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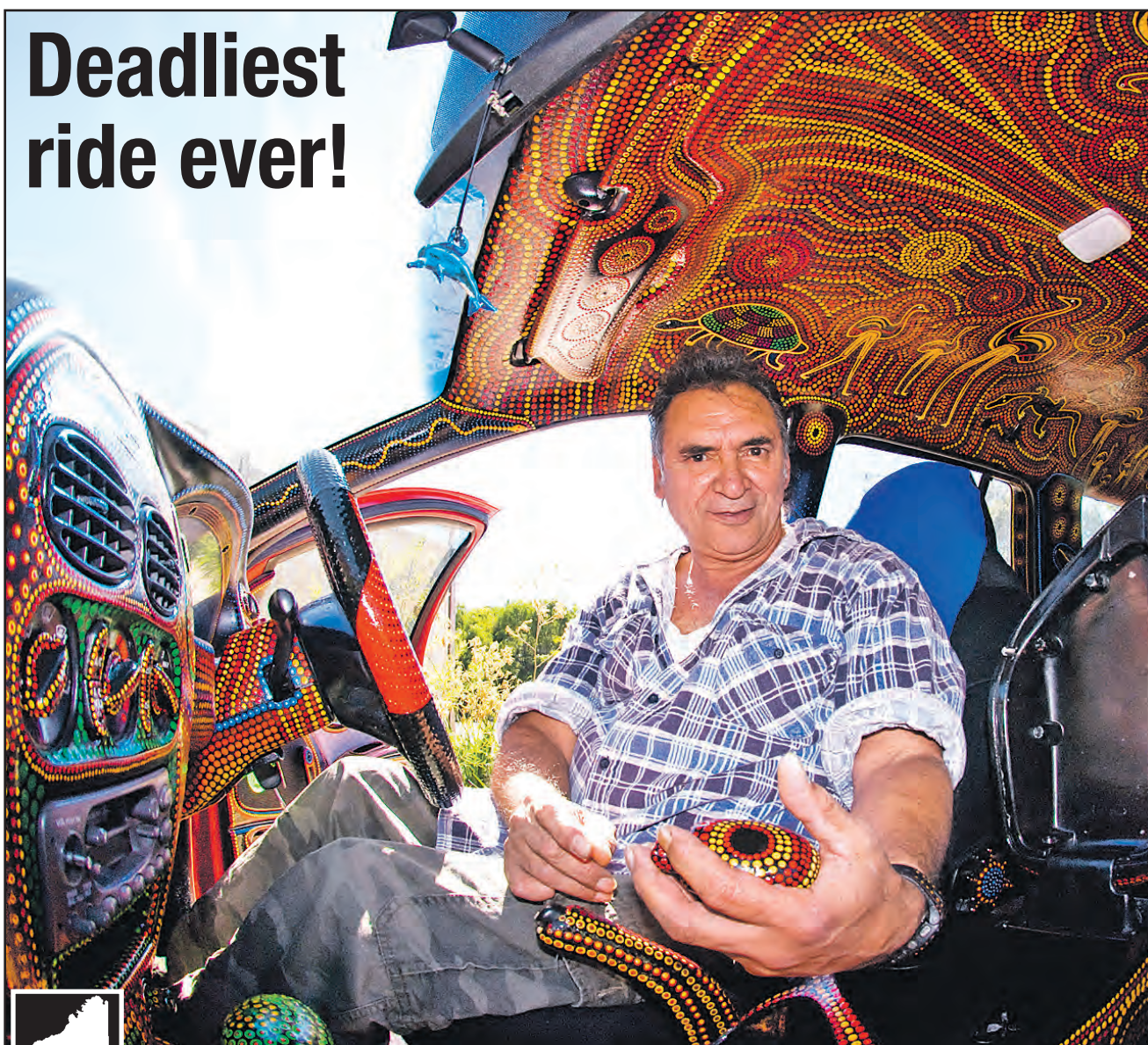
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Congress leaders

Deadliest ride ever!



If this isn't the deadliest car ever, we'd like to know what is. The 1999 Ford station wagon is the creation of proud Busseton-based Noongar artist Charles 'Jdudin' Riley, shown here behind the wheel of his 'Artmobile'. Turn to Page 3 to find out more. Photo: Wendy Slee

Broun and Malezer elected the new national co-chairs



THE National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has its first elected co-chairs. They are Yindjibarndi (Western Australia) woman Jodi Broun and Butchulla (Queensland) man Les Malezer.

Both were confirmed last Sunday by the national board of the Congress following recent elections for the top posts. They will become the first elected national Indigenous leaders since the abolition of ATSIC in 2005.

Ms Broun, a noted artist and former Director-General of the NSW Department of Aboriginal Affairs, was elected from a field of four female co-chair candidates, while Mr Malezer, a long-time activist at national and international level and Human Rights Medal recipient, won from a field of six men.

They will officially take up their positions in the first week of July, following the National Congress Forum scheduled for 7-9 June.

Current co-chairs Sam Jeffries and Josephine Bourne welcomed the co-chairs-elect, saying they would have a mandate on behalf of Congress members and would face the 'massive task to grow the organisation as a trusted advocate and voice for the first nations of Australia'.

The co-chairs-elect said they were humbled by the outcome. Each reiterated their commitment to talk directly to Indigenous people and communities during their two-year term.

● We'll have full coverage of the new co-chairs in our next edition



JODI BROUN



LES MALEZER

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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 PATRICK TORRES – Alice Springs



● Pictured: Members of the Torres family in Alice Springs, from left, Jorja held by Jarrad, Julie, Patrick, and Peta holding Kayla.

HERE I am with my wife Julie, 24-year-old son Jarrad and 23-year-old daughter Peta and my two grandchildren, Jorja, 2 and Kayla, 4 (she is a little camera shy) at Anzac Oval, the home of rugby union in Alice Springs.

The team I coach, Eagles, just won the Central Australian Rugby Union (CARU) premiership for the 2010-2011 season and it was very much a family affair.

Jarrad originally started playing for Eagles seven years ago. My wife and I are actually life members of the rival club, Devils, but last season he dragged me across to coach. Unfortunately due to a serious leg injury he has been unable to play so he took on the role of assistant coach and treasurer and Peta has always been the manager of whatever team I am coaching.

Julie helps out working as sports med for the side.

I am originally from Utopia, outside of

Alice Springs, and we moved here just after Peta was born.

I started playing for the Tigers side in 1987 and moved over to Devils in 1988. I have been a part of the rugby union competition since, and have also had a stint as CARU president.

As a coach I have won two premierships, most recently this year with Eagles and the other with Devils.

We manage to see a lot of each other, and one of the ways we bond is through sporting commitments.

Our grandkids are running around at Anzac Oval every weekend. They do their best to keep everyone entertained on the day.

We help each other with all the jobs, including sharing the babysitting.

As well as immediate family, I have many cousins and nephews who play for Eagles.

In a way, Eagles are a family.

Almost every single one of the boys calls me uncle.

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OUR CHILDREN



Aaron Simpson, Zoe McIntyre, Saraih Flood, Serika Shillingsworth, Millie Ogden and Holly Stewart enjoy the activities at the party marking the first anniversary of the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence, in Sydney. Turn to Page 37 for our report and more photos. Photo: Darren Coyne

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Is this the deadliest car ever?



CHECK out these deadly wheels! They're the work of Noongar artist Charles 'Jdudin' Riley. Jdudin spent several years painting this pristine red 1999

Ford Falcon station wagon.

His dot artwork and bright motifs cover the vehicle – known as Jdudin's Artmobile – inside as well as under the bonnet, and he has fully reconditioned the engine and body work.

Jdudin, a member of the Stolen Generations, now has the Falcon on

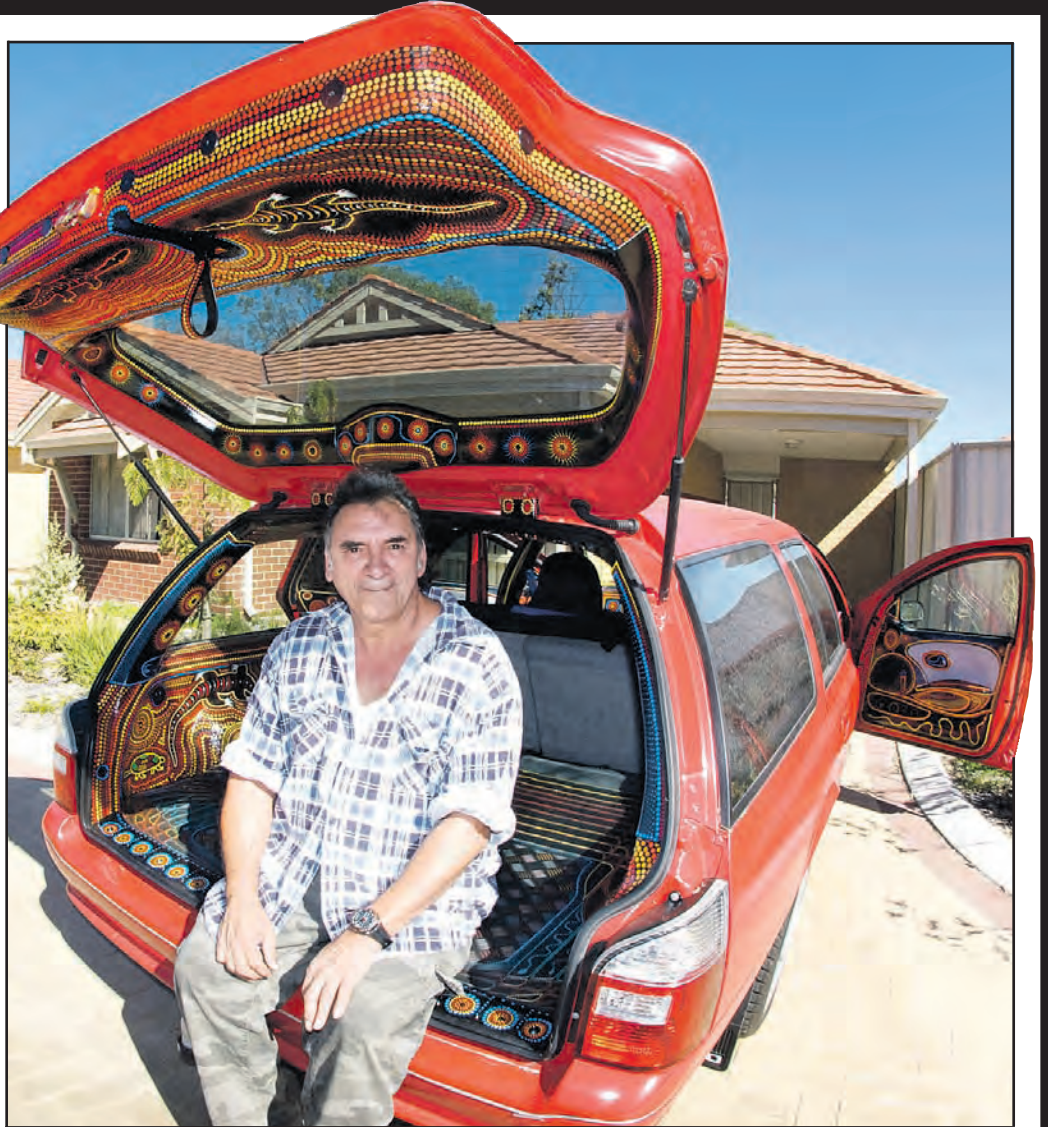
the market – he's got \$80,000 on it – and he's ready to move on to painting his next vehicle, this time a Holden.

The self-taught artist, who hails from Busselton in the WA south-west, says he lives to be creative through his art.

He enjoys dot painting and carving and his works have featured in many exhibitions.

"I really enjoy doing this work and want others to enjoy it too," Jdudin says.

For those interested in buying the car, call 0437 782 840.



Artist Charles 'Jdudin' Riley at home in Busselton in the rear of his red 1999 AU Ford Falcon station wagon, and the interior of the 'Artmobile'. Photos: Wendy Slee

Funds keep NITV on air



INDIGENOUS broadcaster NITV has been given \$15.2 million to continue operating for the next year. The broadcaster is also now under the umbrella of the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy portfolio.

The funding and transfer of responsibility followed the release this month of a report from the Review of Australian Government Investment in the Indigenous Broadcasting and Media Sector, led by Neville Stevens.

In his report, Mr Stevens said NITV should as soon as possible be restructured from being a private company into a government-owned company and that the network allocates more of its budget to content sourced from regional and remote Indigenous producers.

He also suggested that the network 'was yet to fully meet the expectations of its stakeholders and to fulfill its potential' and recommended crucial changes be made to its corporate structure and content acquisition policy.

NITV Chairman Ken Reys



JIM REMEDIO

said changes to the organisation's structure were under way and that the funding and change of responsibility was a big step forward for NITV, and the Indigenous broadcasting sector. "We have been fighting for more than two decades to have this level of recognition within the Australian media landscape," he said.

"We believe the Government recognises the contribution we are making in helping to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. We also welcome the recognition in the Stevens Review Report that ensuring continuing editorial independence for NITV is crucial

and that NITV should be funded on a triennial basis."

During the next transitional year, NITV intends to negotiate with Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy Stephen Conroy about its future, including the option of a free-to-air presence.

"We look forward to productive discussions with Senator Conroy and hope to realise our goal of becoming the national Indigenous broadcaster on free-to-air television," Mr Reys said.

Australian Indigenous Communications Association chairman Jim Remedio welcomed the report.

"The recognition through special licensing that Indigenous broadcasting is significantly different from other community broadcasting is vital," he said.

"Our own media is the primary place where Indigenous peoples, particularly in remote communities, access their information whether it is about government programs or news and current affairs.

"We are in total agreement that Indigenous broadcasting must be recognised for our partnership with government, community and individuals."



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Croc attack heroes



Four of the men involved in the rescue, from left, Cameron Jawai, Alfred Port, Egito Motton and Freddy Clermont.

By ALF WILSON



FIVE young Cape York Aboriginal men who risked their lives saving a fisherman from the jaws

of a 3m saltwater crocodile have been nominated for bravery awards.

Napranum men Cameron Jawai, Alfred Port, Egito Motton, Freddy Clermont and Peter Chevithan along with Weipa's Kevin Beven combined for the rescue of Weipa fisherman Todd Bairstow from the crocodile last month at Weipa's Trunding Creek.

Mr Bairstow was interviewed in his Cairns hospital bed by Channel Nine's *60 Minutes* program on Sunday 3 April when wounds to his legs were shown.

Mr Beven was also interviewed by *60 Minutes* at Trunding Creek where the attack occurred, but the five Aboriginal men were not given recognition.

However, in the *60 Minutes* program a week later on 10 April, the Indigenous men were mentioned during the mail bag section.

The crocodile had been captured by rangers and relocated to a crocodile farm.

The attack occurred about 4.30pm on 24 March and the men were alerted by a woman who heard Mr Bairstow's screams from the carpark of the nearby Albatross Hotel.

Mr Jawai told the *Koori Mail* they realised the screams were coming from the other side of the creek

Men nominated for bravery honours

which he estimated was 10m wide at the then low tide.

Mr Jawai said that even though they were mindful that more crocs could be in the creek, their main aim was to get to the screaming man.

"We didn't think of the dangers and were on adrenalin. Kevin drove his vehicle about 1km to the other side of the creek and we went a bit further down where it was shallower but the water was still up to our

water while the rest of us continued to beat the crocodile with the branches," Mr Jawai said.

"The croc had grabbed him a second time just as we arrived but it couldn't get traction to drag him backwards."

At that point, Mr Jawai said, a life-or-death tug-of-war between Kevin and the crocodile was going on.

"I think it was Peter who hit the crocodile with a log and it let go of him, then it bit the log in half," he said.

Despite the noise the crocodile continued to harass the men but they kept it at bay with more sticks and logs.

"You could see the croc's bubbles only half a metre from where Todd's legs were and where we were on the bank. The croc just kept swimming around, stalking us. Kevin managed to drag Todd back from the edge of the bank and emergency services arrived," Mr Jawai said.

Member for Cook Jason O'Brien said the six should be recognised with a bravery award after fighting off the crocodile armed with only sticks and logs.

"From what I have heard these men saved the life of Todd Bairstow. They took on this crocodile at great personal risk, and for this they should be recognised," he said.



Blood on the crocodile caught by rangers just after the attack.

chests and we arrived just seconds after Kevin," he said.

The men were horrified to see Mr Bairstow was holding on to mangroves and the croc had dragged him down the bank.

"He was yelling out that he couldn't hold on much longer and we told him to hang in there and we would get him loose," Mr Jawai said.

He said they armed themselves with logs and sticks from dead trees.

"Kevin grabbed hold of Todd and pulled him from the

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20 years later, and 269 more are dead

Rallies and calls for action on anniversary of Royal Commission

By DARREN COYNE



THE 20th anniversary of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody has been marked

with rallies and calls to action.

The Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation group on Friday launched a national campaign to reduce the over-representation of Indigenous people in prison, while groups rallied in Perth and Brisbane.

ANTaR national director Jacqueline Phillips said it was unacceptable that imprisonment rates had continued to increase in the 20 years since the Royal Commission reported.

Since 1989, the imprisonment rate of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people has increased 12 times faster than the rate for the rest of the community.

And since the Royal Commission, there have been 269 deaths in custody.

Meanwhile, researchers at the University of Technology, Sydney, called for the establishment of an independent statutory body to investigate allegations of assault against, or the death of, people in police custody.

The research team said that with Indigenous Australians being 14 times more likely to be incarcerated than the other Australians, an existing 'culture of cover-up' posed a real threat to the lives of Indigenous Australians. "At present, police investigate police and these conflicted investigations then provide the foundation for any future prosecutions," research fellow Nicole Watson said, citing the death of Mulrunji Doomadgee in the watch-house at Palm Island in 2004.



Marchers on their way to Parliament House in Perth on 15 April to mark the 20th anniversary of the handing down of the report of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said it was time to put money and resources into alternatives to prisons such as justice reinvestment – a criminal justice approach that diverts a portion of funds spent on imprisonment to local communities where there is a high concentration of offenders. Money that would have been spent on imprisonment is reinvested in programs and services that address the underlying causes of crime in these communities.

"Under a justice reinvestment approach, if there is a connection in a community between crime and drug and alcohol problems, then services are established to address these problems. If the drug and alcohol problems are symptoms of other issues like poor parenting, or family violence,

then services are established to address these problems," Mr Gooda said.

In Perth, about 300 people carrying white, wooden crosses marched to State Parliament in a rally organised by Western Australia's Deaths in Custody Watch Committee and the state's Aboriginal Legal Service.

Aboriginal deaths

Aboriginal Legal Service lawyer Tammy Solonec told the rally that Aboriginal deaths accounted for 18 per cent of all deaths in custody during the past 20 years.

She said Aboriginal people at present made up nearly 39 per cent of all those locked up in WA and nearly 74 per cent of incarcerated juveniles, while they only made up four per cent of the state's population.

In Brisbane, a rally was held in Queens Park where Greens

spokeswoman Libby Connors said Queensland had a shameful history of police-Indigenous relations.

"These deaths were needless – the report provided clear alternatives to incarceration," she said.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said in Adelaide on Friday that far too many Aboriginal people were in custody and 'one of the biggest reasons is alcohol abuse'.

"We're working with Aboriginal people on the ground to put in place locally relevant alcohol management plans," she said.

Ms Macklin also said the Government was focused on improving housing, education and rehabilitation services to help reduce the likelihood of Indigenous people entering the criminal justice system.

Attorney-General Robert McClelland said in a statement that the Royal Commission's report had prompted government measures that had achieved a significant decrease in the number of deaths in custody.

The Australian Institute of Criminology continues to monitor and report on all deaths in custody, as recommended by the Royal Commission.

The institute's research manager, Laura Beacroft, said the main conclusion of the Royal Commission was that indigenous people were not more likely to die in custody than other people and that remained true today.

Anyone interested in ANTaR's Call to Action can visit http://www.antar.org.au/issues_and_campaigns/reducing_indigenous_incarceration

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Major donation to Monash Uni



MONASH University says it is helping to close the gap in Indigenous health through its new

Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health. Established this month, the school is the result of a \$10.5 million donation from the Harvest Alliance Foundation.

"In Australia there is a significant gap between the health of Indigenous people and the rest of Australia," says Professor Steve Wesselingh, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash.

"We feel quite passionate about the fact that our work in developing the workforce and our efforts in research, should be aimed at reducing that gap."

Monash says the 'transformational gift' of \$10.5 million will enable the university to 'take a great leap forward, into a more equitable and prosperous future for Indigenous Australians'.

"Monash has a real desire to effect change. We like the partnership with Monash," says Harvest Alliance Foundation Chairman Alan Rancie.

"We believe we will achieve great change for the better. There are a lot of people at Monash that think outside the square. The school is innovative and that's important."

The school will train and up-skill Indigenous and other health workers, and establish community training sites where students can gain first-hand clinical experience in Indigenous settings. There will be opportunities for scholarships and post-graduate study.

● **More in our Focus on Education feature – Page 43**

Burney elected deputy leader



ABORIGINAL NSW Labor MP Linda Burney is the new Deputy Opposition Leader in New South Wales.

Ms Burney, the former Community Services Minister, was elected to the position following Labor's thrashing at the 26 March State election.

She will be Shadow Minister for Planning, Infrastructure and Heritage; Sport and Recreation; the Hunter; the Central Coast.

The New Shadow Minister for Aboriginal Affairs is former minister Barbara Perry.

Labor's Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Paul Lynch, is the new Shadow Attorney-General and Shadow Minister for Justice.

Anzac march set for Redfern



THE annual Coloured Diggers march will again be held in Redfern on Anzac Day. The march is after the

main Anzac commemoration in the city. The Redfern event will begin with a wreath laying at the Redfern Park War Memorial at 12.45pm.

Marchers will then head off at 1pm and gather at the Redfern Community Centre for a ceremony and entertainment at 1.30pm.

The event this year will have a special focus of honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sisters, mothers, aunties and grandmothers. Some served in the armed forces while others stayed at home and held their families and communities together. They also cared and comforted their men when they returned from war.

Cole's debut feature film a part of Message Sticks

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



FILM director Beck Cole will be joining veteran actor Pauline Whyman and hitting the road

next month as part of the Message Sticks 2011 national tour.

Cole's debut feature film *Here I Am* will open the 2011 festival at the Sydney Opera House on 12 May, before touring to other centres.

The film is set and shot around Port Adelaide and tells the story of Karen, who begins the difficult journey of reconnecting with her mother and daughter after she is released from prison.

Whyman forms part of the ensemble cast of women playing the role of Skinny – a 'mother-hen' figure and long-term resident of the women's shelter where Karen lands.

Shot by Cole's husband Warwick Thornton, the film also marks the return of Marcia Langton to the screen, playing the role of Karen's no-nonsense mother Lois, who is determined to ensure Karen's return doesn't adversely affect her grand-daughter's life.

Cole said she came up with the character of Karen many years ago, but Marcia Langton, who appeared in Tracey Moffatt's 1990 film *Night Cries*, was the inspiration for Lois.

"It was during the time I was



Shai Pittman plays the lead role in Beck Cole's debut feature film *Here I am*. Photo: Mark Rogers

working on (SBS television series) *First Australians* (in which Langton featured), so I had her in mind as I was writing the script," Cole said.

"Sub-consciously the character was largely modelled on Marcia."

Cole said many of the characters Karen encounters at the shelter were women who had 'been through the wringer', with the film touching on issues like shame, domestic violence and the high rates of Indigenous imprisonment.

However, Cole said there was also a lot of humour in the film.

"The women who are in this film give it this funny, off-beat

quirkiness," she said. "Because they are those characters in some way or other."

"With drama you can get that message across to people without them feeling like they are being banged over the head."

"But at the same time it's good to present the film as something that's hopeful and joyous. The reality is that people don't want to go see films where they feel they've been lectured at."

In the lead role of Karen, Shai Pittman who hails from Sydney's Blacktown, is in every scene of the film and Cole said her endurance and dedication through a lot of emotional

scenes was admirable.

"She's fascinating to look at, and easy on the eye," she said. "But I really like her voice, she's got this full-on Koori accent which I love."

Cole first saw Pittman performing in a student film, and said she hadn't wanted to cast a well-known actor in the lead role.

"People have to start from somewhere and you would be surprised how many Aboriginal people have a desire to be on the screen and give it a go," she said. "If people keep casting the same people over and over again, we're not going to build up that body of skills and people to draw on."

Living longer is campaign goal



A NEW national campaign aimed at extending the lives of Indigenous people has been launched. Called Live Longer!, it features community events

across the country.

It's a main part of the Federal Government's \$21.3 million Local Community Campaigns program.

Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon launched Live Longer! at a Healthy Community Day this month at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern.

It was the first of more than 60 Healthy Community Days to be held in urban, regional, rural and remote areas across the nation until June 2012.

The Federal Government has employed Tackling Smoking and Healthy Lifestyle workers across 20 regions around Australia who will visit these communities to promote preventative health messages.

The Government has also developed a grants program to enable local organisations to organise healthy living activities.

Two additional Regional Tackling Smoking



JUSTIN MOHAMED

and Healthy Lifestyle Teams will work with local communities across metropolitan Sydney.

The National Aboriginal Community

Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) has welcomed the program.

NACCHO Chair Justin Mohamed said Indigenous communities welcomed the flexibility and local control that was a central part of the campaign.

"The Australian Government, Warren Snowdon as the Minister responsible for Aboriginal health, and the Live Longer campaign team have done a great job listening to communities and delivering local control of these health grants," he said.

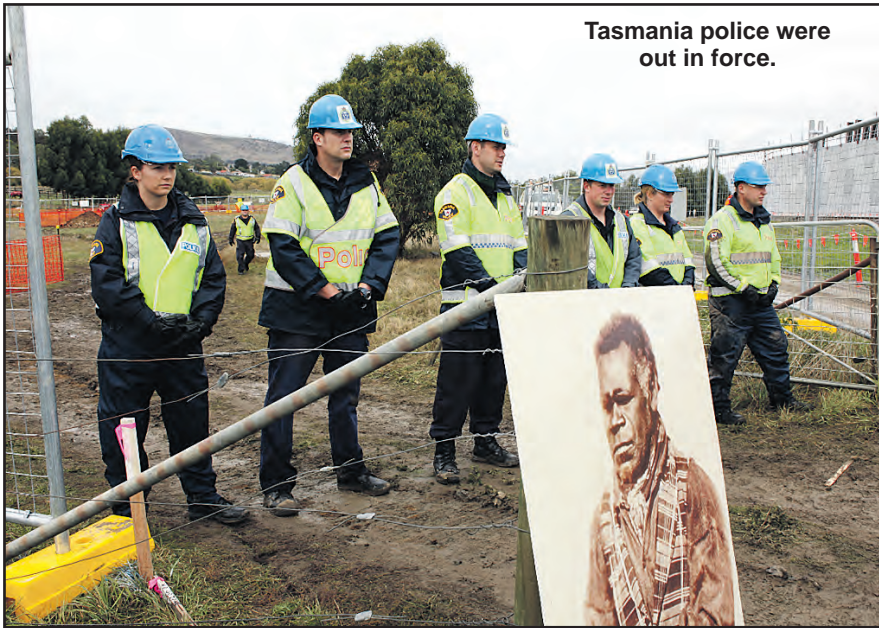
"The Healthy Community Days and local community campaigns are part of Aboriginal people taking more control of their health and owning the solutions."

"This fits well with the philosophy of our 152 Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services in urban, regional and remote Australia."

"Several of our services have already received grants for events under the Live Longer! campaign."

"I'd urge NACCHO's member health services to see how they can make best use of the Live Longer! program to support their local initiatives."

Kutalayna protests lead to arrests



Tasmania police were out in force.



Jamie Everett at the fenced off area.

The battle starts

By JILLIAN MUNDY



PROTESTS against construction of a bridge at Kutalayna, in Tasmania, which protesters claim will destroy 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage, look set to continue.

Works contracted by the Tasmanian Infrastructure Department started at the site on Thursday, following final approval from Environment Minister Brian Wightman.

Twenty-one protesters were arrested for trespass on Friday amid scenes of mud, tears, anger and desperation. All were bailed with conditions not to return to the site.

Other protesters have vowed to return for as long as construction continues, many willing – like those before them – to place themselves in the path of machinery in a bid to stop works. Infrastructure Department Secretary Norm McIlfratrick said work is scheduled to continue for the next two years.

The peaceful but vocal protests, at the site north of Hobart, included about 80 people turning out each day, chanting 'cultural destruction, shame, shame, shame' and 'stop the bridge at Brighton, reroute the road'.

On the first day, one of the campaign leaders, Aboriginal activist Aaron Everett, successfully ordered construction workers from the wet and muddy site, bringing their work to an end for the day.

The following day, construction activities were in full flight under the guard of Tasmania Police. Inside a fenced area, 25 officers stood guard around an excavator digging pits, while more than a dozen other police stood back watching, videoing events, waiting with vans to take away any protesters who entered the fenced area and recording the number plates of cars parked in the area.

Nala Mansell-McKenna was one of the 21 arrested on Friday.



● Left: Sara Maynard, leads the protest, while Aunty Pat Green watches on in dismay .
● Right: Scenes from the first day of the protest.



Soon after works started that morning, Aaron Everett was arrested with other campaign leaders including Jim Everett, Ambrose McDonald, Adam Thompson and Nala Mansell-McKenna.

Protesters

Protesters scaled the fence, some jumping into muddy pits and others climbing onto the excavator in a bid to halt works for as long as they could.

Protesters made it clear their issue was with government.

"We are not angry with the police or construction workers, we are angry with the Government," Sara Maynard, of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre, explained with the aid of a loud speaker.

"We are just so devastated to see this occur. We had hoped this stupid Tasmanian Government would value Aboriginal heritage like they do European heritage."

It would appear the police and construction workers – well at least some – felt the same way. Police have picked up hitch-hikers and dropped them at the protest camp, and one worker stopped to talk to the *Koori Mail* during the protests, airing his support for the protesters' cause, adding that many of his co-workers felt the same.

Ms Maynard said the protests were just a taste of things to come.

Ironically, as protesters were scaling the fences in their bids to

stop works and subsequently being handcuffed and dragged through the mud to waiting vans, Tasmanian Premier Lara Giddings and Minister for Parks and Heritage David O'Byrne were on the other side of town celebrating the management and conservation of the state's 200-year-old convict heritage.

Criticism

There has been long-standing and widespread criticism of the differences between state protection for European historic heritage and Aboriginal heritage.

Originally, the disputed road was to cut straight through the levee area containing the heritage.

