb.org.au



**Nunkuwarrin Yunti
of South Australia Inc**

Nunkuwarrin Yunti aims to promote and deliver improvement in the health and wellbeing of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the greater metropolitan area of Adelaide and to advance their social, cultural and economic status. The Organisation places a strong focus on a client centred approach to the delivery of services and a collaborative working culture to achieve the best possible outcomes for our clients.

Recognising that our people are the key to our ongoing success we offer the following benefits:

- Generous Salary Sacrifice
- Extra Leave entitlements
- Good Work-Life Balance
- Career Development Opportunities
- Family Friendly
- In-house Training Opportunities

QUALITY, SAFETY & REPORTING SERVICE

HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT OFFICER

NY General Level 6 \$65,277 - \$68,197

2 year Contract

The role of the Health Information Management Officer is to develop, maintain and foster a commitment to quality service performance and outcomes within an environment of culturally competent practice. The role is developmental in nature with significant responsibility to further develop health information services within Nunkuwarrin Yunti within the contract period.

Key outputs of the role will contribute to improved Patient Information Management Systems (PIMS) and organisational knowledge management.

Applications must address the Selection Criteria and the appointment conditions in the Job & Person Description

Job descriptions: available from the Nunkuwarrin Yunti website – www.nunku.org.au or Sandi Southwell. **Phone:** (08) 8223 5217 **Email:** sandis@nunku.org.au

Applications to: Ms Sandi Southwell, CEO Personal Assistant & Executive Support, Nunkuwarrin Yunti of South Australia Inc - PO Box 7202, Hutt Street, Adelaide, SA 5000. **Email:** sandis@nunku.org.au

Queries to: Ms Virginia Healy **Phone:** (08) 8223 5217 **Email:** virginiah@nunku.org.au

Applications required by close of business Friday 29 April 2011

Nunkuwarrin Yunti is an equal opportunity employer and applications are invited from both Indigenous and Non-Indigenous people

Help Grow Indigenous Business

- Successful start up company
- Cutting edge purpose
- International and national networks

The Australian Indigenous Minority Supplier Council (AIMSC) has four exciting vacancies for individuals who believe that Indigenous business will be an economic powerhouse

Head of Partnerships

- o Senior business development role
- o Build strong relationships at senior levels
- o 12 month contract, full time
- o Attractive salary plus incentive payments

Supplier Diversity Manager

- o Support corporate and government Australia to buy goods and services from Indigenous business
- o 12 month contract, full time
- o International learning & development opportunities

Operations Manager

- o Key corporate services role
- o Lead the growth of AIMSC's operations
- o 12 month contract, full time

Business Support Specialist

- o Customer service focus
- o Excellent communicator
- o Coordinate knowledge and information
- o 12 month contract, full time or part time

Applications close Wednesday 13 April 2011 at 5pm (Sydney time)

For more information including a position description and applicant pack please contact Lisa Mundine on (02) 8239 9900 or lisa.mundine@aimsc.org.au

For more information about AIMSC visit www.aimsc.org.au



**Government of Western Australia
Department of Corrective Services**

Community Corrections Officers

(Package from \$69,470 up to \$86,400pa)

Senior Community Corrections Officers

(Package from \$77,280 up to \$97,900pa)

Regional and metropolitan vacancies

The Department of Corrective Services' Adult Community Corrections is refocusing its operations to become more rigorous, credible and contemporary.

We are looking for new **Community Corrections Officers** with an understanding of counselling and intervention techniques and the ability to communicate with diverse groups of people. You will work with adult offenders to complete their court orders and encourage them towards law-abiding lifestyles. Successful applicants will complete a training program and receive on-the-job instruction.

Senior Community Corrections Officers are responsible for the case management of complex and difficult adult offenders in the community. You will also mentor and coach other staff within your team. management and intervention.

Working with the Department of Corrective Services you'll receive all the benefits attached to a government career: job security, flexible working arrangements, subsidised government housing for regional staff in specified regional locations and a supported work/life balance. Excellent benefits and incentives are available for staff in regional and remote locations. Package value is dependant on work location and previous experience.

For information on the jobs or how to apply, visit www.jobs.wa.gov.au.

For a confidential discussion about these roles, phone **Terry Bransby** on **9264 9638** during office hours for job-related information.

Information sessions: 5.30pm, Tuesday 5th April OR 10.30am, Saturday 9th April at the Ibis Hotel, 334 Murray Street, PERTH. Information sessions are also being held in regional areas.

Check www.jobs.wa.gov.au for details.



Applications close 4.30pm Wednesday 27 April



Human Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Assistant Project Officer

Clerk Grade 5/6
Strategic Capability Unit
Strategic Human Resources
Central Office, Clarence Street, Sydney
Temporary Full-Time (12 weeks)
Position No: 11/ADHC_0454

Total remuneration package valued up to \$83,723 per annum (Salary: \$68,761 pa – \$75,870 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Salary will be calculated on a pro rata basis.

Job Description:

Undertake a range of activities to support the successful review, development and implementation of projects, policies and practices to ensure continuity of effective service delivery.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- In the final year of a degree or post degree in Humanities and/or Business Discipline or have just completed.
- Ability to undertake a range of activities to support the design and implementation of key strategic projects.
- Ability to conduct research in relation to key projects and related policies.
- Well developed analytical and problem solving skills.
- Well developed oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to work in a team environment.
- Ability to use computer applications, Word and Excel at an intermediate level.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Ageing, Disability and Home Care is seeking an energetic and passionate person to participate in a unique paid work experience opportunity. You will be working alongside a number of professional staff, responsible for delivering key strategic learning and development projects.

This graduate work experience placement is funded under the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program, an initiative of the NSW Government. It is available for an Aboriginal person for a maximum of 12 weeks during or just after their final year of a degree or post degree in Humanities and/or Business Discipline.

Enquiries: Noela Watego (02) 8295 4617 or email: noela.watego@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: www.dadhc.nsw.gov.au/dadhc/careers or 1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 15 April 2011

APPLY ON-LINE

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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Canobolas Local Area Command
Western Region, Field Operations
Job Classification: Clerk Grade 3/4
Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months
Suburb: ORANGE
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/062

Salary Package: \$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

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The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under *Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990* for up to 12 months.
- This position is 35 hours per week on a rotational roster system and may include overtime.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by *Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.
- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number and other supporting documentation.
- In accordance with the *NSW Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998*, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration and the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the *Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998*. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.
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- Applicants must indicate a willingness to work shifts/weekends if required.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. Any enquiries about the position must be directed to enquiries officer.
- Applications should address all selection criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement or the application may be rejected.
- Holder of a current Drivers Licence, with a clear driving record for the past 12 months.

Enquiries: John Pirie on (02) 6363 6301

Information Pack: Brenda Moore on (02) 6363 6306 or moor1bre@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Local Area Manager, Canobolas Local Area Command, 115-117 Byng Street, Orange NSW 2800

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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Victoria Daly
SHIRE COUNCIL

Mentor Program Coordinator

Victoria Daly Shire Council currently has an exciting position available for a **Mentor Program Coordinator** to join its team at the head office in Katherine. You'll lead the operation of the program in the provision of employment, training & economic development opportunities. Enjoy an **attractive remuneration plus 6 weeks leave, relocation assistance, salary sacrifice & more!**



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If you have any further questions phone 1300 366 573



Health
Sydney
Local Health Network

Aboriginal Hepatitis C Service Access Coordinator (HSM Level 1)

Ref: 19963

Salary: \$1147.00–\$1542.90 pw, Temp F/T up to June 2013 at Liverpool and Camperdown.

Eng: Renee Lovell.

Ph: 9515 5298.

Closing Date: Friday, 15 April 2011.

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Human Services
Housing NSW



Business Support Assistant (Cadetship)

Clerk Grade 1/2
Head Office, Ashfield
Temporary Full-Time (Various Positions)
Position No: 11/HNSW_0434

Total remuneration package valued up to \$62,507 per annum (Salary: \$52,104 pa - \$56,644 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Please note that the positions are part of the NSW JumpSTART Cadetship Program. The NSW JumpSTART Cadetship Program is designed to help young people take up careers in the NSW Public Sector. The cadetship is available for a period of 12 months full time and, upon successful completion, a permanent position may be available. Further information about these positions is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Job Description:

Provide a range of administrative services to support the achievement of business unit outcomes in a timely, reliable and efficient manner.

Selection Criteria:

- Good administrative, organisational and problem solving skills.
- Sound verbal and written communication skills and the ability to liaise with staff at all levels.
- Ability to work independently and within a team environment.
- Demonstrated computer and data entry skills including experience in using Microsoft Office software.
- Experience in using various office equipment.
- Ability to use electronic records management systems e.g. Trim.

Who can apply for a JumpSTART cadetship?

You are eligible to apply for a cadetship if you:

- Have your HSC or a relevant Certificate IV qualification or above. (Please note: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are exempt from this criterion).
- Are under 25 years at the time of application.
- Are a permanent resident or citizen of Australia.

Enquiries: Grant McClafferty (02) 8753 8551 or email: grant.mcclafferty@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or 1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 15 April 2011

APPLY ON-LINE

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Government of
Western Australia
Department for Child Protection

Child Protection Worker

Country Services

Web Search No: CP2171 (Pool Recruitment)

Level/Salary: Level 1, SC \$53,665- \$73,578 pa, plus District Allowance

The Child Protection Worker works in the areas of child protection, children in care and family support is responsible for responding to concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of children. Taking legal action to promote the safety and wellbeing of children where necessary.

To Access Detailed Information: Visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No.or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Sarah King on 9182 0500.

Special Notice: Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply. Suitable applicants for these positions will be placed in a pool from which appointments will be made for future similar vacancies that arise within the next 12 months.

Location: Various Pilbara locations

Closing Date: Monday, 18 April 2011 at 5.00pm.



Environment,
Climate Change
& Water

Country, Culture and Heritage Division

Director Community Operations

Hurstville.

Total remuneration package to \$172,569 p.a. including salary \$146,085 p.a. - \$156,384 p.a.
Senior Officer Grade 2. Permanent Full-Time
Vacancy Ref: DECCW 100-11

Lead and assist in the delivery of frontline Aboriginal culture and heritage conservation functions covering five geographically defined areas of planning/programming in response to DECCW responsibilities for conserving Aboriginal culture and heritage values across the landscape.

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: Norman Laing (02) 9585 6988 or 0457 804 895

Information Pack: Amelia Capobianco (02) 9585 6164 or 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 www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 22 April 2011

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FAMILY PLANNING NSW
www.fpnsw.org.au

Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer

Aboriginality Essential
Full time to 30 June 2012

Family Planning NSW is an independent, not-for-profit organisation focusing on the contribution to, promotion, collection and dissemination of reproductive and sexual health knowledge, information and learning to people in NSW.

With more than 80 years as leaders in reproductive and sexual health, Family Planning NSW is committed to excellence in meeting the reproductive and sexual health needs in the NSW community and continues to achieve outstanding results.

This position will provide high-quality health promotion support to the Family Planning NSW Strong Family Project including being part of planning, developing, delivering and evaluating education programs, conducting community consultations/education, establishing and maintaining relationships with Aboriginal communities and providing advice on issues relating to working with Aboriginal people in the area of reproductive and sexual health.

You identify as Aboriginal and have a relevant tertiary qualification or experience. You also have a keen interest in learning more about reproductive and sexual health issues and working with a variety of communities throughout NSW.

Refer to 'About Us' at www.fpnsw.org.au for a position description. Further enquiries will be answered by Patrick Duley at patrickd@fpnsw.org.au or

ph 8752 4326.

Please submit an application by forwarding a cover letter and resume to hr@fpnsw.org.au, by mail to 328-336 Liverpool Road Ashfield NSW 2131 or by fax to 9716 8044.

Applications close:

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Aboriginal Sexual Health Promotion Trainee / Worker

Sexual Health Promotion team,
Gosford Hospital

Enquiries: Julie Asprey, (02) 43202999

Ref. ID: 20922

Closing Date: 20 April, 2011

This is an Identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Apply now...

Website: www.nscchahs.health.nsw.gov.au

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Careers with Queensland Health

Nursing

Clinical Nurses (School Nurses – Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy) – Family Health Team, District Outreach Primary Health Care Services, Aurukun Primary Health Care Centre, Cape York Health Service District.

Remuneration value up to \$87 143 p.a., comprising salary between \$71 297 - \$76 376 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (Nurse Grade 6) (Two positions. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) JAR: H11CY03237.

Duties/Abilities: Responsible for creating an environment that promotes healthy living and responds to the needs of individual children from pre-prep through to Year Seven within the school environment in Aurukun. Additionally, you will work with Case Managers and other health care providers to ensure student's health needs are met and provide nursing services – direct or indirect – in compliance with school policies. You will also promote health and wellbeing within the school environment through written materials, health promotion programs and education initiatives.

Enquiries: Louisa Salee (07) 4082 3637.

Application Kit: (07) 4226 5124 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 18 April 2011.

Allied Health/Clinical Support

Health Worker Coordinator, Programs (Indigenous Mental Health) – Service Development Team, Central Queensland Mental Health Service, Rockhampton, Central Queensland Health Service District.

Remuneration value up to \$84 761 p.a., comprising salary between \$70 746 - \$74 289 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (007) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H11RK03608. **Duties/Abilities:** Assist in the implementation of the National, State and District Mental Health Plans, through participating and giving direction for the development of local policies, procedures and practice guidelines. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position.

Enquiries: Tracie Hassall (07) 4920 5574.

Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Wednesday, 27 April 2011.

Health Worker Advanced – Indigenous Community Health, Gayndah Health Service, Wide Bay Health Service District.

Remuneration up to \$61 632 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H11WB03478. **Duties/Abilities:** While maintaining professional and operational accountability to Queensland Health, enhance the health and well being of Indigenous people living in the Wide Bay Health Service – rural communities of Gayndah, Biggenden and Childers and other areas as required through the provision of high quality, culturally appropriate services focused on the general health of the Indigenous community. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Aged Care Act 1997* requires Queensland Health employees and volunteers of aged care services to have a current National Police Certificate. Queensland Health will facilitate the applicants obtaining the above checks.

Enquiries: Jeanette Springham (07) 4150 2577.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 18 April 2011.

You can apply online at
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

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Australia Council for the Arts Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Division

Do you want to work in a flexible, creative and professional environment?

Over the last 30 years we have supported and promoted Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and organisations, including Archie Roach, Christine Anu, Deborah Mailman, Doris Pilkington, Ken Thaiday, Bangarra, Banduk Marika, Leah Purcell, Yirra Yaakin and Yothu Yindi as well as the next generation of young and creative artists such as Wire MC, Emma Donovan, Alick Tipoti, Shakaya and Jason Pitt.

JOIN US

Our team is dedicated, highly motivated and passionate about Keeping Culture Strong.

WHAT YOU WILL BE DOING

We are looking for highly motivated, dynamic people who will facilitate the implementation of an Indigenous Arts Strategy. You will be expected to work with a range of stakeholders within the arts, government and industry.

Assistant Program Officer

Full-Time Position (3 months)

Salary: Commencing from \$53,477 per annum

Plus employer contribution to superannuation

This is an Indigenous position

The position is based in Surry Hills, Sydney.

This is not an Australian Public Service Position

For more information about the role and how to apply, please phone Mark Stapleton (02) 9215 9014 or toll free on 1800 226 912 or go to www.australiacouncil.gov.au/employment.

Applications close:

11 April 2011 by 5pm

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

1. Read the Position Profile.
2. Complete your application. This should include:
 - (i) brief covering letter or email
 - (ii) a competency statement (addressing the selection criteria as set out in the position profile)
 - (iii) your resume
 - (iv) a completed Australia Council for the Arts application form
3. Email your application to careers@australiacouncil.gov.au

The Australia Council for the Arts is the Australian Government's arts funding and advisory body.

KEEPING CULTURE STRONG

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Orana Local Area Command

Western Region, Field Operations

Job Classification: Clerk Grade 3/4

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months

Suburb: WELLINGTON

Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/063

Salary Package: \$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) is as a member of the Local Area Command, Crime Management Team with the responsibility for providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command (LAC).

The ACLO assists in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing programs that bring about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy.

The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the *Police Act 1990* for up to 12 months.
- This position is 35 hours per week on a rotational roster system and may include overtime.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by *Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.
- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number and other supporting documentation.
- In accordance with the *NSW Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act 1998*, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration & the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the *Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998*. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.
- Applicants must indicate a willingness to work shifts/weekends if required
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. Any enquiries about the position must be directed to enquiries officer.
- Applications should address all selection criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement or the application may be rejected.

Enquiries/Information Pack: Sergeant Adam Wood on (02) 6883 1556 or wood2ada@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Kerry Seaton, Local Area Manager, Orana Local Area Command, NSW Police Force, PO Box 738, Dubbo NSW 2830

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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Aboriginal specialist out of home care program

Youth Off The Streets, Aboriginal Services will be establishing a residential service that will provide out of home care to young Aboriginal people. The program will be situated in the Southern Highlands, NSW. We are seeking to recruit a team of suitably qualified people who are interested in improving the emotional, social, health, educational and cultural outcomes of Aboriginal young people in out of home care.

Essential requirements for all roles are:-

- Relevant qualifications and experience in youth work, child and adolescent welfare or related fields
- Knowledge and understanding of the child protection system
- Ability to work in a challenging environment from a strengths based perspective
- Ability to work collaboratively within a team environment
- Knowledge of and experience working in residential out of home care services or related fields
- Understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture
- Well developed communication and people skills
- Current NSW drivers licence.

program manager identified position

To be successful in this role you will manage the day to day operations of the program in accordance with legislation, agency policies, procedures and schedules. You will maintain sound working knowledge of direct service provision and case management with a commitment to continuous professional development. You will work collaboratively within a team environment with an attitude of respect, understanding and empathy.

You will have:

- ★ Knowledge and experience of the NSW Child Protection system
- ★ Experience to supervise staff, foster a productive team environment and work systematically within timeframes
- ★ Commitment to the principle of self determination and empowerment
- ★ Commitment to improving life opportunities for disadvantaged Aboriginal youth
- ★ Knowledge about Aboriginal history, culture and the issues faced by communities in NSW
- ★ Well developed interpersonal, communication, advocacy and negotiation skills
- ★ Effective time management and organisational skills
- ★ Ability to work with key government and non government peak bodies

case worker identified position

To be successful in this role you will provide optimal support to ensure the needs, rights and aspirations of young people are included in all processes of case work functions. You will maintain sound working knowledge of case work responsibilities with a commitment to continuous professional development. You will work collaboratively within a team environment with an attitude of respect, understanding and empathy.

You will have:

- ★ Knowledge and experience of the NSW Child Protection system
- ★ Experience with working effectively with young people and their families (where appropriate)
- ★ Commitment to the principle of self determination and empowerment
- ★ Commitment to improving life opportunities for disadvantaged Aboriginal youth
- ★ Experience with supporting Aboriginal young people to work towards agreed goals
- ★ Knowledge about Aboriginal history, culture and the issues faced by communities in NSW
- ★ Well developed interpersonal, communication, advocacy and negotiation skills

youth worker

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

To be successful in this role you will provide direct care, support and guidance to young people in the program in accordance with program policies, procedures and schedules. You will work towards establishing positive relationships with young people and work collaboratively within a team environment with an attitude of respect, understanding and empathy.

This position involves working shifts on a rostered basis.

You will have:

- ★ Commitment to continuous professional development
- ★ Experience supervising young people with challenging behaviours
- ★ Commitment to the principle of self determination and empowerment
- ★ Commitment to improving life opportunities for disadvantaged Aboriginal youth
- ★ Knowledge about Aboriginal history, culture and the issues faced by communities in NSW

Youth Off The Streets provide permanent staff with attractiveSalary benefits and accredited training opportunities in Positive Peer Culture, Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and Therapeutic Crisis Intervention techniques.

apply today!

Please send your application marked 'Confidential' to: hr@youthoffthestreets.com.au or PO Box 6025 Alexandria NSW 2015 or call 02 9330 3500.

Closing Date: 22nd April 2011.



Successful applicants must comply with the NSW Child Protection Legislation. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for these positions under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). YOTS is an EEO Employer.



Koori Men's Family Violence Support Worker

VPS Grade 3: \$53,502 - \$64,962
MC2329 (Fixed Term - Part Time)

The Magistrates' Court of Victoria is seeking applicants for an exciting new support role being piloted at Melbourne Magistrates' Court. The aim of the Koori Family Violence Court Support Program is to enable the courts to provide a more culturally appropriate response to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island victims and offenders in family violence matters.

The successful applicant will be responsible for building relationships with stakeholders and the community, as well as maintaining established and developing new referral pathways for clients of the program. The successful applicant will be skilled in support work with the Aboriginal community and highly motivated to support Aboriginal clients throughout the Intervention Order process.

As this is a designated position, applications are only accepted from male Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons. The Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal has approved exemptions under the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 for this position. Exemption No.#A166/2010.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions
Visit www.careers.vic.gov.au
Sunday 17 April 2011

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Jobs that make a difference

Child Protection Team Leader - Aboriginal Focus Unit

\$70,692– \$80,215 (+ Superannuation)

Do you have a genuine desire and the necessary skills to make a difference for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?

We seek an experienced, energetic Child Protection Team Leader for the Aboriginal Focussed Unit. The unit is targeted to the protection and support needs of Aboriginal children and young people and their families, subject to statutory Child Protection intervention.

You will supervise a team of Child Protection Workers and partner with Aboriginal services to support comprehensive, culturally competent risk assessment and interventions for at risk children and young people.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Matthew Wilson on 039479-0514

Please quote position no DHS/NWR/148876.

Sunday 10 April 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



To apply online and view the job description, visit
www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers
For other Victorian Government opportunities,
please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

It is the policy of the Office to encourage applications from persons of Aboriginal descent for all positions. The Office is committed to equal employment opportunity, occupational health and safety, ethical practices and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. All applicants are expected to demonstrate an understanding and commitment in these areas.