When archaeological test

pitting and scientific dating, revealed in 2009 that the levee contained Aboriginal heritage dating back 42,000 years, agreed by archaeologists to be internationally significant, Tasmanian Aborigines and supporters mounted a campaign to change the road's alignment.

In response, the Tasmanian Government changed the plans to include a 70m span bridge over the area, employing innovative construction methods.

They claim there is no feasible alternative to the current road alignment, which was identified in 1980s, and say the bypass road will save lives and ensure that freight moves through the state more efficiently.

While the Tasmanian and Federal governments do not dispute the age or importance of the site, Labor members of the Tasmanian Government claim they are protecting the site.

Greens MPs think otherwise.

Last Wednesday, Tasmanian Greens Leader and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Nick McKim introduced a failed 11th-hour motion that, had it been passed, would have bought works to a halt and made way for alternative road alignments to be considered.

Mr McKim, who has often been labelled Minister for Nothing by Tasmanian Aboriginal leaders, said it was one of the most serious matters he had debated. He said GHD, a company with significant engineering expertise, had presented alternative legitimate alignment options in January.

Meanwhile, as the politicians exchanged jibes and discussed the importance of Aboriginal heritage, and Liberal and Labor members confirmed their steadfast commitment to the road's alignment voting down the motion, workers contracted by the Tasmanian Government were erecting 2m high metal fences at the disputed site to enclose the ensuing controversial works.

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Judge reserves decision in vilification case

'Bolt' nine await ruling

By AAP, with additional reporting by the *Koori Mail*



NINE Aboriginal people suing *Herald Sun* newspaper columnist Andrew Bolt for racial

vilification could be waiting months for a judgment in the case.

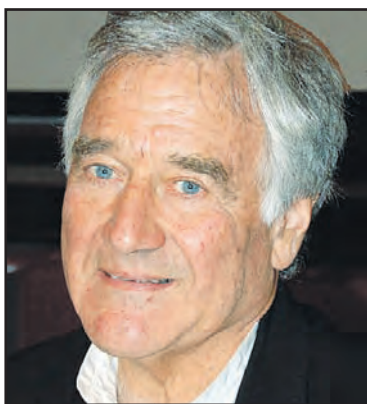
The Federal Court action wound up in Melbourne on 6 April, with Justice Mordecai Bromberg reserving his decision.

The case taken by activist Pat Eatock, former ATSIC chairman Geoff Clark, artist Bindi Cole, academic Professor Larissa Behrendt, author Dr Anita Heiss, health worker Leeanne Enoch, native title expert Graham Atkinson, academic Wayne Atkinson, and lawyer Mark McMillan under the Race Discrimination Act is being closely watched by those in the Indigenous community, the media sector, and free speech advocates.

The 'fair-skinned' complainants objected to Bolt describing them as 'professional Aborigines' in the articles headlined 'It's so hip to be black' and 'White fellas in the black' and on blogs that appeared during 2009.

The court heard that the articles suggested the group were 'rotting the system' and gaining benefit by identifying with only one aspect of their cultural heritage.

The plaintiffs were seeking an apology from Mr Bolt, but now only seek one from his employer the *Herald* and *Weekly Times* (HWT). They also want a declaration that the columns and blog breached the Act, an undertaking there will be no repeat publication of the material and its removal from



Senior counsel for the plaintiffs
Ron Merkel, QC.



Newspaper columnist
Andrew Bolt.

the *Herald Sun* website.

On the final day of the eight-day hearing, the senior lawyer acting for the nine plaintiffs told the court that Mr Bolt's evidence lacked credibility and should be treated with caution.

Ron Merkel QC said Mr Bolt had displayed an unsatisfactory approach to giving evidence and had avoided questions during the eight-day hearing.

"Your Honour should be very cautious about accepting Mr Bolt's evidence," Mr Merkel told Justice Bromberg.

"Little or no regard should be given to his evidence."

Mr Merkel also told the court his clients had no desire to



Waiting for a decision ... Lead plaintiff Pat Eatock, Dr Anita Heiss and Bindi Cole outside the Federal Court in Melbourne early this month.

halt debate on racial identity.

Their concern was that Mr Bolt expressed his views about their supposed motives for identifying as Aborigines in a personal and offensive way, he said.

Mr Merkel said Mr Bolt's articles claimed that more political and financial gain existed if they claimed Aboriginality.

'Unlawful'

"We are not trying to prevent debate on this topic," he said. "We are saying the debate Mr Bolt engaged in was unlawful."

During the case, Mr Merkel told the court that Mr Bolt's articles were 'gratuitous, insulting and misleading'.

In closing submissions, he said the articles attacked not only those mentioned in them but also young Aborigines who, because of 'youth, inexperience or psychological vulnerability', were vulnerable to attacks on them.

Mr Merkel said that if young people had aspirations to be like those challenged in the articles, it would help solve the problems of Aboriginal disadvantage also highlighted by Mr Bolt.

"So, it's a double assault on this group," Mr Merkel said. "It's an assault on their own self-respect ... their own pride, but it's also an assault on how they will see others viewing them."

"What he has done in these articles, absolutely unintentionally, but the consequence of writing these articles is to pull down the kind of pillars that are the role models for the future."

Mr Bolt said in evidence that people who claimed they were humiliated or distressed by his views couldn't duck the debate as they had made a 'political' choice.

In his summing up, Neil Young QC, for Mr Bolt and the HWT, said Mr Merkel had misrepresented the issues.

"Your Honour has been presented with submissions that have fundamentally

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Behrendt apology over Price 'tweet'



A 'TWEET' from Indigenous lawyer and academic Larissa Behrendt last week prompted a war of words

among some Indigenous leaders and led to calls for her sacking from a high-profile review, and the stripping of her NSW Person of the Year award.

Professor Behrendt issued an apology after tweeting on social media network Twitter that a program she had watched on ABC2 that featured sex with a horse was less offensive than Central Australian Aboriginal leader Bess Price, who supports the intervention in the Northern Territory.

Prof Behrendt made the comment to a stream of fellow 'tweeters' who had been watching Ms Price on the ABC's Q&A program on Monday night last week.

"I watched a show where a guy had sex with a horse and I'm sure it was less offensive than Bess Price," her tweet said.

When another Twitter-user using the name 'sublimecowgirl' said she was shocked at the horse comment, Prof Behrendt responded with 'I can find people saying compulsory income management is good for those struggling when they've never been on it offensive'.

The exchange continued:

Sublimecowgirl: "Oh... That makes it OK to compare an old womans concern about DV & child abuse with beastiality then."

Prof Behrendt: "I work with the harm it's causing every day. It was the greatest human rights violation. And it hurt many women. Offensive."

Sublimecowgirl: "And i won't invalidate your opinion either, I know its complex, but i wont publically invalidate a womans lived experience."

Prof Behrendt: "...she hasn't lived under income management. I don't support advocacy to violate rights to equality by anyone-white or black."

Sublimecowgirl: "All immensely fair and reasonable points which is why i dont understand why the slur is necessary. It is beneath you."



LARISSA BEHRENDT



BESS PRICE



SUE GORDON



ADAM GILES



MARCIA LANGTON

Prof Behrendt: "I represented victims of NTER and the government rolls out Bess Price to counter them. I don't feel I need to be polite."

Prof Behrendt told *The Australian* newspaper last Wednesday – two days after her comments – that they had been taken out of context.

But in an email to Ms Price the following day, she wrote: "Dear Ms Price, I very much regret that a recent tweet of mine has caused you deep offence. I unreservedly

offer you a heartfelt apology for that and hope you can accept it. Sincerely, Larissa."

Ms Price has reportedly refused to accept the emailed apology, but the *Koori Mail* was unable to confirm this at the weekend because Ms Price was attending sorry business in Yuendumu.

Sought legal advice

However, her husband Dave said that he and Mrs Price had sought advice from a senior counsel in Darwin, and were also

concerned about another tweet from Intervention activist Paddy Gibson.

That tweet said: "ha! Being offensive pays. BessP and her white husband make a \$packet\$ doing 'cultural awareness' for NTER."

Mr Price said he and his wife were sick of being vilified by those who opposed the intervention.

"We get vilified for working and paying our own bills. We've got a business but it's a mum-and-dad partnership, not a large company,

and we do cross-cultural training and try to promote things like language," he said.

Prof Behrendt's tweet prompted outrage from others, including Indigenous academic Marcia Langton, who wrote in *The Australian* that she had 'never witnessed such extreme disrespect shown by a younger Aboriginal woman for an older Aboriginal woman in my life, except where the perpetrator was severely intoxicated on drugs or alcohol'.

She said Prof Behrendt's 'foul tweet was an exemplar of the wide cultural, moral and increasingly political rift between urban, left-wing, activist Aboriginal women and the bush women, who witness the horrors of life in their communities, much of which is arrogantly denied by the former'.

NT Country Liberals Shadow Minister for Indigenous Development Adam Giles called on NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell, to strip Prof Behrendt of her NSW 2010 Australian of the Year award. A spokesperson for the Premier said this would not happen.

And on Saturday, *The Australian* newspaper reported that three Indigenous leaders had called on the Federal Government to drop Prof Behrendt as head of its review of Aboriginal higher education, arguing that she would alienate 'bush Aborigines'.

Former NT intervention task force head Sue Gordon, former Labor President Warren Mundine and NT independent MP Alison Anderson said the Government should appoint someone 'less divisive'.

However, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin refused to weigh into the debate when approached by journalists, saying she understood an apology had been made.

A spokesperson for Higher Education Minister Chris Evans also said the Government would not remove Prof Behrendt and had confidence in her ability to lead the review.

Prof Behrendt did not respond to calls from the *Koori Mail*.

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mis-stated the law and grossly misrepresented the evidence and facts," he said.

Mr Young maintained the case depended on a 'reasonable person's' understanding of the articles and of the plain English meaning of the terms used in them.

"It's not a matter of whether one thinks an expression is rude or impolite, but whether it is likely to offend on the grounds of race," he said.

Just a day after the hearing concluded, Channel Ten confirmed that it would launch a new Sunday morning program hosted by Mr Bolt. *The Bolt Report*, is scheduled to air from 8 May, in the same timeslot as the

ABC's *Insiders* program on which Mr Bolt has been a regular guest.

The issue of Aboriginal people's skin colour continued to rear its head last week,

after Prof Behrendt was forced to apologise for comments she tweeted about Northern Territory Intervention supporter Bess Price after she appeared on the ABC's Q&A

program (see separate story above).

Ms Price reportedly responded by calling Prof Behrendt a 'white blackfella' who was out of touch with Central Australian Aboriginal people. "I want what she has for my children," *The Australian* newspaper quoted Ms Price as saying.

On Friday, Prof Marcia Langton also used the national broadsheet to castigate Prof Behrendt.

"Australians, whether they support reconciliation or not, must be astonished at the viciousness of the twittering sepia-toned Sydney activists," Prof Langton wrote.

"Andrew Bolt should be rubbing his hands with glee – Behrendt has delivered on all of his stereotypes, and this time I have to wonder if he is not right after all."

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The Veronnica Baxter death inquest

Suicide finding by NSW Coroner

By LIZ MURRAY



A SYDNEY coronial inquest has found Indigenous transgender

woman Veronnica Baxter took her own life in her cell while on remand at a men's jail. Deputy NSW Coroner Paul McMahon found Ms Baxter, 34, who had previously gone by other names, hanged herself overnight on 15-16 March 2009 in her one-person cell at the Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre, Silverwater.

The inquest, on 4 April, heard the transgender woman showed no signs of anxiety or depression in the days preceding her death.

Mr McMahon concluded the cause of Ms Baxter's death was asphyxiation and an intentional suicide.

Ms Baxter had been arrested on drugs charges and was held

in the cells at the Sydney Police Centre in Surry Hills for five days before being transferred to Silverwater.

Mr McMahon said the 'knock-ups' call alert intercom system was used from Ms Baxter's cell during the evening before her body was discovered, although none of the guards on duty could say who answered the calls, and there were no records kept. He made one recommendation that all inmate use of the alert system be recorded and retained.

Mr McMahon said that 'in a relatively calculated way or on the spur of the moment' Ms Baxter acted to end her life.

"The Department of Corrective Services could not have prevented her death," he said.

In evidence at the inquest, Silverwater Offender Services and Programs manager Kerri Lyn Trafford said Ms Baxter was assessed three times by her



A group urging justice for Veronnica Baxter outside the Coroner's Court in Glebe, Sydney.

specialist staff and showed 'absolutely no indication' she was suicidal.

Ms Trafford said that after arriving at Silverwater on 15 March, Ms Baxter had telephoned a friend, but the call details were not available.

Attempts

She said Sandra Laycock, a staff member who did welfare assessments of Ms Baxter, made six unsuccessful attempts to place calls for her to her family while she was at Surry Hills Police Centre.

Aboriginal Legal Service NSW-ACT lawyer Mr McLachlan asked witness Detective Sergeant David Wood, who was

in charge of the NSW Police investigation of Ms Baxter's death, why she had been detained at a lock-up for five days.

Det Sgt Wood could not recall why the wait had occurred, and did not know if she had continued receiving her hormone therapy. He said Ms Baxter was withdrawing from heroin.

Ms Trafford said Ms Baxter was not on the methadone program.

Mark Farrell, who investigated NSW Corrective Services procedures in the matter, said he had no access to Justice Health's medical data on Ms Baxter.

Det Sgt Wood said Ms Baxter was arrested in an undercover operation before being charged and sent to the lock-up.

He said he attended the cell following her death and found that nothing at the scene indicated foul play.

A 2001 transfer application to Mulawa women's prison that was later withdrawn by Ms Baxter was submitted as evidence.

Following questioning of witnesses, Coroner McMahon said he was satisfied there had been compliance with regard to Ms Baxter and Corrective Services' transgender policy.

He described Ms Baxter's death as a tragedy.

More questions raised than answered: MP

AFTER a two-year wait, the half-day Coroner's inquest into the death in custody of Sydney transgender woman Veronnica Baxter raises more questions than it answers, a NSW parliamentarian says.

Greens MP David Shoebridge is seeking a Parliamentary inquiry into the death, saying it will be able to call relevant witnesses to give evidence.

"The key witness, being the transgender counselling officer, was not called to give evidence at the inquest," Mr Shoebridge said.

"It seems remarkable a vulnerable, Aboriginal, transgender woman would not have objected to being placed in an all-male prison."

Mr Shoebridge said questions remain over Ms Baxter's access to hormone therapy treatment after her arrest, due to the nature of her sudden death, when no one had detected any signs of suicidal tendencies.

Norrie May-Welby, of Intersex, Sex and Gender Education (ISAGE), said Corrective Services' transgender policy



Veronnica Baxter ... the transgender Aboriginal woman was found dead in her cell while on remand in a men's jail.

needed to be adhered to very strictly to ensure trans-people's well being. "We had no evidence to confirm she had been

given her hormones – if trans-people are not given their hormones, they can become suicidal," she said.

Ms May-Welby said she feared authorities were dismissive of Ms Baxter's death because of her transgender status and Aboriginality.

In July 2009, Greens MP Sylvia Hale referred the death to the Independent Commission Against Corruption, but any inquiry could not take place until after the inquest. An ICAC spokesperson could not confirm if there would be an inquiry.

Community Action Against Homophobia (CAAH) and the Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) said a lack of transparency and disclosure lingered over the death.

The suicide finding was publicly released only when Ms Baxter's brother William Drury said through the ISJA that he wanted his sister's case to 'become very public, so such a tragedy never happens again'.

CAAH spokesperson Rachel Evans said the group was concerned by the use of Veronnica Baxter's male name and

gender status (at birth) in the Coroner's orders.

ISJA spokesperson Ray Jackson said: "We saw a whitewash – on the 20th anniversary of the Royal Commission into Black Deaths in custody."

He said no witness addressed if the emergency calls from her cell on the night she died had been answered, or by whom, and he raised questions over her suicide, when all evidence from experts and others stated she was not suicidal.

Justice Health's Dr Martin McNamara said relatives concerned about health care provided could seek an open disclosure process with the department. He said medical records access could be granted to the executor of the Ms Baxter's estate.

A Corrective Services Department spokesperson said the inquest's one recommendation, that all inmate use of the prison cell intercom system, called 'knock-ups', be recorded and retained, was being implemented, as well as several recommendations made by department's own NSW investigator.



WARREN SNOWDON

63 more health workers for WA



WESTERN Australia is to get an extra 63 health workers to help close

the gap in Indigenous health. Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said almost \$8 million was being provided for the extra staff, who will be placed in 27 WA health services, including many Aboriginal Services.

The extra staff were announced at the Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia annual conference in Perth.

"The funding for the new positions will significantly boost the WA Indigenous health workforce and help local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people get timely access to the health services they need," Mr Snowdon said.

Outreach

"In Perth, the Aboriginal Health Council has been funded for and recruited a practice manager and a project officer. Derribal Yerrigan Health Service will take on two new outreach workers. Across WA already 42 of the 63 workers have been recruited, with more to follow."

The 63 positions funded for WA are 22 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Outreach Workers, four regional tobacco co-ordinators, four tobacco action workers and eight healthy lifestyle workers (tackling smoking and healthy lifestyle teams), 13 project officers, three practice managers, three additional health professionals and six care co-ordinators.

"This package is boosting the WA health workforce with the new outreach workers who will work with local communities to help them obtain access to health services and follow-up care, specialist services and community pharmacies," Mr Snowdon said.



Manuel Nulupani Dhurrkay ... "I'm very proud of the song ... It's big, it's strong, it brings a message across about our country, our people".

Dhurrkay to sing new version of 'Territory Anthem'



JESSICA MAUBOY will join Saltwater Band lead singer Manuel Nulupani Dhurrkay in singing a new version of the

'Territory Anthem' he wrote 17 years ago, as part of the opening ceremony of the Arafura Games in Darwin next month.

The original song *Arafura Sea*, has been revamped as the song of the Arafura Games and features new lyrics, a sportier image and a new name – *Arafura Anthem*.

Dhurrkay said it was very special to him to make the song come to life again with a different style and different harmonies. The original song was on the iPod Prime Minister Julia Gillard gave to US President Barack Obama during her Washington visit in March this year, alongside big-name artists including Silverchair, Kylie Minogue, INXS and Jimmy Barnes.

"I'm very proud of the song," he said.

"It's big, it's strong, it brings a message across about our country, our people. And it shows that we, the Indigenous people of Arnhem Land, live for our music, that we've got talent and that we're proud of our country."

Skinnyfish producer and co-writer of the remake Michael Hohnen said they wanted to use the essence of the old song, but take it to another level.

"When Manuel wrote *Arafura Sea* over ten years ago it captured the feeling and the mood of being in Darwin, being by the sea – and until today the song captures the essence of being in this beautiful, beautiful place in the tropics," he said.

'Uplifting'

"By including the Arafura Games the song became something uplifting, something special for athletes and spectators from around the world who come to the Northern Territory for a good time, for a celebration."

As the first concert of his solo career, Manuel Nulupani Dhurrkay will be performing *Arafura Anthem* live in front of thousands of spectators during the Arafura Games Opening Ceremony in Darwin on 7 May – supported by Mauboy. "It will be great to be on stage with the new version of the song," he said. "I really hope the stadium will sing along to the chorus."

Arafura Anthem is now available as a download on iTunes.

Yindjibarndi in fight with miner



A STOUGH between the Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation (YAC) and mining giant Fortescue Metals Group (FMG) has moved from remote halls to the global stage via the internet.

Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest's mining company wants access to land in the Pilbara for its Solomon Hub iron ore project, but the Yindjibarndi people are split on the deal being offered, with some traditional owners saying it is not enough.

The miner is reportedly offering \$10 million annually from the planned \$8.5 billion project, \$4 million of which would be in cash with the remaining \$6 million to be offered in infrastructure, employment and education.

The company has claimed it has the majority of the Yindjibarndi people onside, but the Aboriginal corporation's CEO, Michael Woodley, believes the offer isn't high enough.

Tensions erupted last week after Mr Woodley posted a video of a meeting last month between Yindjibarndi people and FMG online.

Titled *FMG's Great Native Title Swindle*, the video shows a tussle between Mr Woodley and Perth lawyer Ronald Bower, who is seen snatching a microphone away to prevent Yindjibarndi anthropologist Phil Davies from addressing the large crowd.

Mr Woodley said the video provided an idea of 'how it feels to be bullied and abused by Twiggy Forrest and FMG'.

FMG countered by posting its own video from the same Roebourne meeting online. That video features traditional owners who support the offer.

Meetings

The fight between the mining giant and YAC has been ongoing, and there have been numerous meetings between FMG and the Yindjibarndi to resolve issues over the proposed mine, north of Tom Price.

An original claimant group rejected FMG's offer of compensation, but the State Government granted leases anyway.

The Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation has

lodged a Federal Court appeal against the Government's decision, but the breakaway claimant group has continued to negotiate with Fortescue Metals.

Mr Woodley told ABC radio last week that other mining companies were offering much better deals to Indigenous groups, labelling FMG's offer as paternalistic.

"We have an organisation with a very sound structure. You are talking about negotiating on a fair and equal platform. We did that for the past three years," he said.

"We don't believe Andrew Forrest's deal on the table is worthwhile anybody signing away the rest of our country to. And we have the majority on our side, especially the four men who make up the seven applicants that need to sign an agreement to make it binding."

Mr Forrest said, however, that the majority of native title claimants who attended the meeting were happy with the outcome, with the community voting 126-0 in favour of accepting the deal.

Education bonus for Tennant Creek



JEANIE BELL



EDUCATION and training programs for Indigenous residents in Tennant Creek have received a boost with the

appointment of a senior lecturer from Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education to be based in the Northern Territory town.

Indigenous linguist and senior lecturer Jeanie Bell has relocated to oversee the development of Batchelor Institute programs in Tennant Creek and the surrounding areas, with a special focus on language and linguistic programs.

Batchelor Institute director Adrian Mitchell says Tennant Creek is an important regional centre in the NT and the institute is keen to expand its services to Indigenous people in this area. "As a senior lecturer in the

Centre for Australian Languages and Linguistics at Batchelor Institute, Jeanie Bell will bring with her a wealth of knowledge and information in the linguistic domain," Mr Mitchell said.

"Batchelor sees this appointment as an opportunity to contribute to a robust education and training system in a way that will help make learning a primary goal for the communities in Tennant Creek and Barkly region."

Ms Bell says her decision to move to Tennant Creek was strongly supported by the institute because it was recognised there was a need to continue to build on the existing services already provided to the Barkly region.

"This opportunity was very timely because it meant that the institute's presence is strengthened as a result," she said.

Report details conditions at Pilbara prison

By LIZ MURRAY



THE West Australian prison watchdog's April report reveals there are still terrible conditions at Roebourne Prison, where nine in every 10 inmates is Aboriginal.

Three years on from the last inspection, a team from the WA Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services visited the jail in the state's Pilbara region in September last year. As a result, 41 recommendations for improvements were tabled this month in Parliament. The report said that although there had been some progress, significant issues remained.

Inspector of Custodial Services Neil Morgan said six to eight inmates were sleeping in cells designed to accommodate four.

He was critical of the use of bunk beds that he said posed a variety of safety risks, as well as prisoners sleeping on the floor. Prof Morgan said safety rails had been removed and inmates, many of whom had chronic illness, had to climb from an unstable plastic chair on to the top bunk.

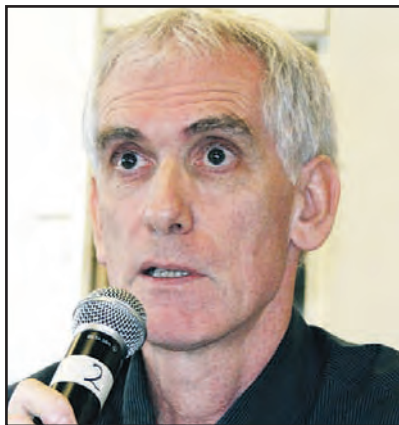
"Maintenance deficits with respect to flywire screens have also created a situation where rodents and other pests have, at times, been readily able to access cells," he said.

"The climate in Roebourne is harsh and conditions in the cramped and non-air-conditioned cells are both degrading and a risk to health."

Prof Morgan described the extended absence of key support staff, 'especially a women's support officer', as a significant concern because female inmates were marginalised, and lacked equal access to services.

"One-third of prisoners from the Pilbara are imprisoned out-of-country and the situation is likely to get worse as the regional population grows," he said.

Prof Morgan stressed that a custodial plan for the region with



NEIL MORGAN

objectives, targets and time-frames was required. Given there were no plans for a new prison, it was critical for Corrective Services, Treasury and the Government to ensure 'the prison is supported and resourced to take it through the next five to ten years'.

He said the shift from fly-in fly-out workers to locally-based prison staff, and Rio Tinto's mines training for Aboriginal prisoners were two areas that showed progress had been made.

Prof Morgan also praised the 'Work Ready' program, operated through an external work station, as 'a great example of an innovative and practical initiative'. "More partnerships such as these should be developed which significantly improve prisoners' prospects of success when they return to the community," he said.

The inspector said that the Minister for Corrective Services and Department of Corrective Services had given him an undertaking that they would prioritise the implementation of his recommendations. The department did not respond to The Koori Mail's calls. Shadow Corrective Services Minister Fran Logan said the poor conditions at the 'Dickensian institution' that were outlined in the report 'effectively writes the prison off', and he called on the Minister to replace it.

Jail actions the focus of CCC hearing



PUBLIC hearings into the treatment of Perth man Kevin Spratt by elite Emergency Support Group (ESG) prison

officers began last week at Western Australia's corruption watchdog.

The masked officers featured in the 6 September 2008 CCTV video of Mr Spratt being violently removed from the Perth Watch House cell. Mr Spratt was naked, unarmed and tasered 11 times by two senior officers.

On 11 April, the then ESG acting Assistant Superintendent told WA's Corruption and Crime Commission that police had briefed officers during the handover process about 'numerous physical engagements with police that took place prior to the cell extraction'.

Perth Watch House sergeant Nicholas Rowe said calling the ESG was his idea, but the 'cell extraction' was planned by the ESG.

"The basic conversation was ... they go in basically by surprise or not give warning because ... he had been erratic for four hours," he said.

However, some ESG officers said Mr Spratt could not hear them identify themselves over his screaming.

Sgt Rowe said another sergeant sought medical attention after he tried to negotiate with Mr Spratt and got blood on his face.



WA Shadow Attorney-General John Quigley highlights a scar on Kevin Spratt at last November's Rally for Humaneness in Perth.

He said that on 6 September 2008, before his departure, Mr Spratt's only recorded injuries on the police running sheet was a little bleeding from his nose or lip.

Mr Spratt was moved to Casuarina Prison infirmary from the ESG van, by wheelchair, and later diagnosed with at least one broken rib, a badly collapsed lung and pneumothorax, a dislocated right shoulder and a broken arm.

ESG 'Officer B' said that when transporting Mr Spratt, another officer informed him Mr Spratt was 'throwing himself around' the van.

The CCTV footage from Casuarina showed Kevin Spratt screaming with pain on removal from the van and at the infirmary. 'Officer D', a senior prison

officer, said 12 to 15 Casuarina prison and infirmary staff were told by ESG Superintendent Jim Schilo to prepare for an 'extremely violent' prisoner, who had assaulted and injured several police.

The infirmary's nurse (name suppressed) said Mr Spratt seemed compliant but in some pain, though no one said he was injured and she was told he was 'psychotic and drug-affected'.

Officer D said Mr Spratt was in pain and 'speaking in tongues'.

"He didn't appear to be threatening or violent... he appeared more upset and definitely dishevelled and looked like he'd been sleeping rough," the officer said.

The CCC hearings are continuing.

New bus services for the NT

NEW bus services will start in remote areas as part of a \$3.1 million Northern Territory Government trial to provide better transport links for people travelling to and from remote and regional centres.

NT Transport Minister Gerry McCarthy said the new commercial bus services were part of the Government's Integrated Regional Transport Strategy aimed at delivering better transport links for people travelling to and from remote and regional towns and better barge landings and aerodromes.

"As part of the trial, seven new commercial bus services will commence across regional and remote areas of the Territory to build on the five services already in place," he said.

"When all of the new bus services are in place, a total of 13 of the Territory 'growth towns' and a number of other communities will have more access to scheduled passenger bus services.

"We're also investing \$6.2 million over three years to improve barge landings and \$12.8 million to build and upgrade a number of aerodromes."

The trial of new bus services include:

- Two new return services a week from Alice Springs to Wallace Rockhole, Hermannsburg, Ipolera and Areyonga; and Amoonguna, Santa Teresa and Titjikala.

- Two new return services a week from Tennant Creek to Elliott.

- A service with increased capacity on the existing Alice Springs to Yuendumu service using a heavier duty bus.

Two return services a week from Katherine to Borroloola and Numbulwar.



Ngarrindjeri Elder Major Sumner at the opening of the program with, back from left Julian Burton Burns Trust officials Julian Burton, Kathryn Presser and Sarsha Pichugin and Elder Mary Graham. Photo: Alice Prokopec

Burns program for SA



A BURNS and fire education program is to be established in Indigenous communities across South Australia. The move is the result of a partnership between Beach Energy, which has committed \$210,000 to the program, and the Julian Burton Burns Trust, a social enterprise committed to the prevention, care and research associated with burn injury.

The trust says the partnership will enable it to increase its reach to remote communities and advance burns and fire education and prevention activities across the state.

The Indigenous Burns program is a new initiative that aims to support Indigenous communities through education about

burn injury, fire prevention strategies, preparedness, awareness and first aid.

The support from Beach has enabled the trust to employ an Aboriginal education co-ordinator, who will work with remote community members with the aim of affecting behavioural change.

Key sponsor

Beach managing director Reg Nelson said his organisation was proud to be a key sponsor of the Julian Burton Burns Trust.

"As a company with an impeccable health and safety record in the oil and gas sector, we know all too well the important role that education plays in bringing awareness to the risks of dangerous substances, such as fire,"

Mr Nelson said. "We truly believe that with the employment of an Aboriginal education co-ordinator, as a direct result of our funding, we will help reduce burn-related injuries through better engagement with communities."

Julian Burton Burns Trust chief executive and founder Julian Burton said Beach's partnership would make a significant contribution to reducing burn injuries in regional and remote South Australian communities.

Mr Burton, who established the trust in 2003, was named South Australia's Australian of the Year in 2010 as a result of his efforts to raise funds for prevention, care and research for burn injuries.

Suicide cash fast-tracked



THE Federal Government says it's fast-tracking support and services targeting high suicide rates in the Kimberley

region of Western Australia.

Funding of more than \$6 million is being brought forward to support new projects from the \$274 million Taking Action to Tackle Suicide package.

Mental Health Minister Mark Butler said it was worrying that 4.2 per cent of Indigenous deaths were from suicide compared with 1.5 per cent of non-Indigenous Australians.

"The tragic number of recent suicides in the Kimberley

'...we will provide targeted suicide prevention interventions specifically for Indigenous communities in the Kimberley region'

region has been particularly worrying," he said.

"This is why we will provide targeted suicide prevention interventions specifically for Indigenous communities

in the Kimberley region."

Funding will be provided through two Government programs: An immediate injection of up to \$150,000 for enhanced psychological services for Indigenous communities in the Kimberley region and for associated education and training provided through the Access to Allied Psychological Services (ATAPS) program.

And up to \$6 million over four years for targeted suicide prevention interventions, making Indigenous communities the first priority under the \$22.6 million Supporting Communities to Reduce Risk of Suicide component of the Taking Action to Tackle Suicide package.



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The fellowship is sponsored by Screen Australia's Indigenous Department to commemorate and celebrate the life and work of Bob Maza, and as a tribute to his passion and commitment to the film and entertainment industry.

Deadline for applications Friday 29 April 2011

Guidelines and application forms can be obtained from the Screen Australia Website

www.screenaustralia.gov.au

Reading program a winner in Cowra



A COMMUNITY educational program based on the strengths of Indigenous culture – in particular the traditions of story-telling and sharing and caring – has met with success in Cowra.

Such is the success of the concept that it is being touted as having the potential to be adapted in Indigenous communities throughout Australia.

The school-based educational program is Deadly ReadAthon, now in its second year at the western NSW country centre.

"It began in Erambie, the former Aboriginal mission community just outside of Cowra," said Dr Lawrence Bamblett, a visiting research fellow at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), and one of the major instigators of the program.

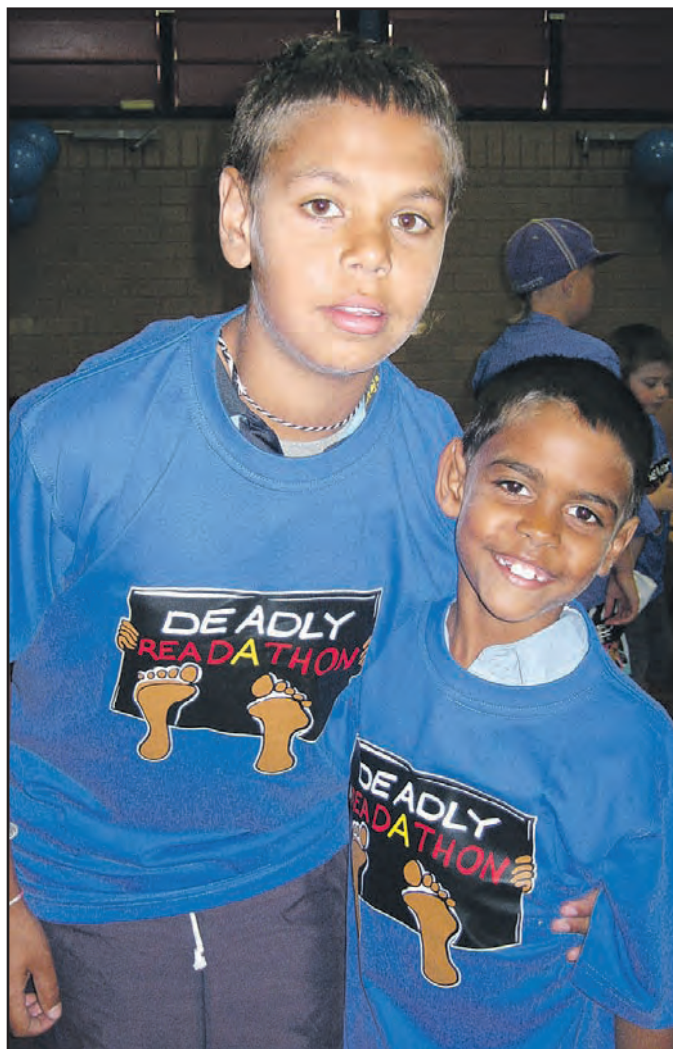
Dr Bamblett, who still lives in the community, said that although he may have formally developed the concept, credit for its success should really go to community Elders for wanting to continue the Wiradjuri ways of teaching, as well as teachers, principals and parents who are also an integral part of the concept.

"It boiled down to the fact that we needed to encourage our kids to read – to see positives in going to school and to change attitudes that saw them as under-achievers rather than potential achievers," he said.

"Too many of our kids, really bright kids, weren't achieving because they didn't feel appreciated at school.

"Deadly ReadAthon in its own way was a stepping stone to changing that."

Dr Bamblett said that the idea for building on cultural strengths blossomed in his mind when he saw a young Koori kid nagging a parent



Two of the successful Cowra Deadly ReadAthon prize winners Russell Tighe, left, and Lindsay Munro.

to do something for him.

"I thought I wonder if we can get kids to nag – outside of school hours ... to listen to them read, to encourage them to read in the home environment," he said.

'Circle of support'

"I knew that if we can complete a circle of support, from Elders, from teachers, from principals and parents than we could succeed."

A one-term read-for-one-day concept was born with the help of funding from the Federal Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

(DEEWR) Parental and Community Engagement grants program.

"It was a near-perfect paradigm," Dr Bamblett said.

"We had a need identified by the community, one that in this case found a funding program that enabled the community to negotiate an agreement that found common ground between the community's goals and the department's objectives."

Dr Bamblett said that the program was broad enough in its focus and flexibility in the way it is administered so as not to be a burden.

Gooda's answers for Alice



ALICE Springs needs to overcome its racism, alcohol abuse and a lack of services for Aboriginal Town Campers if it is to once again thrive. That's Mick

Gooda's assessment after touring the Central Australian town with leading Aboriginal organisations and individuals this month.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner also said that the existing long-term investment strategy in Alice Springs should be given a chance to continue to improve conditions.

His visit followed weeks of negative reports surrounding the Central Australian town, stirred up by a group of business owners and residents calling for a law-and-order crackdown.

The Action for Alice group has blamed Aboriginal young people for a reported 47 per cent increase in alcohol-fuelled crime since 2007, seen by many as a direct result of the intervention into NT remote communities.

The group believes the town has copped an influx of people from prescribed communities trying to escape alcohol restrictions.

Despite the negative reports, Mr Gooda maintained that the situation in town camps around Alice Springs had actually improved, although basic services such as telephones and postal services were still missing.

"People should be supported in their choices to live where they wish but they should be supported with the same standard of service that you or I or anyone else should be able to expect," he said.

Mr Gooda said more could be done to focus on early childhood issues such as maternal and child health and early childhood education.

He said such initiatives were the essential building blocks of successful educational outcomes and promoted resilience in young people to all addictions.

Mr Gooda said alcohol was another significant concern.

"Central Australia has the highest rate of alcohol-related premature deaths of any part of the country," he said. "Alcohol is killing Indigenous and non-Indigenous people around the nation but it's happening at a much higher rate in Central Australia."

"I believe we have a moral imperative to go further in dealing with this problem here, and that's why I'm calling for legislation to introduce a floor price on alcohol at the price of full strength beer."

"Selling wine for less than 50 cents a standard drink is not helping anyone – Indigenous or non-Indigenous, young or old, visitor or permanent resident. I have been shown the international and national evidence and I have found it very convincing."

Last week Mr Gooda went further, saying he supported a proposal to ban pregnant women from buying alcohol, providing the Indigenous community supported the idea.

The proposal is being pushed by the Lhere Artepe Aboriginal Corporation, which owns three IGA supermarkets in Alice Springs.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Affairs Jenny Macklin said the Government was willing to consider local solutions to tackle alcohol abuse in Alice Springs.



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WA anger at uranium mining

By DARREN COYNE



A NOONGAR woman interrupted a speech by Indigenous leader Warren Mundine at the Australian Uranium Summit in Perth last week, telling him 'you don't come here and speak for my country, this is my grandfather's country, you can't speak for the people of Western Australia'.

Marianne McKay, a Noongar woman from Perth, also told Mr Mundine and the stunned audience: "Aboriginal people across Australia don't want uranium – what you're doing is against our culture."

"You should be ashamed Warren Mundine. That's our uranium in Japan right now my brother, and we don't want that. We don't want things from our country contaminating other people, that's against our culture."

Ms McKay's outburst was indicative of growing opposition to uranium mining in Western Australia.

Earlier this month, traditional owners from across the state met near Perth to affirm their opposition to uranium mining in WA, and also to express sympathy for the people of Japan battling nuclear threats.

The WA Nuclear Free Alliance (WANFA), of which Ms McKay is a member, is made up of traditional owners from the Pilbara, the Kimberley, the Goldfields, the Great Victoria Desert, the Central Desert, the Gascoyne and the South-West.

WANFA chairperson Della Rae Morrison



Anti-uranium protester Marianne McKay, left, and Members of WA Nuclear Free Alliance at their meeting.



said the long-term costs of uranium mining outweighed any short-term returns.

"Uranium mining is not like any other mining, it poisons water, land and life through radiation," she said.

"The mining industry and the Government are trying to make people believe uranium mining is inevitable, but we say 'No'.

"The long term costs of uranium mining outweigh any short-term returns.

"Aboriginal people should not have to sacrifice the country of future generations for basic health, education and infrastructure.

"There are far more jobs and opportunities in caring for our country."

Meanwhile, the group sent a clear

message to the Australian Uranium Summit that met in Perth from 13-15 April.

Ms Morrison said the Indigenous Dialogue Group, which includes academic Marcia Langton and Mr Mundine, employed by the Uranium Association was not representative of WA Aboriginal people.

'Inquiry needed'

Yeelirrie traditional owner Kado Muir said a public enquiry was needed.

"As traditional owners and custodians of the land, our job is to stop uranium from our country contaminating people and lands here and overseas and we take this job seriously," he said.

"The nuclear industry and companies like BHP, Toro and Mega are on notice:

They are not welcome and they will be opposed.

"Before any approvals of uranium mines we should have a public inquiry on this divisive and potentially devastating industry.

"We are determined to stop the poison of uranium mining in Western Australia and demand the WA Government commission an open and independent public inquiry into uranium mining."

Meanwhile, the Australian Greens, the Environment Centre of the NT, the Australian Conservation Foundation and the Australian Nuclear Free Alliance have all called again for the closure of the Ranger uranium mine in Kakadu National Park.

Dog claim rejected by Mayor

By DARREN COYNE



PORT Augusta Mayor Joy Baluch has rejected suggestions that she vowed to use dog squads against Northern Territory Aboriginal people if they camped illegally in her city.

She told the *Koori Mail* that her comments were taken out of context and that she had in fact been criticising the South Australian Government's handling of a group of Aboriginal people who escaped to Adelaide following violence in their NT community of Yuendumu.

"It's too bad that the media around this country did not pay me the courtesy of calling me but instead ran with the trash in the *Adelaide Advertiser* (the newspaper which ran the story)," she said.

"I've been mayor for 27 years and I've had my share of run-ins with them and governments and their departments."

Cr Baluch maintained that Port Augusta had been a 'trailblazer' in addressing social dysfunction in the region, and she stood by her statements that she would not tolerate illegal camping as had been happening in Adelaide.

"They will not camp illegally in my

city ... we have got the police, we have got a dog squad and I would arrange merry hell," she was reported as saying.

"Anybody that comes and camps illegally on the foreshore or anywhere else in Port Augusta, they would be moved on, I would not tolerate such stupidity."

In a later comment posted to the *Adelaide Advertiser*, Mayor Baluch said she had been 'taken out of context to sell papers'.

Neil Gillespie, who heads up the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement legal service in Adelaide but is currently on leave, was among those critical of Ms Baluch.

"It is disappointing that a community leader such as the Mayor of Port Augusta would make such inflammatory and inappropriate comments," Mr Gillespie wrote in response to the remarks.

Ms Baluch rejected his comments, saying Mr Gillespie had been in favour of the canine patrols when they were introduced to curb anti-social behaviour by itinerants.

Meanwhile, SA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Grace Portolesi said the State Government was preparing to use transitional housing as a contingency should groups fleeing the NT again arrive in South Australia.

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Cultural centre hope



AN Indigenous cultural centre in Brisbane's Musgrave Park appears likely to go ahead after a wait of 26 years.

Queensland Arts Minister Rachel Nolan recently announced a Beaudesert firm had been awarded a contract to carry out a 'cultural consultancy' to determine what type of facility was now wanted on the site.

Musgrave Park Cultural Centre Inc committee member Aunty

Valda Coolwell said members were delighted a decision had been made, but said it was vital that Aboriginal people had control of what was built into the centre.

Aunty Valda said Musgrave Park Cultural Centre Inc would work with the cultural consultants and said the announcement had given them hope.

"We have hope now. We have to keep our culture alive, for our children. But also for the rest of the wider community," she said.

Aunty Valda said she hoped no

further land disputes would slow the project. "Way back, we have walked over each other's lands for many, many thousands of years and lived in harmony with each other," she said.

'Come together'

"We need to come together, all of us. It is for the people throughout Australia, because Musgrave Park – you talk to any Murri or Koori all over Australia – and they can all relate to Musgrave Park."

Aunty Valda said her vision

was that the centre should promote and teach Indigenous culture. "It has got to promote Aboriginal culture and educate others to the plight of our people," she said.

"It should be a place where visitors to the city could come to one location to see Aboriginal arts and performance."

Recommendations from the 'cultural consultancy' will go back to the project's new steering committee, which includes Arts Queensland, Brisbane City Council and the Musgrave Park

Cultural Centre Inc, by the end of the year.

Musgrave Park site was a prominent historical meeting place for Indigenous people in the region prior to colonisation. For thousands of years, feasts were held and disputes resolved at the site, which included a bora ring that has since been destroyed.

Plans for the centre, which was first mooted in 1985, have been disrupted over the years by a land title dispute between the Turrbal and Jagera people, and project cost blow-outs.

United approach for support



LISMORE-based Northern United rugby league club has joined forces with a family support network to improve support for players and their families.

Northern United, a predominantly Aboriginal club, has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Family Support Network Lismore to formalise their relationship.

Northern United president Laurie Mercy said the club was delighted to formalise the relationship, and looked forward to developing even closer links to assist members and their families.

"This is just another step in the wrap-around support we can provide not just to our players but to their families including their children," Mr Mercy said.

Family Support Network general manager Neil Moreton said the network was attracted to Northern United after hearing of the club's no-alcohol policy and stands against domestic violence.

"The football club has taken positive steps to promote family-friendly attitudes and behaviour and we want to be able to support them in this approach," he said.

Mr Mercy said the network would help support players.

"Players come from both local and surrounding communities and other townships out west to play for our club and often they are leaving the supports of their existing families behind to come and play for us," he said.

"This can lead to difficulties with family relationships or with raising young kids.

"The club wants to be able to support our members through these difficult times and we see this initiative as important.

"These types of initiatives put our club



Northern United coach Chris Binge prepares to catch a pass from Family Support Network general manager Neil Moreton. Watching on are Chris Bolt, FSN chairperson Robyn Simpson, Northern United's Grantley Creighton and FSN's Chereece Dixon. Both groups swapped shirts for the photo.

out in front as a community leader and contribute to the club's sustainability.

"We want to be seen as a community organisation offering good lifestyle choices and holistic services to our members and their families.

"We think we might be one of the only

sporting clubs in NSW to be providing this type of support to our members."

Family Support Network is a state-funded local organisation offering a range of family-based early intervention and children's services in the Lismore local government area.

"We are well placed to be able to provide this type of support services to the club's membership. We have the expertise to be able to assist in numerous ways be it via educational playgroups, parenting programs, family workers and so on," Mr Moreton said.



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Roberts is dreaming of more festivals

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



THE north coast of New South Wales may find itself home to a new Indigenous cultural event based on the Dreaming Festival model, with festival founder Rhoda Roberts having returned home to Bundjalung country and busy scoping two new events for the area.

Last month organisers from the Queensland Folk Festival announced that because of flood damage to the site, this year's Dreaming Festival would not be run as a stand-alone event, but would be incorporated into the 2011 Woodford Folk Festival.

Speaking last week about the opening of the Rhoda Roberts Gallery at New Italy, between Ballina and Grafton, Ms Roberts said she was still doing her event consultancy work, and was currently scoping two new festivals.



RHODA ROBERTS

One of them, with a working title Boomerang, was based on the model she developed for the Dreaming Festival.

While she would not reveal details, she said she was 'in discussions at the moment' in the north of New South Wales.

"I'm still doing all my event consultancy," she said. "I'll be working on the Blues and Roots (Festival)... because I have to earn an income. The gallery is about the passion at this current stage."

The other event Ms Roberts said she had in development was called DilliBag and was based on the idea of a women's gathering, which would include things like music, weaving, speeches and viewing films in the evenings.

She said DilliBag was for women of all colour, and specifically aimed at young women, to give them an opportunity to gather with older women in an inter-generational setting.

"Because (young women) are missing out on that experience," she said. "Our young girls don't sit around with a series of different generations of women, as we did. And it's important for them to capture those viewpoints."

"It would be wonderful, and every woman I've mentioned it to has said 'Yep, I'll be there'."

● See Page 73 for story and photos from the Rhoda Roberts Gallery opening.



Beagle Bay women ready to cut the ribbon at the opening of their new centre.

These women mean business



A REFURBISHED women's centre at the Beagle Bay community in the Kimberley region of Western Australia will provide local women with support, training and jobs. The Beagle Bay Women's Group moved into their new surroundings on 12 April, and are now able to realise their strategic plan.

The plan involves the development of programs and enterprises designed to engage community members.

The Beagle Bay Women's Group was incorporated last year, enabling members to apply for funding to implement their plans. These include a catering enterprise, an op shop, an art and craft program, the provision of meeting and conferencing facilities, equipment hire, holding functions and new administration infrastructure.

Also included in the centre is an early childhood area, which will provide a space for the Beagle Bay Playgroup.

Women's Group chairperson Monica Stumpagee said the centre would be a gathering place for the community.

"For too long the Beagle Bay community has been without these facilities," Ms Stumpagee said.

'Determined'

"We are determined to make this successful – we are a bunch of women who care about the future of our children and our community."

Funding provided by the Federal Government (FaHCSIA) in 2010 has been used to create areas that will mean the Beagle Bay Women's Group has a more efficient building to help them achieve their goals.

The group last year engaged Jalygurr-Guwan Aboriginal Corporation in Broome to operate the service, with three Beagle Bay residents employed by Jalygurr-Guwan for the playgroup.

A vehicle donated by Kullarri Regional Community Inc has given further support to the women to expand their networking and enterprise opportunities.

"We are so excited that we can now get on with things," Ms Stumpagee said.

"It has been frustrating waiting for the work to be finished, but we are here now and ready to go and do business."

"The women's group is very grateful for the assistance we received from FaHCSIA, KRCl and other agencies to achieve our goal."

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\$2.89m dog health boost for Territory



THE Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) body has welcomed \$2.89 million in funding from the Northern Territory Aboriginal Benefit Account (ABA) to boost dog health and management in Indigenous communities of the NT.

The community enhancement grant from the ABA will go towards implementing a sustainable animal management worker program (the Project) in four Shires of the Northern Territory – East Arnhem, West Arnhem, MacDonnell and Tiwi Islands. The project will run for three years and will create ten new positions.

"This is the first time in the NT that an AMRRIC-styled animal management program has been funded on this scale," AMRRIC president Ted Donelan said. "We are thrilled that a forward-thinking Government, ABA and shires have put their support and trust in AMRRIC to deliver the project by recognising the value of empowering local Aboriginal people in dealing with the complex issues of dog management in remote Indigenous communities."

Constitution focus of discussion paper



THE Law Council of Australia has released a discussion paper outlining options for Constitutional reform to recognise Indigenous Australians. The discussion paper considers the continued existence of outdated provisions, which deny people the right to vote on the grounds of race and permit the Federal Parliament to make laws adverse to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The paper also considers whether the Constitution should guarantee equality, prohibit racial discrimination and enable the Commonwealth to conclude agreements with Indigenous communities, so they have constitutional force.

The Law Council is seeking submissions by 31 August. It can be accessed through www.lawcouncil.asn.au/library/

Nominations open for training scheme



NOMINATIONS are open for Western Australia's 'One Sky, Many Paths' leadership training scheme.

Now in the second year of a three-year trial, the program enables Indigenous people aged 18-24 from across WA to participate in two weeks' leadership training in Perth and 10 weeks in their own communities.

Youth Minister Robyn McSweeney said that for the young people involved, it would be a challenging and rewarding three months that would give them the tools to return to their communities and make a positive impact.

Nominations close on 2 May. For details, go to www.youth.wa.gov.au

\$150,000 in funding for health council



THE Yippiippi Gulf Indigenous Health Council, which has members from Normanton, Burketown, Doomadgee, Bidunggu (Gregory Downs), Mornington Island and Gurriddi (Old Doomadgee), has received a \$150,000 funding boost.

The Federal Government grant will be used to help broaden the council's engagement with the community. "The funding will enable the organisation to lead and support engagement with key stakeholders in relation to health," Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said.

Yarrawarra a winner



THE Yarrawarra Aboriginal Corporation in northern New South Wales has been recognised for its contribution to Landcare at the 2011 Regional Landcare Awards, held in Grafton earlier this month. The corporation won the Indigenous Award.

Vic health stories told



VICTORIAN health workers have told their stories in a series

of videos they hope will spread the message that the Aboriginal health workforce is crucial to closing the life-expectancy gap.

The ten multi-media testimonies were produced at workshops across the state at which health workers wrote, recorded and produced stories about their work.

The Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO), the Victorian Health Department and Oxfam Australia,

conducted the workshops in partnership with a number of Victorian mainstream and community controlled health organisations.

VACCHO CEO Jill Gallagher said she hoped the project would help spread the message that the Aboriginal health workforce was crucial to 'closing the gap'.

"The positive experiences of Aboriginal health workers don't get told enough which is why we want to celebrate and share these stories," she said.

Jock Peterson's video depicts his experiences working for an Aboriginal community controlled health organisation in regional Victoria.

"Where I work, rates of chronic disease such as diabetes are extremely high and I'm hoping by telling my story people will get a better understanding of the work we are doing in the community to address these health issues," he said.

Francine Riches' video depicts her experiences as an Indigenous health worker at a metropolitan mainstream health service.

"As an Indigenous person working for a mainstream health service, I've been able to act as an advocate for both Indigenous people within the health sector, and an advocate for the health service in the Indigenous community," she said.

"In the two years I have been here, I've seen a dramatic increase in the number of Aboriginal people using our service and have also been able to help other workers better understand the needs of our people."

The project is a part of The Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Care program between Aboriginal community controlled health organisations and community health services in Victoria.

Ms Gallagher said program aimed to increase access to primary health services, support and train health workers and health services to provide culturally sensitive services to Aboriginal Victorians.



The Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Care (AHPCC) Digital Success Stories launch in Melbourne.

Report tells of improvements



THE delivery of services in remote Indigenous communities across Australia is improving, according to Coordinator General for Remote Indigenous Services Brian Gleeson.

Mr Gleeson recently released the third six-monthly report into service delivery to people living in 29 priority Indigenous locations. The report details the performance of governments in delivering the National Partnership on Remote Service Delivery, which is designed to provide an accelerated approach to tackling disadvantage.

It gives a community-by-community assessment of progress, particularly in relation to the Local Implementation Plans in each community.

Mr Gleeson identified progress in all five jurisdictions involved.

- In Wilcannia, NSW, the establishment of a weekly mothers' group, home visits, casework activity with families and networking with other agencies to assist with client referrals are providing services to new parents.

- On Groote Eylandt in the Northern Territory, the Yirrandiyama Warka Job Shop has placed 281 job-seekers into employment.



BRIAN GLEESON

- In Doomadgee, Qld, the Sports, Recreation and Arts precinct is now open, providing safe places for the community to meet and participate in sporting, recreational and cultural activities.

- Amata and Mimili in South Australia both have police stations, with officers chosen for their willingness to engage with Indigenous culture and for their problem-solving skills in investigating domestic violence and child abuse.

- In Halls Creek, WA, construction has

started on a child and family centre to provide integrated early learning, parent support and child health services.

Under the Remote Service Delivery National Partnership Agreement, governments have provided \$291.2 million over six years to improve access to services for Indigenous Australians in remote areas.

Mr Gleeson has the authority to co-ordinate across agencies and cut through red tape to make sure services are delivered effectively

Recommendations from previous reports from the Coordinator General have helped to improve service delivery by introducing a flexible funding pool and systems to track progress in implementing agreed actions.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said more needed to be done. "While the Coordinator General's findings show positive change is occurring in remote communities, we know that disadvantage cannot be turned around overnight," she said.

"The Government is committed to delivering change at the community level that improves opportunities for Indigenous people and addresses disadvantage."

The report is available at www.cgris.gov.au

Kids' centre closer

By JILLIAN MUNDY



AFTER years of anticipation, planning hurdles and campaigning for funding, construction of the new Aboriginal Children's Centre at Risdon Cove has finally begun.

"For the first time it seems like reality, the battle's over, I feel very, very proud," director Alison Overeem told the *Koori Mail*, standing at the site near Hobart which was returned to the Aboriginal community in 1995.

She said that over the course of nine years there had been protests to campaign for funding, appeals to heritage tribunals, several changes to the building design and location 'in case a rusty nail was found'.

There was even a narrow victory at the municipal council over public access, where approval was won by a single vote.

"Building of this place is a testament to the struggle of our community," Ms Overeem said. "When community come together we can achieve anything."

Ms Overeem said the new location and building would mean existing programs, which have long waiting lists, could be developed to meet community needs.

"The main thing is we have our children and family services on our own land," she said.

"It will be a community centre in a lot of ways, a centre of cultural learning. There will be a focus on



Aboriginal Children's Centre director Alison Overeem checking out the site of the new building with some of her young charges.

children and land. You can't get that on a suburban block.

"It will bring to life the philosophy that children are the responsibility of the whole community."

The building, funded from the sale of Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre assets and \$1 million from the Tasmanian Government, is

scheduled for completion in September.

Ms Overeem said the new building, designed to blend into the picturesque environment which is steeped in history, would provide lots of scope for children to be outdoors. "How children learn best is to stay connected with

their culture, in nature, outside ... culturally connected and supported," she said.

Ms Overeem said it was yet to be decided if the move from a suburban block in West Moonah, where the children's centre has operated since it opened 22 years ago, would be at the end of this

year or the beginning of 2012.

"The challenge will be to bring memories with us (from the old location)," she said.

"We want to make sure the transition is as smooth as possible. The children will visit each time there is a milestone in construction."

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A Yarn With...



Faith Landy-Ariel

**NCIE Project manager
Sydney, NSW**

Favourite bushtucker?
Bush wattle flavours and cumquat.

Other food?
Dessert such as creamy vanilla slices.

Favourite drink?
A nice liqueur.

What are you reading?
The Celestine Prophecies.

Watching on television?
Mid-Summer Murders.

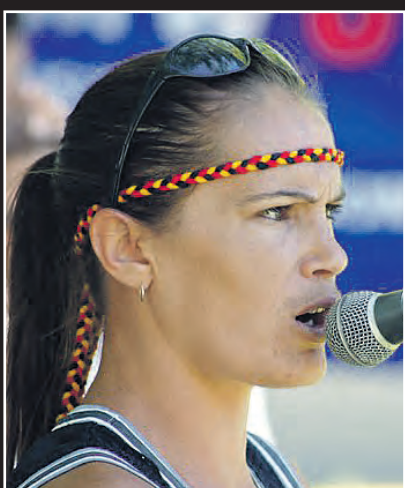
Favourite footy teams?
Cowboys in the NRL, and Swans in the AFL.

What do you dislike?
Political confrontations in the workplace.

Who would you have around your campfire?
Me, you and my friend Lua ... here she comes now.

How would you improve the situation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders?
I would like to own my own airline and television company and only employ Indigenous people.

Quote



'We don't want things from our country contaminating other people, that's against our culture'

**– Noongar woman and anti-uranium protester
Marianne McKay**

● See report Page 15

Unquote

Anniversary of deaths shame

It's been 20 years since the final report of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and yet 269 more of our people have died while incarcerated, and we're still 14 times more likely to go to jail than non-Indigenous people.

And while the Federal Government has argued that there has been a significant decrease in the number of deaths in custody since the Royal Commission, critics quite rightly maintain that the numbers are still just too high.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda and others believe that 'justice reinvestment' should be set as the new course for the future.

That would involve spending the money now being used to lock people up on programs designed to prevent them going to jail in the first place. Makes sense. Nip the problems in the bud, so to speak.

Not only would such programs direct much needed funds into areas such as drug and alcohol services, parenting support, and domestic violence services, they would hopefully break the cycle of young people going to jail for crimes, many of which arise out of appalling socio-economic conditions.

There also needs to be a new way of holding police accountable on how they treat Indigenous people in custody. Independent monitoring of these things is essential.

High-profile cases such as the repeated tasering of Perth man Kevin Spratt while in a Perth watchhouse last



OUR SAY

year and the death of Mulrunji Doomadgee in the Palm Island in 2004 are just two cases in point.

Most Aboriginal families would have at least one relation or friend who has spent time in jail, or has been on the receiving end of rough or poor treatment from the authorities.

There's no getting away from the fact that a civilised society is judged by the way it treats those less fortunate and, when the history of treatment of Indigenous people in custody is held up to the harsh light of scrutiny, such as happened during the Royal Commission, Australian society still has a very long way to go.

What a tweet!

It seems there's a new outrage every week related to the use – or misuse – of social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook and yet many people continue to use these forums to vent whatever thoughts spring to their minds.

The problem is, once it's out there, it's out there and it can't be taken back. Remember the old adage, think before you speak? These days, that should probably be expanded to, think before you tweet.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Campaign starts for Crete memorial

Glenda Humes, the eldest daughter of Aboriginal soldier the late Reg Saunders, has started a campaign to have a memorial erected in Crete where her father fought in World War II. What happened at '42nd Street' is little known, but it is a vital chapter in the story of the Anzacs who fought and fell in Greece. MIKE SWEET reports.

NEXT month the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Crete will be marked, commemorating the sacrifice of thousands of soldiers who fought for the strategically vital Mediterranean island in World War II.

The history of the battle resonates particularly in Australia and New Zealand, as it was the last time the Anzacs fought together, a generation after Gallipoli.

The story of how Australians and New Zealanders fought gallantly to the bitter end in Crete against overwhelming odds is widely acknowledged – but what is less well-known is Reg Saunders' story in the battle and its aftermath.