A criminal record check is undertaken on applicants prior to an offer of employment being made. This check will also disclose spent convictions under the Criminal Records Act 1991. The submission of an application to the ODPP is an acknowledgement that you consent to the ODPP arranging for such a check to be conducted.

LEGAL ADMINISTRATION CADETSHIP

- Gain experience in the delivery of administrative support for the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
- Work with administrative staff with a broad range of experience
- Permanent contract located in Newcastle

This cadetship will provide you with experience in Legal Support administration. The cadetship will suit you if you are or wanting to study in the area of Business Administration and wish to gain experience in working in a high profile professional organisation. As the Legal Administrative Cadet you will support the day to day operations of the legal team in Newcastle.

To be eligible you must be under 25 at the time of application, have completed Higher School Certificate and be a permanent resident or citizen of Australia. You must meet and address the following criteria:

- Completed HSC or a relevant Certificate IV qualification or above. (Please note: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are exempt from this criterion)
- Have been working or undertaking vocational or tertiary studies in business administration
- Be prepared to commence a TAFE or tertiary qualification in business administration in the first year of employment
- Have sound computer skills in one or more applications eg word processing, data base, spreadsheets or other in house packages
- Have good communication, interpersonal and organisation skills
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and co-operately with a team and to complete tasks
- Understanding of the Criminal Justice System and the role of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
- Current Driver's licence

In return you will receive:

- Salary package of up to \$62,507 pa including superannuation and leave leading
- Study support to undertake TAFE or tertiary education
- Organisation and technical skills training
- Personal development and support

Apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

For more information about the Office visit www.odpp.nsw.gov.au

Contact: Malcolm Young (02) 4907 4563

Closing Date: 15 April 2011

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THE WEIGELLI CENTRE

The Weigelli Centre is an Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol residential rehabilitation facility just outside Cowra in the Central West of NSW.

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker/ Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee

The worker will provide Mental Health input to the Weigelli Centre AOD programme. This worker will also provide Mental Health Prevention activities, Mental Health Promotion activities and will participate in building the Mental Health capacity of the local community.

Applicants for the Aboriginal Mental Health Worker will have completed training, or have completed a substantial amount of your course, or have extensive experience and the ability to complete the required training.

Applicants for the Traineeship will need to demonstrate an interest in this area, motivation and an excellent work ethic.

Salary ranges are up to \$60,000 for the AMHW and up to \$45,000 for the Traineeship. There is access to salary packaging, 4 weeks annual leave, RDOs, and a Xmas / New Year break. Staff development is encouraged and supported. An Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee will be supported through the Djurriwang programme at Charles Sturt University

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification S31(2)(H) of the Anti-discrimination Act NSW.

The Weigelli Centre reserves the right not to fill any position.

For further Information, an Application Package and support submitting your Application:
Daniel Jeffries or Duncan McEvoy 02 6345 1803

Applications close: 22 April 2011

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Aboriginal Learning Liaison Officer

There are currently 5 positions available:

- Taree-Great Lakes
- Port Macquarie-Wauchope
- Kempsey-Macksville
- Grafton-Maclean
- Coffs Harbour-Coffs Harbour Education Campus

Status: Permanent Part-time 22 hpw

Job Reference No: 11/022/NCI

Salary: \$31.90 - \$34.92 per hour

Information Package: Applicants must obtain an Information Package in order to proceed. Please download the application directly from our website northcoast.tafensw.edu.au under Employment Vacancies or forward an email to ncit.recruitment@tafensw.edu.au or phone 1800 008 233.

Job Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing date: 21st April 2011

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Part-Time Casual Teaching Opportunities General Education Faculty

Personalised Learning and Employment Support to Aboriginal Students

All campuses within North Coast Institute

Job Reference No: 11/016/NCI

Hourly Rate: \$69.84

Applications are sought from suitably qualified and experienced people who wish to be considered for placement on a suitability list for casual teaching vacancies in 2011.

Information Package: Applicants must obtain an Information Package in order to proceed. Please download the application directly from our website northcoast.tafensw.edu.au under Employment Vacancies or forward an email to ncit.recruitment@tafensw.edu.au or phone 1800 008 233.

Job Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing date: Thursday 21st April 2011

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Casino Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated

ABORIGINAL WORKERS

Casino Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated, is seeking to employ Aboriginal staff in the following positions with the Brighter Futures Service.

ABORIGINAL FAMILY WORKER

38 hours per week – total package \$53,836 includes salary, superannuation and annual leave loading

ABORIGINAL FAMILY AND COMMUNITY WORKER

38 hours per week – total package \$53,836 includes salary, superannuation and annual leave loading

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act NSW 1977

Applications close 22 April 2011

Application Packages can be obtained by emailing cnci.noeline@bigpond.com phoning 66 622898 or accessing our website on www.cnci.org.au

Yulu-Burri-Ba

Aboriginal Corporation for Community Health



The Yulu-Burri-Ba Aboriginal Corporation for Community Health is located on beautiful North Stradbroke Island, Queensland. We are an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service and are seeking to fill the following positions:

Social Emotional Well Being Manager/Counsellor

Full-time

This position is a supervisory one in which you will be responsible for the operations of the Social Emotional Well Being team. The successful applicant must have formal qualifications relating to a mental health field.

Quality Improvement Manager

Full-time

The successful applicant will have the necessary skills and expertise needed/required to ensure the organisation meets its AGPAL accreditation standards and progress its accreditation status to encompass all of service accreditation under ISO or similar.

Aboriginal Health Worker

Full-time

This position is in the Social Emotional Well Being team. The successful applicant must have at least a Certificate III in Aboriginal Primary Health Care or equivalent.

All positions must have Open Drivers License (QLD) and have or be willing to obtain the following requirements: Blue Card (working with children's check; criminal history check; first aid/CPR certificate.

Application close at the Close of Business on Friday, 20th April 2011.

Application packages are available by contacting: The Senior Administration Officer on (07) 3409 9596



General Practice Education & Training Project Officer

April – January 2012,

with possible part time extension beyond January

VACCHO was established in 1996 and is recognised by State and Federal governments as the peak body to co-ordinate and represent Aboriginal health organisations and community views on Aboriginal health issues in Victoria.

VACCHO Workforce Issues Unit's vision is to achieve a skilled workforce responding to the needs of Aboriginal communities in the delivery of comprehensive primary health care through the principles of Aboriginal community control.

This position is available to fill a maternity leave replacement commencing in April and ending in January 2012, with possible part time extension beyond January 2012.

The main role of this position is to assist and support Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health services (ACCHS) to become Indigenous Health Training Posts. This will allow the ACCHS to recruit General Practice Registrars to work within their services. The position will also assist ACCHS keep up-to-date with the GPET Framework and develop relationships with their Local Training Providers who train the GP registrars.

To be successful in securing this position, candidates will possess the relevant skills and experience as outlined in the position description (downloadable from our website). An ability to travel is necessary.

For further information on how to apply and for a copy of the position description, please refer to the vacancies page at www.vaccho.org.au

Applicants must submit a covering letter, resume and statement addressing the key selection criteria to Tyson Murphy, Workforce Issues Unit Manager at hr@vaccho.com.au or to PO Box 1328, Collingwood 3066. Queries about the position can be directed to Tyson, on 9419 3350.

Applications close on 29 April 2011

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. VACCHO is a smoke free workplace



ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES Community Based Corrections

Indigenous Probation and Parole Officer Administrative Services Officer Class 6

Salary Range: \$66,198 - \$76,043
PN: 46200

Duties: Provide case management, supervision and monitoring for people on court and parole orders with the objectives of reducing the risk of further criminal conduct, maintaining community safety and administering court orders. Provide written and verbal reports to the Courts, releasing authorities and other bodies in relation to offender management, risk and intervention.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Experience working with offenders and relevant tertiary qualifications are highly desirable. Understanding of and sensitivity to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural issues and issues relevant to other minority groups is essential. Eligible candidates will be required to undergo a criminal history check. Applicants will be required to undertake psychological aptitude testing as part of the assessment process. A current driver's licence is essential. Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered essential (Section 42, Discrimination Act 1991).

Selection documentation and application information is available at: www.jobs.act.gov.au/jobs_by_agency/justice_and_community_safety

For further information regarding the position, please contact:
Ms Glenda McCarthy, ACT Corrective Services on ph: (02) 6207 1561 or email: glenda.mccarthy@act.gov.au

Applications should be forwarded to jobs@act.gov.au or mailed to; Shared Services Centre, Recruitment Services, GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601

Applications close on Tuesday 19 April 2011



Mount Austin High School
Wagga Wagga

Expressions of Interest are invited for the temporary position of:

Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer (ACEO)

The role of the ACEO is to assist in developing effective home, school and community partnerships to improve Aboriginal student achievement as well as to improve Aboriginal students' transition rates to further education and employment.

Position Criteria

- Aboriginality*
- Ability to relate well to aboriginal families, students and community members
- Understanding of the values and beliefs of the school and the nature of the school community
- Capacity to work as part of a team
- Excellent communication and liaison skills
- Effective organisational skills and an ability to prioritise own work
- Demonstrated experience in working within family and community environments

**Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977. An Aboriginal person is a person of Aboriginal descent who identifies as such and is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an aboriginal person.*

For further information

please contact the Deputy Principal on 69 252 801



improving people's lives

Business Development Manager for Indigenous Employment

Would you like to become part of our National Business Development Team to support the Australian Government's closing the gap strategy? Do you have exceptional communication skills which you can utilize in a marketing and sales environment? Can you build solid relationships with organizations that will provide job opportunities for Indigenous Australians? Would you like to work within an organisation that can make a difference in someone's life? Are you Indigenous and ready to take on a new challenge in your career?

A4e are a global social purpose company with over 20 years experience in **'Improving People's Lives'**. Our business is experiencing significant growth - with offices in NSW, VIC and TAS.

We are looking for someone like you who can:

- Identify, implement and drive new business initiatives
- Apply their superior relationship development and account management skills
- Work independently and as a key member of the business development team
- Work in a fast paced environment with competing and tight deadlines
- Utilize their excellent project management skills to identify and manage new business opportunities
- Show initiative and is achievement driven
- Achieve performance targets sets

What skills will assist you to fulfill this challenging but rewarding role?

- Relevant qualifications or experience in business development and account management
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- This is an identified Indigenous position of employment. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

In return we will offer you:

- A competitive salary package
- Flexible working arrangements
- A challenging and rewarding role
- Career Development within a growing organisation
- Rostered Day off per month

If you have questions please do not hesitate to contact **Lorraine Baldacchino**, Human Resources Director on (02) 9383 5399 or 0447 567 432.

I look forward to discussing your future position with you.

Applications can be sent directly to **Lorraine** at lbaldacchino@a4e.com.au or please post them to PO Box 2273, Bondi Junction NSW 1355.

Applications will be accepted up until 15th April 2011.



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Indigenous Land Corporation
ILC Tourism Pty Ltd

INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COORDINATOR

- A once in a lifetime opportunity to be a part of something very special
- Iconic Indigenous tourism destination
- New Indigenous Employment and Training program

ILC Tourism Pty Ltd is a newly formed, wholly owned subsidiary of the Indigenous Land Corporation which is in the process of purchasing the iconic Ayers Rock Resort. ILC Tourism's ambitious goal is to re-establish it as Australia's premier cultural tourism resort providing both strong financial returns and long term benefits for Indigenous Australians.

The iconic Ayers Rock Resort encompasses five hotels including the signature five star Longitude 131, a camping ground, an airport, a village, utility services and retail outlets, including a supermarket.

A key objective of ILC Tourism is to expand employment opportunities in hospitality and tourism for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The Role

The Indigenous Employment and Training (IE&T) Coordinator will be a key member of the newly created Indigenous Engagement Team to attract, recruit, train, mentor and retain Indigenous trainees and employees to the resort. The education and support for managers, supervisors and other employees is also a crucial part of this role. The goal is to ensure that all Indigenous workers at the resort are given the best possible opportunity to succeed and enjoy productive and valued careers.

Reporting to the Manager, Indigenous Engagement, the IE&T Coordinator will be required to:

- work with each Indigenous employee and trainee to complete an individual skills gap analysis, a personal training and development plan, coordination of required on and off-the-job training and assessments and coaching for employees, trainees and supervisors.
- collaborate with other members of the Indigenous Engagement Team, Human Resource and Training staff, departmental managers, a "buddy" network and other external training and service providers in a multi disciplinary approach to achieve successful outcomes.
- use counselling, negotiation and both oral and written communication skills to work with and support supervisors and Indigenous employees to ensure high levels of performance and to create an effective workforce.

Completion or progress towards tertiary qualifications in a field such as Employment Services, Human Resources, Training and Assessment or other relevant field is highly desirable. Experience in the hospitality or tourism industry will also be highly regarded.

Located at the Ayers Rock Resort, the successful applicant will receive a competitive salary of between \$60,000 to \$70,000 based on experience. In addition, you will also have access to other excellent conditions such as generous housing assistance, relocation and duty meals and access to staff recreation facilities including pool and other benefits.

For further information, please contact **Dan Edmonds** on (08) 8100 7100 or Freecall 1800 818 490. (Position documentation and more information about Working and Living at Ayers Rock is available at www.ilc.gov.au website)

Applications are to include the ILC Tourism Cover Note (available on the ILC website), covering letter and detailed current CV only. Further information may be requested if you are required for an interview.

Applications close at 5:00pm Wednesday 20 April 2011. Applications should be emailed to vacancies@ilc.gov.au or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to Human Resources, Indigenous Land Corporation, GPO Box 652 ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

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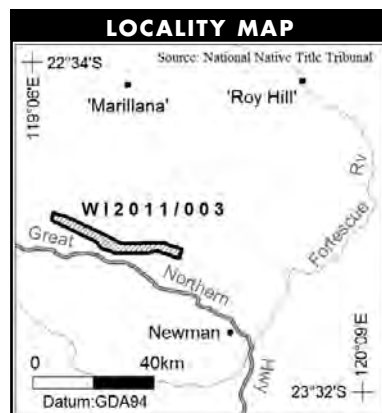
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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Western Australia
Notification day: 20 April 2011



National
Native Title
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W12011/003 Hope Downs 4 Corridor ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 142 square kilometres and is located approximately 30 kilometres north west of Newman as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Shire of East Pilbara.

Parties to the agreement and their contact address:

Hamersley HMS Pty Ltd as manager for and on behalf of Hamersley WA Pty Ltd and Hope Downs Iron Ore Pty Ltd
c/- Blake Dawson
Level 32 Exchange Plaza, 2 The Esplanade
PERTH WA 6000

David Stock, Gordon Yuline, Raymond Drage, Billy Cadigan and Victor Parker on their own behalf and on behalf of the Nyiyaparli People
c/- Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation
Level 2, 16 St Georges Terrace
PERTH WA 6000

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 8.5 For the purposes of section 24EB(1) of the Native Title Act, the parties consent to all Agreed Future Acts without conditions but in accordance with this document.

Clause 8.6 The parties agree that the process set out in Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act, known as the "right to negotiate" process is not intended to apply to the Agreed Future Acts.

Agreed Future Acts means each Future Act required for the Grant of a lease to the HDJV [Hope Downs Joint Venturers] under section 79 of the Land Administration Act 1997 (WA) in relation to any parts of the Agreement Area for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway, power line, access road and all associated and incidental infrastructure and facilities.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, PERTH, WA, 6848** by 20 July 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 for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of Langate (WA). Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Paul Willaway on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following mining lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978 (WA)*:

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
08/475	Twelve Mile Pty Ltd	174.97ha	69km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat 22°07' Long 115°30'	Ashburton
08/476	Stirling Bay Holdings Pty Ltd	187.46ha	78km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat 22°15' Long 115°28'	Ashburton
20/493	Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Ltd	76.24ha	140km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°04' Long 117°13'	Meekatharra

Nature Of The Act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification Day: 6 April 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 **6 July 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquiries in relation to filing an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 6 August 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

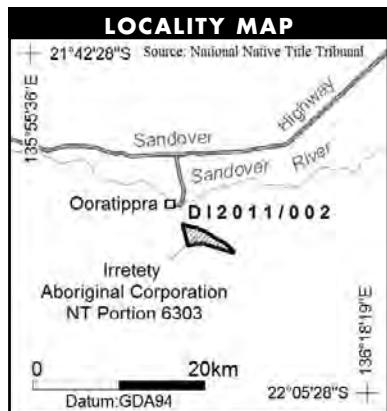
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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Northern Territory of Australia
Notification day: 20 April 2011



National
Native Title
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DI2011/002 Irretety Community Living Area ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement is NT Portion 6303 covering about 8 square kilometres, located south of the Sandover Highway and the Sandover River in the vicinity of Ooratippra homestead as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Barkly Shire.

Parties to the agreement and their contact address:

Northern Territory of Australia
(Department of Lands and Planning)
C/- Solicitor for the Northern Territory
GPO Box 1722
Darwin NT 0800

Central Land Council
PO Box 3321
Alice Springs NT 0871

Native Title Parties
(Johnny Barber Kngwarrey and Billy Cook
Apetyarr on behalf of the Alyawarr People)
C/- Central Land Council
PO Box 3321
Alice Springs NT 0871

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 3.1(b): The parties acknowledge and agree that Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Act does not and is not intended to apply to the Agreed Action.

Clause 3A.1: The parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Action, whether or not the Agreed Action is a future act.

Clause 5A: The parties acknowledge and agree that while this ILUA is registered on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements, this ILUA has the effect of validating the Agreed Action in accordance with section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the Act to the extent that the Agreed Action is a future act which has already been done invalidly prior to the registration of this ILUA.

Clause 1 of the Agreement defines the following terms:

“Agreed Actions” means the granting of an estate in fee simple in the Approved Application Area [being the area covered by the agreement] for a community living area in accordance with the provisions of Part 8 of the *Pastoral Land Act* (Northern Territory) and section 46(1A) of the *Lands Acquisition Act* (Northern Territory).

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Central Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Adelaide, SA, 5001 by 20 July 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 for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Northern Territory.

Details of the application area may be obtained from the Tribunal. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreements, however, are not available, from the Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Hamish MacLeod on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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ANYINGINYI HEALTH ABORIGINAL CORPORATION (AHAC) TENNANT CREEK, Northern Territory



AHAC is a community controlled organisation that provides primary health and clinical services to the Aboriginal peoples of the Barkly Region. AHAC offers a holistic approach to the health and well being of its clients through its clinical, social and emotional, educational and fitness services.

Health Centre - Section Manager “Looking for a Challenging Role”

Are you switched on, interested in working in a fast paced, dynamic and rewarding work environment? Do you have a high level of energy, a good sense of urgency, well organised and have excellent communication skills? If so, this may be the job for you.

The Health Centre Manager will work closely with Aboriginal Health Workers, Doctors and other health professionals in a busy community environment, the Health Centre Manager will manage the day to day operations within the Health Centre. This will include managing and coordinating work activities, reporting for government and non government departments. The Health Centre Manager will ensure continued professional development and up skilling of all health Centre staff and practitioners is maintained.

This is a responsible position requiring confidentiality, sensitivity, initiative and a capacity to work well under pressure. You must possess management and program development skills. You will have knowledge of NT OH&S legislation and how it applies in a clinical environment. You will also have a sound knowledge of Indigenous Health and an understanding of the social, cultural and economic issues that relate to Indigenous people.

Advantages of working for Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation include:

- Working within a dynamic team environment
- Salary packaging; 6 weeks AL, RDO's, sick leave, fringe benefits, superannuation & suitable housing.
- Personal & Professional Development • Free Gym Membership • Free General Dentistry

If this sounds like the position for you and would like further information, please contact the Human Resource Officer on (08) 8962 2633 or Email: pam.lum@anyinginyi.com.au

All applicants will be required to provide checkable work referees

Successful applicant will be required to produce a Police Check and OCHRE Card

Closing Date: 29th April, 2011

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You will be responsible for the overall co-ordination of a dynamic and challenging dental surgery. You will be servicing primarily public patients of AHAC and be actively involved in the development of an appropriate dental health education program for the region as well as supervising and mentoring of dental unit staff. This is a hands-on position which will challenge and reward you.

Advantages of working for Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation include:

- Working within a dynamic team environment
- Salary packaging; 6 weeks AL, RDO's, sick leave, fringe benefits, superannuation & suitable housing.
- Personal & Professional Development • Free Gym Membership • Free General Dentistry

Please email your CV & References to pam.lum@anyinginyi.com.au or contact HR Officer on 08 8962 2633 Mon – Fri 8.00am – 5.00pm.

All applicants are required to be eligible for registration with AHPRA

Successful applicant will be required to produce a Police Check and OCHRE Card

“Prevention is the Solution”

Director of Clinical Services - GP Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation Tennant Creek, Northern Territory (20 hours per week)

AHAC is currently seeking a Director of Clinical Services. This is a new position reporting to the General Manager, attending Board meetings and a member of the management team.

This is an advisory and supportive role to support medical officers and other clinical staff in their roles and to provide advice to the Board and Executive Management team on strategic planning, implementation and evaluation of clinical health services.

While the position is 20 hours per week, flexible arrangements will be considered such as a full time appointment working 20 hours per week as a clinician or time on/time off type arrangements.

Advantages of working for Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation include:

- Working within a dynamic team environment
- Salary packaging; 6 weeks AL, RDO's, sick leave, fringe benefits, superannuation & suitable housing.
- Personal & Professional Development • Free Gym Membership • Free General Dentistry

If you would like further information and a position description, please contact Trevor Sanders or Tim Welch (08) 8962 2633 or email tim.welch@anyinginyi.com.au

All applicants are required to be registered with AHPRA

Successful applicant will be required to produce a Police Check and OCHRE Card

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Solicitor – Mildura office.

Experience in areas of family law, child protection and victims' compensation.

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General vacancies in either Administration or Field work

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These vacancies are temporary employment opportunities and contracts are likely to be offered for various time frames.

We are looking for people with administrative and organisational skills including the ability to problem solve; good interpersonal and communication skills; and the ability to contribute and work effectively in a team environment.

Please visit the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au/careers and reply via the NT Office ABS Temporary Employment Register.

Further information can be obtained by phoning (08) 8943 2174.

Please quote reference **NO. 11/0155** in all correspondence.

Applications must be received by **Sunday, 31 July 2011.**

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ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

Aboriginal Advisory Unit, Community & Diversity Division Operations Coordination Department

VPSG-3 Salary Range: \$53,502 - \$64,962

POSITION NUMBER: LIAISON 50- BAIRNSDALE

Industrial Relations Exemption Applies -only Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

Unit objective: The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) position is based at the Bairnsdale Police Complex. The ACLO will perform a liaison role between Victoria Police and the Aboriginal communities, fostering mutual trust, understanding and respect between Police and local Aboriginal communities. The ACLO will contribute to the accomplishment of the key objectives of the Victoria Police Aboriginal Strategic Plan, Victorian Implementation Review of the Recommendations from the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC), Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (Phase 2) and the Victoria Police Way Ahead Strategic Plan 2008-2013.

Duties:

- In partnership with Aboriginal groups, develop and maintain knowledge of Aboriginal issues within the local area and maintain a contemporary knowledge of relevant legislation, policies and procedures.
- Contribute to establishing effective communication and networking between Police Members, local Aboriginal community members and other government and non-government agencies.
- Establish and maintain a positive partnership environment in which Aboriginal communities are encouraged to communicate and interact with Police Members to resolve issues and actively promote awareness of the role of Victoria Police within Aboriginal communities.
- Assist in developing, implementing and providing appropriate training programs dealing with Aboriginal issues.
- Represent Victoria Police as required at meetings, forums or events that relate to Aboriginal issues.
- Participate in the development and implementation of appropriate strategies to improve service delivery to customers based on customer needs.
- Prepare briefing notes and reports.

Note: This position requires security clearance, which will include fingerprinting. For this role you will be required to apply and pay for a Working with Children Check prior to receiving a job offer. A receipt of payment is required as evidence of this. The successful applicant will be bound by the Victorian Public Service (Non-Executive Staff-Victoria) Agreement 2006.

Please apply online and download full position description by visiting www.careers.vic.gov.au and enter reference 20013311.

The position description includes the key selection criteria - applicants must address the key selection criteria to be considered for the role including 3 referees. For further information about the role please contact Jacqui Marion, State Coordinator, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Program on (03) 9247 3040.

Closing date for applications midnight, Tuesday 26th April 2011

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NOTICE TO GRANT MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following miscellaneous licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
29/81	Jupiter Mines Ltd	260.08ha	70km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°24' Long 120°23'	Menzies
Search for Groundwater					

Nature of act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 6 April 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 **6 July 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 6 August 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 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Victoria
Notification day: 20 April 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



VI2011/001 NGMA Regional Mining / Exploration ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 11,110 square kilometres and lies in the Swan Hill region of North West Victoria and extends southwest of the Murray River to Birchip as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authorities of Swan Hill Rural City, Gannawarra Shire, Buloke Shire, Loddon Shire and Campaspe Shire.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Jimealie Carter, Gary Murray and Howard Galway
on behalf of the Wamba Wamba, Barapa Barapa
and Wadi Wadi Peoples native title claim group
C/- Native Title Services Victoria
642 Queensberry St
NORTH MELBOURNE VIC 3071

The Natural Gypsum Mining
Association of Victoria Inc.
C/- Just Outcomes (Aust) Pty Ltd
PO Box 6288
CAULFIELD SOUTH VIC 3162

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 6. Future act provisions

- 6.1 The Parties agree that the right to negotiate provisions in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the NTA are not intended to apply to the grant and use of the Licence.
- 6.2 Subject to compliance by the parties with the provisions of the ILUA and compliance by the proponent with a Deed, the Parties agree to the doing of certain Future Acts in respect of the ILUA area, being the:
 - 6.2.1 grant by the State of the Licence to the Proponent and to any consent required by or on behalf of the Proponent pursuant to the Licence; and
 - 6.2.2 use of the Licence and of any consent required pursuant to the Licence, by the Proponent.

Definitions

“Deed” means an executed deed of assumption in the form of the template deed of assumption in Schedule 5 [of the agreement].

“Future Act” has the same meaning given to that term in section 233 of the NTA

“Licence” refers to an Exploration Licence or a Mining Licence (as the case may be) which is applied for by the Proponent and which is proposed to be granted and registered by the State pursuant to the MRDA or any other applicable laws.

“MRDA” means the *Mineral Resources Development Act 1990* (Vic) and *Mineral Resources Development Regulations 2002* (Vic).

NTA means the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth)

“Proponent” means a person who: (a) seeks the grant of a Licence; and (b) has executed a Deed.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body/ies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. **The native title determination application must be made by 20 July 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, Melbourne, Victoria, 3001 by 20 July 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. 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 Lisa Jowett on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntf.gov.au.

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NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
28/1239	Garth Alexander Leask John Thomas Broughton	5.01ha	59km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°29' Long 122°00'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
39/5137	Oro Del Sur Pty Ltd	86.56ha	59km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°59' Long 121°58'	Laverton
46/1689-90	Bryan Gray	270.29ha	40km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°51' Long 120°29'	East Pilbara
46/1708-15	Mt Stewart Resources Pty Ltd	1555.45ha	13km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°56' Long 120°13'	East Pilbara
46/1716-20	Mt Stewart Resources Pty Ltd	804.59ha	18km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°54' Long 120°17'	East Pilbara
46/1721-42	Mt Stewart Resources Pty Ltd	4116.41ha	29km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°52' Long 120°23'	East Pilbara
46/1745	Warren John Ayres	177.33ha	33km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°46' Long 120°24'	East Pilbara
46/1746	Milton Douglas Donald	52.99ha	33km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat 21°45' Long 120°23'	East Pilbara
51/2714	Orex Mining Pty Ltd	39.03ha	43km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°57' Long 118°38'	Meekatharra
51/2715	Orex Mining Pty Ltd	12.93ha	45km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°58' Long 118°39'	Meekatharra
53/1540-2	Peter Romeo Gianni	361.47ha	71km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°09' Long 120°31'	Wiluna
57/1279-84	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	1125.54ha	88km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°12' Long 119°28'	Wiluna
57/1285-9	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	837.9ha	84km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°14' Long 119°27'	Sandstone/Wiluna
59/1951	Michael Morawa	198.85ha	75km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°02' Long 116°57'	Yalgoo
59/1952	Accent Resources NL	49.72ha	65km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°27' Long 117°03'	Perenjori
59/1955	Ironcap Resources Pty Ltd	58.25ha	7km NE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat 28°17' Long 116°43'	Yalgoo
63/1856	Angela Elizabeth Cusack	199.29ha	22km S'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°23' Long 121°48'	Dundas
63/1857-8	Angela Elizabeth Cusack	290.92ha	33km S'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°29' Long 121°49'	Dundas
63/1859	Angela Elizabeth Cusack	169.92ha	33km S'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°29' Long 121°46'	Dundas
77/4026	Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd	12.18ha	2km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°47' Long 119°30'	Yilgarn
77/4034	Paul David Della Bosca	190.68ha	8km NW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°11' Long 119°15'	Yilgarn
77/4036-8	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	581.22ha	65km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°45' Long 119°37'	Yilgarn
77/4044	Vernon Wesley Strange	171.02ha	58km N'ly of Hyden	Lat 31°57' Long 119°03'	Yilgarn
77/4045	Vernon Wesley Strange	9.99ha	70km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°13' Long 119°17'	Yilgarn
77/4046	Cazaly Iron Pty Ltd	38.67ha	49km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°38' Long 119°31'	Yilgarn
77/4047	Cazaly Iron Pty Ltd	11.93ha	48km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°37' Long 119°32'	Yilgarn

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant.

Notification day: 6 April 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 **6 July 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 6 August 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 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 20 April 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal

QI2011/005 Wanyurr Majay People Protected Areas ILUA



Parties to the agreement and their contact address:

Wet Tropics Management Authority
PO Box 2050
Cairns QLD 4870

State of Queensland
C/- Crown Law
State Law Building Level 11
50 Ann Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

Annie Wonga, Andrew Miller, Mark Wilson, Adrian Murray and Lilian Willis (Senior) on their own behalf and on behalf of the Wanyurr Majay People; and Wanyurr Majay Aboriginal Corporation
C/- North Queensland Land Council
61 Anderson Street
Cairns QLD 4870

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers 197 square kilometres, and falls within Lot 19 NPW921 (Wooroonooran National Park), located west of the the Bruce Highway between Gordonvale and Innisfail as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Cairns Regional Council.

This agreement does not contain any relevant statements.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, PO Box 9973, Cairns, QLD 4870** by **20 July 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 for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment and 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 Lisa Serpa on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Contact Officer: Simon Upward on (02) 6285 6138.

Closing Date:

4.00pm, Monday 18 April 2011

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Expressions of Interest close Monday, 11th April 2011.

Life Without Barriers is committed to the principles of EEO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background or people with disabilities to express interest.

www.lwb.org.au



NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Leichhardt Local Area Command

Central Metropolitan Region, Field Operations

Job Classification: Clerk Grade 3/4

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months

Suburb: GLEBE

Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/061

Salary Package: \$70,382. Salary: \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) is as a member of the Local Area Command, Crime Management Team with the responsibility for providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command (LAC).

The ACLO assists in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing programs that bring about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy.

The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal issues to Police.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under *Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990* for up to 12 months.

- This position is 35 hours per week on a rotational roster system and may include overtime.

- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by *Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number & other supporting documentation.

- In accordance with the *NSW Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998*, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration & the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the *Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998*. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.

- Successful applicants will be subject to a Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

- Applicants must indicate a willingness to work shifts/weekends if required

- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. Any enquiries about the position must be directed to enquiries officer.

- Applications should address all selection criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement or the application may be rejected.

Enquiries: Sergeant Jemima Howe on (02) 9557 9069 or howe1jem@police.nsw.gov.au

Information Pack: Victoria Batulan on (02) 9552 8021 or batu1vic@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Victoria Batulan, Local Area Manager, Leichhardt Local Area Command, NSW Police Force, 1-3 Talfourd Street, Glebe NSW, 2037

CLOSING DATE: Friday 15 April 2011

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Wakakirri Outback Festvail

is seeking the following positions

Film Workshop Facilitator

Wakakirri Outback Festvail is seeking talented film workshop facilitators to work with students living in remote communities to create a short film.

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Please contact:

Anna Bowring, Event Manager via email: anna@wakakirri.com
or freecall: 1800 650 979



MANAGER

REFOCUS is currently seeking a Manager who is responsible for the coordinating of the work of the Indigenous Family Support Service. The Manager leads and supports a skilled team of professionals and works in partnership with Child Safety Centers and the Department of Communities to ensure that Kuwankan Palan provides a culturally appropriate service. The Manager reports to REFOCUS Board of Directors. This position is based in Kunda Park and services the North Coast Region

FAMILY SUPPORT OFFICER

REFOCUS is currently seeking a Family Support Officer. Servicing the Caboolture, Strathpine and Redcliffe area this position reports to the Manager, the role is required to provide a culturally appropriate family support service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families.

For a selection criteria please email info@refocus.org.au

or call

REFOCUS office (07) 5445 2762

REFOCUS is an equal opportunity employer and encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply.

Application close:

11th April, 5pm 2011

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KOORI CULTURAL TRAINING OFFICER

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The Koori Cultural Training Officer will be responsible for developing and delivering the department's Koori Cultural Awareness Training, which is regularly delivered to all divisions of the department. You will also be required to regularly evaluate and implement improvements to training content, as well as contribute to the development of other related training programs and initiatives. This role will work in partnership with the Koori Employment Team, who is responsible for the implementation of the Koori Employment Strategy.

This is a Designated Position in accordance with the department's Designated Positions Policy. An exemption has been sought from VCAT for the filling of the position by an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person only. Exemption Number A293/2010.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is Sunday 17 April 2011

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

It is the policy of the Office to encourage applications from persons of Aboriginal descent for all positions. The Office is committed to equal employment opportunity, occupational health and safety, ethical practices and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. All applicants are expected to demonstrate an understanding and commitment in these areas.

A criminal record check is undertaken on applicants prior to an offer of employment being made. This check will also disclose spent convictions under the Criminal Records Act 1991. The submission of an application to the ODPP is an acknowledgement that you consent to the ODPP arranging for such a check to be conducted.

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- Completed HSC or a relevant Certificate IV qualification or above. (Please note: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are exempt from this criterion)
- Have been working or undertaking vocational or tertiary studies in business administration
- Be prepared to commence a TAFE or tertiary qualification in business administration in the first year of employment
- Have sound computer skills in one or more applications eg word processing, data base, spreadsheets or other in house packages
- Have good communication, interpersonal and organisation skills
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and co-operatively with a team and to complete tasks
- Understanding of the Criminal Justice System and the role of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
- Current Driver's licence

In return you will receive:

- Salary package of up to \$62,507 pa including superannuation and leave loading
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Contact: Malcolm Young (02) 4907 4563

Closing Date: 15 April 2011

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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
04/1959	Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	415.71km ²	127km N'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°05' Long 125°12'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2081	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	97.7km ²	81km E'ly of Broome	Lat 17°49' Long 122°59'	Broome/Derby-West Kimberley
04/2082	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	133.67km ²	67km SW'ly of Derby	Lat 17°37' Long 123°05'	Broome/Derby-West Kimberley
04/2083-4	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	1077.05km ²	85km NE'ly of Broome	Lat 17°21' Long 122°43'	Broome
08/2004	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	19.1km ²	24km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 21°34' Long 116°06'	Ashburton
08/2098	GTI Resources Ltd	85.24km ²	140km S'ly of Onslow	Lat 22°48' Long 115°38'	Ashburton
15/1223	Avoca Resources Ltd	76km ²	21km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°32' Long 121°47'	Coolgardie
15/1267	Hannans Reward Ltd	176.98km ²	45km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°45' Long 120°45'	Coolgardie
15/1272-3	Bullseye Mining Limited	284.46km ²	77km E'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°21' Long 120°07'	Coolgardie
15/1291	Gekogold Pty Ltd	23.58km ²	28km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°48' Long 120°55'	Coolgardie
20/773	Gascoyne Resources (WA) Pty Ltd	33.56km ²	46km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°04' Long 118°06'	Cue
26/157	Westex Resources Pty Ltd	2.93km ²	23km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°10' Long 121°54'	Coolgardie/ Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2088	Carrick Gold Ltd	133.07km ²	68km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°24' Long 122°03'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2107	NBX Pty Ltd	461.52km ²	100km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°24' Long 124°28'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2108	NBX Pty Ltd	150.22km ²	105km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 30°48' Long 124°09'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2132	Renaissance WA Pty Ltd	8.87km ²	119km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°21' Long 122°37'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
30/428	Minerals Invesco Pty Ltd	17.81km ²	61km SW'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°06' Long 120°37'	Menzies
31/952	Legacy Iron Ore Ltd	35.75km ²	102km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°38' Long 122°05'	Menzies
31/963	Rubicon Resources Ltd	2.97km ²	134km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°49' Long 122°33'	Menzies
31/967	Renaissance WA Pty Ltd	17.88km ²	109km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°36' Long 122°19'	Menzies
31/968	Michael Galea	2.98km ²	79km E'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°30' Long 121°49'	Menzies
36/775	Brutus Constructions Pty Ltd	6.04km ²	34km S'ly of Leinster	Lat 28°13' Long 120°41'	Leonora
38/2388	Crescent Gold Ltd	30.04km ²	25km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°45' Long 122°36'	Laverton
38/2480	Pembury Prospecting Pty Ltd	15km ²	36km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°52' Long 122°38'	Laverton
38/2593	Shaun Christopher Busby	3.03km ²	95km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°31' Long 122°05'	Laverton
38/2601	Ishine International Resources Ltd	15.15km ²	10km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°32' Long 122°22'	Laverton
47/2087	Giralia Resources NL	28.29km ²	32km SE'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°21' Long 117°56'	Ashburton
47/2473	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	3.15km ²	81km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°50' Long 119°10'	East Pilbara
47/2474	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	6.31km ²	80km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°49' Long 119°12'	East Pilbara
52/2620	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	100.37km ²	68km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°49' Long 119°17'	Meekatharra
52/2644	Eastern Goldfields Mining Co. Pty Ltd	15.54km ²	192km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 25°05' Long 119°52'	Meekatharra
52/2656	Brutus Constructions Pty Ltd	40.36km ²	185km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°06' Long 119°19'	Meekatharra
53/1569	TE & CG McMahon Nominees Pty Ltd	70.62km ²	74km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°34' Long 120°06'	Wiluna
53/1600	Zeus Uranium Ltd	184.73km ²	81km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°14' Long 120°08'	Wiluna
57/864	Ian Kerr	126.66km ²	56km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°27' Long 119°03'	Sandstone
57/871	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	6.1km ²	87km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°13' Long 119°26'	Wiluna
57/872	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	6.1km ²	88km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°13' Long 119°29'	Wiluna
57/873	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	6.1km ²	83km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°15' Long 119°30'	Sandstone
59/1747	West Peak Iron Ltd	9km ²	64km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°53' Long 118°11'	Mount Magnet
63/1464	Chandling Pty Ltd	2.9km ²	91km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°01' Long 122°43'	Dundas
63/1465	Chandling Pty Ltd	2.92km ²	94km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°01' Long 122°45'	Dundas
63/1470	Central Norseman Gold Corporation Ltd	98.86km ²	30km NW'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°03' Long 121°30'	Dundas
66/80	Ethan Minerals Ltd	3.01km ²	21km SE'ly of Northampton	Lat 28°29' Long 114°46'	Chapman Valley
66/81	Ethan Minerals Ltd	12.05km ²	22km SE'ly of Northampton	Lat 28°31' Long 114°45'	Chapman Valley
69/2676	Marford Group Pty Ltd	145.71km ²	153km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°14' Long 121°11'	Wiluna
69/2677	Marford Group Pty Ltd	557.29km ²	161km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°21' Long 121°42'	Wiluna
69/2806	Rachlan Holdings Pty Ltd	158.81km ²	141km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 24°32' Long 120°14'	Wiluna
69/2884	Marford Group Pty Ltd	158.31km ²	183km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°03' Long 121°31'	Wiluna
70/3522	Callum Baxter	183.5km ²	36km SW'ly of Williams	Lat 33°18' Long 116°40'	West Arthur/Williams
70/3705	Lignite Pty Ltd	103.15km ²	30km SE'ly of Moora	Lat 30°46' Long 116°12'	Moora/Victoria Plains
70/3846	Sheffield Resources Pty Ltd	62.72km ²	33km SE'ly of Dongara	Lat 29°28' Long 115°10'	Irwin
70/3857	Elsinore Nominees Pty Ltd	47.08km ²	47km SW'ly of Moora	Lat 30°54' Long 115°39'	Dandaragan
70/3997	Image Resources NL	62km ²	22km SE'ly of Cervantes	Lat 30°36' Long 115°15'	Dandaragan
70/3999	Image Resources NL	23.46km ²	15km NE'ly of Gingin	Lat 31°13' Long 115°59'	Gingin
70/4001	Image Resources NL	308.81km ²	52km S'ly of Three Springs	Lat 30°00' Long 115°48'	Carnamah/Coorow/ Dandaragan
70/4027	Independence Group NL	98.5km ²	19km NE'ly of Moora	Lat 30°31' Long 116°09'	Moora
74/490	Orion Exploration Pty Ltd	14.39km ²	76km N'ly of Munglinup	Lat 33°01' Long 120°46'	Esperance
74/491	Orion Exploration Pty Ltd	23.07km ²	82km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°50' Long 120°47'	Esperance
77/1807	Radar Resources Pty Ltd	8.94km ²	128km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°40' Long 119°17'	Menzies
77/1819	Brenton Anthony Parry	207.29km ²	47km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°23' Long 119°28'	Yilgarn
77/1821	Golden Mining Australia Pty Ltd	26.55km ²	44km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°40' Long 118°50'	Yilgarn
77/1825	Timbak Holdings Pty Ltd	5.91km ²	61km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°28' Long 118°53'	Yilgarn
77/1826	Bildex Holdings Pty Ltd	26.63km ²	55km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°32' Long 119°59'	Coolgardie/Yilgarn
77/1829	Stephen Lopresti	2.96km ²	58km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°28' Long 119°58'	Yilgarn
77/1830	Stephen Lopresti	2.96km ²	58km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°27' Long 119°57'	Yilgarn
77/1837	Southern Cross Goldfields Ltd	23.46km ²	9km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°18' Long 119°18'	Yilgarn
77/1846	HR Forresteria Pty Ltd	117.02km ²	47km SW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°30' Long 118°57'	Yilgarn
77/1847	Rubianna Resources Ltd	5.92km ²	74km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°20' Long 118°55'	Yilgarn
77/1849	David George Ruggier	8.94km ²	132km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°38' Long 119°22'	Menzies
77/1850	Image Resources NL	83.72km ²	130km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°20' Long 119°01'	Menzies/Sandstone
77/1852	Mwyn Exploration Pty Ltd	79.65km ²	5km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°46' Long 119°30'	Yilgarn
77/1853	Mwyn Exploration Pty Ltd	8.84km ²	10km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°53' Long 119°35'	Yilgarn
77/1854	Mwyn Exploration Pty Ltd	2.94km ²	13km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°54' Long 119°36'	Yilgarn
77/1855	Mwyn Exploration Pty Ltd	5.89km ²	14km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°53' Long 119°38'	Yilgarn
77/1856	Bullseye Mining Limited	70.62km ²	49km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 31°03' Long 119°57'	Coolgardie/Yilgarn
77/1857	Bullseye Mining Limited	176.42km ²	42km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 31°06' Long 119°48'	Yilgarn
77/1858	Stephen Lopresti	2.91km ²	66km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°46' Long 119°35'	Yilgarn
77/1859	Stephen Lopresti	2.92km ²	63km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°45' Long 119°34'	Yilgarn
77/1860	Stephen Lopresti	2.91km ²	70km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°48' Long 119°37'	Yilgarn
77/1861	Stephen Lopresti	5.92km ²	62km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°17' Long 119°17'	Yilgarn
77/1884	Jervois Mining Ltd	203.9km ²	127km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat 29°07' Long 119°32'	Menzies/Sandstone
77/1885	Maka Minerals Pty Ltd	134.14km ²	70km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°51' Long 119°14'	Yilgarn
77/1889	Golden Mining Australia Pty Ltd	5.8km ²	74km E'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°24' Long 119°38'	Kondinin
77/1890	Golden Mining Australia Pty Ltd	23.14km ²	92km E'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°39' Long 119°48'	Kondinin
77/1891	Breaker Resources NL	155.59km ²	146km W'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°20' Long 119°35'	Menzies
77/1896	Mamba Goldfields Pty Ltd	5.9km ²	34km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°42' Long 118°59'	Yilgarn
77/1897	Mamba Goldfields Pty Ltd	35.43km ²	41km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°37' Long 119°02'	Yilgarn
77/1900	Formula Resources Pty Ltd	29.68km ²	77km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°08' Long 119°19'	Yilgarn
77/1903	Jaguar Resources Pty Ltd	14.66km ²	14km SW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°19' Long 119°14'	Yilgarn
77/1906	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	29.42km ²	28km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 31°01' Long 119°41'	Yilgarn
77/1907	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	2.94km ²	21km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°58' Long 119°38'	Yilgarn
77/1908-10	Talga Gold Limited	573.29km ²	23km NE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°06' Long 119°31'	Yilgarn
77/1911	Partisan Resources Pty Ltd	38.76km ²	125km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°41' Long 119°32'	Menzies
77/1912	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	59.5km ²	109km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°52' Long 119°11'	Menzies/Yilgarn
77/1918	Mindax Energy Pty Ltd	88.7km ²	65km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 30°28' Long 118°47'	Yilgarn
77/1919	HR Forresteria Pty Ltd	26.2km ²	93km NE'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°03' Long 119°43'	Yilgarn
80/4472	Hard Rock Resources Pty Ltd	75.39km ²	50km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°51' Long 127°56'	Halls Creek
80/4557	Ngalia Resources Pty Ltd	48.96km ²	110km NW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°36' Long 126°51'	Halls Creek