Later, Saunders would become the first Indigenous soldier to be made an officer in the Australian Army and would serve with distinction in New Guinea and later the Korean War.

In 1941, this young Gunditjmarra man, then a 21-year-old private with the 2/7 Battalion AIF, arrived in Crete (having been evacuated from the mainland of Greece) on 27 April. The battle itself began two weeks later, with the German airborne invasion, and raged for ten days before the Allies were defeated, but Saunders' involvement with Crete would go on far longer.

In the battle itself, once the Germans had control of the vital Maleme airfield in the west, won at huge cost to themselves in the first two days of fighting, the Battle of Crete was decided. From then on, the Allies and the Anzacs were mostly in perpetual retreat, fighting a grueling rearguard action that allowed thousands of Allied troops to get to the evacuation beaches. Ironically, Saunders and many of those who had fought in the rearguard were left behind. Reg Saunders then remained on Crete for nearly a year after the Allied surrender, like hundreds of others – on the run and protected by the Cretan people.

Six months ago, I was fortunate enough to travel with Reg Saunders' surviving daughters, Glenda Humes – the Chief Executive of the South West Aboriginal Medical Service in Perth – and sisters Judith Standen and Dorothy Burton, to visit the village of Labini in Crete, to meet the Cretans who gave refuge to their father.

The villagers, now in their 80s, were children when they met Saunders. They taught him Greek, gave him food and treated him as if he was a brother.

Seventy years later they still fondly remember the young man they nicknamed 'Rengis'.

It was during this poignant visit to Crete last November that I accompanied Glenda and her sisters to the site of a particular action that Reg Saunders had taken part in during the battle. It is called 'the Charge at 42nd Street' and it is one of the least known, and most valiant, actions in the

Remembering '42nd Street'



This historic image shows the late Reg Saunders as a sergeant with his comrades during World War II. Saunders went on to become the first Indigenous soldier to be made an officer.



Reg Saunders' daughter Glenda Humes and her granddaughter Breanna in the olive groves of Crete and, inset, '42nd Street' as it appears today.

pantheon of Anzac legend.

Co-incidentally, it is also the place where Saunders knowingly killed his first enemy soldier, an action that filled the sensitive young warrior with remorse; the dignity and humanity of Reg Saunders was evident even then.

42nd Street was the name given by Allied soldiers to a country lane surrounded by olive groves, south-west of the village of Suda, near Chania. On the night of 26 May 1941, hundreds of Anzac troops pulled back and dug in along the lane, facing west – the direction from which the enemy would continue their unrelenting advance.

The Anzacs were exhausted,

having been pushed back by the Germans at every turn during previous days.

About 11am on the morning of the 27th, the enemy appeared in the distance. They were mountain troops of the 141st Gebirgsjäger Regiment, an elite Austrian unit of fresh reinforcements, made up of volunteers.

Dramatic events

Unknowingly, they advanced towards the Anzac line. Official records have always been unable to confirm whether it was Saunders' 2/7th or the New Zealand 28th Maori Battalion who began the action, but one story, one image, would forever

symbolise the dramatic events that unfolded as the Anzacs engaged with the enemy.

A young Maori rose from his position. With one hand on his hip and a clip of ammunition in the other, the Maori began to lead the 'Ka Mate' haka. As his ancient war cry rang out, the New Zealanders and Australians, bayonets fixed, charged as one.

The Anzacs screamed as they pelted along through the olive trees, as much to stiffen their own spirits as to frighten the enemy. Taken totally by surprise, the Austrian troops fled in mortal fear and disarray. In the brutal pursuit that followed, between 200 and 300 Austrian troops were

bayoneted, shot or bludgeoned to death. The Anzacs lost around 50 men.

What took place at 42nd Street was one of the few occasions during the battle when the Germans were pushed into retreat. It was unplanned and instinctive on the part of the young Diggers and Kiwis – the last stand of the last Anzacs. The action had significant consequences in the endgame of the Battle of Crete, buying time for the evacuating troops to get to the beaches.

Today, the lane that was 42nd Street is known as Tsikalara Street; an unremarkable road in a non-descript industrial suburb. Not even the smallest road sign, let alone a memorial of any kind, has been erected to honour the victors or vanquished at 42nd Street.

Most of the olive groves alongside are long gone, but a few small fields of ancient trees survive.

The experience of visiting this hallowed site moved Glenda and her sisters immensely. Six months later, the effect of the visit to the site is still very clear in her mind.

"We were overawed by it all," says Glenda. "It was just an incredible feeling. You feel them still there, their spirits are still there. Once I began to understand fully what happened at that place, the involvement of the Maoris, the part it played in my father's life... how it gave the troops who were in retreat breathing space, I felt there has to be some recognition of the gallantry and sacrifice shown that day."

The most likely type of memorial will be a bronze plaque on a marble plinth, to be positioned on publicly owned land on Tsikalara Street. Estimated to cost \$20,000, a bank account in the name of 'The 42nd Street Memorial Trust' has been opened.

Discussions have begun with the Greek authorities to find a suitable location.

Now comes the job of getting the funding in place, both from Australia and New Zealand. Discussions with the RSL and its equivalent in New Zealand will begin soon, as well as the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

"We're also very keen to seek donations," says Glenda, "from the children and grandchildren."

"If people gave 100 bucks, 50 bucks, we'd get there in no time."

Next month, the very few last surviving Anzac veterans will travel to Greece, to remember fallen comrades, the young men who did not grow old.

There is no more fitting occasion for Glenda's campaign to begin.

Mike Sweet is a freelance journalist based in Melbourne

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IT'S been a real funny couple of weeks in the life of Ms Koori Love.

I've been simmering in love from all sides just like some rice in mince gravy.

Let me share with you three big helpings of love I've received in the past few weeks.

My first helping came from a deadly reader who sent in a poem about me. Finally my beauty and brilliance have been sung up in poem form!

I've received emails, personal letters and Facebook messages, and letters have been sent to our dear old editor – but never a poem.

Thank you to Graham for writing the deadly *Words of (Ms Koori) Love* poem. My favourite bit in it was 'he loves the way you bat your pretty sentences at him'.

If there is one way to a



Ms KOORI LOVE

mskoorilove@koorimail.com

person's heart, it is through brains, flattery and words on a page. Talk about deadly!

My second helping of love came from my crush. Of course I'm still trying to spend every minute of the day with them but still hiding my love for them.

Apparently they are still in

a happy, committed relationship which is great for them, not so good for me.

If only my crush wrote poems to the *Koori Mail* yarning up about me!

Not that I don't love all you mob, but true God, I wish this one loved me back. I'm just hoping one day they read these columns and come to realise I'm yarning up about them!

Maybe then we can be together for eternity just like Lake Mungo Lady and her partner. I can only wish.

My third delicious helping of love gravy came from the Mardi Gras parade.

I've told you before about me sitting up real flash in the Cadillac of the First Australians parade entry 'Survivors'.

But did you know our parade entry won the 'Say Something Award'? The

award was won by each and every person in that parade entry who was marching for their sistas, their brothers, their family and their friends.

My heart swelled with love and pride knowing we won that award because everyone did get up there and say something.

They said it on banners and posters together as one float.

Everyone had different messages, but together as one we went up that parade route. Being part of a community of unified people literally walking in the same direction gave me an amazing feeling of love. So yes indeed, it's been a funny couple of weeks of love.

Have you been given, gave or shared the love lately? Yarn up something from the brighter side of your life at www.mskoorilove.com.au

The MoneyMob are on the job



UNDERSTANDING money and not getting ripped off are the key messages in a series of plays currently touring remote Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory.

The culturally appropriate plays called *The Three Little Piggie Banks*, *Days of Our Dollars* and *Deal or No Good Deal* are part of the MoneyMob talkabout pilot program, which aims to help Indigenous people in remote NT communities positively manage their money.

MoneyMob talkabout artistic facilitator Ben Graetz said the three Indigenous actors who developed the plays focused on the key themes of being an informed consumer and avoiding getting ripped off; making wise money decisions; and understanding money, banks and credit cards.

"The plays have been scripted to engage children, teenagers, young adults and parents, adults and seniors in Indigenous communities," Mr Graetz said.

Messages

Community educator Julia Wormer said MoneyMob talkabout and its messages had been developed after consultation with people in remote communities, Money Management service providers and their staff who provide financial literacy education in remote communities on an ongoing basis.

"MoneyMob talkabout teams visit remote communities and spend time listening and learning about how money is viewed and used in Indigenous communities," Ms Wormer said.

"At the same time, our teams are sharing knowledge and information about managing money through a series of innovative, fun, engaging and culturally-appropriate learning experiences.

"We have recently included drama, or



The MoneyMob talkabout crew, from left, Lynette Lewis, artistic facilitator Ben Graetz and Jason De Santis.

what we call 'message theatre', to the program to enhance financial literacy education among Indigenous people as well as connect people with Money Management Services and other financial support services available to them."

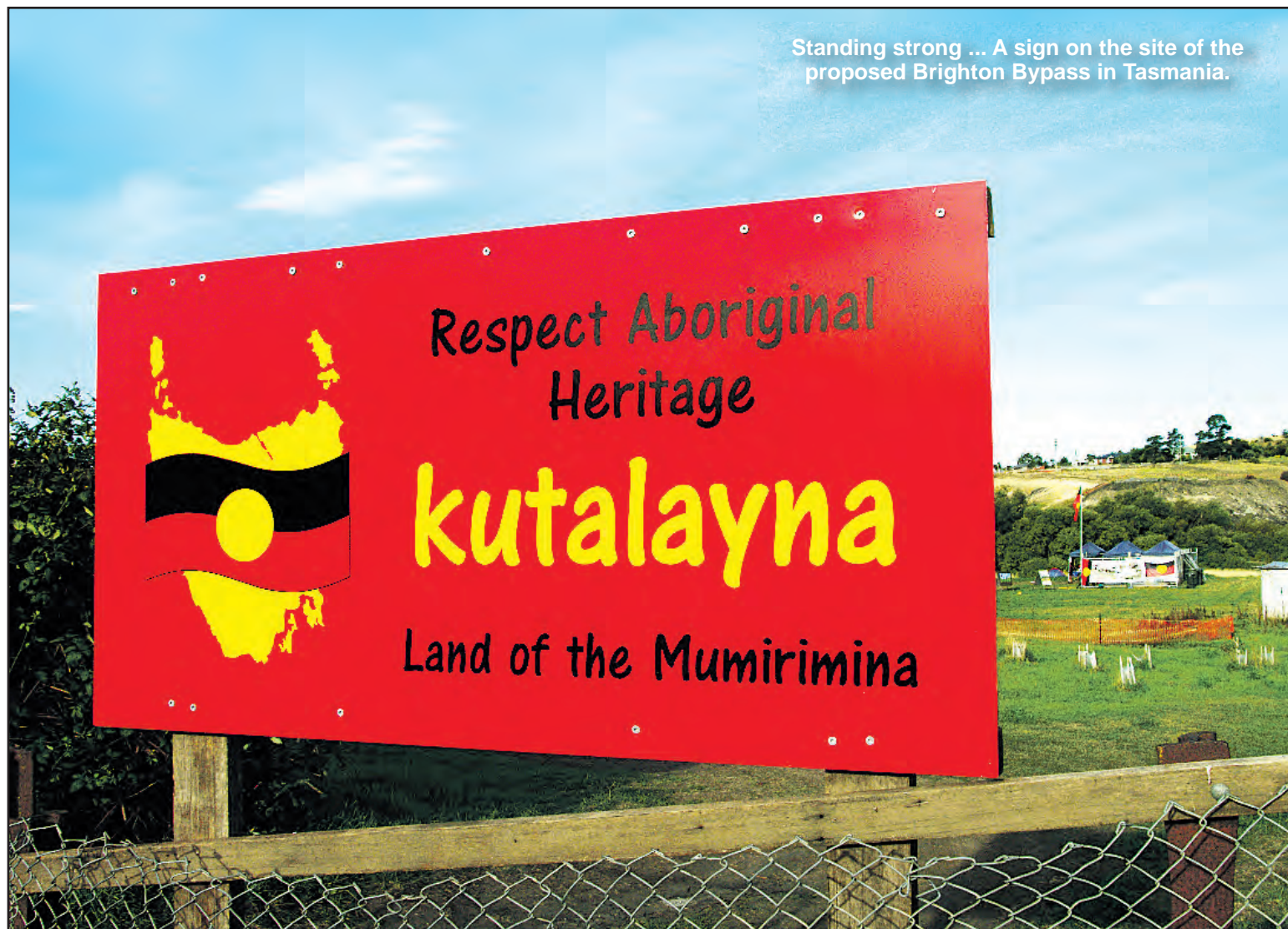
Ms Wormer said that by engaging with and listening to local people, MoneyMob talkabout was helping to build a body of knowledge about money in remote communities which would be used to improve the program.

MoneyMob talkabout is funded by the Federal Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA).

For more information about MoneyMob talkabout, contact Julia Wormer on 0457 708 764 or Julia@mob.com.au

The MoneyMob talkabout plays will tour to the following communities:

- Tuesday 3 May: Gunyangara
- Wednesday 4 May: Yirrkala
- Thursday 5 - Friday 6 May: Gapuwiyak
- Wednesday 18 - Thursday 19 May: Peppimenarti
- Tuesday 7 June: Bulla
- Wednesday 8 June: Amanbidgi
- Thursday 9 June: Amanbidgi
- Tuesday 28 June: Yarralin
- Wednesday 29 June: Pigeon Hole.



Standing strong ... A sign on the site of the proposed Brighton Bypass in Tasmania.

Tassie heritage double standard

SO (Tasmanian Environment Minister) Brian Wightman has signed the permit to destroy the Aboriginal Heritage site at Brighton.

What next?
Resort developments at Stonehenge, cable cars to the top of the Pyramids of Giza,

perhaps a road development at Angkor Wat?

I think not.
All the latter-mentioned historical sites are many thousands of years younger than the Aboriginal site at the Jordan River Levee, yet are worshipped by millions and are

protected under international law.

Last year the Port Arthur Historic Site was granted World Heritage status and was nominated by our very own government.

What a double standard!
The Port Arthur Historic Site

is 181 years old and has acquired World Heritage status.

The Aboriginal site at Brighton is at least 42,000 years old and will shortly be lost to humankind forever.

ASHLEE MURRAY
Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre

Your Poetry

Just another drunk black?

Just another drunk black is
what u said,
When u came n 'helped' him
today,
Your eyes were filled with a
look of disgust,
As you came and took him
away.
Who the hell are you to judge
him, I ask,
Do you think ur shit really
don't stink?
Just because he has dark
skin,
Doesn't mean he always
drinks.
Guess what hero, he wasn't
drunk,
He had a fit and was really
unwell,
U can take ur prejudice Ambo
driver,
And stick it up ur butt and go
to hell,
People like you make me
sick,
And you have the hide to hold
ur head up high,
It's nice to know with people
like u around,
Prejudice will never die....

COLLEEN KITCHENER
Coffs Harbour, NSW

Bundjalung Boy

It seems the night will never
end,
I don't know what to do.
The horrors of a stolen child,
My nightmares dark and true.
The monsters don't stop
screaming,
Please ease away my pain.
The hours less in slumbered
bliss
Don't say I've gone insane.
The screamings getting
louder,
Who's knocking at my door?
There's peace within my
core.
I know now we were forced
apart,
My mother's first born child,
They saw as lower class,
Like natives lost and wild.
But I feel complete again.
No sorry fills the void,
Of years abused all shapes
and form.
At last she is by my side,
The Bundjalung boy, his
heart his mother's pride.

SHAYNE T FARRELL
Adelaide, SA

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Value of middens

TRADITIONAL Aboriginal people can be seen as the 'ultimate environmentalists', according to cultural knowledge keeper Clarence Slockee of *Gardening Australia* television fame.

He refers to the midden as being like a 3D diary, explaining that when people had visited a certain area, they would leave the waste remains of the food they had consumed, for example oyster shells, as the top layer of the midden pile. That way, the next people to visit could see what had just been harvested and would choose something else to eat so they didn't over-use the resource.

But middens represent something far greater than this – Clarence kept it simple for non-Indigenous people. The midden is in fact a blueprint for sustainable harvesting of coastal resources, an archaeological treasure trove and an exquisitely engineered construction which reveals as much information as possible to the viewer, whilst being carefully built to maintain integrity.

Aboriginal people had an intimate and comprehensive understanding of the structural architecture of each ecosystem within their territory and beyond, highly evolved after hundreds of generations handing down their lifetimes of knowledge, and

augmented every day by close observations of nature in all its states.

With this profound, multi-dimensional diagnosis of the land, they not only knew the life cycles of every plant, animal and bird, but recognised all the intricate relationships between them.

For example, they could look at a particular flowering plant and know instantly the 'pattern' of relationships around it; that a certain species of fish would at the same time be migrating past the coast or the eggs of a species of bird would be ready to harvest.

Symbiotic relationships

They also understood the symbiotic relationships between species, of which Western science is still mostly ignorant, such as the link between the cassowary and the blue quondong that needs to pass through the bird's gut before germinating.

Being a functioning part of the natural order, they had to integrate their kinship and totemic systems into this mind-bogglingly complex biological structure.

The Elders had to constantly make complex and sophisticated mental calculations and adjustments to manage these natural resources so they were not over-used and so each

species continued to prosper into the future.

The Indigenous Australian Corpus of Knowledge, 60,000 years in the making, was largely swept away after the invasion of their lands. What was left in its wake are just fragments of that priceless wisdom of ages.

At a time when we have destroyed so much, when this continent's very ecological foundations are crumbling and entire ecosystems collapsing, Aboriginal cultural land custodians, who have the power and knowledge to restore ecological balance, are struggling to hold on to what remains of their cultures and attempting to rebuild them by re-engagement with their homelands.

We can only hope that they will be able to build up that body of knowledge once again, with the assistance of Western knowledges and technologies, and save us all from the hell of mass extinctions.

(Opposition Leader) Tony Abbot and (Prime Minister) Julia Gillard's understanding of and true concern for Aboriginal cultures is as deep as the people who see the midden as nothing more than a rubbish tip.

MAUREEN BRANNAN
Cloyne, Qld



He's sew proud

I AM in Year 8 at The Cathedral School in Townsville, north Queensland.

One of the best subjects here is Food and Textiles Technology. For our first term we have been sewing. We made a small bag and a pair of shorts.

Some parts were very challenging, but it was fun. Now I have some camouflage shorts for the weekends.

That's me wearing my shorts on the left with two of my classmates, Marshall Winkle and Duncan Pickering, who are also in their shorts.

TYRON CONRAD
Townsville, Qld

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Literary Awards concern

THE judges of the David Unaipon Award, part of the Queensland Premier's Literary Awards, have been in dispute with the awards committee about the legitimacy of entrants and the nature of submissions.

The judges for the past four years have been concerned that the awards entrance criteria may allow people without an Aboriginal heritage to enter the event.

Furthermore, we feel that the original purpose of the award was that it should reflect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander life in some way.

A statutory declaration is not sufficient proof of identity, in our opinion. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are required to have a known relationship to community for their identity to be accepted by that community.

The manuscripts entered in the

competition should show some cultural association.

We believe this is not an onerous requirement. Non-Indigenous writers might rebel at such a restriction, but Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders accept such rules as a part of Indigenous life.

We urge the Queensland Premier's Department to reconsider their refusal to accept the advice of the judges.

Until such requirements are met we will not act as judges for the David Unaipon Award and urge others to approach with caution before committing to an award which we believe has been sullied by the Premier's Department's approach.

**JENNIFER KEMARRE
MARTINIELLO and BRUCE PASCOE**
by email



Dante's got a message for bullies

WE'RE writing to tell *Koori Mail* readers about our eight-year-old son Dante' Devow, who recently designed his 'NO BULLYING' t-shirt.

Dante' is the only student who is of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage at St Thomas the Apostle School in Canberra.

He designed the shirt after being bullied in the playground. Dante' even sold a few of them at the St Thomas Fete.

We are very proud of our own little 'Koori Male's' attempt to try to tackle such a scary issue at such a young age.

DION and DANIELLE DEVOW
Canberra, ACT

Why the restrictions on communities?

AFTER watching the ABC 7.30 *Queensland* report on diabetes in Aboriginal communities, I would like to ask why are there restrictions on Aboriginal people living off the land and sea?

There are even restrictions on those Indigenous communities whose country has been returned.

I believe these restrictions prevent the possibilities of true well-being and health for these communities.

A BLANCHE
Marsden, Qld

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New book called a 'genuine history'

By JILLIAN MUNDY



AUNTY Patsy Cameron's long-awaited *Grease and Ochre: the blending of two cultures at the*

colonial sea front, has been launched in Hobart by fellow Aboriginal author Anita Heiss.

In turn, Aunty Patsy performed the local launch for Dr Heiss' new novel, *Paris Dreaming*.

"I learnt so much in the first ten pages of *Grease and Ochre*, I am grateful," Dr Heiss told the crowd which packed Fullers bookshop.

"I hope that all school libraries, nationally, stock it. I have no doubt that universities will add it to their collection immediately."

Six years in the making, *Grease and Ochre* began as a master's thesis. It is third in the series *Studies in the History of Aboriginal People* published by Fullers Bookshop and has been described by fellow scholar Dr Linn Miller as

'positively revolutionary and compelling'.

"I commended the book as a genuine Tasmanian Aboriginal history and a bloody good read," Dr Miller said.

The book is the story of the Coastal Plains people in Tasmania's north-east; their lifestyle, practices, invasion of their lands, their struggle, their relationships and entwined lives with the new arrivals and ultimately their survival.

The book title is highly symbolic.

"Grease from bodies of birds and animals and ochre from the body of the earth were blended together by my ancestors to smear upon their hair and bodies in ceremony," the author said.

"It mixes deep red. Like the mix of the two cultural groups from which I was born.

"In writing this history, I honour my ancestors who came from both sides of the sea frontier with the same frailties, feelings and

emotions as all humankind."

In her research for her book, Aunty Patsy, who has a Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology and Geography, and a Master of Arts in History, drew on archaeological surveys, historical journals, maps, diaries and newspaper articles, which she has described as a 'Pandora's box'.

Through her book, she hopes to bring a new understanding to Tasmania's past and present.

Aunty Patsy was involved in the establishment of the Flinders Island Aboriginal Association and the Riawunna Centre for Aboriginal Education at the University of Tasmania.

She was entered onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women in 2006.

Grease and Ochre is edited by Prof Henry Reynolds and features photographs by award-winning Tasmanian Aboriginal photographer Ricky Maynard.

● More on books in our arts section starting on page 70



Aunty Patsy Cameron with a copy of her new book.



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ADHC Aboriginal Advisory Committee (AAAC)

Expression of Interest for Membership

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Do you have what it takes?

Three vacancies currently exist for Aboriginal people with a genuine commitment to and knowledge of issues relating to the provision of services to older Aboriginal people, Aboriginal people with a disability and their carers in NSW to become members of the Committee.

The Committee will meet at least four times per year for a duration of one day per meeting. Meetings will generally be held in Sydney and expenses associated with attending will be met by ADHC. In selecting committee members, consideration will be given to ensuring balanced representation. The appointment will be for an initial period of 12 months.

For an information package and an Expression of Interest form please contact Annette Houston, Aboriginal Service Development and Delivery Directorate on (02) 9407 7739 or by email at annette.houston2@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Expressions of Interest for membership close on 6th May 2011.



Department of Justice



Request for Application

MINISTERIAL GRANTS FOR INTENSIVE TRANSITIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS FOR MEN, WOMEN & INDIGENOUS OFFENDERS 2011-2014

Transitional support to prisoners returning to the community is an important component of reducing reoffending and Corrections Victoria is seeking applications from interested parties, from the not-for-profit sector, to deliver intensive transitional support programs to men and women exiting Victorian prisons, for the period 1 October 2011 to 30 June 2014.

The intensive transitional support programs will provide holistic pre and post release case management of varying levels of intensity, with a focus on the acquisition of social, vocational and employment skills and the provision of specialised support for complex needs.

In relation to women exiting prison, Corrections Victoria is seeking to award a single grant for the provision of statewide pre and post release transitional support.

In relation to men exiting prison, Corrections Victoria is seeking to award grants for the provision of pre and post release transitional support on a regional basis.

To support Indigenous men and women exiting prison, Corrections Victoria is seeking to award a single grant for the provision of statewide post release support for Indigenous men and women exiting prison.

Grant guidelines and application documentation are available on the Victorian Government Tenders System website at www.tenders.vic.gov.au.

An Information Session will be held at Corrections Victoria on Thursday 21 April 2011 and to register your interest please telephone 8684-6524.

For further enquiries please contact Sheree Drever on 8684-6527 or email transitionalprogramsgrants@justice.vic.gov.au

Closing date: Thursday 12 May 2011 at 2.00pm.

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Checking award entries, from left, Cath Bowdler, Judith Ryan, Danie Mellor and Christiane Keller.

Judges on the job



LEADING Indigenous artists Danie Mellor and Nici Cumpston and Indigenous arts curator Judith Ryan have been appointed judges of the 28th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award by the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) and principal sponsor Telstra.

Entries for the awards have closed with 327 submissions received, vying for the total prize pool of \$60,000.

The three judges have the task of selecting the winning works from representatives from every state and territory. Entrants are vying for the \$40,000 main prize and a chance to gain national acclaim for their art.

"Reflecting the importance of the awards to this community, we have received

strong entries featuring high-calibre art works from all corners of the country, and we are thrilled to have such well-known and respected names in the Indigenous art world join us to select the finalists," MAGNT senior curator Christiane Keller said.

Danie Mellor is an arts lecturer at the University of Sydney and holds a PhD from the Australia National University. He won the Telstra Art Award in 2009, after being highly commended in 2003 and 2007.

Finalist

Nici Cumpston is an assistant curator of Indigenous Australian art at the Art Gallery of South Australia where she recently curated and co-wrote the accompanying publication for the exhibition *Desert Country* which is touring nationally until 2013. She has been exhibiting her work since

1998 and has been a finalist in the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award eight times.

Judith Ryan is the senior curator of Indigenous art at the National Gallery of Victoria, where she started her art museum career in 1977. She has curated more than 40 exhibitions of Indigenous art and is widely published.

Joining the three judges and curator on the pre-selection panel are Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery manager Bruce Tindale and Cath Bowdler, artist, curator, writer, arts administrator and former lecturer at Charles Darwin University.

The 28th National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award exhibition opens, and award presentations will be made, on 11 August.

● **WA art award finalists named – Page 73**

Campaign to give access



A CAMPAIGN aimed at breaking down barriers faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in accessing services has been launched in Brisbane.

Called Access All Areas, Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Human Services Coalition executive director Garth Morgan said the campaign was about improving service access and delivery.

"We're talking about improving outcomes in everything from health and housing to education and employment," Mr Morgan said.

"Indigenous Australian communities should be able to access the same services as the rest of Australia.

"It simply isn't good enough that a quarter of the Indigenous

population of Queensland has had problems accessing health services.

"It isn't good enough that the Indigenous employment rate in our state is more than three times the Australian rate or that Indigenous Australians are three times as likely to be homeless as other Australians, with Queensland second only to the Northern Territory."

Mr Morgan says that while the figures reflect in part the difficulty of providing services to remote areas, there are other barriers at play.

"Many people are reluctant to access services because they fear they may not be treated with respect or supported," he says.

"We have to change that to a belief that when people access a service they know that they and the information they supply will be treated

appropriately and with respect.

"We can break the negative cycle of the past through engaging young people, getting them to spread the message that it's okay to front up and ask for help, that you'll be talking to somebody who will take you seriously and who can make a positive difference in your life."

The Access All Areas campaign has been launched in south-east Queensland and over the next 12 months there is potential for new ambassadors to be appointed in other areas to increase awareness of services for local Indigenous families.

The Federal Government has provided \$150,000 in funding for the campaign.

For more information on Access All Areas, visit the website www.access-all-areas.org.au

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The NSW Environmental Trust invites applications to the

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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

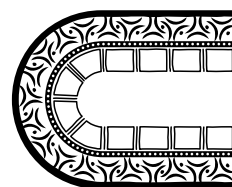
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Indigenous Youth Leadership Program 2011



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- develop your leadership skills
- develop networks with peers and potential mentors.

The Indigenous Youth Leadership Program will be held at Parliament House, Brisbane from 27 June to 1 July 2011.

For more information or to obtain a copy of the application form visit www.reconciliation.qld.gov.au or free call 1300 555 954.

Applications close Friday 29 April 2011.



Authorised by the Queensland Government, George St, Brisbane.



Tylissa Stephens, 18, an electrical mechanics apprentice with Ausgrid.

Power company to take on more staff



AUSGRID'S apprenticeship program is on again and the power company is looking for

motivated people interested in a career in the electricity industry.

Ausgrid, which was formerly the electricity network EnergyAustralia, says it has a proud tradition of training apprentices and supporting Indigenous applicants.

Learning and Development manager Tom Emeleus said the program was an important step towards gaining a stable career.

"The pre-apprenticeship program is about helping you get what you need for a long-lasting career," he said.

"As the State's largest single employer of apprentices, we offer a great support network and this course helps bridge the gaps to get

participants ready for the apprenticeship selection process."

The pre-apprenticeship program is a ten-week course aimed at skilling participants with the literacy and numeracy skills needed to gain an apprenticeship with Ausgrid.

It includes industry training at Ausgrid learning centres in Sydney and Newcastle.

Tylissa Stephens, 18, from Hillsdale, completed the pre-apprenticeship course last year, before gaining and starting her electrical mechanics apprenticeship with Ausgrid this year.

"I did the pre-apprenticeship program to advance my knowledge of the industry and help me get a job I wanted. It gave me the skills and the confidence to go for the apprenticeship," she said.

"The support you get from the teachers at TAFE and the Ausgrid staff is great. They are really keen

on helping you do your best and get through the course and get the job at the end of it.

"My job is so much more than I expected. Going into it, you know it's a good job, but after a bit of time you realise it's more like a family and the trainers really look after you and help with whatever you need."

There are 20 student positions open through Petersham TAFE and ten with the Hunter Institute of TAFE, where participants will study at the Maitland and Tighes Hill campuses.

Anyone interested in the pre-apprenticeship should call 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

New support services



FIVE communities in the Northern Territory will be the first to receive new parenting support services to protect children from neglect and abuse.

The intensive Family Support Service is part of the Federal Government's response to the Growing Them Strong, Together report by the NT Board of Inquiry into the child protection system.

The new services will support families in Darwin town camps, Palmerston town camps, Palmerston township, Wadeye

and Katherine/Mataranka.

They will work with parents whose children are identified as vulnerable or at risk of neglect to help them develop better parenting and household management skills.