Nature of the act: Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 6 April 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 **6 July 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 6 August 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

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (AREA AGREEMENT) PROCESS UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth)

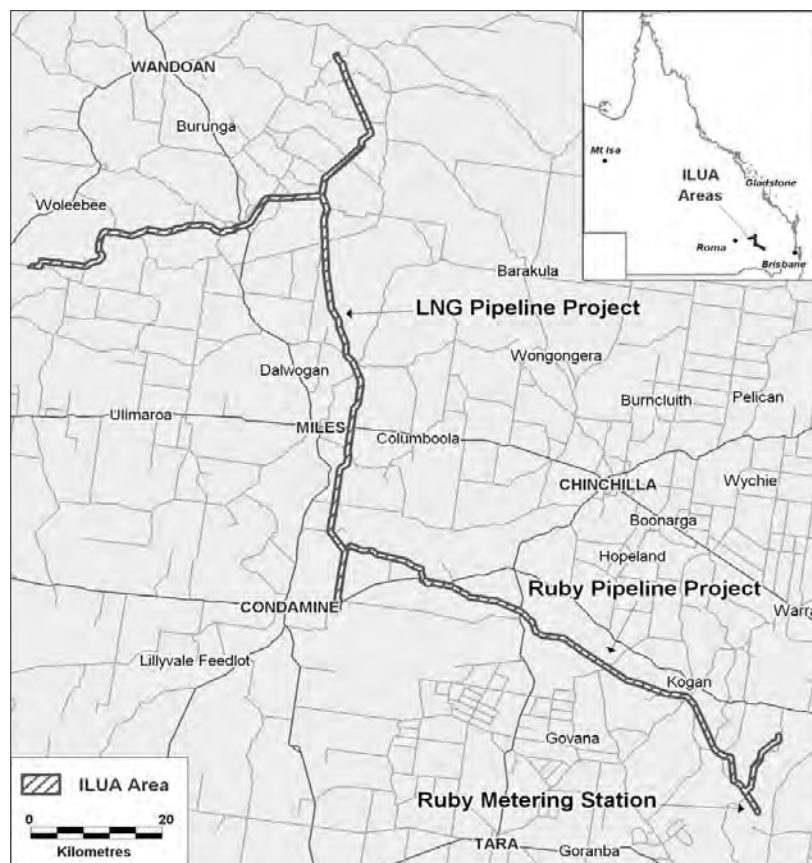
Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited (APLNG) proposes to develop a world scale, long-term coal seam gas (CSG) to liquefied natural gas (LNG) project in Queensland (APLNG Project). The APLNG Project comprises 3 principal components: the further development of APLNG's Queensland-based CSG fields in South Central Queensland; the construction and operation of a high pressure underground gas transmission pipeline system from the gas fields to a LNG facility on Curtis Island near Gladstone where the CSG will be liquefied (LNG Pipeline Project); and the construction and operation of the LNG facility and of ancillary onshore and marine facilities including a marine offloading facility and an export terminal containing specialised LNG loading facilities and berths so that the LNG can be exported to international markets.

In addition, APLNG plans to construct and operate a high pressure gas transmission pipeline from the Ruby Meter Station either to a

connection point on the existing Darling Downs Pipeline or to an alternative connection point located on the Condabri Lateral Pipeline (Ruby Pipeline Project).

APLNG has already issued public notice of its intention to commence negotiations for (and has commenced negotiations for) the making of one or more Indigenous Land Use Agreements (Area Agreements) (ILUAs), pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), in relation to the APLNG Project including for the LNG Pipeline Project. This notice was published in *The Koori Mail* on 8 September 2010, and in a range of newspapers circulating generally in the area of the APLNG Project in the week beginning 6 September 2010 (including in *The Courier-Mail* on 11-12 September 2010).

The land and waters affected by the Ruby Pipeline Project and part of the LNG Pipeline Project (Affected Area) are depicted on the map in this notice.



Registrations of interest must be received not later than **15 April 2011**, and should clearly set out:

- your name and details of how you can be contacted; and
- the basis upon which you claim to hold native title in the Affected Area.

The purpose of this notice is to advertise APLNG's intention also to commence negotiations for the making of an ILUA in relation to the Ruby Pipeline Project. It is envisaged that the Ruby Pipeline Project and the part of the LNG Pipeline Project shown on the map in this notice (ILUA Project) will be dealt with in the same ILUA.

The Affected Area is located wholly within an area in respect of which there is currently no registered native title claim. Nevertheless, APLNG is committed to holding good faith negotiations with people who claim to hold native title in relation to the Affected Area about the impact of the ILUA Project on their claimed native title rights and interests.

It is proposed that the ILUA will provide for the consent of the native title parties to certain Agreed Acts to be set out in the ILUA, including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for the ILUA Project (including in relation to both possible options for the Ruby Pipeline Project), and also to the undertaking of the ILUA Project. APLNG will be seeking that the non-extinguishment principle apply to the proposed Agreed Acts and the undertaking of the ILUA Project.

People who claim to hold native title in relation to land or waters within the Affected Area (and who have not already expressed an interest in the LNG Pipeline Project) are invited to register their interest in being part of the negotiations for the ILUA with APLNG by contacting:

Charlotte Bigge

Native Title and Cultural Heritage Co-ordinator
Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited
GPO Box 148
BRISBANE QLD 4001
Telephone: (07) 3867 0907
Facsimile: (07) 3369 7840.

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WBACC holds title to land in the Jervis Bay Territory, including 403 hectares at Wreck Bay, and the Booderee National Park. WBACC is responsible for functions including land management, provision of services for the Wreck Bay community, contract services to Booderee National Park and other Territory key stakeholders plus conduct business enterprises for the economic or social benefit of the community.

WBACC is currently seeking a Chief Executive Officer. The CEO's principal responsibilities are to ensure the Council's long term viability, ensure it operates efficiently and effectively, provide advice and support to the Board of Directors plus provide leadership and support for the General Managers of WBACC plus other future entities.

The position requires a sound knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal societies and cultures and issues affecting Aboriginal people in contemporary Australian society. You will be able to communicate sensitively and effectively, including the requirement for culturally appropriate communication, consultation and negotiation with Aboriginal people.

You must demonstrate your extensive ability and experience to:

- Manage at a high level of competence, with an emphasis on providing team leadership
- Manage and develop Commercial and non-Commercial Service Business
- Represent and promote WBACC at high level meetings, conferences, seminars and in the Aboriginal community
- Successfully work with funding bodies on the development and implementation of programs and services

If you feel the above position describes you, please submit your written application marked "Confidential" to Mr Chris Moon, CEO WBACC, Wreck Bay Community Council, 5 Bunaan Close, WRECK BAY, JBT 2540.

Applications close 12.00 pm Friday 22nd April 2011.

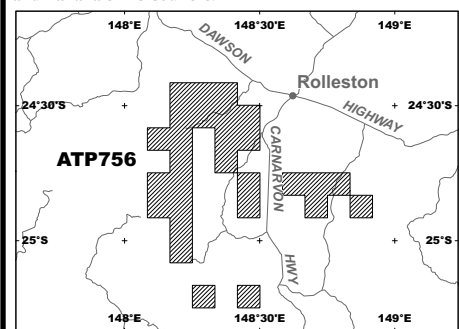
Initial appointment will be for 3 years and an attractive Salary Package, commensurate with the position, will be negotiated with the successful applicant.

For further information including information package please contact Chris Moon on (02) 44421029 or chris.moon@wbacc.gov.au

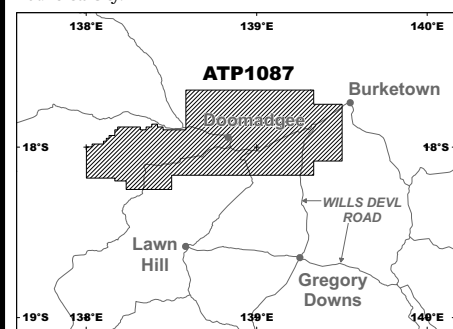
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AUTHORITIES TO PROSPECT NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Authorities to Prospect shown below under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld).

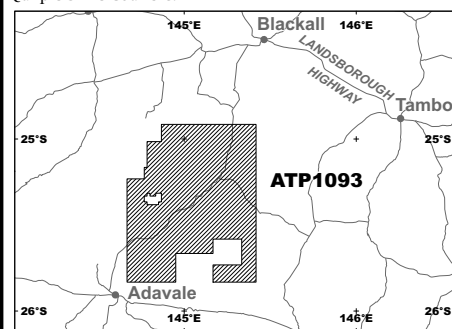
Authority to Prospect 756 sought by OME Resources Australia Pty Ltd, ACN 100 280 662 over an area of 700 sub-blocks (2174 km²), centred approximately 42km SW of Rolleston, in the locality of Central Highlands, Maranoa and Banana Shire Councils.



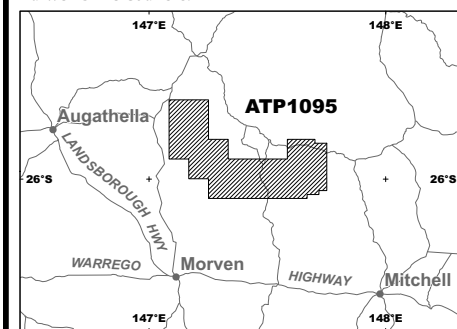
Authority to Prospect 1087 sought by Armour Energy Limited, ACN 141 198 414 over an area of 2181 sub-blocks (7102 km²), centred approximately 85km SW of Burketown, in the locality of Burke and Doomadgee Shire Councils and Mount Isa City.



Authority to Prospect 1093 sought by Seymour Energy Pty Ltd, ACN 132 928 897 over an area of 2077 sub-blocks (6426 km²), centred approximately 110km SW of Blackall, in the locality of Blackall Tambo Regional and Quilpie Shire Councils.



Authority to Prospect 1095 sought by Surat Gas Pty Ltd, ACN 146 305 099 over an area of 540 sub-blocks (1664 km²), centred approximately 80km NW of Mitchell, in the locality of Maranoa Regional and Murweh Shire Councils.



Nature of Act(s): Grant of an Authority to Prospect under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for petroleum for a period not exceeding twelve (12) years. Under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld) a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

It should be noted that this land will not be granted over a National Park (Scientific), National Park (Aboriginal Land), National Park (Torres Strait Islander Land), National Park (Recovery) or Conservation Park that are in existence on the date of effect of this authority.

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 Authority to Prospect. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after 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

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3803.

Notification Day: 27 April 2011



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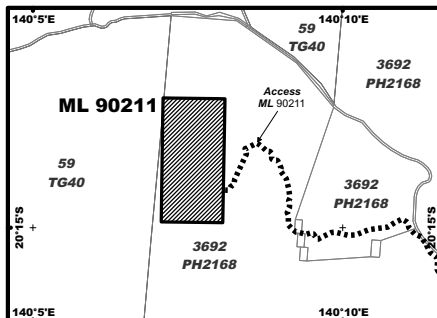
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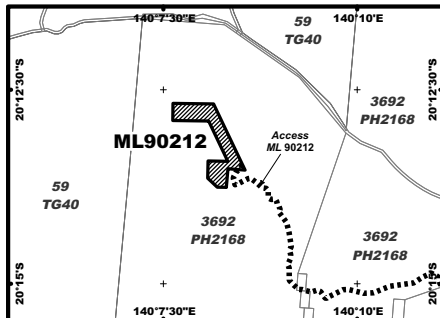
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINING LEASES NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Mining Leases shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

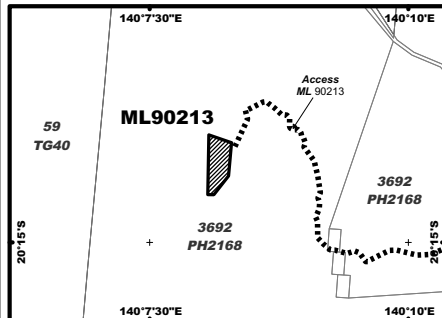
Mining Lease 90211 sought by MMG Australia Limited over an area of 643 ha, centred approximately 63km NW of Cloncurry in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Mining Lease 90212 sought by MMG Australia Limited over an area of 100.51 ha, centred approximately 63km NW of Cloncurry in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Mining Lease 90213 sought by MMG Australia Limited over an area of 31.68 ha, centred approximately 63km NW of Cloncurry in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Leases under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Leases be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Leases, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease applications may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Mount Isa Mining District, 13 Isa Street Mount Isa, QLD 4825, Telephone: (07) 4747 2103.

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 Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after 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, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 27 April 2011

Queensland Government

Notice of Proposed Grant of Mining Lease Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicant
ML70400 Apsley	Approx. 7km North North West of Clermont Local Authority within the area: Isaac Regional Council	Current Land Tenures: Lot 77 on CLM359 – Airport Reserve (Mining and Access) Area of land applied for in Mining Lease: 24.05 ha	Tony Russell Hutton 100%

Nature of the acts: Grant of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding five (5) years, with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and the Minister for Trade, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

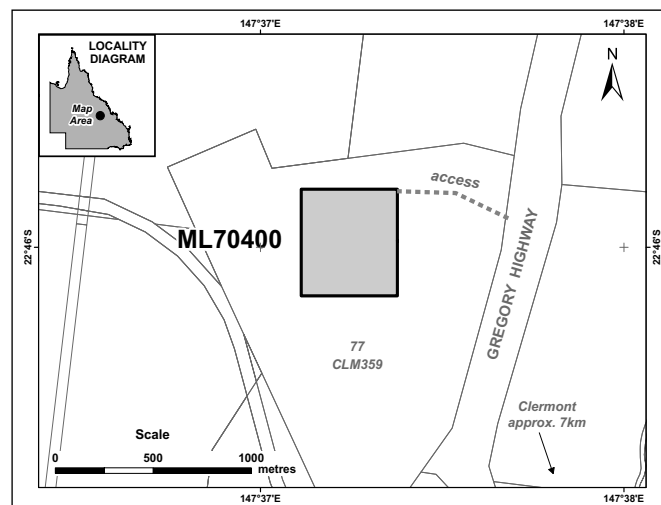
Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from Mines and Energy (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Qld 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, MLC Building Corner George & Adelaide Streets, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 27 April 2011



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- Driver's Licence and the willingness to travel.

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Enquiries: Choy-Kee Leow (02) 8753 8559 or email: choykee.leow@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or 1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 22 April 2011

APPLY ON-LINE

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia



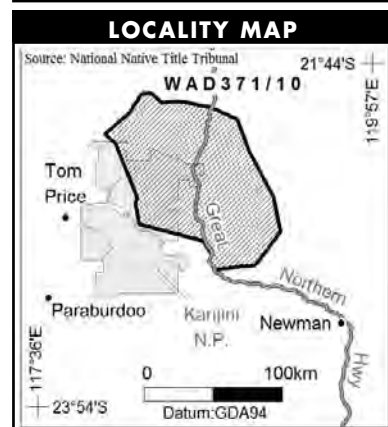
National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 20 April 2011

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before **19 July 2011**. After 19 July 2011, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Maitland Parker & Ors v State of Western Australia (Fortescue Banjima)

Federal Court File No: WAD371/2010

Date filed: 29 November 2010

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Location: The area subject to this application covers about 9,555 square kilometres and is located partly over Karijini National Park in the vicinity of Tom Price as shown on the locality map.

The application area falls within the Local Government Authorities of Shire of Ashburton, Shire of East Pilbara and Town of Port Hedland.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Imogen Jeffreys on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nmtt.gov.au.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ARROW LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT

Authorisation meeting for proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the *Native Title Act, 1993* (Cth)

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ACN 078 521 936 (**Arrow**) proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (**LNG**) project involving the development of gas fields and the construction and operation of pipelines and associated infrastructure to allow Arrow to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone. This project is known as the Arrow LNG Project (**Arrow LNG Project**).

Arrow proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (**ILUA**) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**Native Title Act**) with persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to the area of land and waters shown on the map below (**ILUA Area**).

A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that there is a Registered Native Title Determination Application (**QUD6230/1998**) (**Claim**) made on behalf of the Jangga People that covers most of the **ILUA Area**. There are some other parcels also included in the **ILUA Area** where native title has been previously extinguished.

The purpose of the meeting is to authorise the proposed **ILUA**. The proposed **ILUA** will give consent to all future acts necessary for, or incidental to, the **Arrow LNG Project** within the **ILUA Area**. Arrow seeks authorisation of the **ILUA** in accordance with the requirements of section 251A of the **Native Title Act**.

The Jangga People are described in the **Claim** as the descendants of the following Jangga apical ancestors:-

Charlie Tears;
Dick Heggerty/Dinduck;
Pompey Earl;
Johnny Havilah;
Mick Havilah;
Albert Twist;
Pincher Cook/Bell; and
Charlie and Judy Pinkipie

Persons who consider they are Jangga People or who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area are invited to attend.

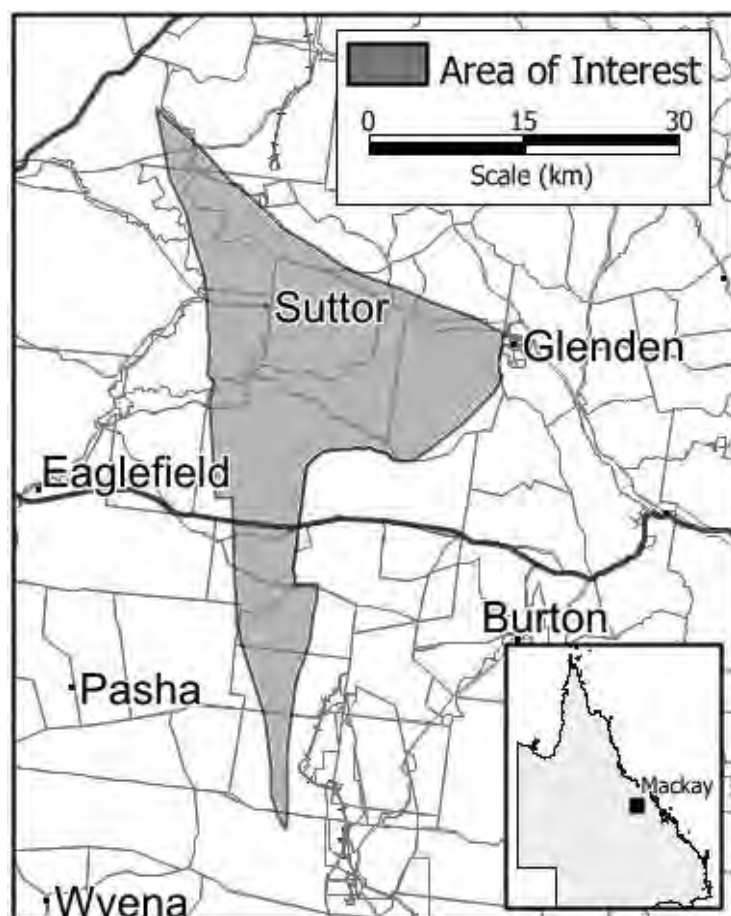
**Details of ILUA
Authorisation Meeting**

Date: 7 May 2010
Time: 11.00am
Venue: Collinsville Community Centre
Conway Street,
Collinsville Qld 4804

To register an intention to attend the authorisation meeting, please contact Gail Christianson on 0410 343 041 or Sonya Choppy on 0448 123 756 no later than 4.00pm on Thursday 5 May 2011.



Map of Proposed ILUA Area



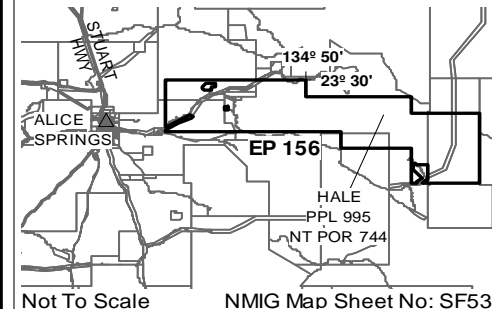
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMIT (PETROLEUM)

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/have been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, an Exploration Permits (Petroleum) ("Permit") under Division 2 of Part II of the Petroleum Act (NT) as follows.

Application(s) to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit 156 sought by OILCO PTY LTD, ACN 130 979 216 over an area of 56 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the ALICE SPRINGS locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a permit under the *Petroleum Act*, gives the person to whom it is granted the exclusive right, for a term of up to 5 years, to explore for petroleum and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the area covered by the Permit including(but not limited to) use of machinery and equipment for carrying out works, removal of material for testing, use of water resources for domestic use

and to seek renewals. A permit may be renewed no more than twice. If petroleum is discovered in the permit area, production licences and/or retention licences may subsequently be granted. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801, or Centrepoint Building 40-50 Smith St Mall, Darwin NT 0800.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 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 06 April 2011

NB: This application was incorrectly notified on 23 March 2011.



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of Regional Development and Lands

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170 AND TO COMPULSORILY ACQUIRE NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 170 of the *Land Administration Act 1997* (LAA) that it is proposed to take those interests in the land described in the Schedule for the purposes specified.

AND for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (as amended) (NTA), that any native title rights and interests in the land described in the Schedule are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified. It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedule in respect of the land described in the Schedule as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165.

SCHEDULE

PARCEL OF LAND:

LAND DESCRIPTION: Whole Lot 12074 on Deposited Plan 201729, being Unallocated Crown Land Volume 3015 Folio 233 Area: 6652 square metres.

LAND SITUATED IN: Shire of Williams

NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Description of Land" other than the interests of the Crown. Also excluding any underlying mining or petroleum interests.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: Sale for Light Industrial purposes.

PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT: Fee simple
REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: This land has been identified as being suitable for Light Industry purpose as it is located in the general industry zone. It is anticipated that the development will provide both employment and commercial opportunities.

DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: 21 December 2012

RDL FILE: 00299-2010-01RO **RDL REF.:** 101154

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Midland Square, Midland 6056.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eileen Lemoine, Assistant State Land Officer, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08) (9347 5056).

OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED: Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 OR Midland Square, Midland no later than 6 July 2011.

MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND: A person may not enter into a transaction in relation to the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands.

NATURE OF THE ACT: In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes.

NOTIFICATION DAY: The notification day is 6 April 2011.

NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 6 July 2011. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272. Dated this 26th Day of February in the year 2011.

HON BRENDAN GRYLIS MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS

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Dogs happy to let Jamal wander

CANTERBURY skipper Andrew Ryan gave NRL star Jamal Idris a licence to travel as the off-contract Bulldog continues to sort out his future.

Ryan is not concerned with the 20-year-old travelling to Newcastle and the Gold Coast to be wooed by rival teams vying for the most sought-after signature in

rugby league.

Idris was seen arriving on the Gold Coast on 23 March for a tour of the Titans' facilities and a meal with the team, having received similar treatment from Newcastle a week earlier.

The Knights and the Titans have reportedly tabled very competitive offers to

take Idris' services away from Canterbury.

But according to Ryan, as far as the Bulldogs are concerned, there is no problem whatsoever – as long as he keeps dominating opponents like he did to South Sydney's Greg Inglis on 20 March.

"It was his day off and he can do what he likes on his day off," Ryan said. – AAP

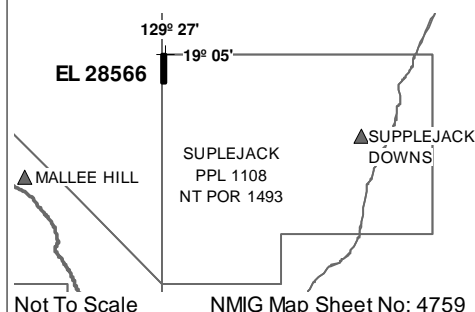
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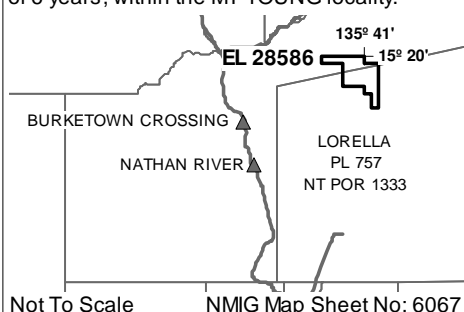
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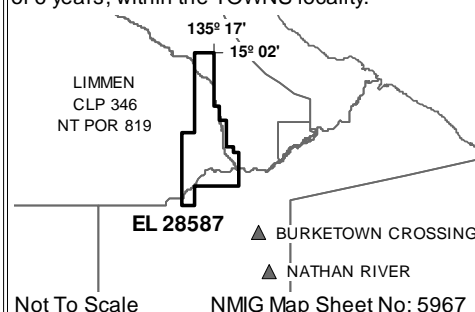
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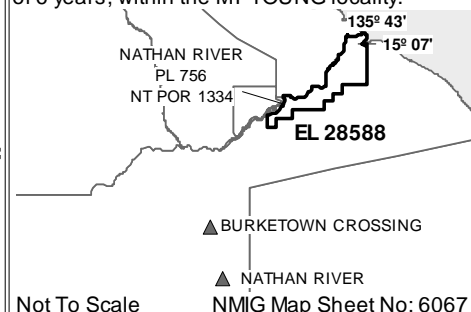
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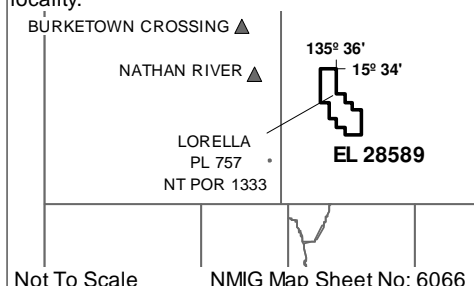
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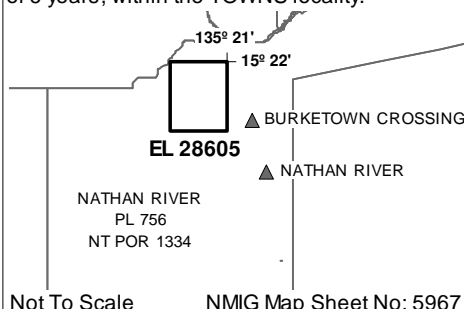
Exploration Licence 28588 sought by AUSTRALIAN MANGANESE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 129 524 161 over an area of 46 Blocks (124 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MT YOUNG locality.



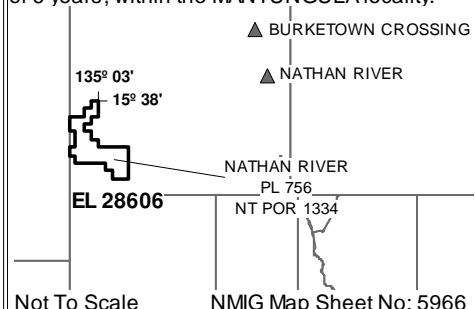
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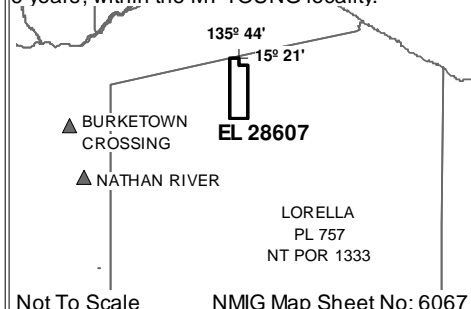
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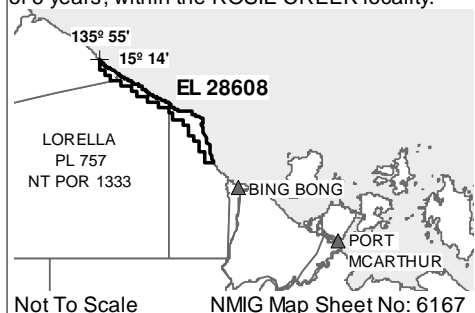
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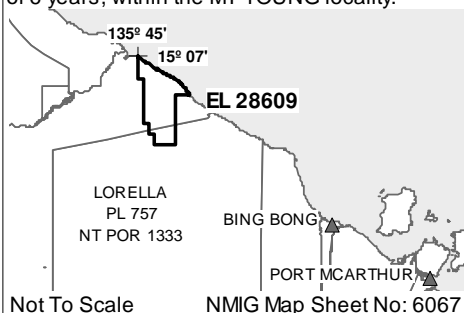
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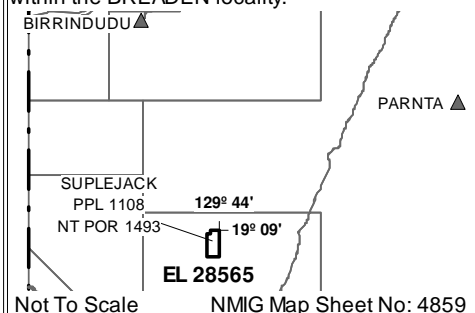
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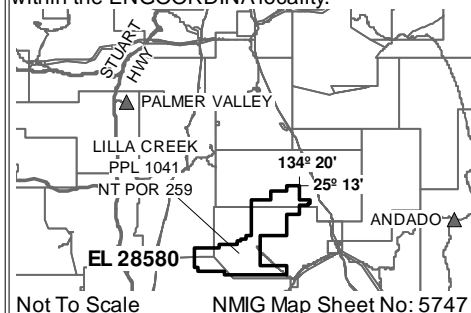
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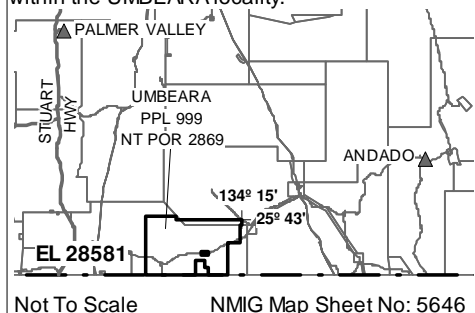
Exploration Licence 28565 sought by CRESTLINE ENTERPRISES PTY LTD, ACN 119 577 847 over an area of 17 Blocks (55 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BREADEN locality.



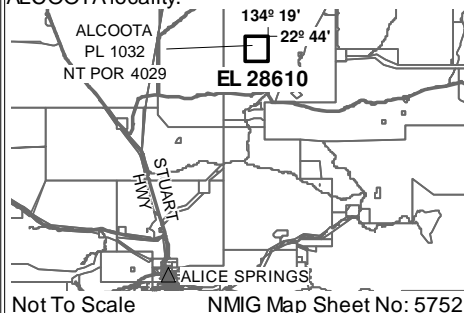
Exploration Licence 28580 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 500 Blocks (1550 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ENGOORDINA locality.



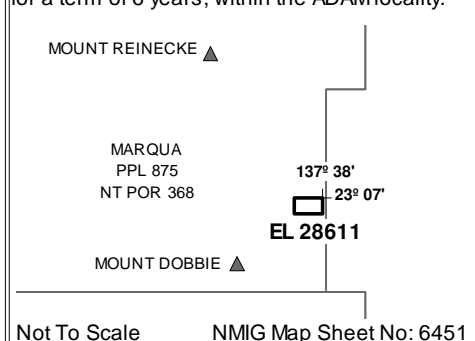
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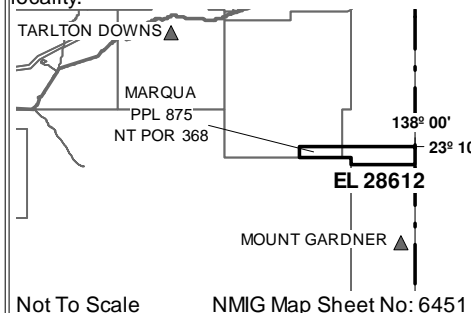
Exploration Licence 28610 sought by NUPOWER RESOURCES LTD, ACN 120 787 859 over an area of 36 Blocks (114 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ALCOOTA locality.



Exploration Licence 28611 sought by ROX RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 107 202 602 over an area of 2 Blocks (6 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ADAM locality.



Exploration Licence 28612 sought by ROX RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 107 202 602 over an area of 142 Blocks (441 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ADAM locality.



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Notification Day: 06 April 2011

Kyah Simon in World Cup training squad

INDIGENOUS striker Kyah Simon is in an Australian squad at the Australian Institute of Sport preparing for the FIFA Women's World Cup in Germany. Coach Tom Sermanni is taking the 32 players through their paces before having to select a squad of 21 to take to the World Cup.

Missing from the squad are stars Heather Garriock and AFC Women's Player of the Year Kate Gill who are playing in Sweden, Lisa De Vanna, who has travelled to the US to play for Washington Freedom in the WPS.

Westfield Matildas captain Melissa

Barbieri has completed a short-term contract in Denmark and has returned to the squad to lead her charges through their paces.

Australia has drawn Brazil, Equatorial Guinea and Norway in Group D for the Women's World Cup 2011 from 26 June to 17 July.

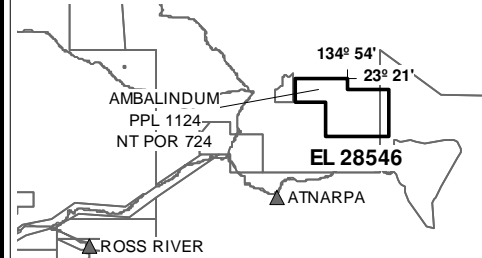
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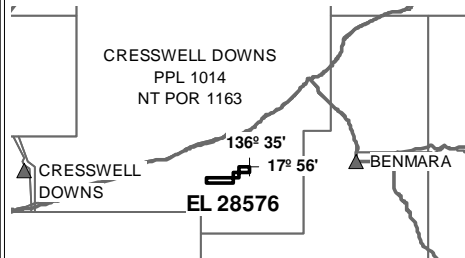
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Exploration Licence 28546 sought by BRALICH HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 060 990 632 and ALISTAIR WANSBONE MACKIE over an area of 32 Blocks (101 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



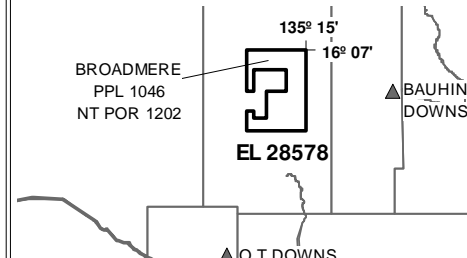
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Exploration Licence 28576 sought by ENDEAVOR INVESTMENTS (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 133 112 811 over an area of 8 Blocks (26 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PUZZLE locality.



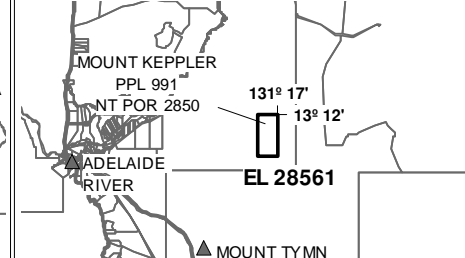
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Exploration Licence 28578 sought by ENDEAVOR INVESTMENTS (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 133 112 811 over an area of 82 Blocks (270 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BAUHINIA DOWNS locality.



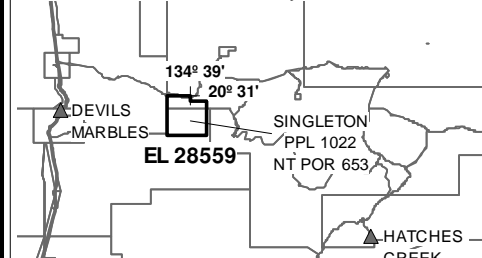
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Exploration Licence 28561 sought by GOLDCORE ENTERPRISES PTY LTD, ACN 143 376 943 over an area of 2 Blocks (7 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BATCHELOR locality.



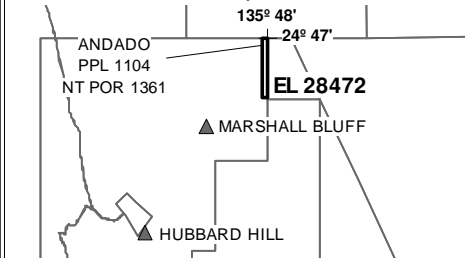
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Exploration Licence 28559 sought by GREYWOLF GOLDMINING NL, ACN 139 304 911 over an area of 46 Blocks (148 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DAVENPORT RANGE locality.



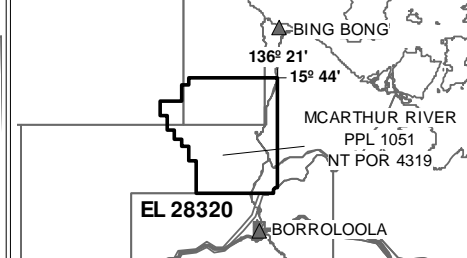
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Exploration Licence 28472 sought by MERLIN COAL PTY LTD, ACN 134 469 471 over an area of 7 Blocks (12 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the POODINITERRA locality.



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Exploration Licence 28320 sought by NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 139 446 647 over an area of 206 Blocks (654 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BING BONG locality.



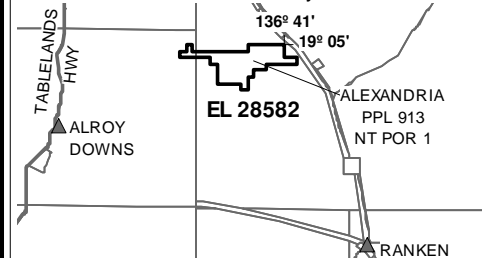
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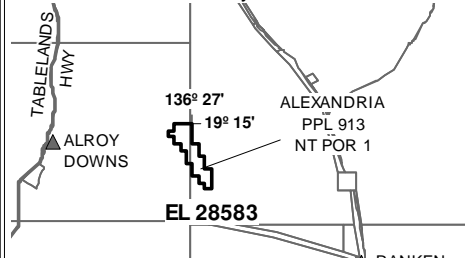
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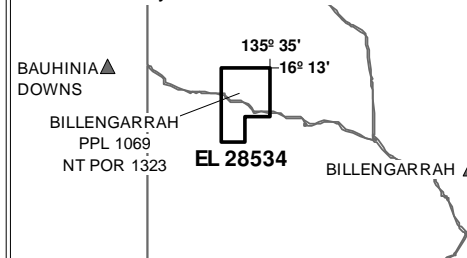
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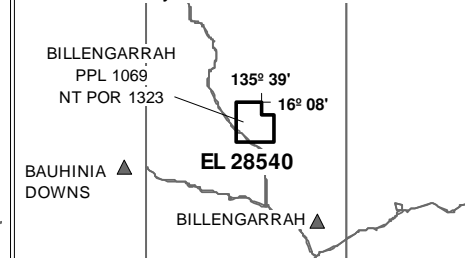
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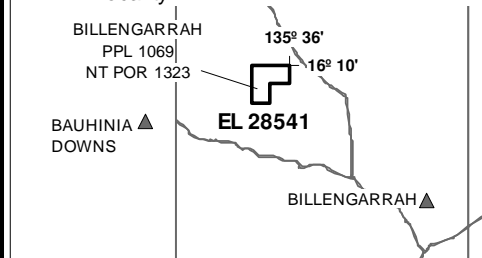
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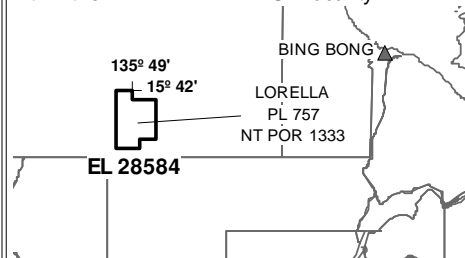
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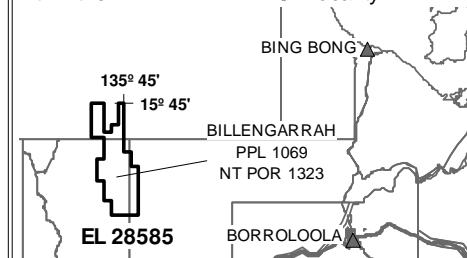
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Exploration Licence 28584 sought by TERRITORY EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 123 338 376 over an area of 30 Blocks (99 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAWALLAH RANGE locality.



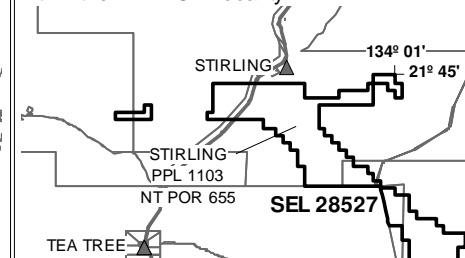
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Exploration Licence 28585 sought by TERRITORY EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 123 338 376 over an area of 68 Blocks (225 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TAWALLAH RANGE locality.



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Substitution Exploration Licence 28527 sought by URAMET MINERALS LIMITED, ACN 124 251 396 over an area of 237 Blocks (743 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 4 years, within the BARROW locality.



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Notification Day: 06 April 2011

Best in the State

Peers vote for Christian in SA's highest cricket honour

By PETER ARGENT



ABORIGINAL all-rounder Dan Christian has taken out the South Australian Cricket Association's (SACA's) highest honour at the players awards.

At the Adelaide Oval on Thursday 24 March, Christian was presented with the 2010-11 Neil Dansie Medal.

Given to the most outstanding South Australian male cricketer across all forms of the game, the award is named after the patriarch of South Australian cricket – Neil Hampton Dansie, OAM.