Parents referred to income management by NT Department of Children and Families child protection workers will be a priority for the new service.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the income management system ensured welfare was spent, first and foremost, in the interests of

children on food, clothing and housing.

Among the supports offered by the services will be home visits and face-to-face and group sessions designed to develop life and parenting skills, such as understanding child development, keeping children safe, and preparing nutritious meals.

"The Parenting Research Centre and the Menzies School of Health Research will be working closely with the services," Ms Macklin said.

"This will help to build a rigorous evidence base which will be used to ensure the best outcomes for children at risk.

"The protection of vulnerable children is one of the greatest responsibilities of all governments.

"The Intensive Family Support services constitute one aspect of the Australian Government's efforts to help strengthen parenting skills and child protection in the NT.

"Since 2007, we have increased the police presence and night patrols in remote communities, funded 7000 meals for children each school day, provided thousands of health checks for children, and delivered safe houses and more support services."

National Native Title Conference 2011



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New focus on jobs



COMPANIES tendering for government contracts in areas with a significant Indigenous population will need approved plans for employing and training Indigenous people.

Federal Finance Minister Penny Wong and Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib last week announced the first Indigenous Training, Employment and Supplier Plan under the Government's Indigenous Opportunities Policy.

"This is about encouraging corporate responsibility, while also changing the way the Australian Government does its business," Senator Wong said.

"Companies in regions with a significant Indigenous population that bid for Government contracts will need to train and employ Indigenous Australians and use Indigenous suppliers."

Senator Arbib said Government procurement was a powerful driver for change.

"Government procurement can help

bring about change, particularly in regional and remote communities," Senator Arbib said.

"The IOP will ensure that Indigenous employment and training and supplier use becomes standard business practice for companies that tender for Government work.

"It will help us better harness it to create employment opportunities and support the growth of Indigenous business."

From 1 July 2011, in regions with a significant Indigenous population, tenderers

for Government contracts over \$5 million (\$6 million for construction projects), will need approved plans for employing and training local Indigenous people and for using Indigenous suppliers.

IOP Information sessions will be held in the second half of April and throughout May.

To register an interest in attending an information session go to iop@deewr.gov.au. Further information and IOP guidelines can be found at www.deewr.gov.au/iop

A taste of the Defence Force



SCHOOL students from the Kalgoorlie region in Western Australia recently travelled from far and wide to hear first-hand accounts

of what it is like to serve in the Defence Force.

Taking part in the Defence 2020 Indigenous Youth Challenge, some students from Wiluna Remote School travelled up to 600 kilometres to take part.

Altogether, four schools, 75 students and ten teaching staff participated on the day.

The Defence 2020 program is part of the Indigenous Employment Program sponsored by the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and conducted by Ryebuck Media Pty Ltd.

It is designed to increase awareness of the Defence role in the community.

The program asks the question: "What does the Australian Defence Force have to do with you?"

It is aimed at students between 14-16 years.

The students began the day by being challenged on their decision-making ability through an activity that helped them to recognise the qualities of good leadership and good citizenship.

After this, they were introduced to a group of serving Indigenous ADF members who spoke about where they came from and their careers in Defence.

A few displays were also provided and the students also



Leading Seaman Sam Sheppard with Indigenous students, Ruben Salter, 14 and Ferris Silva, 16, from the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School. The students played an active part in the Defence 2020 program held in Kalgoorlie.

got to see the contents of a 24-hour Combat Ration Pack.

After lunch, the students worked in groups to prepare a short role play about what they

thought the Australian Defence Force did best.

Major Nerida Turner said Defence 2020 was not a recruiting activity.

"It aims more to break down barriers, giving participants the opportunity to interact with other Indigenous students outside their immediate peer-group/

school," she said.

This activity was previously conducted in Katherine in 2009, Alice Springs in 2010 and Townsville in March 2011.

The National Aboriginal Liaison Officers' Forum 2011

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Young Aboriginal man off to address UN General Assembly



A 22-year-old Aboriginal man has been chosen as the young voice of Australia to address the United Nations General Assembly this September in

New York. Benson Saulo is the first Indigenous Australian to become the Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations.

"It's a privilege to be entrusted with the hopes and ideas of the optimistic youth of Australia," he said.

Mr Saulo will be an official member of the Australian delegation, representing 15-to-25-year-old Australians when he addresses world leaders to influence policy at the highest level on issues of human rights, education and climate change.

The business analyst, with one of the big four banks, was named to the role after a three-stage application process, which included a written plan of how he would engage young Australians in his five-month national consultation tour.

"It is encouraging to see young people growing up that are excited by the challenge of creating change in society and are passionate about social issues," he said.

Mr Saulo will be speaking with young people across Australia at youth forums, and via social media to gain a deeper understanding of the issues facing Australian youth.

"Young people don't see their age as a limitation, but rather an entitlement of their place in Australia's future," he said.

"They have concerns and opinions on a range of issues not confined to their generation. It's these voices I want to share on a national and international level."



BENSON SAULO

Concerns over cuts to health research



THE Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT) is concerned about threatened cuts to health research efforts.

AMSANT CEO John Paterson said any Federal Budget funding reductions for health research would be the unkindest cuts of all.

"We all acknowledge that efforts towards closing the gap is a generational project," he said.

"In the same way, the research that informs the evidence base we need to develop our social and clinical practice, is generational: you just can't turn the tap of research on and off at whim.

"The cuts threaten health research

that benefits all Australians.

"These broad research investments can be particularly relevant to Aboriginal Australians, who experience the greatest disparities in health outcomes of any other group in the nation.

"Research that has a particular focus on our people has the potential to provide enormous benefits.

"Let's face it: The talented scientists and researchers that may be forced offshore are hardly likely to be funded for research into Australian Aboriginal health in foreign labs and overseas projects.

"Furthermore, Aboriginal health research is highly unlikely to be filled by commercial research bodies.

"We run the real risk of creating a research gap in Aboriginal health."

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

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.

Yulkuum Jerrang

3rd Victorian Indigenous Economic Development Conference

Indigenous Business – Culture, Trade and Entrepreneurship

Sebel Albert Park, Melbourne: 2-4 November 2011

Yulkuum Jerrang is being held on the ancestral lands of the Boonwurrung People, Kulin Nation

Artwork by Mandy Thomas



Share your story

Help shape the future landscape of Indigenous business in Australia

The Yulkuum Jerrang conference celebrates the diversity and richness provided by Indigenous Business, and aims to build fundamental business skills for those aspiring to develop their own business and career.

The Koori Business Network wants to hear from Indigenous entrepreneurs and businesses who want to share their story at the conference, to inspire and educate others.

Simply contact us with a brief outline of your experiences, and how sharing your story can benefit others in the Indigenous business community.

Call for Papers - the Koori Business Network also invites submissions from those who wish to present a significant case study or research paper. Abstracts are due 15th May, 2011, with papers subject to a peer review process.

Papers may include any issues associated with the development of Indigenous business, and ways in which culture, trade and entrepreneurship have contributed to the development of Indigenous business.

Guidelines for the Call for Papers are available at www.yulkuumjerrang.com.au



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AFLNT scores from ABA



A PROGRAM to promote the benefits of Australian football in helping improve health, fitness and social cohesion in remote communities in the Northern Territory is one of 22 projects to receive funding under the latest round of grants from the Aboriginals Benefit Account (ABA), worth more than \$16 million.

The Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT) will receive \$1.5 million to deliver its 'Strength and Unity Through Football' program to five new locations in the Northern Territory.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the new program would capitalise on local interest in football.

"AFLNT development managers will be based in each of the five communities and will deliver a variety of football programs to drive improvements in areas such as health and fitness, school attendance and employment," she said.

"The programs will build on the success of existing AFLNT programs at Wadeye and Galiwin'ku and on Groote Eylandt, which are also delivered with funding support from the Australian Government.

"We know that these programs are a

great way for Indigenous girls and boys to be able to participate in a sport that they love, while also gaining positive skills and practical outcomes."

Northern Territory Senator Trish Crossin said the Clontarf Foundation had also received a \$1 million grant to expand its programs.

"The Clontarf Foundation currently operates football academies in Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru, Gunbalanya and on the Tiwi Islands," Senator Crossin said.

"This funding will be used to establish new academies in the Northern Territory

and provide ongoing support for existing academies to continue the important work of improving the discipline, life skills and self esteem of young Aboriginal men."

Local MP and Labor Minister Warren Snowdon also welcomed funding of nearly \$2.9 million to be provided for the control of dogs in remote communities.

"ABA grants are awarded to projects to open up new opportunities for Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory by providing funding to get new initiatives off the ground and backing established ventures to expand and develop," he said.

Rare boomerang goes on display at Qld Museum



A RARE boomerang carved by the late Andrew Jack O'Chin is now on

display at the Queensland Museum.

The boomerang features the names and faces of two great Indigenous athletes, Frank Fisher and Eddie Gilbert, as well as footballs, cricket stumps and cricket balls.

Andrew Jack O'Chin, who was instrumental in establishing the artefact industry at Cherbourg and other Aboriginal communities, created the boomerang to pay homage to his Cherbourg contemporaries.

Frank Fisher, grandfather of Olympian Cathy Freeman, was a talented rugby league player, while Eddie Gilbert was only the second Aboriginal player to play first-class cricket in Australia, and was renowned for bowling cricket legend Sir Donald Bradman for a duck.

Queensland Museum CEO Ian Galloway said the rare 1930s boomerang, which joins two other O'Chin boomerangs from the museum collection, would be on display in the museum's Dandiiri Maiwar exhibition.

"The boomerang is a traditional south-east Queensland returning boomerang, carved of crows ash wood at Cherbourg Aboriginal Mission Reserve in the 1930s by Andrew Jack 'Chinny' O'Chin of the Wakka Wakka people," Dr Galloway said.



Mrs Nellie O'Chin with the rare boomerang now on display at the Queensland Museum in Brisbane.

He said the museum actively collected objects that revealed stories of the intriguing connections between the past and present.

He said it was also an important keeping place of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander objects.

"We hope that generations of Queenslanders and visitors to our state will continue to be inspired by these stories when they come to

the Queensland Museum," he said.

Cathy Freeman said it was an honour for her family to have 'our' boomerang appreciated and showcased in partnership with the Queensland Museum to such an appreciative audience.

"Celebrating Australian and Queensland Indigenous contribution in this way aids in celebrating the true understanding of humanity," she said.



Port Phillip Indigenous Community
Have Your Say

What do you enjoy about living in Port Phillip?

What are the issues that matter to you?

What can council do to help promote reconciliation in our community?

The City of Port Phillip is conducting an Indigenous Community Survey to provide input into the development of a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), which has been endorsed by Council.

Indigenous Australian residents, visitors and workers over the age of 18 are invited to contribute to the process by completing an online survey at:

www.portphillip.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay

The overall findings of the survey will help guide the development of the RAP, which will be finalised later this year.

The survey closes on 30 June 2011.

For further information contact
Todd Condie, Indigenous Policy Officer
on (03) 9209 6818.



Aboriginal Community Workshops Have your say on water sharing

The NSW Office of Water is conducting a series of workshops to facilitate Aboriginal community engagement and consultation on water sharing plans. The workshops, located at venues throughout inland NSW and in some coastal areas, are being convened over a seven month period commencing April 2011.

Participation in these workshops will give you an opportunity to influence water sharing plans by providing information that could protect water-dependent cultural assets. Licences relevant to Aboriginal people will also be discussed. The workshops will be run in two stages:

Stage 1: community engagement workshop (two days)

- to provide information on the water planning process, water licensing opportunities and the relevance of water sharing plans for Aboriginal people.

Stage 2: water dependent cultural asset identification workshop (one day)

- to discuss high priority Aboriginal water dependent cultural assets, cultural flow requirements and sensitivities to water extraction.

Workshop venues	Area	Stage	Date	Time
Lightning Ridge – District Bowling Club, 1 Agate Street	Western	1	Mon 2, Tue 3 May	9am – 5pm
		2	Tue 24 May	9am – 5pm
Brewarrina – Senior Citizens Hall, Sandon Street	Western	1	Wed 4, Thu 5 May	9am – 5pm
		2	Wed 25 May	9am – 5pm
Wilcannia – Central Darling Shire Community Hall, Barrier Highway	Western	1	Wed 27, Thu 28 July	9am – 5pm
		2	Thu 18 Aug	9am – 5pm
Walgett – Country Women's Association Rooms, Pitt Street	Namoi	1	Mon 9, Tue 10 May	9am – 5pm
		2	Thu 26 May	8am – 3pm
Tamworth – Level 3, Noel Park House, 155 Marius Street	Namoi	1	Mon 16, Tue 17 May	9am – 5pm
		2	Tue 31 May	9am – 5pm
Narrabri – Narrabri RSL, 7 Maitland Street	Namoi	1	Wed 18 May	8.30am – 4pm
		1	Thu 19 May	9am – 5pm
		2	Mon 30 May	9am – 5pm

Register now to attend a workshop on 1800 353 104

For information on additional workshops go to www.water.nsw.gov.au

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The 2011 NSW Aboriginal

Debate on hot topics



Jean Pasfield (Aboriginal Housing Office), Ricky Lyons (Metropolitan LALC Chairperson), Leon Apostle (PARS team, Aboriginal Housing Office), Stanley Tsoi, and Janice Dennis (AHO, Sydney south-eastern region).



NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton, (third from right) with the *Tracker* team Brian Johnson, Shyamla Eswaran, Chris Munro, Amy McQuire and Chris Graham.



Paulette Whitton during a Koori Radio broadcast from the conference.



Senator Nigel Scullion, Lois Towney and NSWALC councillor William Murray.



Bessie Malcolm and Marie Johnson with Wagga Wagga LALC's Recognition of Sound Governance award.



NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott.



Joanna Carr, from Wellington.



NSWALC council support officers Melissa Bolt from Lismore, Priscilla Mason from Karuah and Ruth Dane from Nowra.

By KIRSTIE PARKER



THE spectre of possible local Aboriginal land council (LALC) amalgamations,

reforms around the management of LALC-owned social housing, and the value of participation in international forums were amongst hot topics at the 2011 New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Conference earlier this month.

The state-wide gathering held at Lovedale in the Hunter Valley from 5-7 April attracted representatives of more than 100 LALCs, NSWALC councillors and staff, and high-profile guest speakers.

The new State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello sent his apologies but Federal Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs Senator Nigel Scullion attended.

A welcome to country opened the conference, followed by the screening of a moving DVD called *Reflection on Land Rights Defenders*, which honoured early land rights campaigners nominated by land councils.

Introducing keynote speaker Professor James Anaya, the United Nations (UN) Special Rapporteur on the rights of Indigenous People, NSWALC Chairperson Bev Manton declared the UN 'one of the most powerful ways to look after our human rights'.

Last year, Prof Anaya issued a report critical of Australia's treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' human rights. While he praised Australia for the national apology to the Stolen Generations, its belated support for the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and some Close the Gap initiatives, he expressed serious concerns about core elements of the Northern Territory Intervention, the failure of many government programs to advance Indigenous self-determination, and a lack of support for Indigenous people in securing land and heritage sites.

During his conference speech, Prof Anaya spoke of challenges in ensuring

that the UN Declaration was now implemented in domestic policy and processes. And he urged conference delegates to look beyond their own jurisdictions and take an interest in the rights of Indigenous peoples around the globe.

Considerable discussion at the conference related to the sustainability of the land rights network, especially in light of growing demands for improved governance and training, under-performance by some LALCs, and pressure on NSWALC's state investment account, which currently stands at \$551 million – about \$10 million less than in the midst the global financial crisis.

Underpinning this was a NSWALC discussion paper 'The Sustainability of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights

Network', distributed at

the end of last year.

Prior to the NSW State Election, then Shadow Aboriginal Affairs Minister Kevin Humphries flagged a shakeup of the Act and land council network. It is not known if Mr Dominello shares Mr Humphries' view but NSWALC has acted to head off any review of the network earlier than that already planned for February next year. Last month, it distributed a policy

document 'Our Land, Our Rights' to background members of the new O'Farrell Government and other MPs.

The NSWALC discussion paper on sustainability advances seven options including a possible new funding formula for LALCs that takes account of need and rewards better performance (rather than allocating \$130,000 annually to each LALC); insisting that government pay for the costs of its extra demands on the network; encouraging LALCs to share resources with each other and consider voluntary amalgamations; and limiting approval of community benefit schemes to those that have been business plan feasibility tested.

Ms Manton told delegates that she and her fellow councillors 'could have taken the easy option and done nothing, like a lot of mainstream politicians'.

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JAMES ANAYA

Land Council Conference



Pastor Ossie Cruse, from Eden, with NSWALC councillor Stephen Ryan.



Neville Simpson, from Eden, Christine Stewart, from Nowra, and Annalise Mumbler, from Bodalla, at the conference dinner.



Enid Clarke (Young LALC), Courtney Davy (Leeton and District LALC) and Bev Johnson (Griffith LALC) at the dinner.



Chantal Tanna (Mindaribba LALC) was there with daughter Kiata Griffiths, aged eight weeks.

Delegates speak out

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"But we've put the issues on the table and want some direction from you," she said. "We're not asking you to rush this but we need to move this debate forward... The future of the sustainable network is in our hands and I'm sure that is appreciated by everyone (here)."

Nevertheless, there was considerable debate on some of the reforms mooted.

South coast stalwart Pastor Ossie Cruse described the discussion paper as 'excellent' but said the fundamental problem was that the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act (NSW) 1983* had never properly compensated Aboriginal people.

He said a sunset clause, which saw the State stop contributing to NSWALC's coffers in 1998, was neither just nor fair and the state body should renegotiate it.

Pastor Cruse's comments were echoed by Nathan Moran, of Birpai LALC, who ventured that Aboriginal people had fewer rights now than 20 years ago when NSWALC began attending UN forums.

"If you want to keep our network alive, why don't you go

back to government and get a fairer deal – with a bigger percentage of GDP – not keep us fighting over crumbs?" Mr Moran said. "Call it rent money."

"Why are LALCs the problem?" asked another delegate. "Relying on cutbacks, as the discussion paper does, is only short-term."

"NSWALC spent more than half a million dollars on financial advice last year. For what benefit? Why don't we look at economic development for NSWALC?"

Another delegate asked where NSWALC was trying to reduce its own costs.

And there was strong resistance to the suggestion of LALC amalgamations.

"That idea has got to be stopped," said Alan Lamb, of Goodooga LALC. "The network should be strengthening our remote communities."

"...Sometimes the only opportunities they get is through their LALC. If you move the LALC out of the community... why break the heart of a community of people?"

Andrew Smith, from Worimi LALC at Port Stephens, pleaded for an end to apparent division between coastal LALCs and those



Magistrate Pat O'Shane spoke at the conference dinner.

Photo courtesy NSWALC

in the bush. And he queried NSWALC's role as either an advocate for or a regulator of land councils. "You need to pick a side," he said.

NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott, however, was unapologetic. It was better that NSWALC lead tough discussions than government or bureaucrats, he said.

"NSWALC performs both roles (as a regulator and an advocate)," Mr Scott said. "We have to be mature enough to accept that

because, if NSWALC doesn't do it, someone else will. Why do people have issues with us being a regulator? People always seem to want to defer to the white master... If you don't provide the advice or the solutions, the bureaucrat must. That's his job."

There was also discussion on how LALC social housing could remain affordable in the new legislative and policy environment. The land council network collectively owns and manages more than 2500 houses across NSW, many of them overcrowded and in disrepair. LALCs continuing to operate social housing schemes are required to demonstrate financial capacity and that their schemes are fair, equitable and properly administered.

They're being encouraged to consider handing management of their housing stock to the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO). Under a head lease arrangement, LALCs would retain ownership of their houses but AHO would be responsible for repairs and maintenance. This suggestion, too, generated debate.

One delegate asked what would happen if LALCs decided not to sign management of their

houses over to AHO.

"We've got the noose around our neck again because one way or another, we're going to lose what was given to us by the lands trust: land and housing," she said.

NSWALC's Elder and youth advisory committees also met during the conference. Other sessions included a think-tank on economic development, the official launch of the NSWALC council elections to be held later this year, and discussions on finances/financial literacy, culture and heritage reform, NSWALC audits, community benefit schemes, and land dealings.

The conference dinner at the end of day two gave delegates an opportunity to relax. It featured a strong speech by outspoken Aboriginal magistrate Pat O'Shane, and the official launch of *Tracker*, a NSWALC magazine which Cr Roy Ah See described as 'a modern day message stick'.

The team behind *Tracker* includes the former core editorial staff of the *National Indigenous Times*. The 'rights-based publication' will explore issues affecting Aboriginal people in NSW, and will be distributed free to the land council network.

Sisters leaving Palm

By ALF WILSON



A CEREMONY will be held at Palm Island on 15 May to officially farewell the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary sisters who have served on the North Queensland Aboriginal community since 1944.

The last three Franciscan Missionaries of Mary who will leave Palm Island just over a week later on May 24 are Sister Maria van Galen, Sister Madge Hore and Sister Christina McGlynn.

Catholic Bishop Michael Putney will travel from Townsville on 15 May to lead the farewell for the sisters.

"It will be a celebration of all the FMMs who worked here and on the nearby former leper colony of Fantome Island, but it will be very hard to say the goodbyes," Sister Christina told the *Koori Mail*.

The day of celebrations will start with a mass at St Anthony's Church at 10am. That will be followed by morning tea at the parish centre and then move to the Palm PCYC for dancing, speeches,

'It will be a celebration of all the FMMs who worked here and on the nearby former leper colony of Fantome Island, but it will be very hard to say the goodbyes'

story sharing, music and photo displays.

Lunch will be provided at 1.30pm by the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council and at 2.30pm the *Fantome Island* SBS documentary will be screened.

Much-loved Sister Christina said life has been hectic as the sisters prepared for their departure.

"The really good news is that there will be sisters of another religious congregation to replace us," she said.

Last May 31, Bishop Putney, Sister Christina and Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey were amongst more than 80 former patients and staff who went to Fantome Island by barge for a commemoration service.

Meanwhile, four young Palm Islanders will travel to Madrid in Spain with Catholic parish priest Father Daniel for World Youth Day celebrations from 15-21 August.

In recent months fund-raising for the trip has been undertaken on Palm Island, including raffles, sponsorship drives and selling craft.

While locals have been generous, about \$7000 is still required.

World Youth Day is a youth-oriented Catholic Church event.



Palm Island-based Franciscan Missionaries of Mary nun Sister Christina McGlynn with Katherine Graham on Fantome Island during last year's remembrance event.

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Warwick hosting peace festival



A CULTURAL showcase of Indigenous talent has been included as part of the 2011 Warwick Peace Festival, in south-east Queensland. Called Healing Together,

the showcase will feature a program of music, art and culture on 29-30 April.

The line-up includes Buddy Knox Blues Band, Stiff Gins, Last Kinection, Johnny Huckle, Reggie Little, LJ Hill, Jason Scott and Mop and the Dropouts. Organiser Roger Knox

said there would also be walk-up performances in the park with a professional backing band, as well as stalls and exhibitions.

The Healing Foundation is sponsoring the event.

"It's a great opportunity for aspiring performers coming from as close as

Warwick and as far away as Cherbourg to pick up some tips from these established performers and work with a professional backing band," Mr Knox said.

"They'll also have the opportunity to perform as part of the finale with big name artists."



Cherbourg Hornets rugby league players celebrate their Burnett Premier League victory with their children last September. The team has become a catalyst for improving the south-east Queensland town's social problems and won the National Indigenous TV (NITV) Queensland club of the year.

Hornets stars for Cherbourg



CHERBOURG'S premiership winning A-Grade rugby league side the Hornets are leading by example to make their town a safer place.

Just 12 months ago the players signed up to a strict behaviour code after being banned in 2002 from the Burnett Premier League in south-east Queensland because of fighting.

On their return, the players agreed not to be seen drunk or fighting in public, and they took part in protests against domestic violence.

The commitment paid off as the team went on to win the premiership last year, and there has also been a notable improvement in the town's well-being.

This was apparent after the recent floods which swept through the region.

Team manager Fred Cobbo said

about 200 children turned out to watch the team's first training session this year, and a heap of kids also turned up to help out with flood recovery.

"We had too many. We had to send kids home," Mr Cobbo said.

The team is also the only side in the senior Burnett competition to play on the same day as its juniors, and will not have a bar at its games.

"We don't want people to be drunk in front of the kids," Mr Cobbo said.

Stronger

"Football brings families together and we're using it to make us a stronger community."

Barambah Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) team member Edna Malone agreed.

"The Cherbourg Hornets came to PaCE to organise its players to have a mentoring role at Murgon State High School and this is about to start with

students on Wednesday," she said.

The team also helped out at a big NRL day at the school on 14 April where they worked beside football champions to teach skills and stress the importance of staying in school.

"Everybody thinks highly of the team and the work it's doing in the community," Aunty Edna said.

"It's setting an example every side in the South Burnett should follow."

Mr Cobbo said the team was planning to have a community day at one of its home games where organisations would be invited.

"It will give them a chance to let people know how they work to make Cherbourg a stronger, happier community," he said.

Cherbourg Police officer-in-charge, Sergeant Scott Prendergast praised the Hornets, and said his officers would work with the side to help achieve its aims.

Vibe Alive is back for another year



THE national Vibe Alive youth festival is returning this year after a 2010 season where more than 10,000 young people took part.

Vibe Alive is a two-day event for young Australians that celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

It will be staged in Bendigo, Victoria, on 25-26 May; Townsville, Queensland, on 1-2 June; and Kalgoorlie, Western Australia on 17-18 August.

Vibe Alive aims to give young people a chance to express themselves and show their school, their family and their community what they're good at.

Executive Producer Gavin Jones says the events are about showcasing young people's talents and inspiring them to reach their full potential.

For more information, go to www.vibealive.com.au

Nominations open for BUMP awards



NOMINATIONS are now open for the third annual National Indigenous Hip Hop and R&B BUMP Awards. There are 14 categories in the awards, run by Redfern Records Entertainment.

This year's winners will be announced in Adelaide on 23 September.

For more details and to nominate, go to www.redfernrecords.com.au

Lirrwi Tourism Hub gets Federal help



THE Lirrwi Tourism Hub in East Arnhem Land is to get a new business development officer and mentor. The positions are part of a Federal Government Indigenous Employment Program aimed at providing support to Australia's remote tourism businesses.

Federal Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib said the new jobs mentor and business development officer at Lirrwi Tourism Hub would provide expert advice to tourism operators in the Northern Territory, ensuring Indigenous tourism continued to grow and develop.

"Tourism provides Indigenous Australians with the opportunity to promote their culture and provide long-term job opportunities," Senator Arbib said.

"Indigenous tourism also provides visitors to remote Australia with a unique experience that cannot be found anywhere else in the world."

Community centre move for Aurukun



AURUKUN Shire Council has moved to turn the Cape York community's disused tavern into a community centre.

The council has called for tenders to transform the tavern, closed in 2009 in a move to restore social order in the alcohol-plagued town.

Mayor Neville Poochamunka said the closure of the tavern had allowed families to restore relationships and values and helped the community. He said the tavern redevelopment was just one of many changes under way all aimed at improving the community.

Minister commits to youth meetings



VICTORIAN Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell has committed to holding bi-annual meetings with the Victorian Indigenous Youth Advisory Council (VIYAC). Her pledge came last week after a meeting with the council to discuss issues affecting Victoria's Aboriginal youth.

"I was very impressed with the quality of VIYAC's advocacy on behalf of young Aboriginal Victorians," Ms Powell said.

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1.30 A Frontier Conversation 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 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 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 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
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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 PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Message Stick G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.30 Woarabinda: The Long Journey from Taroom G (News & Documentaries)
8.15 Working With Community G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 WHO WE ARE PG (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.00 Straight Shootin' PG (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 21st April

12.00 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
1.00 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Sacred Ground PG (News & Doc)
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 AU (Music & Radio)
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7.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
9.30 NITV News (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Kurtal: Snake Spirit PG (News & Documentaries)
10.30 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Friday 22nd April

12.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Doc)
1.00 Julia Gillard Closing the Gap NC (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Lyndon's Story PG (News & Doc)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 Chocolate Martini PG (Music & Radio)
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4.30 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
7.30 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Doc)
8.30 Trudell PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 In The Shed G (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Bran Nue Dae M (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 23rd April

12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
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12.00 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
12.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.30 Black Tracks ImagiNative G (News & Documentaries)
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3.30 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
4.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
4.30 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
5.00 GROUNDED SERIES 2 G (Entertainment)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Doc)
6.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Black Tracks ImagiNative G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Cool School Antarctica G (News & Doc)
8.30 Kulka PG (Lifestyle/Documentary)
9.30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
10.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
10.30 Yoiungu Boy M (Movies)



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3.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
4.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
5.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
8.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.00 Chocolate Martini 3 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 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
10.00 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Norforce G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)

Monday 25th April

12.00 Kiran Over Mongolia PG (Documentaries)
1.00 FOUR SHEETS TO THE WIND MA (Movies)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
3.00 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
3.30 Norforce G (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Family At War M (News & Doc)
5.30 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
6.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
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7.00 I Hope The War Will Be Over PG (News & Documentaries)
8.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.30 Norforce G (News & Documentaries)
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10.00 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
11.00 Culture Warriors MA (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 26th April

12.00 Point Of Origin G (News & Doc)
1.00 More Than Legends PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 JUMBA JIMBA G (News & Doc)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
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10.00 Black Pearls PG (Music & Radio)
11.00 Culture Warriors MA (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Wednesday 27th April

12.00 Sacred Ground PG (News & Doc)
1.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Doc)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
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 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 G (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 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 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Message Stick G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.30 Woarabinda: The Long Journey from Taroom G (News & Documentaries)
8.15 Home Away From Home PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 28th April

12.00 Cloth Of The Gods M (News & Doc)
1.00 A Frontier Conversation G (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Lyndon's Story 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 AU (Music & Radio)
5.30 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show 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 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
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 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 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 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
7.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Culture Warriors PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Friday 29th April

12.00 Across the Lifespan G (News & Doc)
1.00 100 Days Of Freedom M (Documentaries)
1.45 Home Away From Home PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 My Mother My Son PG (Entertainment)
2.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
3.00 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
4.00 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
5.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
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 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 Yeyekerte PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 OPINION PIECE NC (News & Doc)
12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
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)
4.30 Marnbrook AFL Footy Show AU (Sport)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
7.30 Urban Clan G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Across the Lifespan G (News & Doc)
11.00 Culture Warriors MA (News & Doc)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Doc)

Saturday 30th April

12.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
5.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
6.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
7.00 Live at the Basement PG (Music & Radio)
8.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
9.30 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
10.30 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
11.00 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
11.30 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
12.00 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
12.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
2.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
3.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
4.30 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Cool School Antarctica G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 WHO WE ARE PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
10.00 Yamaji Man PG (Au)
10.30 Ten Canoes M (Movies)

Sunday 1st May

12.00 DEAD HEART MA (Movies)
1.30 Urban Clan G (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
3.00 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
3.30 Lyndon's Story PG (News & Documentaries)
4.00 GENE BOY CAME HOME PG (Documentaries)
4.30 Live at the Basement PG (Music & Radio)
6.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
9.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
10.00 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music & Radio)
11.00 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
11.30 Red Rock Earth 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 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
5.30 NITV News in Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
7.00 Gathering G (Entertainment)
7.15 Working With Community G (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Straight Shootin' AU (Entertainment)
8.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Doc)
10.00 The Colony M (Entertainment)
11.00 The Colony M (Entertainment)

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Monday 2nd May

12.00 Gang Girls MA (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Gang Girl - Tamz Story MA (News & Doc)
1.30 Bro Town M (Entertainment)
2.00 Bro Town M (Entertainment)
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 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.30 Grounded PG (Kids & Family)
11.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
11.30 Medicine Woman G (News & Doc)
12.00 Gatherning G (Entertainment)
12.15 Cooktown Rodeo Black Mountain (News & Documentaries)
12.30 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
1.00 Rodeo Kaupoi G (Entertainment)
1.30 Ihi Toi M (News & Documentaries)
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 Grounded PG (Kids & Family)
4.30 Across the Lifespan G (News & Doc)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
7.30 Finding Our Talk G (Lifestyle/Doc)
8.00 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
9.00 Culture Warriors PG (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Taa Moko PG (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Searching for God PG (News & Doc)
11.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 3rd May

12.00 100 Days Of Freedom M (Doc)
12.45 Woarabinda: The Long Journey from Taroom G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Black Tracks ImagiNative 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 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
8.30 Intune @ Tamworth 2008 G (Music)
9.30 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.30 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
11.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
11.30 Songlines In The City G (Music & Radio)
12.00 Roots Music PG (Music & Radio)
1.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Doc)
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 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
4.30 WHO WE ARE PG (News & Doc)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
6.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Little Bit Deadly G (Music & Radio)
7.30 YAARNZ 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Living Black Series 14 NC (News & Doc)
8.30 Songlines In The City G (Music & Radio)
9.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Doc)
9.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Back to Pikangkum M (News & Doc)
11.00 MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G (Entertainment)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)



Health funding welcomed



THE Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia (AHCWA) has hailed what it says is an unprecedented funding commitment of \$550,000 over the next three years by the State Government.