The Dansie Medal takes into account areas like the player's actual performance, along with his competitiveness, team spirit and work ethic.

With players voting on a 3-2-1 system, Christian was awarded 300

votes from all forms of cricket to finish ahead of top order batsman Daniel Harris (280) with team leader Michael Klinger (216) third.

Christian was also rewarded for his outstanding season in limited overs cricket, named as the Ryobi One-Day Cup player of the year.

The Redbacks dynamo, who can make an impact with the bat and ball, along with being versatile in the field, finished with 128 votes. Captain Klinger (83) and Tom Cooper (68) rounded out the minor placings.

Christian was a dominant force in the one-day competition this season, finishing with the third most wickets (17) and scoring 411 runs – the sixth highest in the country.

The awards cap off a brilliant year for the 27-year-old who was named earlier this month by his peers as the Australian Cricketers' Association Most Valuable Player and Ryobi One-Day Cup Most Valuable Player.

On the same evening, Kadina fast bowler Willie Serle was named as the South Australian Imparja Cup Player of the Carnival.

The Imparja Cup is played each February in Alice Springs and brings together the best Indigenous cricketers in Australia.

This year's Imparja Cup was won by NSW, beating Western Australia.



Dan Christian with the Neil Dansie Medal.

Record teams in KRL competition



Action in a women's game at the Ken Brown Memorial Oval, Thursday Island, with Sundown Sirens playing.

By ALF WILSON



A RECORD seven men's teams are competing in the 2011 Kaiwalagal Rugby League competition with two based on Thursday Island, four from the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) on the mainland, and the Mulga Tigers, from Badu Island.

The season began on 26 March, with almost double the four sides which contested the 2010 competition. This is seen as a major boost for rugby league at Australia's northern outpost.

Premiers Roosters, Suburbs and Mulga Tigers are the Torres Strait Islander sides, with Alau Eagles, Bamaga Roos, Mapoon and Injinoo Crocs being the clubs from the NPA.

The competition is a promoter's dream, with the reigning KRL premiers Roosters there along with Alau Eagles, who won the NPA final last year against Bamaga Roos 26-14.

For good measure, add Mulga Tigers, who won the 2009 KRL final over Roosters in a nailbiter 36-34,

and it all becomes a tipster's nightmare.

Tigers didn't take part in the 2010 KRL competition.

Four women's sides – Sundown Sirens from Thursday Island, and NPA outfits Top End United, Eastenders and Sunset Crusaders – will battle it out for the premiership.

The new KRL president is Marsat Ketchell; Charlene Tabuai is treasurer, Brian Hooper the registrar and L J Shibasaki the secretary.

Ms Shibasaki said there was a lot of hard work ahead, with funds being limited, but she was confident that three men's games and two women's fixtures would go ahead each weekend.

"NPA will hold two games at Bamaga's Yusia Oval on Friday nights and we hold three games at Thursday Island's Ken Brown Oval on the Saturday, with one men's team having a bye," she said.

"We have scheduled games to minimise travel for both associations and there will be weekends when we have all games at NPA and others when all games are at Ken Brown Oval."

Outer Island competition cluster games have been scheduled to start next month as well.

Thunder rumbles

By **PETER ARGENT**
at **AAMI Stadium**



WITH Adelaide Crows legend Andrew McLeod debuting, the NT Thunder secured a solid

15-point victory over Queensland team Morningside in the first ever Foxtel Cup match on Saturday 26 March. It was sweet revenge for the Thunder, as they squared the ledger after Morningside's QAFL premiership win last season. In a match moved to the South Australian capital after originally being scheduled in Brisbane, the Thunder flew into Adelaide on the morning of the fixture after departing from Darwin late for their 1.40am flight.

Despite the less than perfect preparation, the Thunder were out of the blocks solidly and by half-time led by 20 points following a McLeod goal after the siren.

Coach Murray Davis said his team was able to get a lot out of the performance.

'Positive'

"While there is still plenty to work on, there was also plenty to work with and this was a real positive for the club," he said.

"I was really impressed with the playing group's ability to adapt to the conditions and circumstances we found ourselves in."

Davis said that of the 13 squad members playing in the previous week's NTFL grand final, only three were available for selection in this contest.

"All our guys with AFL experience had an impact," Davis said.

"Ross Tungatalum set us up early and was lively around the contested ball, and an avenue to goal?"

Tungatalum kicked Thunder's first four goals.

"Jason Roe, who hasn't been able to train with us because of his work, really stood up in defence," Davis said.

Role model

"And there is no denying the class of Andrew McLeod."

"He is a real role model for the group and genuinely excited about playing for us."

"Andrew's got no ego and just goes about his business professionally."

McLeod finished with three goals and 18 possessions.

"Coming back after a knee reconstruction after injury at the end of 2009, it was just pleasing to have Deon Gordon out on the park," Davis said.

"He worked well with Jason in defence."

Jed Anderson, a former Greater Western Sydney lad, also dashed into the contest on occasions.

Along with Roe and Gordon in defence, Tiwi Islander Brad Palipuaminni also was a significant contributor.

Athletic big man Will Farrer also won his share of hit-outs and was effective around the ground.

McLeod finished with three goals in the victory, in a 16-possession game where he didn't seem to move out of second gear.

His finishing skills were of the

highest order.

Jason Roe, working for the Contarf Football Academy at Jabaru, two-and-a-half hours from Darwin, was a key ingredient in the victory.

"I love the bush, although I'm still waiting to catch my first decent barra," Roe said.

"It was fantastic to be back in Territory colours and we're a pretty tight-knit group."

Focused

"Also, being a pretty professional group, the issue with the travel wasn't a problem, as we still had a job to do."

Thunder's next Foxtel Cup game will be the curtain-raiser to the Port Adelaide v Richmond game at TIO Stadium on Saturday 28 May against the winner of North Ballarat and East Perth.



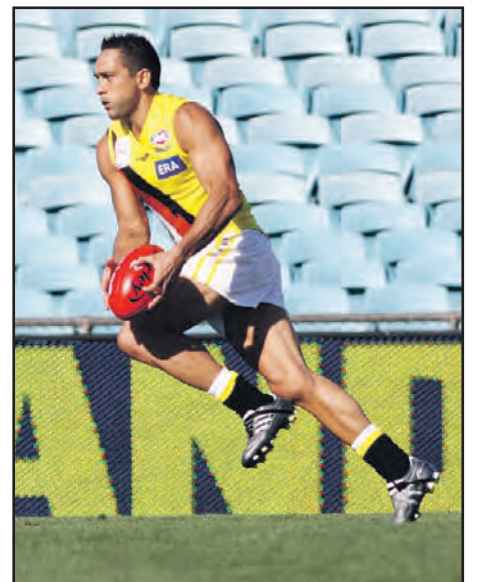
Will Farrer gathers the ball.



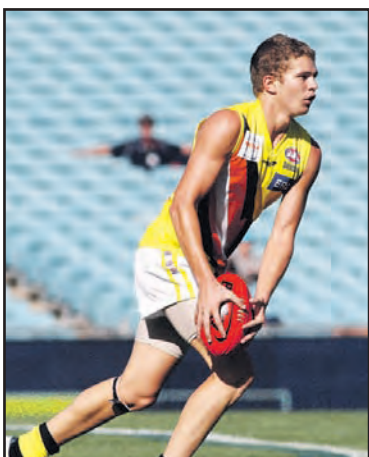
Andrew McLeod congratulates another former AFL footballer and team-mate Jason Roe after the NT Thunder's win over Morningside at AAMI Stadium, Adelaide.



Jason Roe repels a Morningside attack.



AFL Thunder Andrew McLeod in action against Morningside.



Jed Anderson.



Nyaburu Kelly in heavy traffic.



Ross Tungatalum was impressive for the Thunder.



Dion Gordon, back from injury.



Charlie Maher champion footballer and New York Marathon runner.



Andrew McLeod hand-balls before hitting the turf.



Will Farrer with room to move.



Obe Geia Jnr has recovered from a leg injury to shine for Atherton.

Speedster Geia shines for Atherton

By ALF WILSON



FORMER North Queensland Cowboys back Obe Geia Jnr has shone for his new club the Atherton Roosters in the strong Cairns and District rugby league competition.

Atherton is the club for which NRL Sydney Roosters star Todd Carney played in the 2009 season.

In their round four match on 27 March, Geia and fellow Palm Islander Fred Haines Jnr each scored a try in the Roosters' 52-30 victory over Mossman-Port Douglas.

Atherton trailed 18-0 early, but after gaining more possession, came home strongly.

That left Atherton at the top of the ladder on percentage from the other undefeated sides Brothers and Innisfail Leprechauns.

A week earlier, in round three, Geia and Haines each scored two tries in Atherton's 38-30 win over Southern Suburbs.

Atherton defeated Yarrabah 34-24 on 13 March and Geia and Haines each both scored two tries.

Speedy Geia is a centre and Haines can play on the wing and anywhere in the back line.

Geia was the first Palm Islander to play for the Cowboys. He made two National Rugby League (NRL) appearances in 2008.

He is the son of Obe Geia Snr and the grandson of Palm Island Elder Peena Geia and has an annual junior school competition named after him on Palm Island.

Geia Snr and Haines Snr were top footballers and played together for the Cardwell Axemen in the now defunct Herbert River competition in the 1980s.

Haines Snr these days is an official of the Palm Island Barracudas, which competes at All Blacks carnivals.

Haines Jnr was a member of sides which won Queensland's three biggest All Blacks carnivals in late 2010 and early this year.

It's one or the other

By ALF WILSON



THE Palm Island Rugby League has voted not to allow dual registration of their players from the local domestic competition who line up for clubs on mainland Townsville.

Star Palm Island footballers Tabua Oui, Darryl Pearson and several others made their debut for Townsville and District Rugby League side Bindal Sharks United when that competition began on 26 March.

A number of other Palm Island footballers have contacted *The Koori Mail* expressing a desire to also play for Bindal Sharks or other mainland clubs.

But they also want to be able to be dual registered and be available to play for one of the seven Palm island clubs when the competition starts there on 9 April.

Most Townsville games are played on a Sunday.

Palm rejection

However Palm Island Rugby League president Ili Dabea told *The Koori Mail* last Thursday that his board had voted on Wednesday night not to allow dual registration.

"If they decide to play in Townsville, then they can't also play for Palm Island clubs. It is their decision, but we have to give young players here every opportunity," Dabea said.

Dabea leads a strong PIRL board, with secretary Regina James and treasurer Margaret Conway. Delegates from the club also voted on the controversial dual registration issue.

Oui scored two tries and kicked a goal, while Pearson crossed for one four-pointer for Bindal Sharks against a rampaging Burdekin side for which



Ili Dabea, Ili, and Scott Nosworthy are all smiles about the 2011 season.

champion Torres Strait Islander Billo Mosby scored three tries.

In the 2010 Palm Island domestic grand final, Pearson starred for Butler Bay Bulls in their cliffhanger 24-22 win over arch rivals Jets, for which Oui was the main playmaker at number six.

Queensland Rugby League northern divisional manager Scott Nosworthy was asked about the issue of dual registration and said it was a PIRL decision.

Meanwhile, Ili Dabea met with Nosworthy in Townsville in late March to discuss the coming Foley Shield season.

A combined Palm Island-Bowen team will make its debut in the competition at 7pm on Friday 20 May against Townsville City at Brothers Leagues Club.

A trial game between Palm Island and Bowen for selection in that combined side looks set to go ahead in Ayr on 7 May.

Players who stand out in the seven-club Palm Island domestic competition in the lead-up to the trial will be selected.

It is understood that any dual registered Palm players would have been given approval to line up for Townsville – not Palm Island-Bowen.

The Foley Shield started in 1948 and is regarded as the major rugby league contest in north Queensland.

Games in the 2011 competition will all be held at Brothers, Townsville, from 20-22 May.

Others sides will be Townsville City, Townsville Country, Cairns, Mackay, and combined sides Mount Isa-Mid West, Innisfail Eacham and Torres-Cape.

Townsville had only one side in the 2010 Foley Shield and scored a handsome win over Mount Isa-Mid West in the final.

Palm Island staked their claim for inclusion by beating Bowen 40-4 in an exhibition curtain-raiser.

Geale to challenge for world title

● From back page

That fight was supposed to be a workout for Mundine as he set himself for another world title challenge.

But the defeat meant Mundine had to reassess his future.

While Geale will make a splash on the world stage, Danny Green will increase his training load in a bid to fight again within four months.

The 38-year-old is yet to line up his next opponent, but ruled a line through Garth Wood, who defeated Tony Mundine in December.

"Garth's a guy who's a beginner, he's had 13 fights. I'm a three-times world champ," Green said.

"... I don't think he would last more than one or two rounds.

"Garth doesn't move his head so it wouldn't be hard to catch and he doesn't have the durability above the eyes (due to the) scar tissue.

"Garth's a strong, young guy that's really hungry and I wish him all the best.

"But I just think at the moment we're poles apart... I've been in the game for 20 years and we should be poles apart."

Green is in the process of courting a number of European fighters, but said he wouldn't need a tune-up fight before taking on a big name.

"It's going to make me

excited to train and prepare to defeat someone great that's going to solidify my legacy even more after (what it did when I defeated) Roy Jones Jnr," Green said.

"Look, unless something radical happens, I'm back."

With that simple statement, IBO cruiserweight world champion Green declared his intention to fight again, ending speculation that he was about to retire.

Green considered walking away from the sport after undergoing emergency surgery in January to remove an abscess the size of a softball on his appendix – an ordeal that saw him shed 12kg.

But after making it

through a tough six-round sparring session against heavyweight Pieter Cronje, Green was convinced his body could still handle the rigours of professional boxing.

"I feel bigger than Arnold Schwarzenegger – I'll be back," a relieved Green said.

"I wanted to see how the body reacted to pressure, not just pressure of being punched, the pressure of my mental strength to see how I handle it.

"A couple of shots hurt... a couple of them stung where the scars are, so I guess in a couple of days I'll have a better idea (of how I pull up)." – AAP and other sources

Baby Broncos follow Lockyer

AS disappointing as our National Rugby League (NRL) loss to the Broncos was, it was a much-improved performance from the boys as we continue to search for consistent and winning form.

There was not enough emphasis given to the quality performance of the Broncos in defence and how some of the so-called 'Baby Broncos' have developed into top-line performers at the NRL level.

In particular, the three young Indigenous players – Jharal Yow Yeh, Dane Gagai and Josh Hoffman – have shown they are stars of the future and can more than hold their own at the top level.

When you consider that they can tap into the experience and leadership of two of the game's true elite in Sam Thaiday and Justin Hodges, then their futures look even brighter.

Speaking of experience and leadership, I want to pay my respects to Darren Lockyer on the announcement of his decision to retire at the end of the season.

Lockyer is a true great of our game – not just in this era – but across the time since rugby league started in 1908.

He will inevitably be crowned an 'immortal' of the game, but he still has plenty of time to add to his achievements.

I have been pleased to see that all the public acclaim has not just focused on his achievements on the field.

Like many of the true greats in any area of life, Lockyer is a

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humble person who does not seek praise.

He admits that in his younger days the fame went to his head for a while, but that he has still largely remained the same person who grew up as a youngster in Roma.

I have always found him to be open and generous and I would like to acknowledge his contribution to the success of the All Stars concept.

The entire success of the game depended on the way that it was embraced by the clubs and, in particular, the players.

For obvious reasons, there was never any doubt that the Indigenous boys would get behind the game.

However, the reaction from the likes of Darren, Benji Marshall and Cameron Smith when it was announced that the Australian and New Zealand captains and vice-captains would be automatic selections sealed the early public response for the game.

I believe the All Stars jersey is becoming prized among the other NRL players as much as the Indigenous All Stars jersey is among the brothers.

Enjoyed game

I spoke to Lockyer after the game and he said how much he not only enjoyed the game, but how the whole week reminded him of why he loved and played our great game.

And that is the key to Lockyer's longevity in the game.

He loves rugby league for the game itself and also respects it for the opportunities that it has provided him and his family.

His achievements on the field do not need to be listed here.

They speak for themselves.

But I think I speak for the majority of players and fans alike when I salute him for his contribution to our game on and off the field.

Which brings me back to the 'Baby Broncos'.

Lockyer has always been generous with his time to young players, but above all, he leads by example.

He is the ultimate



Jharal Yow Yeh takes a high ball over Broncos team-mate Josh Hoffman during the National Rugby League (NRL) round ten game against the Gold Coast Titans Titans at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last May. Preston Campbell says he's one of the young Broncos who have benefitted from playing with the likes of Darren Lockyer, Sam Thaiday and Justin Hodges. – AAP image

professional.

Last year he would have been hurting as his beloved and proud club struggled and ultimately failed to make the finals.

In his eyes, this would have been unacceptable.

But what the 'Baby Broncos' would have witnessed would have been the pride in his own performance that saw him perform consistently while others around him struggled.

The experience and wisdom he has passed on is obvious in not only their performance, but the performance of the whole team.

I am particularly impressed by

the way he fearlessly attacks the ball and his powerful and elusive returns of the football.

When he was injured against the Titans, Dane Gagai moved from the wing and it was an almost seamless transition.

Gagai recovered from an early mistake and probably came up with the match-winning moment in his saving tackle on a seemingly try-bound Will Zillman.

That type of desperation is reflective of a team focused on the job.

Jharal Yow Yeh also seems to improve with every match.

His speed is now matched by size and strength and like all good players, he is prepared to back himself.

Player of the future

He also has a great personality and during the All Stars week, showed all the qualities to suggest he is a representative player of the future.

Speaking of representative players, you cannot replace experience and Justin Hodges and Sam Thaiday showed their value to the Broncos.

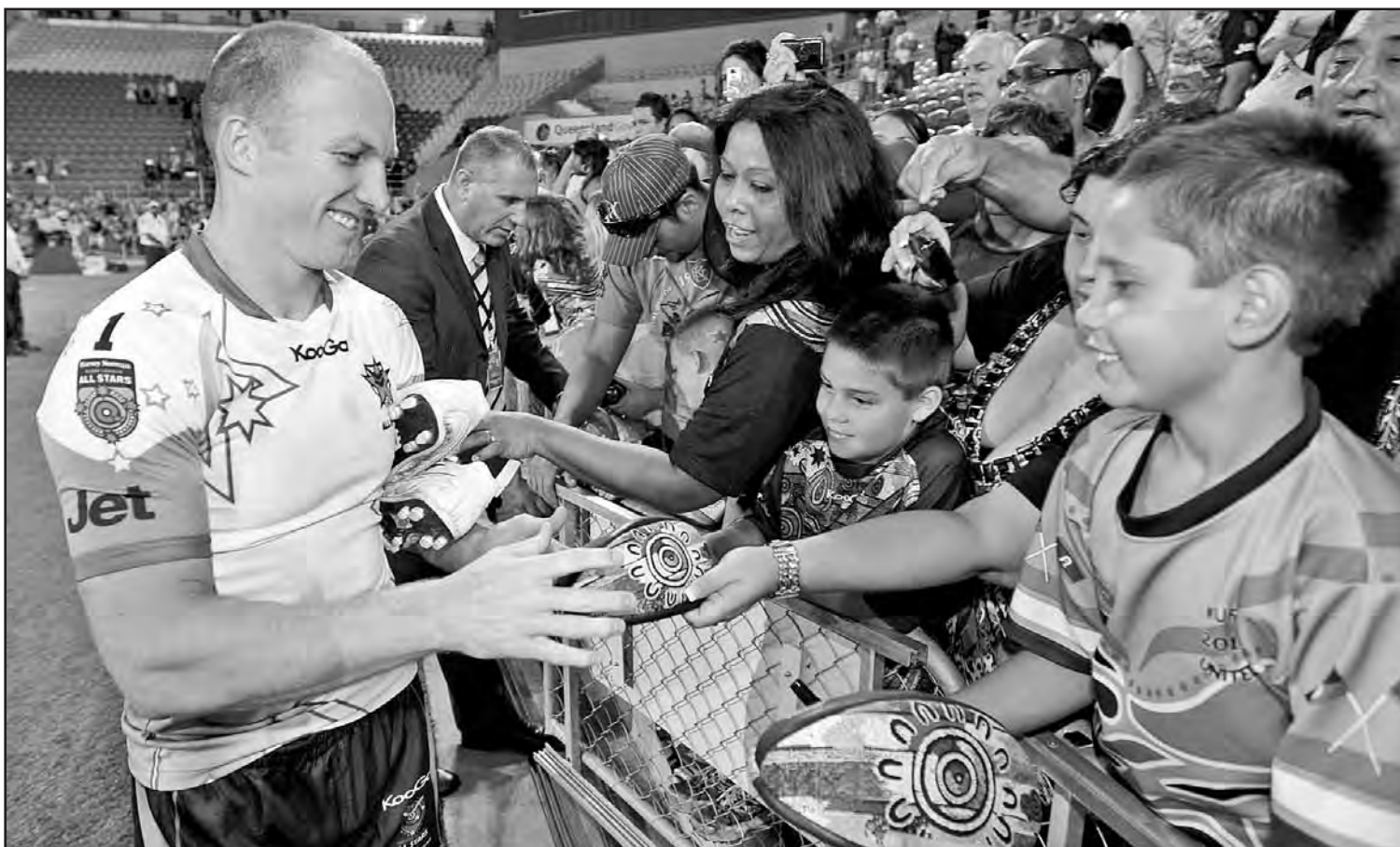
You can recognise pure class when you see it and Hodgo came up with one of his 'specials' against us that ended up sealing the game for the Broncos.

Add to that the return from injury of Sam Thaiday who, in my opinion, was the best forward bar none last year, and you can see why the Broncos are considered a real threat for the title this year.

Now they have the added motivation of sending out one of their true champions in Lockyer.

I hope they see him off in style, but the Titans will be fighting to spoil his fairytale.

And like a true champion, he would expect nothing less.