AHCWA chairperson Vicki O'Donnell said the funding was the most significant amount since the formation of council.

She said WA Health Minister Kim Hames had shown a sincere and ongoing commitment to involving the council – the State's peak Aboriginal health body – in

determining the best outcomes for Aboriginal health in WA.

"The Minister recognises that AHCWA has led the way and will continue to lead the way," she said.

Profile

"The Minister has done more than any previous Government in pledging a considerable amount to our operations. As the peak Aboriginal health body in the State, this recognition further boosts our profile.

"The funding will enable us to review and re-focus the organisation to better

meet the needs of the 19 services we represent across Western Australia."

Ms O'Donnell said the funding also recognised the historical first AHCWA had achieved in rolling out the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) funding. Over the past year, the Aboriginal community controlled health sector (including AHCWA) worked together to decide where the funding would be delivered and what programs would be implemented in partnership with the Commonwealth and State governments. WA was the only state to work in partnership.



Taran Etto with Sheridan Etto and Wirrindah Whitton, 7.



Face painter Tammie Castles applies some colour to Sera Phina at the NCIE celebration.

NCIE celebrates busy first year

By DARREN COYNE



THE National Centre of Indigenous Excellence has celebrated its first year of operation with a promise to inspire many more young people.

In its first year, the NCIE has hosted 7500 young people – 500 of them Indigenous – from around Australia. They visited the centre to take part in educational programs and workshops.

NCIE CEO Jason Glanville said the success of the centre's first year pointed to an 'incredible opportunity that was previously unrecognised'.

"The centre has received extraordinary support from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and the locals here in Redfern have been wonderful," he said.

"I couldn't be more proud of our first 12 months. There is a tremendous opportunity for us to start to lead a generational response to entrenched challenges here and now.

"The NCIE, working closely with partner organisations in our first year, has seized that opportunity."

One of those partner organisations, the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy, has worked closely with NCIE towards the success.

NASCA CEO Charles Prouse said the centre had a positive effect on the young people who visited.



Bain Stewart, of Bungabura Productions, with NCIE business and program development manager Carla McGrath and CEO Jason Glanville.

"Working with the NCIE we've had the opportunity to bring Aboriginal students from regional and remote Australia to the centre and open their minds to a world of opportunities that they might not have considered before," Mr Prouse said.

Amazing potential

"The camps enable all the students to shine in their own way and demonstrate the amazing potential young Indigenous people have to offer." Meanwhile, Mr Glanville said that in

addition to building the NCIE's sustainability, building relationships and inspiring greatness was key to the centre's ongoing success and to eventually closing the gap.

"It's important that in our second year we work with the community, governments, businesses, institutions and organisations as we continue to focus on inspiring Indigenous excellence," he said.

"At the NCIE, we believe that every young person in Australia has the potential to change the world."

Contract Expression of Interest

Aboriginal Learning Kit – Project Coordinator

The Clarence Valley Industry Education Forum is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified individuals and/or organisations to complete stage 1 of the Aboriginal Learning Kit. This project is being offered under a service contract.

EOI documentation can be downloaded from www.clarence.nsw.gov.au

Submissions must be received by **2pm, Wednesday 4th May 2011.**

The Project Coordinator is an Aboriginal Identified Position.

The Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has provided funding support for this project.

BOOMALLI ABORIGINAL ARTISTS CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

ABN 89 224 901 194

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of members of Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Cooperative Limited (the Cooperative) will be held at 55-59 Flood Street Leichardt NSW on **Saturday 7 May 2011 at 10am.**

Business

1. Apologies
2. Declaration of proxies
3. Presentation of financial statements and reports (directors' and auditor's) for the years 30 June 2008 and 30 June 2009
4. Presentation of financial statements and reports (directors' and auditor's) for the year ending 30 June 2010
5. Questions of the auditor
6. Election of the following directors:
 - < Bronwyn Bancroft
 - < Craig Collie
 - < Di Yerbury
 - < Euphemia Bostock
 - < Sheryl Connors Young
 - James Wilson Miller
7. Chair's address
8. Questions about and comments on management of the Co-operative

By order of the Board
Bronwyn Maree Bancroft, Secretary
18 March 2011

A package of AGM materials will be mailed to any member who has not received same, if you call 02 9560 2541



Queensland Government



mobile and relocatable services schedule

Queensland Health, through the BreastScreen Queensland Program, provides dedicated and accredited breast cancer screening services through a statewide network of screening and assessment services.

Mobile and Relocatable Service

Cairns: April to mid May, Atherton. Mid May to mid June, Mossman. Mid June, Ravenshoe. Mid to end of June, Mt Garnet.

Gold Coast: April to early May, Palm Beach.

Rockhampton: Mid April to early May, Springsure. Early to mid May, Sapphire. Mid May, Alpha. Mid to end May, Winton. End May to Mid June Longreach. Mid June, Tambo. Late June, Blackall.

Sunshine Coast: April to early May, Maroochydore. Early to late May, Tin Can Bay. Late May to early June, Maleny. Mid to end June, Kilcoy.

Toowoomba: April to mid May, Dalby. April to mid May, Goondiwindi. Mid May, Surat. Mid May to early June, St George. Early June, Mungindi. Mid June, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Cunnamulla, Thargomindah. Late June, Windorah. End June, Quilpie.

Townsville: Mid to late April, North Ward. Late May, Cloncurry. June, Mt Isa.

Brisbane North: Late April to mid June, Brighton.

For women, age is the biggest risk factor for developing breast cancer. Women aged 50-69 years are strongly encouraged to have a free breast screen every two years at a BreastScreen Queensland Service. Women aged 40-49 years and those over 70 are also eligible for a free breast screen. Please call **13 20 50** to arrange an appointment. Group bookings are also available. The schedule is a guide and subject to change.

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- New laws for L and P licence holders.
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- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book.
- The benefits of supervised on-road driving experience.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

Time and date:	Venue	Book now on:
10.30am 2 May	Amaroo LALC 36N Derby St WALCHA	Book now on 1800 338 586
10.30am 3 May	Glen Innes LALC 181 Lang St GLEN INNES	
10.30am 4 May	Guyra LALC 154 Sandon Street GUYRA	
10.30am 5 May	Pat Dixon Medical Centre 100 Taylor Street ARMIDALE	

Bring the mob home safely

Public Notice



WADJA PEOPLE AND GANGULU NATION NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUPS

Authorisation meetings will be held to consider:

- the proposed Woorabinda Residential Rehabilitation Indigenous Land Use Agreement between the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People and Central Queensland Indigenous Development Limited and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council; and
- the proposed Woorabinda Social Housing Indigenous Land Use Agreement between the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People and the State of Queensland and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.

Central Queensland Indigenous Development Limited and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council propose to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (area agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* with the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People. The purpose of the proposed ILUA is for the leasing of land to facilitate the construction and operation of a residential rehabilitation facility on 2400 sq. metres of land described as lease F on lot 6 WNA 141 Munns Road, Woorabinda as shown on survey plan 237572. ('Residential Rehabilitation ILUA')

The State of Queensland and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council propose to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (area agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* with the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People. The purpose of the proposed ILUA is to permit; the upgrading of existing social housing, construction of new social housing, the granting of leases for the purposes of social housing, the granting of leases to eligible persons pursuant to section 40D of the *Aboriginal Land Act (Qld) 1991*; the carrying out of subdivisional works associated with the construction of social housing and the validation of past acts associated with the construction and provision of social housing. The land subject to proposed ILUA is within the Woorabinda Township.

Specific details of the land that will be subject to the proposed ILUAs may be obtained from Queensland South Native Title Services by calling the phone number below.

The Wadja People and the Gangulu Nation assert native title rights and interests over the land and waters intended to be included in the proposed ILUAs.

If you identify as a member of the Wadja, Gangulu, Ghungalu, Kangoulu or East Comet & West Dawson native title groups or are descended from any of the following people; Fred Johnson and Sarah Ferguson, Johnnie Tyson, Biddy Dutton, Myra Freeman, Rosie (mother of Jemima Leopold-mother of Amy Miller), Maggie of Dingo, Biddy of Wooroona, Sandy of Wooroona, Jack of Coomooloolaroo, Billy Mickelo and Eva, Clara of Nulalbin, Rose Ann Tyson, Biddy (wife of Jimbo), Annie French, Polly Doctor, Annie Harrison, Lizzie Blackwater/Tyson, John/Jack Bradley, Henry Williams of Duaringa, Annie and Ned Duggan, Nellie Shepard, Arthur Marshall, Johnny McPherson, Peter Tyson, Polly Brown, William Toby, Joe and Loui from Duaringa, Jessie Miller, Nellie McCullough, Michael Murphy, Maudy Tibury, Nelly Orton, Ruby Lang, Olive Solomon, Kitty (Birdsell's Woorabinda sheet A3) or Violet Thompson and assert native title rights and interests in relation to the land and waters intended to be included in the proposed ILUAs you are invited to attend the authorisation meetings.

Authorisation meetings regarding the proposed ILUAs will be held in Rockhampton as follows:

Woorabinda Residential Rehabilitation ILUA

Date and time: Friday 6 May 2011. 9.30am registration for a 10.30am start

Venue: DEEDI Rockhampton Conference Centre
Corner of Yeppoon Road and Bruce Highway,
North Rockhampton

Time: 10.30-4.30pm

Purpose: To authorise the proposed residential rehabilitation ILUA between the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People and Central Queensland Indigenous Development Limited and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.

Woorabinda Social Housing ILUA

Date of Meeting: Saturday 7 May 2011. 9.30am registration for a 10.30am start

Venue: DEEDI Rockhampton Conference Centre
Corner of Yeppoon Road and Bruce Highway,
North Rockhampton

Time: 10.30am-4.30pm

Purpose: To authorise the proposed Woorabinda Social Housing Indigenous Land Use Agreement between the Gangulu Nation & the Wadja People and the State of Queensland and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to fund travel or accommodation (the Woorabinda bus will be available for travel to and from each meeting at no cost). Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.

Please contact **Christine Royan** or **Hank Wymarra** of QSNTS on **1800 663 693** no later than close of business on **Thursday 28 April 2011** to register your intention to attend the authorisation meetings.

If you consider that you hold or may hold native title in relation to the area of the proposed ILUAs but do not fall within the description above please contact **Christine Royan** or **Hank Wymarra** of QSNTS on **1800 663 693**.



Taree Elder Patricia Davis-Hurst with a photograph of her mother by Gerry Orkin, 1987, at the AIATSIS unit visit to Purfleet.

AIATSIS visit was popular



Norma Callaghan and Rosalind Clarke check the AIATSIS unit's records.



Local Elder Lynette Morcombe checks records with AIATSIS access officer Shannan Dodson.



Warner and Harold Saunders looking at old Taree and Purfleet newspaper clippings.



HUNDREDS of Aboriginal people in the NSW town of Taree and nearby Purfleet were able to look back on their history recently when Australia's biggest repository of Aboriginal history, the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), brought a snapshot of their archives to the community.

Staff of AIATSIS' Pictorial Access Unit travelled to the Purfleet community as part of three-day AIATSIS Community Access visit, bringing with them hundreds of photographs of the Purfleet community and surrounding regions, some which date back more than 40 years.

"It was an outstanding success," said Audiovisual Archive Access Manager Tasha Lamb.

"We were worked off our feet. We had well over 200 people a day wanting to access our material and this has generated well over 1500 audiovisual materials being requested.

'Generating requests'

"In fact the visit is still generating requests."

Ms Lamb said community Elders were bussed in from Kempsey to access the collection, as well as visitors travelling from surrounding areas such as Forster, Wingham, and Old Bar. Pre-visit consultations with community representatives and one of the key organisers of the on-ground arrangements, Katrina Russell, had been particularly beneficial.

"Everyone knew of the visit," Ms Lamb said. "We were based in an out-building of the Purfleet Aboriginal Medical Service and there was a community barbecue every day."

Ms Lamb said the nine-strong AIATSIS team brought relatively recent photographs and had access to the organisation's much wider in-house data base, Perfect Picture, which holds more than 65,000 images relating to Indigenous Australians.

"Clearly the fact AIATSIS is the caretaker of the world's largest collection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander audiovisual material is not well known by the general public," she said.



Your guide to what's happening in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education



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The scholarship is offered through the Bachelor of Engineering, Diploma in Engineering Practice, Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Diploma in IT Professional Practice and most combined degrees. As part of your degree, you will complete extended periods of work experience which will give you a head start before you graduate.

As a scholarship recipient, you will be awarded \$5,000 per year for the duration of your course with a maximum value of \$25,000. This will go a long way in supporting you while you study.

Scholarship applications open on Monday 2 July 2011 and close mid January 2012. Applications are to be made through the online form.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT UTS:
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Check OUT NT Mojo!

Batchelor Institute's Indigenous Media Unit and Burum Media Pty Ltd are training Australia's first-ever Indigenous mobile journalists to produce local stories for the worldwide web.

Burum Media Executive Producer Ivo Burum and BIITE's Media Lecturers trained the Northern Territory Mojos at the main Batchelor campus near Darwin in journalistic story-telling and the skills of filming and editing video using iPhone 4s.

"The dream of giving people the chance to tell their own stories is being married with latest technology and training that enables them to do this," Mr Burum said.

The first group of 11 Mojos from six remote NT communities was chosen during visits to the communities after a thorough selection process that involved local elders, existing media workers, Government Business Managers, Indigenous Engagement Officers and two members of the NT Mojo Production Team.

The Mojos and their community Support Person attended a week-long intensive training course at Batchelor Institute in May, which has been followed up with four weeks of in-community support by the Mojo trainers.

Twenty-nine-year-old Mojo Ron Poantumilui from Wurrumiyanga in the Tiwi Islands wants to use the project to inspire Tiwi Islanders to enter the workforce. He said he used to be a "sparky" (electrician) and a schoolteacher before becoming a full-time radio announcer at the local radio station.

"I love to tell stories to my niece and nephews – stories about the different jobs I have done – to encourage my young Tiwi people back home to get a proper job," Mr Poantumilui said.

Jasmine Nangala Patrick from Lajamanu has done digital editing before and has a wealth of story ideas.

"One I want to tell is a story about law and order and bush law."

The project has been funded by the Federal Department of Families and Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

To view the first ever NT Mojo stories go directly to: <http://ntmojos.indigenous.gov.au>

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New leader named

PROFESSOR Shane Houston has been appointed as Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services) at the University of Sydney.

Announcing his appointment to the new position, Vice-Chancellor Dr Michael Spence said: "With his background in education and health, Shane Houston is the ideal person to develop and lead an integrated strategy to advance Indigenous participation, engagement, education and research."

Prof Houston's previous position was Executive Director, Systems Performance and Aboriginal Policy with the NT Department of Health and Families. He has a long-standing interest in the development of culturally secure health services and systems and in health economics, especially in finding greater equity in how health systems allocate and use resources.

"As one of the country's foremost universities, we recognise the need to play a leading national role in the process of reconciliation, and, through education, to help

bridge the economic and social divides that persist between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians," Dr Spence said.

Prof Houston has an Adjunct Professorial appointment at the University of Notre Dame, Sydney in the School of Medicine. Previously he was a Board member of the Co-Operative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health and the Lowitja Institute.

"The University of Sydney has a special place in this country's history," Prof Houston said.

Cradle

"Not only is it Australia's oldest university, it sits on the land of the Cadigal people who were the first to confront the new colony of NSW. The university is also adjacent to Redfern which is the cradle of Australia's first Aboriginal medical service and Australia's first Aboriginal legal service.

"The first Aboriginal man to graduate from an Australian university studied here and in 1965 the Freedom Ride started from here.

"I want to bring the passion, energy and determination that

were part of Aboriginal people's lives throughout this history to the task of graduating future generations of Aboriginal and Australian leaders, and to finding answers to the many challenges facing Aboriginal people today.

"I want to help build a fair and more compassionate Australia."

Vice-Chancellor Spence said: "As part of our current Strategic Plan we have committed to pursuing an integrated strategy to advance Indigenous participation, engagement, education and research."

Prof Houston will form part of a leadership team of Deputy Vice-Chancellors contributing to the decision making across the university on all significant issues covering strategy, management, administration and related policies.

Dr Spence said: "I am delighted that Prof Houston is joining us. I look forward to working with him as he engages the university and the Australian higher education sector more broadly, about how to achieve national goals for Indigenous participation in higher education."



Professor Shane Houston ... "I want to help build a fair and more compassionate Australia."

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Focus on Monash University

Country lines told through 3D animation

IN 2010, the Alan and Elizabeth Finkel Foundation made a transformational gift to support an innovative project in the Monash Indigenous Centre in the Arts Faculty working in collaboration with the Faculty of Information Technology. The donation from the Finkel Foundation is helping to create the Monash Country Lines Archive (MCLA).

This will have a significant impact on the field of Indigenous Studies at Monash, providing resources

to support the research and outreach of the very talented group of staff working in this area. In this program a team of Monash researchers, students and digital animators will work with Indigenous communities to help preserve the communities' languages, stories and narratives.

The gift means serious attention will be given to Indigenous language preservation in a way that is immediately accessible in communities both remote and



A small wallaby which is part of the project.

urban. The project allows for the cross-generational transfer of knowledge. It is a cutting edge way of

preserving intangible heritage.

The team, led by Associate Professor John

Bradley, has had recent success completing five Country Lines with the Yanyuwa people of the south-west Gulf of Carpentaria. The 3D animations have proved to be a very powerful way for young people to learn the stories and narratives of their country. These Country Lines have been very positively received by the Yanyuwa community and other Indigenous communities are keen to have their Country Lines digitally animated. The gift from the Finkel

Foundation will support a senior research fellow/project manager (the MCLA Finkel Fellow) for five years, software and equipment, field research and 3D animation production. The gift will enable the team to animate 20 country lines a year (equal to over 40 minutes of animation) over the next five years. Researchers and post-graduate students from the Faculty of Information Technology will undertake the digital animation of the country lines.

Meet a Monash Student

KENDRA KELEHER

KENDRA KELEHER is a Palawa woman. Her family are from Cape Barren Island, off Tasmania. Kendra was born in Melbourne and contacted Monash during Year 12 to enquire about the Monash Pathways Program for Indigenous students.

Through the Pathways Program, Kendra was able to 'ease in' to university life. Kendra completed the Pathways Program in one semester rather than two and undertook her Bachelor of Nursing at the Peninsula campus. Kendra began on a part-time basis, then realising she had the support around her and the capability, she took on extra electives and went full time. She is now in her third year and has been offered a cadetship through Career Trackers who work closely with Monash in recruiting



Indigenous students into the workforce. Kendra's success story is a wonderful example of how, through a combination of hard work, determination and the kind of support Indigenous students receive at Monash, anyone can achieve academic success and go on to the job of their dreams!

PETER ANDERSON

MY name is Peter Anderson, and I am completing a PhD in Education. The main reason I chose to come to Monash University was for the world-class research training that I am receiving and the ability to engage with experts in my chosen area of research.

What has also been great for me personally has been the willingness of academics in not only my own Faculty of Education, but also the Monash Indigenous Centre in the Faculty of Arts, to act as mentors to me. This has been a key aspect of my time here, given that sometimes in



academia you need a degree in itself to navigate the system! The mentoring that I have received has given me valuable insights not only in the areas of my own research, but also how to establish a career in academia.

Indigenous staff

MONASH welcomes Indigenous staff and provides a supportive, culturally-safe workplace. Monash has an advancing Indigenous Employment Strategy and through it, contributes to the social, economic, cultural and environmental well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees. If you are interested in working at Monash, please contact Brian Walker at the Indigenous Engagement Centre on (03) 9905 5000 or at brian.walker@monash.edu

Closing the gap at Monash Uni

UNDER the leadership of Professor Henry Atkinson, Wollithiga Elder and Dr Zane Ma Rhea, the Faculty of Education is committed to building respectful and equal partnerships with Indigenous communities. The faculty is a culturally-safe environment where educators, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, make significant contributions to the field of Indigenous education in teaching and research.

The main work we do is teach future teachers about the education of Indigenous children and young adults.

We have a focus on improving education services to Indigenous people in mainstream schooling and, in addition to the Indigenous focus in our general units, we also offer specialised units of study in the Primary and Secondary programs.

We also have a Masters level unit of study and an emerging evidence-based research culture involving academics, Indigenous and non-



A focus on mainstream schooling



Indigenous educators, and schools.

In addition, we offer remote placement opportunities to our students and have bursaries available for aspiring Indigenous teachers. We

have a strong commitment to the partnership approach to our work and also to growing our Indigenous academic and professional staff.

Through the development of culturally-appropriate partnerships, positive role models and the preservation and maintenance of Indigenous ways of life in the Australian education system, our aim is to support the economic and social sustainability of Indigenous communities and the development of the faculty as a national and international leader in Indigenous education, teaching and research. Our belief is that Indigenous people have a right to a good life and that this can be achieved through a good education.

● For more information, please visit www.education.monash.edu.au/indigenous-ed/ or contact Professor Henry Atkinson on (03) 9905 2868 or Dr Zane Ma Rhea on (03) 9905 2823.

One-on-one mentoring for Indigenous students

THE Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME) uses a unique style of structured education-based mentoring to link university students in a one-on-one mentoring relationship with Indigenous secondary school students. Monash has a strong partnership with AIME and this year welcomes Kyle Vander-Kuyp as the Program Manager.

Apart from the impact AIME is having on Indigenous secondary school students, it offers a significant opportunity for Indigenous and non-Indigenous university students to gain invaluable



experience working with Indigenous high school students.

AIME's goals are to improve Year 10 completion rates, Year 12 completion rates and university admission rates for all participating students. Secondary school students participate in a 17-week program where they are brought on to campus to



KYLE VANDER-KUYP

experience university life and participate in workshops with their mentors, on areas such as leadership, study skills, drama, hip-hop and Aboriginality and other activities. Monash has seen an overwhelming number of

students volunteering to be mentors and had close to 100 per cent completion rates for participating students in the program in 2010.

The 2011 program is under way and at the time of printing, Program Manager Kyle Vander-Kuyp was busily training mentors in preparation to be matched with their secondary school student 'mentees'. The AIME program is a fantastic way to open up study choices to Indigenous students and expose them, their families and their communities to the option of university.

Focus on Monash University

Access Monash! Elders vital part of our special relationships

AT Monash University, we're dedicated to offering people from all parts of the community the opportunity of higher education. Monash offers Indigenous students fee-free and tailored pathways for direct entry into a huge number of courses.

Entry programs are available to Indigenous students wanting to gain a degree in Art & Design, Arts, Business & Economics, Education, Engineering, Information Technology, Law, Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences, Pharmacy or Science.

Our programs include the Indigenous Enabling Program (IEP) and the Indigenous Non-Award Pathway (INAP) which are both pathway programs designed to support Indigenous Australians who wish to undertake university studies. These pathways are specifically designed to support Indigenous Australians in making a successful transition to university study. The programs develop skills which enable success in a university environment.

Australian Indigenous students who apply through VTAC for entry into Monash University courses but just miss out, may apply to undertake either of these pathway programs.

Mature-age Indigenous people who want to undertake a university course but have been away from education for some time can apply for either the IEP or INAP.

IEP is a full-time program and



Current Monash students relax with visiting secondary school students at the Clayton campus.

INAP is part-time and for those students who are unable to study full-time. You cannot receive Abstudy while enrolled in INAP. We also provide equity and achievement scholarships and support bursaries and on-campus accommodation is available to make Monash accessible to everyone!

Located at Clayton, Caulfield,

Berwick, Churchill, Parkville and Frankston, all campuses are easily accessible and provide excellent facilities for your student experience at Monash!

● **For more information on how to apply, contact Kristel Keleher on (03) 9905 8699 or visit www.monash.edu.au/study/indigenous/**

MONASH is proud to have strong relationships with local Indigenous communities and equally as proud to celebrate the special relationship with local Elders. Aunty Diane Singh is an Elder-in-Residence at the Clayton Campus and the Community Liaison Officer within the Monash Indigenous Centre. Aunty Diane is a valued member of the Monash community.

Professor Uncle Henry Atkinson, Education faculty at the Clayton Campus, is also a valued member of our community. Uncle Henry's tireless work in Education is recognised for changing the attitudes and aspirations of many Indigenous people to strive, achieve and succeed.

Professor Colin Bourke is Chair of the Monash Indigenous Advisory Council (IAC), of which Aunty Diane and Uncle Henry are both members. Professor Bourke has a long history with Monash as a previous member of the Monash Council and previous Indigenous Director of the Centre for Australian

Indigenous Studies among many other appointments. Monash is privileged to have Professor Bourke leading the IAC. The IAC advises the Vice-Chancellor on Indigenous matters within the University, including student access, staff development, cultural awareness and understanding, among other things.



Aunty Diane Singh

Part of the work of the IAC is to hold an annual Elders Day. This year it will be in October. It is a day for local community members to come together for a day of recognition and celebration of the hard work and contribution our Elders make to both the Monash community and the community at large.

The 2010 Elders Day was extremely well attended and included musical performances by Kutcha Edwards, displays of local artworks, photos and artefacts, a tour of the Indigenous Garden at Clayton campus and lunch.

Monash acknowledges the value of the many Elders in our community and continues to strengthen the ties.

The Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health

IN establishing a school for Indigenous Health that has no equivalent in Australian history, Monash University is helping to bridge the gap between Indigenous Australian health outcomes and the non-Indigenous population and opening the door for improved Indigenous Health outcomes.

"In Australia there is a significant gap between the health of Indigenous people and the rest of Australia. We feel quite passionate about the fact that our work in developing the work force and our efforts in research should be aimed at reducing that gap," says Professor Steve Wesselingh, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash.

A very generous \$10.5 million donation from the Harvest Alliance Foundation – the largest single donation by an individual to the university in its history – has enabled Monash to take this great leap forward, into a more equitable and prosperous future for Indigenous Australians.

"Monash has a real desire to effect change. We like the partnership with Monash, we believe we will achieve great change for the better. There are a lot of people at Monash that think outside the square. The School is innovative and that's important," says Mr Alan Rancie, Chairman of the Board for the Harvest Alliance Foundation.

The School will train and

up-skill Indigenous and non-Indigenous health workers, and establish community training sites where students can gain first-hand clinical experience in Indigenous settings.

In conjunction with research, development of curriculum and community engagement, there will be opportunities for scholarships and post-graduate study.

As Indigenous Health Advisor to the Dean of faculty, Mr Greg Phillips is playing an active role in the foundation of the school.

"I feel very proud. It says to us that a major public institution is prioritising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and that they are taking responsibility for that rather than leaving it all to the Indigenous community alone. Importantly, Monash is also saying we don't want to run over the top of Indigenous communities, we want to work in absolutely equal partnership with them, and this school will be equally owned by the Aboriginal health community," he says.

"I think the Aboriginal community will see that Monash's commitment is there – not just in words but in dollar terms as well. A huge thank you must also go to the Harvest Alliance Foundation for their visionary support – it would have taken a lot longer to get this project going without them."

"One of the reasons for setting up the School is that Indigenous people don't just live in the bush. In

terms of geographical access to health services, Indigenous Australians living in rural and remote areas are more vulnerable absolutely. But in terms of health outcomes across the board, for example diabetes, there's not much difference with health outcomes between rural and urban communities," says Mr Phillips.

Historically, the Faculty has addressed Indigenous Health as part of rural health through the Monash University Department of Rural and Indigenous Health (MUDRIH). The new Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health will work in conjunction with those efforts, and will rely on the expertise of MUDRIH's Associate Professor Marlene Drysdale, other experts within Monash, Indigenous health bodies external to Monash, and critical partners like the Victorian Aboriginal Community-Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO).

"I think it will make an enormous difference in terms of Aboriginal people being able to visually see somewhere and be able to identify with a place that is about health and that is about making a difference and hopefully will do something that is really constructive to close the gap," says Associate Professor Drysdale.

In five years Harvest Alliance anticipates more resources being channelled into education and the visible benefits of the Monash program in action.

Monash University thanks the Harvest Alliance Foundation for its transformational gift of \$10.5 million

– enabling the establishment of the first dedicated school of its kind in Australia.

The Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health

is providing unique opportunities for more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study medicine, nursing and allied health courses.

With the visionary and generous support of the Harvest Alliance Foundation, the **Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences** is forging equal partnerships with Koori communities:

- Teaching core Indigenous health curriculum for all students in the Faculty
- Establishing community training sites where students can gain first-hand experience
- Improving access for more Indigenous people to come to university
- Enhancing the quality of research in Indigenous health

Monash University is leading a progressive approach to Indigenous health and asks you to lend your support to an issue that should be in the hearts and minds of all Australians.

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Gains, but Indigenous people still worse off

DESPITE gains in education outcomes among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, a new report has found non-Indigenous Australians continue to be far better off.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 'Education and Indigenous Wellbeing' report found 37 per cent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 18 years and over had attained a minimum of Year 12 or a skilled vocational qualification in 2008 – more than double the rate in 1994.

The report said it had long been widely recognised that there was a strong correlation between educational attainment and social wellbeing.

"As a result of this, education has been a major focus in the strategy to close the (life-expectancy) gap between the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous populations," it said.

The report found that 92 per cent of

non-Indigenous adults in 2008 had attained at least Year 10 or basic vocational qualifications, compared to 71 per cent among Indigenous adults.

Non-Indigenous Australians were more than four times as likely to have attained a bachelor degree or higher.

Attainment of higher levels of education was more common among Aboriginal

However, among adults reaching Year 12 education level, the unemployment rate for Indigenous adults was 10.4 per cent compared to 3.6 per cent among other adults.

"While nationally, Indigenous adults are around half as likely to be in full-time employment as non-Indigenous adults, as educational attainment increases, the

Australians requires a multi-faceted approach including several areas of social well-being, with improvements in one area also reliant on improvements in others."

The report said people with lower education levels were more likely to engage in risky behaviour such as smoking and binge drinking, but pointed out that social factors were not solely influenced by education.

"People with higher levels of education were less likely to live in overcrowded dwellings, and more likely to live in a dwelling owned by someone in the household," it said.

"People with higher levels of educational attainment are less likely to have been arrested in the last five years than those with lower levels of educational attainment."

The National Education Agreement aims to have 90 per cent of all young people by 2015 gaining Year 12 or a Certificate II qualification. – AAP

'Improving outcomes for Indigenous people requires a multi-faceted approach including several areas of social wellbeing, with improvements in one area also reliant on improvements in others' – Australian Bureau of Statistics

adults living in major cities than those in regional and remote areas.

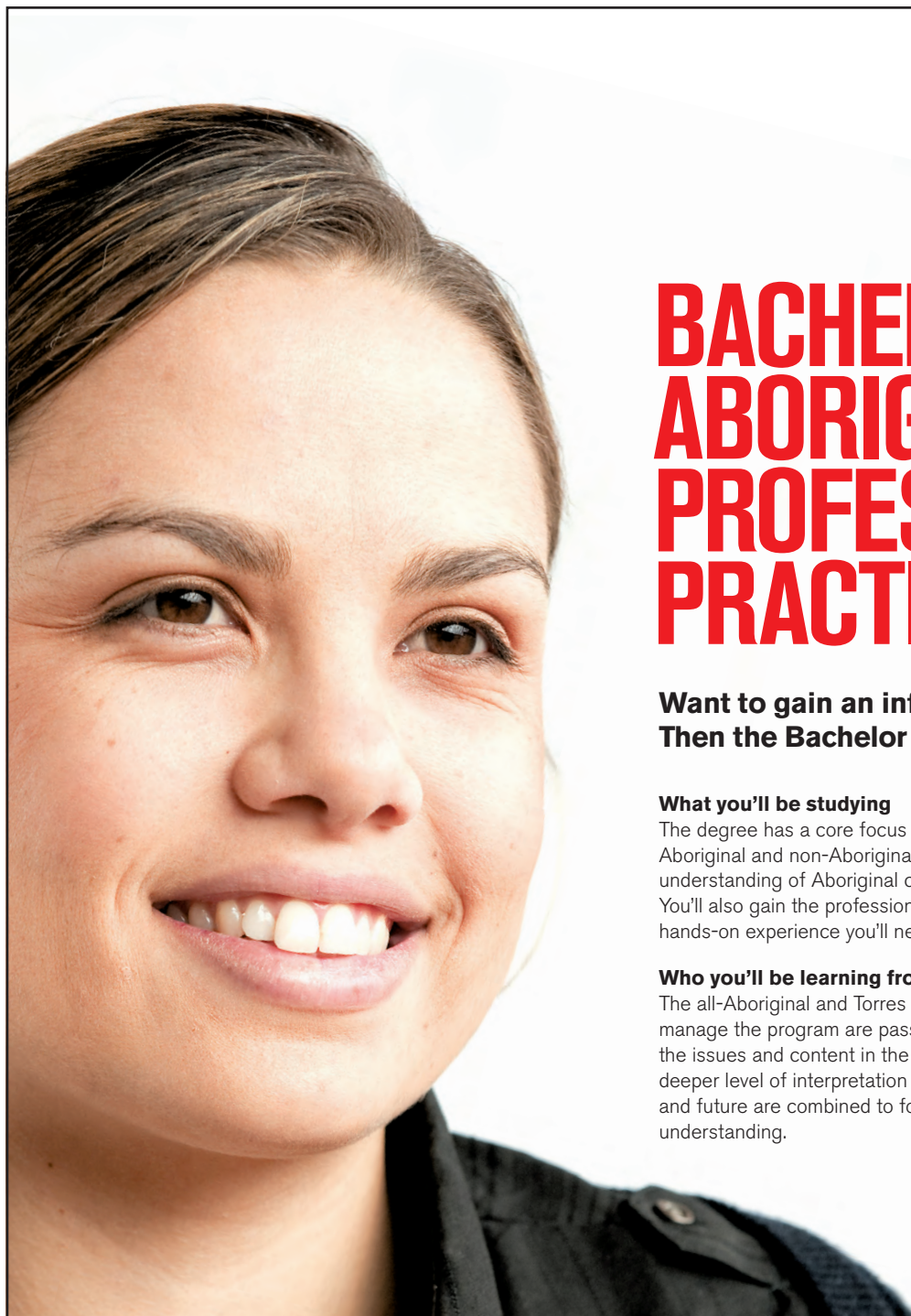
"This may be due to lack of access to higher education in remote areas," the ABS report said.

The report said Indigenous adults with a university degree were equally likely as other adults with the same attainment to be working.

difference between the employment outcomes reduces," the ABS report said, adding that education alone would not bridge the gap in labour market outcomes between the two groups.

"The availability of job and work opportunities by location is also likely to be influencing differences.

"Improving outcomes for Indigenous



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CEOs on right course

LEARNING on the job has always come naturally to the Chief Executive Officer of the Karuah Aboriginal Land Council, David Feeney, but that hasn't stopped him taking advantage of a unique university course to gain a formal qualification.

The University of Newcastle through the Faculty of Business and Law and The Wollotuka Institute, GradSchool and the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC), have joined forces for the first time to offer Australia's first Graduate Certificate in Business Administration specifically tailored for Aboriginal Land Council CEOs.

So far, 25 participants have started the course, which was launched in May 2010. By the end of this year, 45 CEOs will have been sponsored by the NSWALC.

"It is the best idea," says Mr Feeney, who has nothing but praise for the 18-month online program.

"Being a CEO is an enormous responsibility and you are accountable to your community, as well as government. I can relate to a lot of the issues because I'm involved in them every day, but now I'm learning how to look at different contexts."



New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council CEOs have the chance to learn online through the University of Newcastle.

GradSchool.com Business Development General Manager Jodie Davis says the NSWALC wanted to boost the skills of its management staff who often have years of experience, but have not necessarily undertaken

tertiary study.

"It is a new experience for most of the participants, but they are making the most of the opportunity," she says.

The CEO of the Tamworth ALC, Fiona Snape, had only ever

studied at TAFE before enrolling in the program and was nervous about the transition to university.

"It was a little daunting at the start and I was a bit hesitant," she says.

"Now I've settled in I think it's

fantastic. We're learning about topics we can relate to in our day-to-day work.

"I'm determined to finish and I'm keen to pass on the skills I'm learning to other staff."

The program provides a blend of academic knowledge and professional skills tailored to the roles and responsibilities of the CEO position. Participants complete four subjects, and teaching is provided by the Faculty of Business and Law, with additional support offered by The Wollotuka Institute.

Once they complete the graduate certificate, participants can go on to complete a Master of Business Administration.

"The course has opened my eyes," says Mr Feeney.

"I'm enjoying learning about organisational and cultural structures then putting it in an Aboriginal context.

"Being CEO is tough because you're trying to juggle everything – social and cultural issues as well as managing money and working with all the government departments.

"We've needed this course to help us gain more skills.

"It couldn't have come at a better time."



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Important role for Aunty Ali

ABORIGINAL woman
Aunty Ali Golding is the
inaugural Elder in
Residence in the Faculty of
Medicine at the University of
NSW – the first time any
medical school in Australia has
made such an appointment.

Aunty Ali will advise on and
contribute to Indigenous
activities at UNSW Medicine.

"Appointing Aunty Ali Golding
demonstrates UNSW
Medicine's commitment to an
authentic and practical
relationship with our local
community, and the importance
of this in the support of medical
students generally and in
the training of Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander doctors
specifically," said Dean of
Medicine Professor Peter
Smith.

Aunty Ali is a Biripi woman
who grew up on the Taree
Mission in NSW. She took up
study at Nungalinga College
Darwin and graduated with a
Diploma of Theology. Last year
she was named NAIDOC
Female Elder of the Year.

NSW Governor Marie Bashir
congratulated UNSW Medicine
on the appointment.

Unique source

"Mrs Golding will be a unique
source of knowledge and
cultural wisdom which relate to
the First Australians, this
continent's indigenous people,"
the Governor said.

"I have known Mrs Golding
for many years and believe that
she will provide another
dimension of enrichment in the
academic team as well as

with the students who interact
with her.

"The university and the
faculty are to be applauded for
this unique appointment which I
hope will become a model for
other academic institutions
across our land."

Professor Lisa Jackson
Pulver, Chair of Indigenous
Health at UNSW, says the
appointment is a significant step
towards empowering Aboriginal
people who want to become
health professionals.

UNSW Medicine has
established itself as the national
leader in the training of
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander doctors. In 2010, 27
Aboriginal students were
enrolled in the six-year
undergraduate program.

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Joshua out to build a big future



JOSHUA BURNS

JOSHUA BURNS has
wanted to be an engineer
for a long time – and now
he's on his way.

He's in his first year of the
Bachelor of Engineering
(Civil), Diploma in
Engineering Practice at the
University of Technology,
Sydney (UTS).

"I've had an interest in
engineering from a young
age," Joshua says.

"I grew up with my dad in
construction, always hearing
'See that? I built it', so it was
pretty much certain where I
was going to go with my life.

"I worked in the
construction industry on a
part-time basis. The more I
worked, the more the
industry appealed to me.

"I decided to go with UTS
for my studies because of
the reviews I had been
hearing about its program.
I also thought the two
six-month periods of
internship as a part of the
course curriculum could only
add to my understanding of
the engineering world and
the real-life applications of
what we learn.

Speechless

"When I found out I had
qualified for the Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander
(ATSI) scholarship, I was
speechless.

"To think that I had
qualified over however many
other people applied was
unbelievable.

"Even though I've only
been at the university for
a few weeks now I've
already had a few great
experiences through my
scholarship.

"I have attended several
functions where I was
presented an award, and I
have had the chance to meet
and speak with the Dean of
the Faculty of Engineering
and IT.

"I also got to meet some
of the industry partners that
sponsor the scholarships
and will be taking on
students as a part of their
work experience."

For more details and
information about the
course, go to www.eng.uts.edu.au





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LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

The Cape York Institute was established in July 2004 as an independent organisation to champion reform in Indigenous economic and social policy and to support the development of current and future Cape York leaders. The Director of the Institute is Noel Pearson. Its guiding framework is the Cape York Agenda, which aims to ensure that Cape York people have the capabilities to choose a life that they have reason to value.

The reputation and credibility of Cape York Institute's Leadership Programs speak for themselves and continue to attract current and potential leaders of all ages from Cape York communities.

The success of these programs is due to a number of factors, including the initial selection of participants, intensive and on-going case management, selection of appropriate tutors, mentors and support officers, high standard and supportive educational and training institutions, development of strong relationships with stakeholders, extra curricular leadership activities, and committed staff.

Cape York Institute places great importance on Indigenous leadership and recognises the need to encourage and support entrepreneurial approaches as a way to enhance life and maintain culture in Cape York. To this end CYI will continue to develop and expand these Leadership Programs in partnership with the Welfare Reform education agenda and with the support of its sponsors; private, corporate and government.

LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The mission of Cape York Leadership Academy is to strengthen and support leadership capabilities at all layers and levels of community life through sustained, holistic and sharply focused education and training centred on individual needs, roles and aspirations.

Since its commencement in 2007, over 200 current and potential leaders from Cape York communities have attended workshops on various topics related to their personal and professional development. Membership to the Academy is a serious commitment and is monitored on a regular basis to ensure that members comply with the conditions of membership including attendance at workshops.

The Leadership Academy offers a model of leadership development that is innovative and more comprehensive than current alternatives, by focusing on individual rather than collective professional development.

Since its inception the Leadership Academy has become a beacon of leadership and change management to its members in eighteen Cape York communities, hosting 90% of its membership in full time employment.

There are literally well over a hundred heartfelt and courageous stories from Leadership Academy members personally describing the benefits of participating in the leadership programs.



Higher Expectations Program Secondary (HEPS)



The mission of the Higher Expectations Program (HEP) Secondary is to identify and support academically talented Indigenous students from Cape York communities, Palm Island and Yarrabah to complete secondary education and progress to tertiary studies.

The partnership between the Macquarie Group Foundation (MGF), the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR)

through its Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP), and the Cape York Institute, enables students from Grade 8 through to Grade 12 to attend Queensland's leading boarding schools and assists them through an often difficult social and educational transition process. The support strategy includes use of tutors, mentors, role models, weekend home stay families and counsellors.

The success of the program is its holistic approach focusing on the relationships with students, their families, communities, schools, sponsors and other stakeholders, and the well being of the students. This is achieved through individual case management of both academic and personal needs.

Higher Expectations Program Tertiary (HEPT)

HEPT targets talented Cape York Indigenous school leavers with the highest achievement and leadership potential, and provides them with long-term support in undertaking a successful tertiary career. The program aims to maximise the participants' opportunities for educational achievement, career development and effective leadership within their communities.

HEPT not only offers practical material assistance through scholarships, it also strengthens students' academic, social and emotional capacities. The program builds individual capabilities for leadership, problem-solving and collaborative networking. Participants receive a combination of holistic case management, leadership training and professional mentoring. The program places strong family support and community identity at its core, and upholds each participant's return contribution to their homeland of Cape York at the heart of its operations.

A review conducted by Social Ventures Australia stated that, 'the program's unique value-add in comparison to other general Indigenous scholarship programs is that it focuses on leadership development as part of its program activities'.

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More doctors, dentists goal

MORE Indigenous doctors and dentists. That's the goal of an innovative program started just one year ago and running through Griffith University in Queensland.

Dr Louise Alldridge, Senior Lecturer in Medical Education at Griffith University, developed the program after becoming frustrated at the lack of Indigenous people studying medicine at the university.

She talked over the situation with Griffith's Elder in Residence, Uncle Graham Dillon, who suggested it might be better to target younger school students, in the 11-15 years age range.

Working with Dr Alldridge and Leonie Short from the Department of Dentistry and Oral Health, Uncle Graham pulled a few strings and the result was a \$50,000 grant from Education Queensland to start a community partnership aimed at attracting Indigenous students to dentistry and medicine.

"The results so far have been really promising," Dr Alldridge told the *Koori Mail*. "We've employed a part-time Indigenous outreach worker, Gail van Zant, and we've formed close links with schools across south-east Queensland and

had a lot of Indigenous students get hands-on experience in the medical and dental fields.

"Their teachers were really overwhelmed and we were able to let the Indigenous students know exactly what is required and what they have to do to become doctors and dentists."

Dr Alldridge says program funding runs out in September, but she is hopeful education authorities will recognise the long-term value of the partnership.

"We've already got a lot of young Indigenous people understanding that it's not impossible – in fact it's very possible – for them to become doctors and dentists," she said.

"I think the early approach is important so students know that by studying

appropriately during their high school years, they can do anything. The long-term benefits for Indigenous people and communities could be great."



Hands-on experience at the activities day.

the local Indigenous community, as well as Indigenous medical organisations.

"We held a special activities day at Griffith University recently and



Indigenous high school students in medical gowns, gloves and masks at the Griffith University activities day.



Realise your potential.

Your future is in your hands.

There's never been a better time to go to university and there's never been better support with Griffith University's GUMURRII Student Support Unit.

Located on each of Griffith's five campuses throughout South-East Queensland, GUMURRII's staff assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students throughout their university life. From securing admission, to studying, to work experience, the GUMURRII Student Support Unit will help you achieve your goals.

Griffith supports the tertiary aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, providing culturally appropriate student support, scholarships and other specialist support services.

GUMURRII support services include:

- Alternate Entry Program – for school leavers and mature aged people who have not completed university entry level courses or TAFE bridging programs
- Assistance with scholarship application
- Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS).

To find out more about your study options, call (07) 3735 7676 or visit griffith.edu.au/gumurrii

GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

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Support is on offer

MACQUARIE University says it encourages Indigenous participation in many ways.

"We support the academic ambitions of all Indigenous students across the four faculties of the university, with students studying in areas such as education, science, psychology, community management and law," the Sydney-based institution says.

"This may be through the provision of accessible residential or block attendance courses, or through the granting of scholarships.

"Macquarie also facilitates an alternative entry program, aimed at providing access for Indigenous people to undergraduate courses.

"In degrees such as the Bachelor of Community Management, students study in block attendance mode, with on-campus residential schools and external studies.

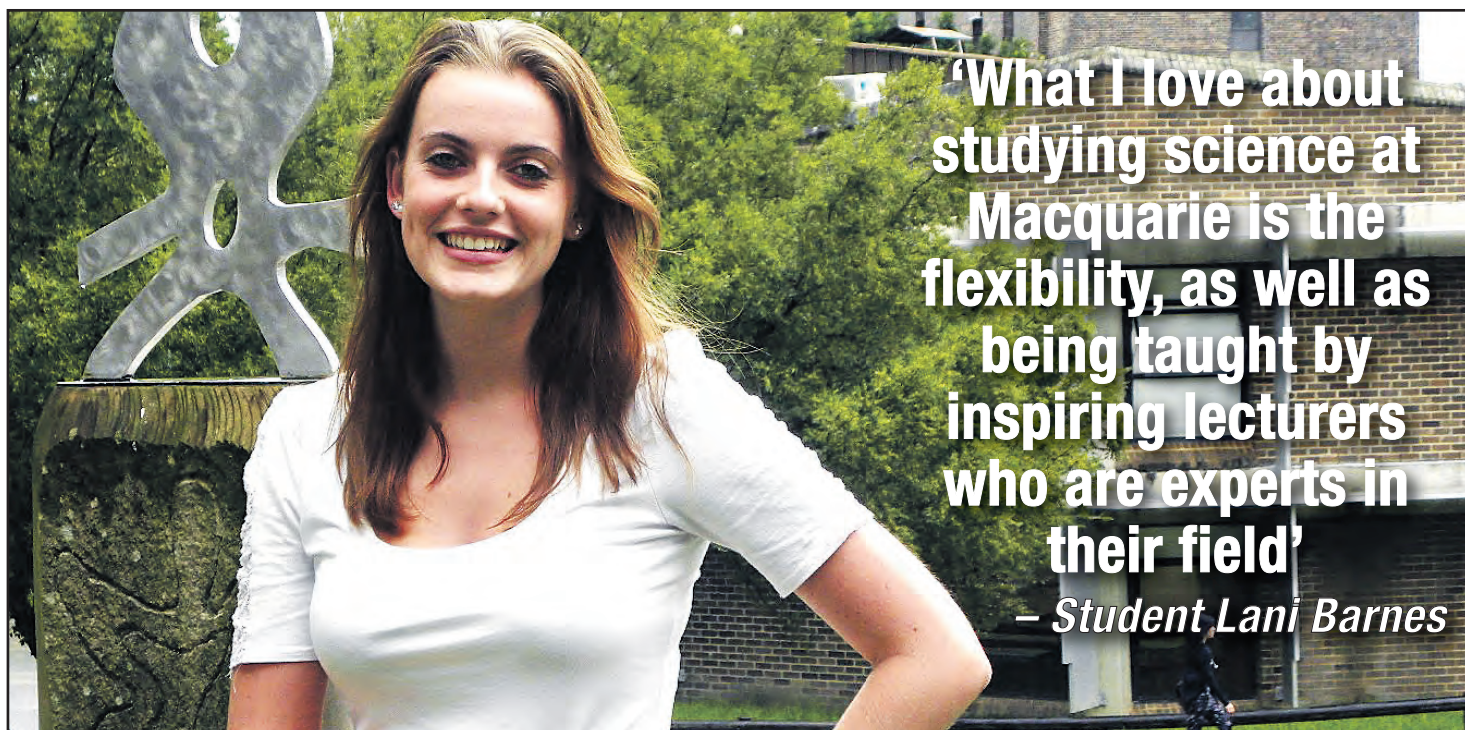
"This degree is specifically designed for and open only to Indigenous Australian students, offering a unique perspective."

Second-year Bachelor of Community Management student Desmond Campbell says: "I really enjoy the diverse range of students I get to learn with.

"From across Australia each brings their own individual stories and opinions, and constantly provide me with an insight to the great work they do within their own communities.

"Studying with Indigenous students is great. You grow with the group; you laugh, cry and encourage each other to be the best they can be."

Other options for support include national



'What I love about studying science at Macquarie is the flexibility, as well as being taught by inspiring lecturers who are experts in their field'

– Student Lani Barnes

scholarship schemes, such as the Defence Science Indigenous Undergraduate Scholarship.

Lani Barnes discovered during high school that she had an interest for geography and earth sciences, and decided to continue studying science at university.

"The Defence Science Indigenous Undergraduate Scholarship has been a great help for pursuing my studies, as well as

providing me with valuable work experience in the field of science," she says.

"What I love about studying science at Macquarie is the flexibility, as well as being taught by inspiring lecturers who are experts in their field.

'I love it'

"I am half way through my second year at Macquarie and love it!"

To find out more about opportunities for Indigenous students at Macquarie University, contact Warawara, Department of Indigenous Studies. As well as being a teaching unit, Warawara facilitates educational opportunities for Indigenous people and offers support to Indigenous students enrolled at Macquarie.

Telephone: (02) 9850 8893 or 1800 066 465 or go to www.warawara.mq.edu.au

reach your dreams

Indigenous students thrive at Macquarie University across all faculties studying Law, Science, Psychology, Indigenous studies and a range of other subjects that will enable them to make a real difference in their communities.

As an Indigenous student you will have access to scholarships and fee assistance programs. In addition to tuition fee help, Macquarie University can provide assistance including housing, cultural support and finding paid internships which provide work experience as well as income.

The Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Services) and the Bachelor of Community Management are delivered in block mode, making them accessible for both local students and students from regional areas who aren't able to relocate to Sydney for study.

Staff at Warawara Department of Indigenous Studies can provide advice to potential students considering study at Macquarie University. We can also connect students to staff in all areas of the university for more specific advice.

For further information, contact Warawara
T: (02) 9850 8893 or 1800 066 465
www.mq.edu.au/warawara



Indigenous Scholarship Support

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY



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2011

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Indigenous Education: Pathways to success

Research Conference 2011 will focus on what we can learn from research about creating and sustaining positive educational outcomes for indigenous students. Presenters will highlight the conditions, contexts, curriculum, pedagogy and practices that establish pathways to success for indigenous students.

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IN a move expected to boost higher education opportunities for Indigenous people, Charles Darwin University has launched Australia's first Master course in mediation and negotiation.

The Dhurili Clan Nation, Yolngu leaders from Galiwin'ku in the Northern Territory, have been working in partnership with the CDU to accredit the Mawul Rom Program as a qualification that recognises the knowledge and skills gained from the knowledge traditions of two cultures.

Mawul Rom is the law of peace-making and is offered by the Dhurili Clan Nation as a legitimate point of entry into ceremonial life and law of the system of Madayin Law.

Now accredited as a Masters course at Charles Darwin University's newly formed Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education, the program explores and encourages participation in learning about contemporary peace-making, mediation and negotiation in cross-cultural contexts.

The new course is hailed as a symbol of two knowledge traditions working side by side, respecting each other and providing a model of how mediation and negotiation should work in a cross-cultural context.

CDU Pro-Vice Chancellor Indigenous Leadership Professor Steven Larkin said the new masters offering marked a

Mediation and negotiation course a first



'This is an important signal to the rest of the world about the process of reconciliation in Australia and it is an acknowledgement of the crucial value of Yolngu and all Indigenous Knowledges in and of themselves as well as within the academy' – Prof Steven Larkin

giant leap forward for knowledge and skills in mediation and negotiation in cross-cultural contexts.

"This is probably one of the first, if not the first time that Indigenous ceremonial law has been acknowledged as part of a

qualification within the Western academy," Prof Larkin said.

"This is an important signal to the rest of the world about the

process of reconciliation in Australia and it is an acknowledgement of the crucial value of Yolngu and all Indigenous Knowledges in and of themselves as well as within the academy."

The course is the culmination of seven years of negotiation between the Mawul Rom Association and the university to plan for and develop the course in a way that respects the knowledge, skills and traditions that both institutions bring to the program.

Co-Chair of the Mawul Rom Association and barrister Pat McIntyre said he was confident the masters program was the start of a long and fruitful relationship between Mawul Rom and CDU.

"We've been working on this for many years now and Yolngu people are more than excited about the possibilities that this dual recognition of knowledge affords," he said.

The program is a full fee-paying course that requires student attendance at an initial workshop at Dhudupu, in Galiwin'ku on Elcho Island, for one week from the 10-17 July 2011. Completion of the course requires ongoing participation and attendance at workshops across the four years.

More information can be accessed by contacting the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education on (08) 8946 6482 or by email on mawul@cdu.edu.au



Explore your study opportunities at La Trobe University

La Trobe University is committed to providing opportunities for Indigenous Australians to succeed in higher education.

Applications are strongly encouraged and will be considered on an individual basis. School leavers and mature age applicants can apply through VTAC or UAC with relevant supporting evidence. Direct applications to the University are also possible.

Students have access to academic, cultural and personal services which ensure their university experience is positive and enhances their academic and educational outcomes.

Events promoting Indigenous Australian cultures and peoples are held across all campuses throughout the year.

Indigenous Student Services Units are located at each campus:

Melbourne (Bundoora) T 03 9479 3817 or 03 9479 5806

Albury-Wodonga T 02 6024 9796

Mildura T 03 5051 4046

Bendigo T 03 5444 7812

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For more information

E indigenous_enquiries@latrobe.edu.au

► latrobe.edu.au/indigenous

Program is exceptional

A LANDMARK education program that puts the brightest trainee teachers into disadvantaged schools across Queensland is expanding after its first year.

Queensland University of Technology's (QUT) Faculty of Education is recruiting its top third-year Bachelor of Education students to complete specialised training to teach at disadvantaged schools, including many with Indigenous students.

So far, 24 trainee teachers completed work placements at regional and remote schools from Thursday Island, in the north, to Caboolture, Beenleigh and Redbank Plains, in the south-east.

The Exceptional Teachers for Disadvantaged Schools project will take a second cohort of 30 students in July, chosen for their high grade point averages and commitment to ending educational disadvantage.

"These are our gifted students. We want them to end up where they're needed the most, in these low socio-economic schools (SES)," program co-ordinator and Senior Lecturer Dr Jo Lampert said.

Senior Lecturer Dr Bruce Burnett, also program co-ordinator, said the QUT-funded program had been "incredibly well received".

"Nationally and internationally, it's known that it is difficult to attract quality teachers to teach in disadvantaged schools," he said.

"When we offer these schools our best

undergraduates, principals have been enthusiastic about recruiting them. They're looking at it as an employment strategy."

Dr Burnett said the QUT program was unique because students stayed within the Bachelor of Education program but received specialised tuition, mentoring and completed intensive placements in low SES schools over two years.

Trainee teacher Tamara Dawson, who is returning to a Beenleigh school next month to complete a second practicum, said it was a much different experience to her Catholic schooling.

Issues

"I didn't experience a lot of the family and social issues these students were dealing with so I've had to learn about them and understand what's going on outside of the classroom," she said.

But the 21-year-old, who grew up in Logan, said she was committed to working in disadvantaged communities.

"It has made me think about what I value as a teacher. These students shouldn't miss out on a quality education," she said.

Trainee teacher Jason Biddle, 37, who worked in the hot air balloon industry for 15 years, said personal experiences motivated him to take part in the program.

"I've had troubles in the past in my life. I see a lot of potential in these students and it seems like I can make a difference," he said.



They're keen to make a difference where it's needed most ... QUT trainee teachers Tamara Dawson and Jason Biddle.



First-year students Tristin Dreise and Christina Chiotakis are just two of the more than 460 Indigenous students currently studying at QUT.

Study at QUT and realise your dreams

QUT's Oodgeroo Unit supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through their university life.

The Oodgeroo Unit has a great support team of dedicated professional and academic staff. We admit Indigenous students through our Alternate Entry Program – giving them access to the incredible range of degrees on offer at QUT.

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a university for the **real world** 



TRACKS and undergraduate students at Oorala's 'Close The Gap Day' event on 24 March.



Oorala Director Debra Bennell with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Campus Mentor Colin Ahoy.

Oorala set to celebrate

WITH close to 420 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled this semester, the University of New England (UNE) says its Oorala Aboriginal Centre offers long-standing experience in higher education.

Established in 1986, the centre's facilities and services have grown along with increasing enrolments. This year Oorala will celebrate 25 years as the support hub for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from around Australia who choose UNE for their education.

Heading the Oorala team is the Director, Debra Bennell, who has

extensive experience in Aboriginal health and social policy through roles at Curtin University and her previous academic role in Social Work at Edith Cowan University, Western Australia.

This semester, 38 students in the TRACKS Tertiary Preparation Program, from communities such as Elliott in the Northern Territory and Parkes and Coonamble, in New South Wales, have ongoing access to study advice from Oorala's TRACKS team, while building academic skills for undergraduate study.

TRACKS has received multiple awards for excellence in university education for Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander students.