Darren Lockyer, wearing Johnathan Thurston's Indigenous All Stars shorts, being greeted by Indigenous fans at the National Rugby League (NRL) Harvey Norman All Stars game in February at Skilled Park, Gold Coast. – Picture courtesy NRL Photos

Marn Grook adds spice

THE first Australian Football League (AFL) home game of the season is always special.

Even if the game is in the second round and the team has lost – or in the case of Melbourne and the Sydney Swans – had a rare draw, the expectations of the crowd after a long off-season creates a unique atmosphere.

There is always the dream that this will be your year, or in the case of the premiers, that they have just begun an era of domination.

Then again, that's probably the way Collingwood supporters think all the time!

The game between Essendon and the Swans will have been played by the time this edition hits the newsstands, but this particular first home game would have had an additional dimension for the Indigenous boys in particular.

I am, of course, referring to the fact that the two sides once again were playing for the Marn Grook trophy.

Although the Sydney Swans were unable to secure the four points against Melbourne, they were to go into this clash against Essendon in the best position they've been in after round one since 2005.

Unlucky

Having led for all but a few minutes until late in the game when Brad Green kicked a goal, the Swans were unlucky not to beat Melbourne, although key stats may have suggested otherwise.

Essendon also would have gone into the game against the Swans full of confidence – sitting atop the ladder after the previous week's 55-point win over the Bulldogs, and having lost just the 2011 NAB Cup grand final against Collingwood.

The game marked the tenth annual Marn Grook trophy match between the Swans and Essendon.

The match honours the Indigenous roots of Australian football and recognises the valuable contribution of Indigenous players at both clubs.

After ten years and the success of the television show of the same name, Marn Grook is well-known as the name given to a traditional game played during a corroboree of the Djabwurrung and Jardwadjali clans in Victoria's Western District.

It is believed that this game is one of the inspirations for Australian football as we know it today.

The traditional game was played with a ball made from

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possum skin about the size of an orange which was filled with pounded charcoal and/or grass and was bound into a hard ball with kangaroo sinews and then kicked and tossed by two opposing teams of up to 50 players.

The meaning of Marn Grook translates to 'game ball', and it is believed that in the 1840s, the founder of Australian football, Tom Wills, observed a game of Marn Grook and thought it was a good way for Australian cricketers to keep fit in the winter.

Going into last weekend's match, the Swans were the reigning trophy holders and held a 6-3 advantage in Marn Grook trophy matches.

Adam Goodes spoke during the lead-up to the game of how this was not only a celebration of Indigenous culture, but also the contribution of Indigenous players to the game.

Dedication

In doing so, he also sought to emphasise that it recognised the hard work and dedication required for Indigenous players to make it at the top level – just as the same for all players.

In doing so, he was highlighting the subtle stereotyping of Aboriginal players succeeding simply because of natural ability.

There is no doubt that many Indigenous players have a special affinity with the game, but this should not disguise the sweat and effort required to get there.

That's why in his role as co-captain, Adam also highlighted the importance of winning the contested possession count in preparing for the match as

a way of nullifying Essendon's outside, running midfielders.

That's one area that we've spoken about, and one area that if we don't get right this weekend against the Bombers, they'll have a very happy time up here at ANZ Stadium," Goodes said before the match.

It's a clear indicator from opposition teams that if you win the contested count, you go a long way to winning the game.

Goodes was confident the Swans had the personnel, mindset and versatility to get back on track pretty quickly.

"We've got a lot of players who can play outside and inside," he said.

"Our midfield runs pretty deep, so we really just have to watch their run on the outside, but if we're winning the balls in the contest in tight, then we won't have to worry too much about their guys on the outside.

"They're a dangerous team, Essendon. They're in good form, their confidence is high, so they're going to be looking forward to the challenge up here against us, and we'll be doing the same."

The dual Brownlow Medallist compared the Bombers' form and methodology to that of last year's premiers Collingwood, and believed if the Swans were to match their intensity for four quarters, they could secure the first victory of the season.

But there was no doubt that Adam also was relishing that with Byron Sumner's debut, the Swans looked likely to be represented by three Indigenous players for the first time in 'a long time'.

"I think last weekend with myself, Byron and Lewis in the team, it was the first time that we've had three Indigenous players play in the same team since the Robbie Ahmat and Micky O days – which was a long time ago," he said.

Now an extra bit of spice for what was shaping as a special game.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!



BYRON SUMNERS

Barcaldine's debut



AN Indigenous team from Barcaldine, in Queensland's central west, this year entered the annual Longreach rugby league sevens competition on 5 March.

Calling themselves the Outback Warriors, the team struggled for numbers, but spokesman Mark Harbottle said the players had enjoyed the experience.

He said the sevens competition usually drew teams from Longreach, Barcaldine, Winton, Ilfracombe, Emerald and Rockhampton.

"We struggled for numbers in our first game, with only ten players and went down to Longreach by about five tries to one, Harbottle said.

"In our second game we rallied a few spectators to play for us and our

side was made up of boys from New Zealand and the Longreach team loaned us a few non-Indigenous players, for which we were very grateful.

"In the second game, we went down to a very fit Rockhampton side which consisted of a lot of under 20 rep players, by six tries to one.

"Ilfracombe beat Rockhampton 22-20 to take out the tournament in a very fast and entertaining game.

"We succeeded in helping create some interest in rugby league in the outback and will be back again next March with a more prepared Indigenous team," to compete in the local sevens competition.

● **PICTURE: The Outback Warriors and a few ring-ins before their second game against Rockhampton.**

Abbott a three-time NT award recipient



INDIGENOUS hockey international Des Abbott has shared the 2011 Northern

Territory Sportsperson of the Year award with women's international cricketer of the year Shelley Nitschke.

It was the first time in the award's 21-year history that the honour had been shared.

Abbott has twice previously been the Territory's Sportsperson of the Year.

NT Sports Minister Karl Hampton said Abbott and Nitschke had made outstanding contributions to their sports during the year.

"The Northern Territory Sports Awards is the highlight of the calendar for our proud sporting community and I congratulate the nominees, finalists and winners," Mr Hampton said.

"Des, a current NTIS scholarship holder, is a two-time winner of the top individual award and Shelley, a former NTIS scholarship holder, is the first cricketer to be crowned as the Territory's top sportsperson.

"The pair is a great inspiration to all Territorians and I congratulate them on their standout performances for Australia.

"Des is an Olympic bronze medallist and was last year named in the 2010 Federation of International Hockey World Team following the Kookaburras' success at the World Cup, Champions



Des Abbott in action for Australia at the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.



TIM DUGGAN

Trophy and the Commonwealth Games.

"Shelley is the world's best women's cricketer and played an integral role in Australia's success at last year's women's Twenty/20 World Cup in the West Indies."

Essendon Australian Football League (AFL) premiers player Michael Long was inducted into the Territory Hall of Champions for his outstanding contribution to Aussie rules.

Boxing coach and administrator Boyd Scully was awarded the NT Roll of Honour while former National Basketball League player Timmy Duggan was awarded the prestigious Steve Abala Role Model Award.

"Sport is such an important part of our community and lifestyle, and the Territory Government strongly supports sport in the Territory," Mr Hampton said.

"The NT Sports Awards recognise outstanding achievements across the sporting arena, from volunteers and administrators to coaches and athletes."

Soccer festival to be held in Alice Springs



THE second Indigenous Football Festival (IFF) run by Football Federation Australia (FFA) will be held in Alice Springs this year. The first festival was held a couple of years ago in Townsville.

The 2011 event will be at Ross Park, Alice Springs, on 6-8 July.

FFA IFF spokesman Matt Sheppard said separate boys' and girls' teams would consist of

13-to-15-year-olds, with teams having 14 players and two officials.

Boys' teams taking part this year will come from Alice Springs, Sydney, Perth, South Australia, Darwin and Borroloola (NT).

Girls' teams will come from Moree (NSW), Sydney, Melbourne, South Australia, Queensland and Darwin.

The festival is backed by the Federal Government initiative 'No School, No Play'.



Part of Crow history

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER a tumultuous and chaotic summer preparing for their first season in the Australian Football League two decades ago, the Adelaide Crows took to the field and one of their players was Eddie

Hocking.

Those embryonic days were celebrated in the 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) round one game at AAMI Stadium (Adelaide), when, in a replay of the initial outing, the Crows took on the Hawthorn Hawks.

In the opening round of the 2011 season, the group of 20 years ago and their coach Graham Cornes relived that inaugural game, where they first carried the hopes and expectations of the South Australian football public.

The Adelaide Football Club dashed into a new generation of football, facing Hawthorn at Football Park on 22 March 1991.

It was a changing of the guard as far as football in South Australia was concerned, as players from all ten South Australian National Football League (SANFL) teams came together to share the historic sporting moment.

22 Indigenous players

Hocking, from the Central District Football Club, who had just turned 20 a few months earlier, was one of only 22 Indigenous footballers in the AFL at that point.

A pocket-rocket at 168cm and at a playing weight of 68 kg, Hocking played on the bench in his AFL debut.

When he did get some game time, Hocking finished with eight possessions and a tackle.

"It was exciting to be involved in this era of football when South Australian football was going through a transition period," Hocking said.

"It was a pretty daunting experience and the night was topped off with a sensational win over Hawthorn."

"It was a big eye-opener and certainly an adrenalin rush to run out on to Football Park that night."

"To look around and see the stadium stacked to capacity was amazing."

"It was great to be a part of that first match."

"It was a fantastic moment, I was honoured and privileged to be a part of that team and know where the club has gone to

from there."

While Hocking went on to play 11 games in Adelaide's first season, he didn't grace AFL ranks after this.

Bubbly, pacy and electric, Eddie Hocking quickly became a crowd favourite with the Crows' faithful in the first season.

Hocking was the first to admit his commitment to play at the top level waned after that first season, explaining his dedication to football and the lifestyle

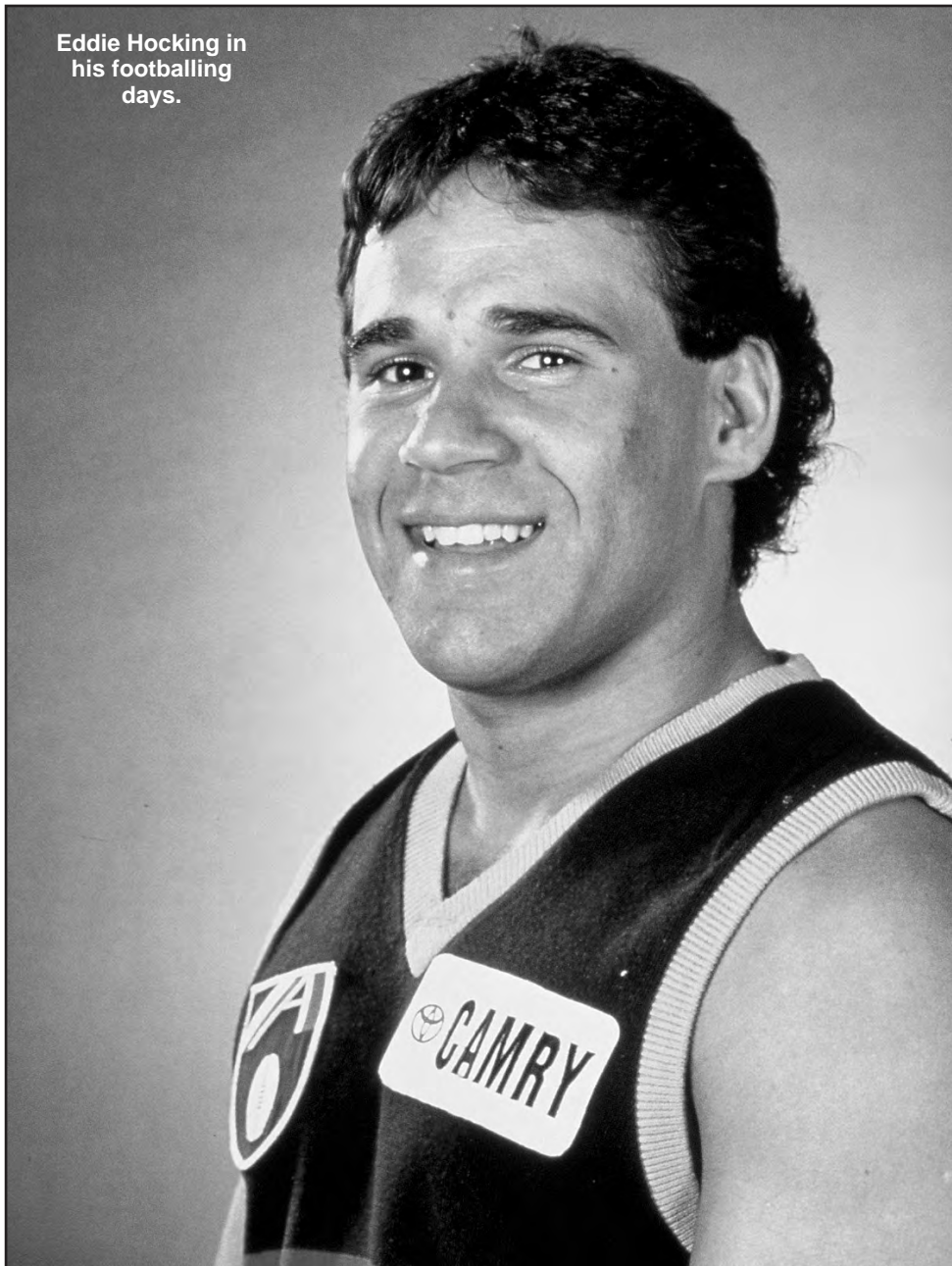
required wasn't good enough.

Between 1987 and 1992, Hocking played 91 SANFL games with the Bulldogs, kicking 80 goals.

He moved over to West Adelaide in 1993, playing a further 64 senior games and was involved in the Bloods' 1994 reserves flag.

Later, he returned to his foundation district, coaching South Clare Demons, and enjoyed success in the local North Eastern Football League.

Eddie Hocking in his footballing days.



Harradine keen to set new mark



COMMONWEALTH discus champion Benn Harradine has set his sights on breaking his own national record –

this time on Australian soil.

The Newcastle Herald reported that Newcastle-born Harradine had just returned from Europe.

He spent two months in Germany training under world record-holder Jurgen Schult.

He finished second at the prestigious World Indoor Challenge in Sweden last month with a throw of 65.60 metres. World champion Gerd Kanter took gold with 66.92 metres.

The Herald said Harradine's effort set a national indoor record and had him primed for the final two events of the Australian season – the Perth Track Classic and National Championships.

Winner of the past five national titles, Harradine set an Australian record of 66.45 metres in Croatia last year in the lead-up to his gold-medal performance at the Commonwealth Games in Delhi.

Harradine's father Ken, who is part of the coaching team, said Benn had taken a lot of confidence from the meet in Sweden.

"To throw 65 metres indoors, which is a lot more difficult than outdoors, and finish close to Kanter was an extraordinary performance," Harradine Snr said.

"He would like to throw the Australia record on Australian soil."

"He holds the mark at 66.45. He is in really good form and if he gets good conditions he is likely to throw 67 metres."

"He has been throwing that distance in training for a little while now."

Harradine, who grew up in Eleebana, on the eastern side of Lake Macquarie, but is now based in Melbourne, will head back to Europe at the completion of Australian track and field season.

"He has an invitation to throw in a big meet at Doha and of course the world championships are in Korea in August," Ken Harradine told The Herald.

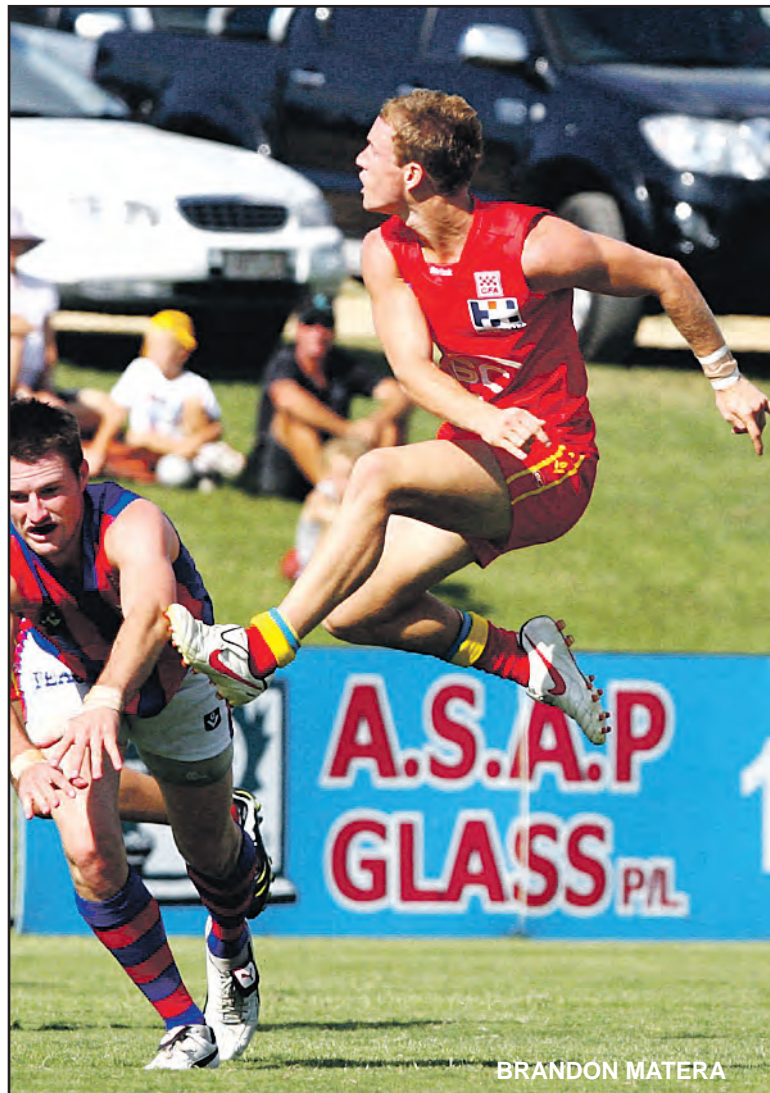
A part of history



NATHAN KRAKOUER



HARLEY BENNELL



BRANDON MATERA

By PETER ARGENT



AS the 17th Australian Football League (AFL) team Gold Coast made its first mammoth steps into the big league last weekend, four

Aboriginal talents were a part of this historic event.

Last Saturday evening, at the Gabba,

Brisbane, the quartet of Nathan Krakouer, Jarrod Harbrow, Brandon Matera and Harley Bennell were amongst the first-ever 22 to don a Suns jumper in their inaugural AFL game against Carlton.

For the diminutive Matera, who excited many patrons in his season of Victorian Football League (VFL) last year, and the number two draft selection Harley Bennell, this game

also marked their AFL debuts.

Matera certainly has a rich football heritage, as his father Wally, along with uncles Peter and Phil, were AFL players.

West Australian Nathan Krakouer and former Queenslander Jarrod Harbrow were among the eight Suns uncontracted player signings.

At just 22, Harbrow has already played 70 senior games with the Western Bulldogs, debuting in 2007

after originally being rookie listed.

Krakouer, also known for his creativity across half back, was on Port Adelaide's books for four seasons, playing 40 senior games with the black, white and teal.

There are four other Indigenous footballers in the Suns' squad in their inaugural season – Rex Liddy, Steven May, Liam Patrick and rookie Roland Ah Chee.

Curtain opens on new-look comp



THE North-East Australian Football League (NEAFL) debuted last weekend, with the Northern Territory Thunder

playing Brisbane club Aspley Hornets at TIO Stadium, Darwin.

The game was to mark the NEAFL debut of former AFL star Andrew McLeod.

Thunder coach Murray Davis warned his players that the Hornets were a team on the improve, but said his team would take a lot of inspiration from its win over 2010 Queensland AFL premiers Morningside in the first round of the Foxtel Cup.

That match marked McLeod's debut for the Thunder (see Page 74).

Several players who missed the Thunder's match against

Morningside were to play against Aspley.

The Thunder's 23rd player for the Aspley game was Hayden Williams, from Maningrida, 500kms east of Darwin.

He played a big part in the Wanderers' shock win over St Mary's in the grand final of the Northern Territory Football League premier division. The 22-year-old is said to possess a booming kick.

Of some concern for the Thunder is a growing list of injuries so early in the season.

Out are Cameron Roberts (up to two weeks), Matthew Argus (2-3 weeks), Jarrod Erlandson (3-4 weeks), Shane Thorne (3-4 weeks), Ryan Smith (3-4 weeks), Kieren Smith (indefinitely) and Josh Chaplin, whose knee injury will keep him out for the rest of the season.

Yow Yeh a guest on NITV football show

BRISBANE Broncos winger Jharal Yow Yeh will be a guest on *The Barefoot Rugby League Show* tomorrow night on NITV.

He will join regular panelists Brad Cooke and Tony Currie on Foxtel/Austar Channel 180 from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Feature stories this week include the Illawarra Gala Day, NSW Cup profile on the Wentworthville Magpies, the Cairns Rugby League Carnival

and introducing a new segment – Whose Barefoot is it?

Meanwhile, *The Barefoot Rugby League Show* will be celebrating its 100th episode on 28 April.

To mark the occasion, there will a live audience with studio games and National Rugby League (NRL) ticket giveaways and goodies for young



JHARAL YOW YEH

people. At the time of *The Koori Mail* going to press, NITV had not announced a venue for the live show.

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Footy the winner

By PETER ARGENT



ALONG with the Wanderers' brilliant Northern Territory Football League Premier League victory on 19 March, there were many other Aboriginal stars on display at junior and senior levels at TIO Stadium and Gardens Oval in Darwin.

In the NTFL division one game, former NT Thunder under-age player and Sturt footballer Jethro Calma-Holt and the diminutive Riley Furber were important components in the Waratahs' 28-point victory over Banks.

Among the best players in St Mary's strong under 18 victory over Waratahs, where they controlled the majority of the contest and won by a comfortable 29 points, were defender Ben Rioli – nephew of the late great Maurice.

Impact up front

Joshua Lidgerwood was strong through the midfield for the 'Green Machine', while Dermott Woods – the Abala Medallist at this level, who was given a lifeline by the Saints, had an impact up forward.

Brad Fisher, the Haritos Medallist for best on ground in this grade, also has a family connection to the Long clan.

In the under 16 Hickman Cup division one contest, the game was a thriller, going to the final siren. St Marys 8.7 (55) beat Nightcliff 8.6 (54) at the spiritual home of NT football – Gardens Oval.

The Russell Jeffrey Medal for best on ground was shared between St Mary's talent Sebastian McGorm and another Indigenous lad, Jordan Briston, from Nightcliff.

McGorm was a member of the AFL's Flying Boomerangs Program in 2010 and went to Tonga under the leadership of Andrew McLeod.

"It was one of those games not to forget," St Mary's premiership coach Darren Flanagan said.

"We were behind all day and produced a last-quarter revival to collect the spoils by a point.

"Sebastian was the standout in the mid-field.

"Lenard 'Diesel' Gordon, from the Kimberleys, rucked all day.

"Daniel Dixon, a Tiwi lad, had a 30-plus possession game as well.

"This group created a little bit of history and something the boys will remember for the rest of their lives."

The NTFL's under 14 Lewfatt Cup was comprehensively won by Waratahs, who defeated Nightcliff 7.6 (48) to 2.5 (17).

This division's Damaso Medal was won by Mickitja Rotumah-Onus, from the Waratah Football Club.

In the opening game, the under 14 Atkinson Cup, the Crocs defeated Southern Districts 6.6 (42) to 3.4 (22).

The Brian Deslandes Medal in this grade was won by Saverio Jurrah, from the Southern Districts Crocs.

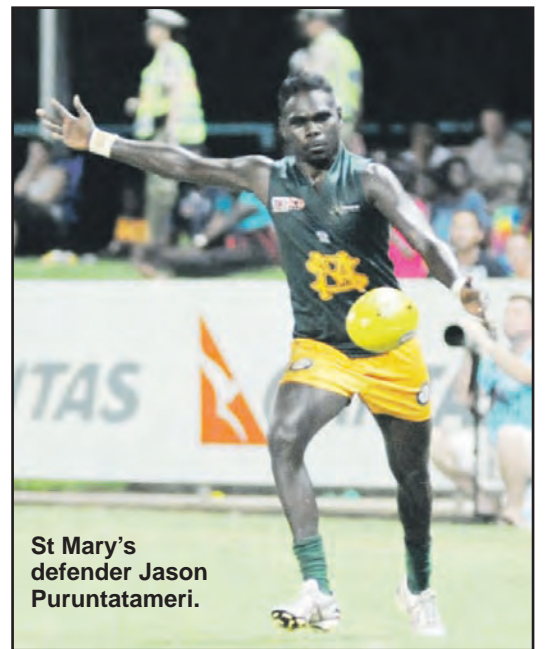
He has a strong football heritage, being the brother of Melbourne's AFL star Liam.



Jethro Calma-Holt picks up the scraps for the Waratahs in the division one grand final.



St Mary's green machine fans Stacey Bridges and Kathleen Rioli.



St Mary's defender Jason Puruntatameri.



The Waratahs' Riley Furber found some open space in the division one grand final.



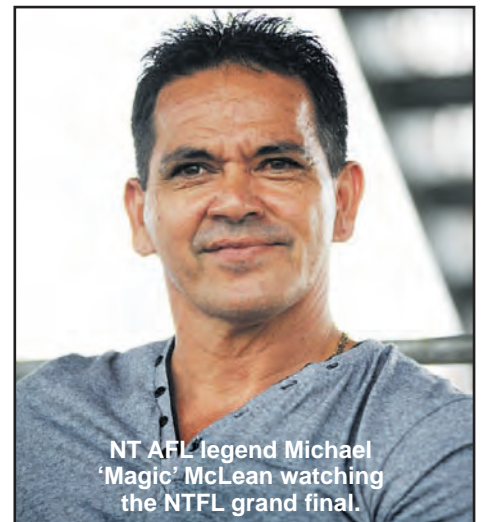
The Eagles rock – just ask young Lilly Bonson.



Brigadeer Gus McLoughlan during his motivational speech to the St Mary's players.



Josh Cubillo in action for the Wanderers Eagles in the Premier League grand final.



NT AFL legend Michael 'Magic' McLean watching the NTFL grand final.



Making some noise was Jack Long.

in NT grand finals



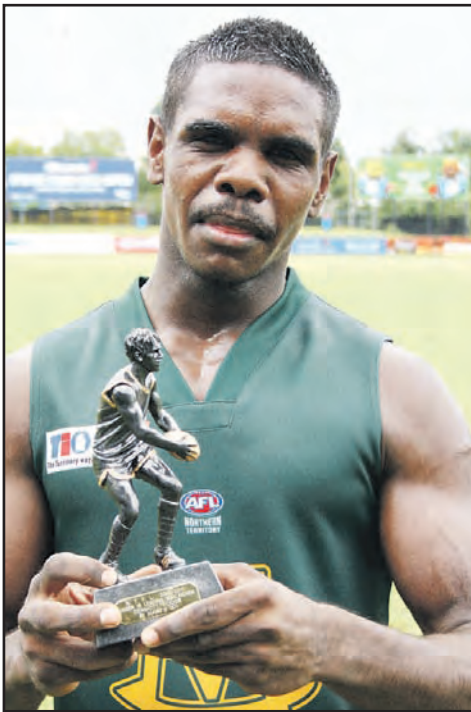
Chaney Medallist Aaron Motlop charges away from a St Mary's opponent.



Shannon Motlop's wife and daughter Chase and Savannah.



NT Sports Minister Karl Hampton tosses the coin before the Premier League grand final.



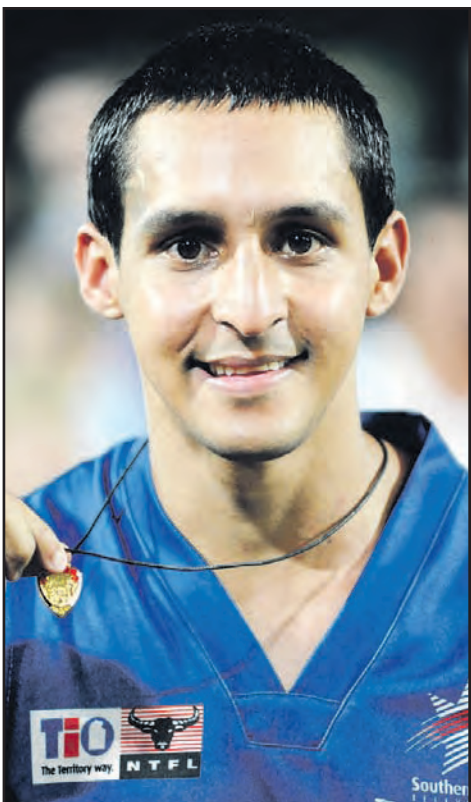
Under 18 leading goal kicker – St Mary's Dermott Wood.



What's in a Name? Plenty. Here, it's the Wanderers' Thomas Motlop (in blue) v St Mary's Shannon Rioli.



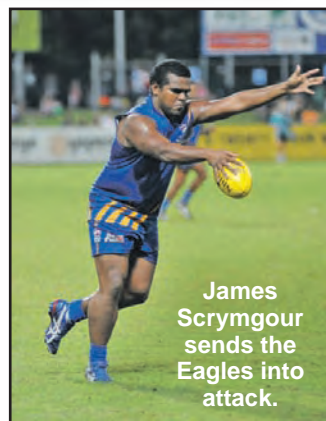
Passionate St Mary's supporter John McLennon.



The Eagles' Aaron Motlop, winner of the Chaney Medal.



St Mary's Shaun Pollock holds up the under 18 cup in triumph.



James Scrymgour sends the Eagles into attack.



St Mary's Shannon Rioli poised to deliver the ball.



Eagles coach Paul Motlop appeared to be looking to a higher authority for guidance at three-quarter time.



The Eagles' Aaron Motlop appeared to have the ball on a string.

Biased towards bowls



Young gun lawn bowlers Josh, Bree-Anna and Brad Mabb. Josh, 21, recently knocked out former world indoors singles champion Steve Glasson from the Australian Open singles tournament in Melbourne, and was runner-up in the Tasmanian open singles. – Picture: JILLIAN MUNDY

By JILLIAN MUNDY



LAWN bowling siblings Josh, Bree-Anna and Brad Mabb have returned home from this year's Australian Open in Melbourne.

Twenty-year-old Josh made it to the third round in the competition, with a victory in a tie-breaker over former world indoor singles champion Steve Glasson.

He was unlucky not to make it into the nation's top 16, being knocked out by a single shot in the second set by top Australian representative Mark Berghoffer, who has represented Australia 62 times.

The Mabb trio, who, to their knowledge are the only Aborigines playing competitively in Tasmania, have been making their mark in the local competition too.

In the Tasmanian under 25s, Josh won the singles, and together with his sister Bree-Anna, they won the pairs. Brad won the southern juniors singles.

Josh also was runner-up in the Tasmanian open singles.

He and Brad, along with the

rest of their team, have been training hard for this weekend's Southern Tasmanian grand final.

It was their nan who sparked Josh's interest in the sport, when he was 14, proving the 'old people's game' stereotype was well outdated, with his younger siblings following in his footsteps, and eventually his mum and dad too.

"They all came to watch and eventually joined it," Josh said.

Josh and Brad bowl with Derwent City in Hobart, where Josh has taken on the role of club secretary, and Bree-Anna bowls with North Launceston.

"It's very competitive and mentally challenging," he said.

"It's harder than it looks, you need concentration, have to keep composure under pressure and there's lots of rules and etiquette.

"There's a lot of nice people too.

"I think younger people usually take it more serious, it's more of a social thing for the elderly."

Gone are the days of white bowler hats and plain black bowls. These days they're sporting colourful uniforms and even the bowls are colourful and speckled.

Brother, sister have the sporting Bugg

BATHURST sister and brother Gabrielle and Joseph Bugg have set their sights on futures in sport.

Gabrielle, 14, is a star performer in netball, while 16-year-old Joseph is hoping for a future at the top of rugby league.

Gabrielle, a netball goal attack, was a member of the NSW Indigenous schoolgirls team and has represented Bathurst at State age level.

"I'm a Swifts supporter and I'd really like to get into the trans-Tasman competition," she told *The Koori Mail*.

Joseph, who plays for the Bathurst Panthers, backs the Gold Coast Titans in the National Rugby League (NRL) competition.

But he's also made his mark at national level in motorbike long track competition, racing 250cc and 450cc bikes. Among his many titles he was second last year at the national titles.

"I've stopped riding this year to concentrate on rugby league. I'm hoping it will be worth it," he said.



Gabrielle and Joseph Bugg with some of the many trophies they have won.



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Back to his best

MATT BOWEN

'Mango's' record 204 games for N Qld Cowboys



EVEN before Matt Bowen took the field for the North Queensland Cowboys in their National Rugby League (NRL) game against the

Eels last Saturday night, the tributes to him were already flowing.

Despite the looming milestone of Bowen being the Cowboys' most capped player, coach Neil Henry was still left wondering how many matches the wily fullback could have racked up.

Not once, but twice, Bowen has been struck down by a career-threatening knee injury in a Cowboys career that reached game No 204 against the Eels.

Rebuilt knees

Ten years after his first grade debut, Bowen, 29, was set to eclipse Cowboys stalwart Paul Bowman's previous record mark when he ran out against Parramatta on his radically rebuilt knees.

However, Henry knew only too well

that Bowen could have been celebrating much earlier if fate had not been so cruel.

"It's a tremendous achievement – 204 games for the club," Henry said.

"He has been a wonderful servant for the club over a number of years.

"And he has had two ten-month stints on the sideline with major knee surgery,

so he could have been pushing a lot more games."

After naming an unchanged side following the previous Monday night's 34-6 thumping of Melbourne, Henry dipped his hat to Bowen over the milestone.

But Henry seemed more pleased that Bowen was back to his form of old after reigniting a dangerous combination with halfback Johnathan Thurston.

"It's just great seeing him bounce back from that adversity and play some football that we know he can play," he said.

Confident

"He's playing with a bit of confidence at the moment.

"He plays a big part in how we go on the night, just his presence – and he is a good foil for Johnathan.

"It was a tremendous performance (against Melbourne)."

Bowen bagged two tries as North Queensland notched their second win in three games.

He already holds the record for the most number of tries for North Queensland. – AAP



Flashback: Matt Bowen juggles the final pass on his way to a runaway try during the opening round of the 2006 National Rugby League (NRL) season, when the Cowboys beat the Brisbane Broncos 36-4 at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane. Bowen this year has bounced back to his magical best after serious injuries took the edge from his game. – AAP image

Search on to unearth marathon runners



A SERIES of try-out days are being held across Australia to find Indigenous runners to compete in this year's New

York Marathon.

The search for potential runners began in Melbourne on 29 March, followed the next day in Adelaide, then Perth on 1 April, Alice Springs last Sunday, Darwin on Monday, and Cairns on Tuesday.

The try-outs will continue today in Brisbane (QEII Stadium, Nathan), Sydney tomorrow at the University of Sydney Oval One at Ultimo, and ending in Canberra next Monday at AIS Athletics Track in the suburb of Bruce.

The man behind the push to find the best Indigenous marathon runners is former marathon champion Rob de Castella.

The Marathon Project is looking for fit and enthusiastic runners who want a once-in-a-lifetime experience to be part of the 2011 squad.

They will have the benefit of being coached by de Castella and his team, led by former middle-distance champion Tim

Rowe, the head coach and project manager.

Potential squad members must be between the ages of 18 and 30. They do not need to have had formal running experience.

Registration for men is at 8.30am and women at 12.30pm.

Runners at the try-out days should bring running gear and a water bottle. Males will run 5km and females 3km.

The selected squad will have an all-expenses-paid trip to New York to line up in the famous marathon in November.

"Last year, all four Indigenous men finished the New York Marathon, and it was an amazing journey and experience that has changed their lives," de Castella said.

"I want these young men and women to promote running, walking and a healthy lifestyle in their communities."

Marathon Project project manager and head coach Tim Rowe, who last week was in Adelaide on the try-out tour, told *The Koori Mail* they hoped to have the squad finalised by 14 April.

Port coach coy on Motlop omission



PORT Adelaide coach Matthew Primus refused to detail the disciplinary breach that has cost troubled forward Daniel Motlop a spot in their AFL season opener.

Motlop, who last year was offered for trade, was overlooked for selection for Port's away fixture against Collingwood on 26 March.

Primus confirmed the non-selection of the gifted goalsneak was for disciplinary reasons, but refused to reveal specifics.

"That is in-house," Primus told reporters.

"The players and the leadership group have set standards of what your preparation is going to be during a week of footy.

"And since Daniel hurt his ankle, it hasn't been up to those standards.

"The leadership group and the match committee thought he wasn't living up to those standards, that is the reason he wasn't picked for this week.

"So he'll play for (SANFL club) North Adelaide and rectify that and try and get back into our team."

Motlop is due to stand trial next month on a charge of assaulting the girlfriend of teammate Jacob Surjan, who also missed the Collingwood match due to injury.

The 29-year-old Motlop was touted for trade last year after injury and poor form restricted him to just nine games.

But the mercurial talent was a standout performer during Port's pre-season in his bid to make amends. – AAP



Caleb Hart, who ran in the 2010 New York Marathon, pictured on the football field.



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Geale's tilt at world crown



TASMANIAN Daniel Geale is set to face the challenge of his life when he takes on Germany's IBF middleweight world

champion Sebastian Sylvester in Neubrandenburg on 7 May.

Geale, whose only loss in 25 fights occurred in a controversial split-points decision to Anthony Mundine in 2009, said he was in the best shape of his life and ready to take the world title.

"I've been preparing mentally for this since November last year after I beat the former champion Roman Karmazin to earn the right as the mandatory challenger," Geale said.

Viral infection

Sylvester (34-3-1, 16 KOs), who is coming off a lopsided unanimous decision against countryman Mahir Oral in his third title defence in October, was supposed to defend his belt against Mehdi Bouadla in January. However, Sylvester came down with a viral infection a week beforehand and withdrew. Rather than reschedule, Sylvester instead moved on to the mandatory defence against Geale, which was due.

"It was not a good start to the year but I took a long break and now I am ready to fight again," Sylvester said.

"I really look forward to returning to Neubrandenburg. I have to make up for the late cancellation last time with an entertaining performance and a big win.

"I am prepared for a tough challenge. As the top-ranked (IBF) contender, Geale poses a big threat.

But I will defend my title."

Geale (24-1, 15 KOs) earned the title opportunity by stopping former junior middleweight titlist Roman Karmazin, who drew with Sylvester last June, in the 12th round in an October title elimination bout.

"Sylvester is a great champion with multiple defences to his credit, but this is my time and I won't be denied," Geale said.

"As the defending champion, I expect Sylvester to be at the top of his game, but this is my time and I've been preparing mentally for this since November last year after I beat Karmazin to earn the right as the mandatory challenger. It's taken 20 years, 190-plus combined amateur and professional fights (to get a title opportunity)."

Launceston-born Geale won the gold medal in the men's welterweight division at the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester, United Kingdom.

Mundine to fight

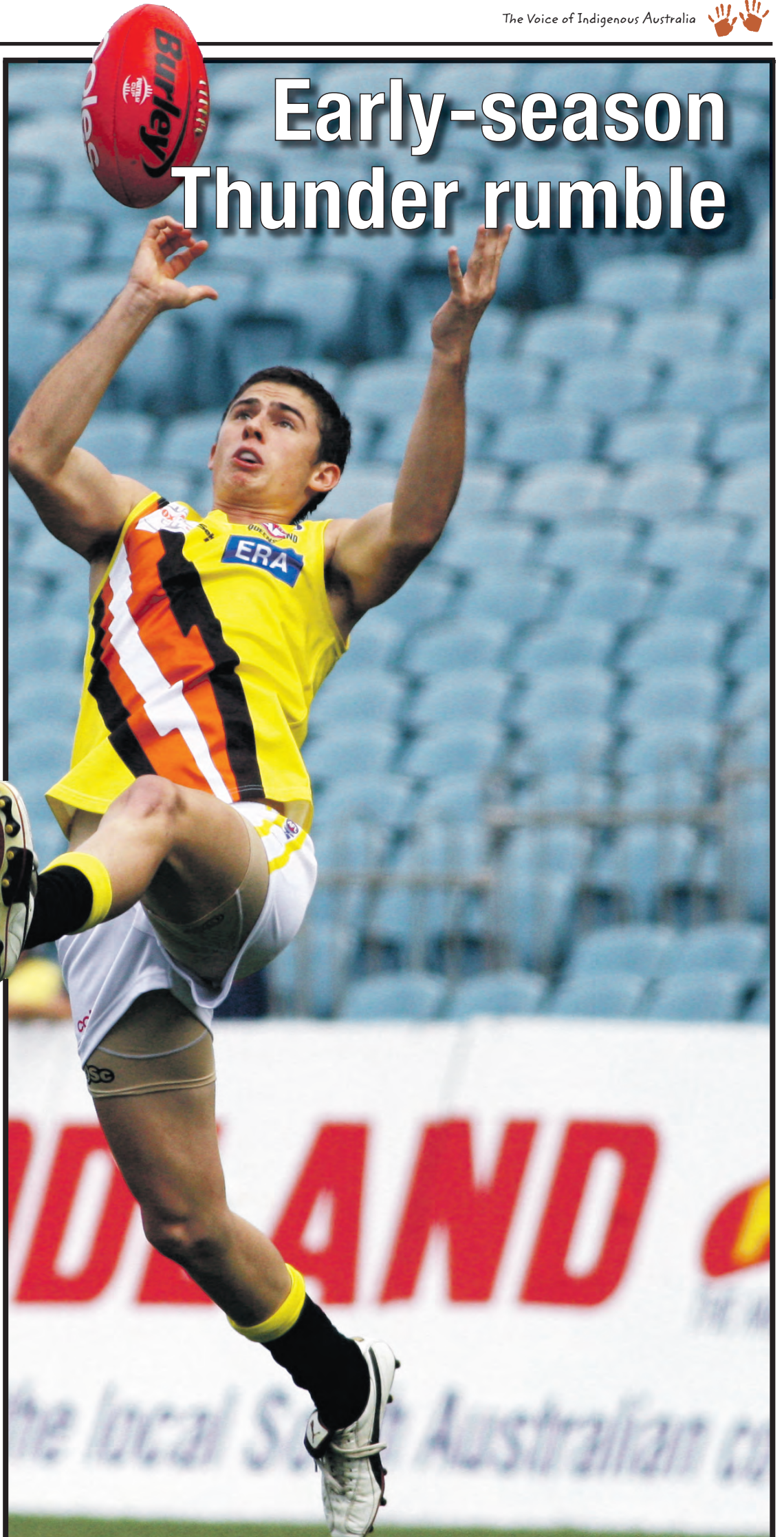
The announcement of Geale's world title tilt comes soon after the announcement that Anthony Mundine will fight Garth Wood in a rematch in Brisbane on 13 April.

Wood was a shock winner over Mundine when they met in Sydney last December.

He earned the chance to fight Mundine after winning the reality TV show *The Contender*.

Wood ended the fight in the fifth round.

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The Northern Territory Thunder's Lachlan Argus gets set to take a mark in the Foxtel Cup Australian football match against 2010 Queensland Australian Football League premiers Morningside at AAMI Stadium, Adelaide. The Thunder won the game in impressive style.

Photo: PETER ARGENT ● See Peter Argent's coverage of the match on Page 74.

● More on the big Northern Territory football grand final – P80-81