TRACKS, undergraduate and postgraduate students can all access services and advice through the Oorala Centre's student support team, to get the best out of their university learning experience.

Campus Mentor

Colin Ahoy is from the local community in Armidale, northern NSW, and has a long professional involvement with UNE and Oorala. Last year, Colin started a new role at the centre as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Campus Mentor.

"My role as mentor is to

encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander access to and participation within UNE programs," he said.

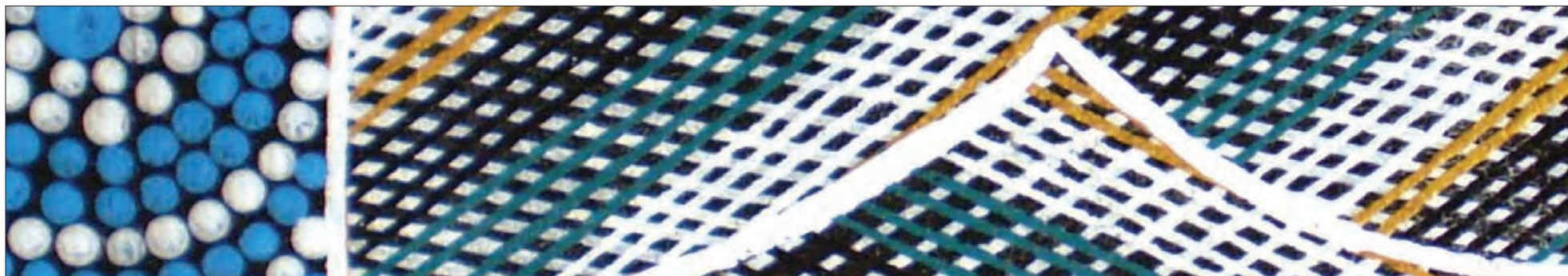
"I promote UNE and its programs of study to Indigenous communities, linking staff and support services available at Oorala to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students living in the eight residential colleges on the university campus, and studying UNE programs in other areas across the campus and beyond."

The social and cultural support Colin offers are especially important for students who have moved from distant home communities to study in TRACKS

or UNE courses. With flexible course offerings, UNE is suitable for students who live in UNE's student accommodation or in other local housing to study on-campus, or study from home through distance education.

There is further support from Oorala's team through Student Support Officer Tonia Ryan and ITAS Coordinator Rebecca Waters.

On-campus and distance education students who have started undergraduate study can register with Oorala for tutoring through the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS) to achieve greater success in their studies.



Making the right choice about your education can really take you places

Thinking about study?

The University of New England will give you an education that can set you apart. We offer flexible learning methods to suit your needs. Choose to study either full time, part time or a combination of both. UNE provides student support and alternative entry programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through the **Oorala Aboriginal Centre**. All school leaver and mature age applicants who want to study at UNE are encouraged to apply. Contact Oorala: Ph: **02 6773 3034**

Alternative pathways to study at UNE include:

Oorala Internal Selection Program - a program of testing and assessment which provides successful participants entry into an undergraduate degree of their choice. **Apply through Oorala to attend our next ISP.**

Oorala TRACKS program - a year-long program that prepares you for university study. The course starts with a Pre-Orientation Program on 20-22 July and students attend compulsory intensive school each semester. You can study from home (by distance) or on campus. Successful participants gain entry into the undergraduate degree of their choice. **Applications close 30 June 2011.**

Oorala also assists you with

- accommodation and ABSTUDY enquiries
- advice on scholarships and cadetships
- ITAS tutorial support
- access to study facilities
- student support

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- une.edu.au/Oorala
- une.edu.au/AskUNE
- or freecall: 1800 818 865

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"A place where people come together"

Top fellowship for professor

DIRECTOR of the Murrup Barak Melbourne Institute for Indigenous Development Professor Ian Anderson has been awarded the 2011 Victorian Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership Award.

The award, which will provide \$70,000 a year during the next three to five years, will assist Prof Anderson to further his work in Indigenous health and social development.

Prof Anderson also said he was keen to use his award to assist more Indigenous young people to pursue tertiary studies and help close the gap between Indigenous and other social indicators.

Two Emerging Leaders awards were also presented – to footballer Nathan Lovett-Murray and disability advocate Jody Saxton-Barney.

Advisory Committee Chair for the Victorian based Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership Maree Davidson said it was an honour to play a small part in promoting and furthering the work of another inspiring group of Aboriginal Victorians.

"I'm confident this recognition will help all them to achieve better

outcomes for their communities and for all Victorians," said Ms Davidson.

Prof Anderson has an outstanding record of achievement in research, teaching and knowledge transfer.

He has held the position of Director, Onemda VicHealth Koori Health Unit from 1999 until 2011. Onemda, based at the University of Melbourne, is an externally funded research, teaching and learning, and community development program with a focus on Indigenous health in regional, national and international contexts.

New programs

The Onemda team have developed new teaching and research programs with a community development framework that provides a comprehensive platform for knowledge exchange activities.

In his current role at the university, Prof Anderson is responsible for leading the development of the Murrup Barak Melbourne Institute for Indigenous Development. The institute is responsible for co-ordinating the development of Indigenous programs

across the university including supporting the recruitment and retention of Indigenous students.

Prof Anderson is also the Director Research and Innovation for the Lowitja Institute, a national Indigenous health research and development agency and one of the University of Melbourne's signature partnerships.

He has also taken on various roles including Deputy Head, Department of Public Health and Melbourne School of Population Health.

The Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership was started in 2003 and has so far sponsored two fellows and six emerging leaders who have achieved measurable results in areas such as keeping kids in school, helping find decent jobs, using sporting organisations as the hub for community change, reducing family violence, fewer young men in prison, improved health and wellbeing across communities and better financial management.

The fellowship is run by volunteers and funds are raised from business, philanthropy and government working together.



Professor Ian Anderson, who has been awarded the 2011 Victorian Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership Award.

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The University of Melbourne is proud of our Indigenous students and community. Murrup Barak – Melbourne Institute for Indigenous Development provides a world-class supportive environment for our students.

Murrup Barak provides services to current and future students at The University and its affiliated institutions, including an active outreach and recruitment program, facilitating leadership programs to encourage future Indigenous leaders and developing pathways with schools and other organisations to encourage Indigenous students to see study at The University of Melbourne as a desirable and achievable goal.

To learn more about our services and pathways available for Indigenous students at The University of Melbourne, please visit www.murrupbarak.unimelb.edu.au or phone (03) 9344 7722.



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NAISDA 'a great place'

NAISDA Dance College is a great place to be. That's the verdict from students Amy Minchin and Casey Natty, who are loving their time at the leading Indigenous dance institution, based on the NSW Central Coast.

Amy, 19, is in the final year of her diploma course, while Casey, 18, is in the first of his four years at NAISDA.

Both say they're loving it.

"I'd always wanted to be a dancer and NAISDA has turned out to be the perfect place for me," Amy, a Kamilaroi woman who lives in Canberra, told the *Koori Mail*.

"Apart from wonderful teachers in a great cultural atmosphere, I've also had other fantastic experiences.

Residencies

"I've done residencies at Elcho Island and Nyinykay (Arnhem Land) where I learnt so much about dance and culture.

"My goal is to graduate and use what I've learned by teaching in the Canberra community. It's already looking positive, which is great."

Casey, a Kamilaroi man who hails from Muswellbrook in the Hunter Valley, isn't sure what he wants to do just yet.

"But I'm really loving my time at NAISDA," he said. "The dancing is great and I'm inspired by all the cultural aspects of the college.

"I'd have no hesitation in recommending NAISDA to others."



Dancers perform at the recent NAISDA graduation ceremony held on the NSW Central Coast.

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Remote schools can



PROFESSOR LESTER-IRABINNA RIGNEY

Prominent Flinders University educator PROFESSOR LESTER-IRABINNA RIGNEY explains remote schooling.

THE *Adelaide Sunday Mail* recently reported that South Australian

Indigenous schools have attendances as low as 58 per cent. The alarming patterns of truancy in remote Indigenous schools are obvious and have been consistently known for over a decade. Chronic truancy is linked to no job, no money and no future.

We know remote Indigenous schooling is broken. To arrive at such conclusion is effortless.

Yet solutions are not so obvious.

What frustrates me no-end is the countless mind-numbing solutions offered by Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people alike without attention to facts.

I have sat in countless teacher conferences and government school policy workshops where being remote is the equivalent of

having a rare disease where words like 'desert syndrome', 'isolation' and 'containment' are cloaked in the illusion of rigorous science.

Remote schools are often thrown into the too-hard basket and their under-achievement almost seen as 'inevitable'.

As professor of education I believe all school problems have a use-by date. While some may see this as naïve, I put it to you that accepting we can't fix remote schools and that their failure is 'natural' and 'expected' is not only scientifically inaccurate but renders us 'prisoners of despair'. To this invitation I strongly refuse.

Remote schools can and must be fixed. However their problems are exacerbated when simple and ill-conceived solutions gain acceptance.

Let me deal with some of these main ideas.

Remote school improvement by welfare quarantining – Northern Territory Intervention: Myth

This solution to remote school under-achievement targets its arrows on parents. Welfare payments are tied to school attendance and withheld when absences are recorded.

This intervention is crude and archaic and conceals some rather serious education criticisms. It overlooks other plausible causes and potential solutions like school cultures, teacher transiency, poor quality of teaching, inadequate policy, funding and curriculum.

Punishing parents absolves governments and the schooling corpus of any accountability in poor performance.

There is very little scholarly evidence that this solution will fix remote schools and increase better sustained remote education Year 12 attainments. Yes you can improve Aboriginal school attendance by force, but what is the quality of schooling being received? This solution has less to do with scientific credibility and more to do with government ideology.

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Mervyn's making a great move



(L-R) Michael Tehan (Chair GOTAFE Board), Mervyn Fernando and Paul Culpan (CEO GOTAFE)

Photograph taken by: Trevor Phillips Photographics

For 22-year-old Mervyn Fernando, relocating more than 1000 kilometres away from his hometown to study has been a great move.

The Australian Government's Indigenous Youth Mobility Program (IYMP) helped Mervyn move from the regional town of Kempsey in Northern NSW to Shepparton in Victoria. The IYMP supports young Indigenous people who choose to leave home for post-secondary education or training.

Upon arriving in Shepparton, Mervyn quickly got involved in his new community, taking part in activities through the Rumbalara Football and Netball Club, which is owned and run by the local Aboriginal community. He also became a spokesperson for the club.

Mervyn completed a Certificate IV in Community Recreation at the Academy of Sport, Health and Education (ASHE), which is run in partnership by Melbourne University, Rumbalara Football and Netball Club and Goulburn Ovens Institute of TAFE (GOTAFE).

Mervyn says studying through the IYMP helped develop his self confidence. He even gave a speech at the 2010 national IYMP conference, and his story of drive and motivation touched everyone. Since then he has gone on to study a Diploma of Community Services and work as a student support officer at ASHE.

Mervyn was awarded the ASHE Sportsman of the Year in 2010 and the GOTAFE Koorie Education Centre Achievement Award. He was recently named GOTAFE's Outstanding Student of the Year for the Shepparton Campus.

Mervyn has been offered an Indigenous Ambassadorship for Aboriginal Education and will travel around Australia talking to young people about the importance of school and training.

'It's very important to grow up with a career and dreams,' Mervyn says.

He also wants to make sure young people in his local community of Kempsey have the best opportunities in education and in life so they too can become leaders of the future.

Under IYMP, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 16 to 24 can relocate to a host location to undertake post-secondary education and training options. These include Australian Apprenticeships, vocational education and training, and higher education qualifications such as nursing, teaching, business administration, accounting and more. Participants can choose from 16 IYMP host locations across Australia.

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and must be fixed!

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Send children in remote areas to elite boarding schools: Myth

Advocated by (Cape York campaigner) Noel Pearson, this solution takes Indigenous children from government schools in remote locations and sends them to elite, independent, private boarding schools in the city. Other like-minded programs include the \$12 million Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP).

There are 155,500 full-time Indigenous students in school. Most are in government public schools. Taking a few students from big public classrooms does not fix underachieving public remote schools. We must spend our scarce Aboriginal education dollars on reforming the public remote school system that houses most kids.

Our universities produce quality leaders in remote schools: Myth

Almost half of Australia's educational leaders in regional, rural and remote areas are, by their own admission, inexperienced and ill-prepared for their roles.

Presenting preliminary results from a national survey conducted last year, Professor John Halsey, who holds the Sidney Myer Chair in Rural Education at Flinders University, reported 46 per cent of respondents said they had no preparation for leadership. Another 29 per cent said they had attended only short courses.

Halsey argues 'school principals and leaders fulfil a crucial role in these communities, and deserve much better than a sink-or-swim approach from their employers'.

Government education departments like South Australia

still send their least-experienced teachers into the most challenging remote schools and expect closing the gap in attendance and performance will occur. We need new and better pathways in training remote educational leaders to ensure all teachers have a sound understanding of the nature of communities, their challenges dreams and aspirations.

Bilingual withdrawal and four hours of English only: Myth

This Northern Territory solution of fixing remote schools is puzzling for educators and is scientifically out of step with other sophisticated societies like the European Union who accept that being schooled in your first language (such as German or French) greatly assists the learning of a second language. This solution is beyond the education field of good theoretical evidence

and rests within ideological politics.

School absenteeism is believed to have an impact on learning – but how and why has yet to be explained in remote schools. We must fix remote schools. We also must resist the temptation to grasp at simple solutions in search of complex answers.

What is clear is that remote school under-achievement will not be solved with blunt short-term solutions described above. These require long-term policy and funding commitments with evidence-based strategies.

Just as governments should stop over-promising and under-delivering on an education revolution, so too must we teachers and the public stop referring to 'remote' as deficit.

It is easy for teachers to expect that remote children won't finish Year 12. It is more difficult to think through the

dilemmas with fresh eyes in search for robust answers.

How we see and define the 'remote' ultimately determines our solutions. As Aboriginal educator and leader Harold Furber states: "We in Alice Springs are not remote from Adelaide. Adelaide is remote from Alice Springs. Alice Springs is my world and is the centre of the earth."

It's all a matter of perspective.

*Dr Lester-Irabinna Rigney is a professor at Flinders University and is one of the most influential Indigenous educationalists in Australia today. His recent 2006 co-edited book titled *Sharing Spaces: Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Responses to Story, Country and Rights*, is the most up to date Australian text on Indigenous and non-Indigenous race relations and how this converges in the vulnerable, vital and contested space called 'education'.*

'What is clear is that remote school under-achievement will not be solved with blunt short-term solutions... These require long-term policy and funding commitments with evidence-based strategies' – Professor Lester-Irabinna Rigney

Sport and school – it's all about participation

Aussie Rules-mad high school students have a new incentive to put effort into their school work—it's an essential condition for playing in a footy competition.

This is the idea behind the AFL's new 'School then Play Cup'. The cup was launched at Adelaide's Le Fevre High School by Indigenous football legend Andrew McLeod, Adelaide Crows star Jared Petrenko and Federal Member for Hindmarsh Steve Georganas MP.

Le Fevre High School, in the suburb of Semaphore South, has almost 100 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, and runs a course for students in the Kaurna language of the local people. As part of the School then Play Cup, Le Fevre High School students will take part in a 10-week football and leadership program. If that's not enough, there's the added incentive of playing in a half-time match when Port Adelaide takes on Fremantle at AAMI Stadium.

Former Adelaide Crows legend Andrew McLeod will have a hands-on role in delivering the program in Adelaide.

'The School then Play Cup is a great concept that gives children some great experiences and rewards, as long as they attend school,' McLeod said.

'Growing up I used to live for my regular sport on the weekend and I imagine these kids are the same. Tying it into school attendance is a great message and I'm sure we'll see some positive school attendance results in these areas.'

Steve Georganas said that many students were motivated by sport, and this could effectively be used to increase their commitment to school.

'It is vitally important to ensure our children attend school, as we know that young people who don't finish are more than twice as likely to be unemployed or not go on to further study. Completing school greatly increases each student's future employment opportunities,' he said.

The AFL is also establishing a School then Play Cup in the remote areas of Halls Creek (East Kimberly, WA), Bamaga (Cape York Peninsula, Qld) and Woorabinda (central Qld). For some of these communities the cup will be the only organised Aussie Rules football competition for school students, and will provide a powerful incentive for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to engage with their schooling. The School then Play Cup is funded under the Australian Government's No School No Play initiative. This initiative provided \$2 million to eight national sporting organisations, including the AFL, to use sport to promote the benefits of regular school attendance.

For more information, and to find out about projects near you, visit www.deewr.gov.au/noschoolnoplay.



(L-R) Charlee Saunders, Jared Petrenko, Mr Steve Georganas MP, Andrew McLeod and Robert Young at the Le Fevre High School 'School then Play Cup' launch.

He's aiming for change!

WAYNE APPLEBEE has taken a major step in his quest to bring about change for Indigenous people.

The 62-year-old has just graduated from the University of Canberra with a Bachelor of Social Science in Justice Studies.

And now he is starting a doctorate.

Mr Applebee, who is a teaching fellow at the University of Canberra's Ngunnawal Centre, was motivated to study by the death in custody of Aboriginal man Cameron Doomadgee on Palm Island in 2004.

After taking on a position as a panel member of the Galambany Circle Court (part of the Australian Capital Territory Magistrates Court) that deals with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander offenders, Mr Applebee realised there were limited options available

to the magistrate when it came to sentencing.

"This was problematic in the sense it provided little opportunity for rehabilitation and for the possibility of changed behaviour in offenders," he said.

So last year, Mr Applebee wrote the 'Circuit Breaker Program' and presented it as a submission to the Federal Government House Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs.

Program

Earlier this year, the Narragunnawali Aboriginal Corporation was formed to implement the program.

Mr Applebee hopes the program will help reduce the number of Indigenous incarcerations by assisting the offender in their rehabilitation. The program can also be used as an option before or after sentencing.

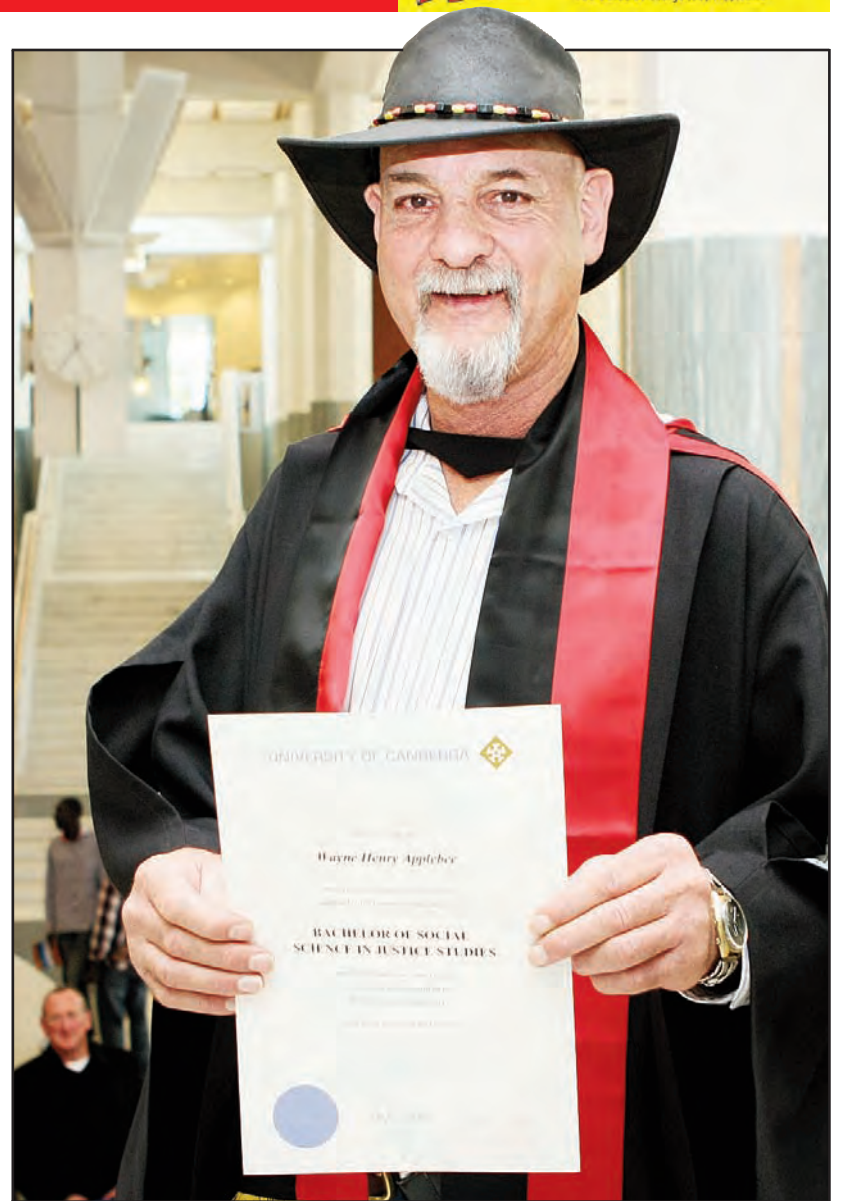
His doctoral thesis, 'Positive cultural reinforcement of Indigenous cognitive behavioural change', will also look at Indigenous incarceration.

"The gradual breakdown of community, dispossession of land, cultural contact, historical brutality and the Stolen Generations all continue to cause stress and confusion and erode a sense of position and self-worth for many Aboriginal people," Mr Applebee said.

"Some Aboriginal men feel they have no role to play and continue down a well-trodden path to hotels, conflict, domestic violence and, finally, jail."

Mr Applebee says that while he has achieved a lot, there is still a lot to do.

"Nothing has ever been achieved easily for Aboriginal people; I don't expect that will change soon, but I remain optimistic."



Wayne Applebee at his graduation ... "Nothing has ever been achieved easily for Aboriginal people; I don't expect that will change soon, but I remain optimistic."



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Unit to offer support

TAFE Western has established a new Aboriginal Education and Training Unit in a bid to provide more support for Indigenous people.

The unit team, made up of 15 Aboriginal staff in Dubbo, Bathurst, Orange, Broken Hill and in the north-west of NSW (Bourke and Walgett), has been formed in response to feedback from Aboriginal communities that TAFE could be doing more to meet the needs of Aboriginal people and communities.

Institute Director Kate Baxter said the new team would provide leadership to TAFE Western's efforts in closing the gap in the disadvantage that Aboriginal people experience in relation to employment and education.

"In particular, the unit will strengthen our partnerships with Aboriginal communities, collaboration with industry and efforts to support Aboriginal students to succeed in their training," she said.

"An important part of this work will be done by six new student support officers who are based on campuses throughout our region who will work directly with the students."

At the same time, TAFE Western has formed an Aboriginal Community Reference Group



TAFE Western staff, back from left, Ian Long, Mark Kickett, Rod Towney, Lloyd Dolan and Rob Cohen and, front from left, Lisa Crawford, Teresa Yasserie, Institute Director Kate Baxter and Maxine Greenfield.

which includes representatives of Aboriginal communities in western NSW who will advocate for improved outcomes for Indigenous people and articulate their needs and aspirations.

The institute says this relationship with the community has resulted in the recent signing of a statement of intent outlining the ways that TAFE Western and the Aboriginal Community

Reference Group will work together to enhance opportunities for local Aboriginal people.

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Palm kids high-flyers

By ALF WILSON

EIGHT Palm Island students were rewarded for good attendance at school with a trip to the Gold Coast to take part in a well-being camp where they were special guests at the Quicksilver Pro International surfing championships.

The students from Bwgcolman Community School and St Michael's Catholic School were chosen under the truancy program, which encourages school attendance on all days of the school week, and for children who have shown commitment to their schooling.

It was enabled by 'Cottage By The Sea', an empowering camp supporting children to develop their mind, body and well-being and which works in conjunction with the Cathy Freeman Foundation.

They were able to attend the camp because of a special sponsorship from West Wing Aviation which operates daily flights between Palm Island and Townsville.

Operating since 1890, Cottage By The Sea provides short-term relief care in a seaside holiday environment to children and families in need.

The students from Palm Island learnt how to improve self-esteem and make and sustain new friendships while living in a healthy and positive environment at the Twin Towns Resort in Coolangatta.

Cottage By The Sea Intake Coordinator, Jenny Marshall said: "The cottage cares for a diverse group of children with family difficulties including domestic violence, emotional trauma, foster care fatigue, sudden

Students from Palm Island arriving home after their Gold Coast experience.



death or departure of a parent, children living with grandparents due to drug and alcohol issues, social and economic disadvantage and refugee or cultural difficulties."

Ms Marshall said the Palm Island children were guests at the Quicksilver Pro 2011 international surfing competition, meeting some of the surfers and having private surfing lessons. "Thanks to sponsorship from Quicksilver, the students had wetsuits, surfboards and vests to use during their stay, and received a gift pack from Quicksilver to take home with them," she said.

"Many of the children who attend these camps have never seen a beach with waves, let alone had the exhilarating experience of standing up on a surfboard and having everyone else cheering them.

"The students also visited the Wet and Wild theme park thanks to Quicksilver sponsorship, went shopping and learnt how to make a photo diary of their experience to show their families and friends when they return.

"We believe the children benefit in social skills and confidence from this experience as

well as expanding their horizons through this incredible educational and personal journey."

Deputy Principal at St Michael's Catholic School on Palm Island Kelly Dwyer said the opportunity to experience something like this wasn't very common for the students on Palm Island.

"It's quite amazing. This is such an incredible way for us at the school to reward consistent good behaviour, but it is so incredibly hard to pick which students get to take the trip," she said.

"This year we chose students from Grades six and seven to fly to the Gold Coast and take part in the camp.

"Cottage By The Sea has been working with Palm Island for a number of years, and the students are always buzzing when they return. We are fortunate to be given two opportunities this year for students, the second trip will be later in the year and we are taking a group of students to the snow, which will just be mind-blowing.

"Trips like these would not be available to us without the wonderful help from West Wing Aviation who are always generous with discounted flights to and from Palm Island for occasions just like these. We are extremely appreciative to both Cottage By The Sea and West Wing Aviation."

West Wing Aviation Townsville Base Manager Christine Rice said: "We are always pleased to get behind these life-changing initiatives and offer assistance where and when we can. West Wing Aviation is an avid supporter of the community and especially of the children of Palm Island, who don't often get these kinds of opportunities."

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Koowarta scholarship recipients are named



ASHLEY WALKER

INDIGENOUS law students Aurora Milroy and Ashley Walker have been named as the 2011 John Koowarta Reconciliation Law Scholarship recipients.

Established in 1994, the scholarship commemorates John Koowarta, a member of the Winychanam community at Aurukun and a traditional owner of the Archer River region on Cape York Peninsula in Queensland.

"The Law Council of Australia has been involved with this initiative for over 15 years and it has helped 19 Indigenous law students pursue their legal education," said Law Council President Alexander Ward.

"Aurora and Ashley are great role models for young Indigenous people across the nation considering a future career in the legal profession.

"They are deserving winners and I congratulate them for what they have achieved."

The scholarship is available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in an approved course of study at or through an Australian tertiary institute, which is a prerequisite to admission as a legal practitioner in any Australian jurisdiction.

Ms Milroy, a Palyku woman of the

Pilbara in Western Australia, and in her fourth year of a Bachelor of Arts/Law at the University of WA, said she was excited and honoured to win the award.

"The scholarship is going to make a real difference to my studies," she said.

"I'd like to put some of it towards going up to the Pilbara (region of Western Australia) to go to native title meetings and get experience in that field of law.

"It will work as a supplement to what I have been studying and help me gain practical experience."

Mr Walker, a fifth year Bachelor of Laws/Commerce student at the University of NSW and Director of Ngalaya Aboriginal Corporation, said winning the scholarship went beyond helping to ease the financial strain associated with studying at university.

"It's an honour to be counted amongst the previous recipients of the scholarship who are a pretty talented bunch. It's a great feeling," he said.

"I'll be able to cut down on part-time work and really focus on my studies, which is really important around exam time."

Mr Ward said the winners epitomised the values and principles the John Koowarta Reconciliation Law Scholarship stood for.



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Jonathan's journey



Indigenous teacher and CQUniversity graduate Jonathan Oates ... "I view my educational journey not as a right but as a responsibility as an Aboriginal person, to be a role model and mentor for the next generation of students experiencing the same fear and apprehension I felt as they make the right decisions towards their educational journey."

INDIGENOUS teacher Jonathan Oates thought he had finished his educational journey when he first entered the workforce, but he found that without further study the pursuit of money left him feeling like there was something missing.

"Recently a friend asked me about my journey through education and why I chose higher education as an option," Jonathan said.

"I had to think for a minute because it wasn't always at the forefront of my mind; in fact during school in Townsville, sports always seemed a better option.

"My pathway towards higher education started with the influence and support of my mother and father. They instilled in me the importance of education as a journey through life – not something that finishes in Year 10 or even Year 12.

"It was not easy. My first degree before Central Queensland University, it was at another university far from my family, and was a battle. With little assistance available at the university and family thousands of kilometres away, I struggled for many years but managed to graduate in 2002 with a Bachelor of Business.

"I was so proud, stood tall and

thought the world was my oyster; I had finally finished my educational journey (or so I thought).

"My parents moved to Central Queensland and I managed to secure a role as a marketing manager with a local real estate agency on the coast. It was the pursuit of money and happiness, I thought I could have it all, but there was something missing.

"Deep down I knew I really wanted a career where I could help people, and money just didn't seem that important any more, so the obvious career for me was to become a teacher.

Have a look

"I was a bit apprehensive at the time but thought I would have a look at the local university, CQUniversity Rockhampton, and see what was available for me.

"I visited Nulloo Yumbah and immediately felt at home. The people were so friendly, always greeting me with a smile and always willing to help.

"My transition into university this time was a positive and easier experience. Finally the fear and uncertainty of higher education was eased and gave me the time to focus on my studies.

"Through my teaching

degree, Nulloo Yumbah helped when things got tough. When I wasn't sure of my next step or when I needed assistance communicating with my lecturers, Nulloo Yumbah was always there.

"Since then I have enjoyed a great career as a teacher and now feel a great responsibility as an Aboriginal person to instil the same values for education on the next generation of Indigenous students in Central Queensland.

"Since becoming a teacher I knew that to make a real difference in Indigenous education is to further my education and career in Education Queensland.

"I have now completed a Masters of Business Administration at CQUniversity, and am looking forward to the future. The first thing I did when I made that decision to study for my masters was to visit Nulloo Yumbah.

"I view my educational journey not as a right but as a responsibility as an Aboriginal person, to be a role model and mentor for the next generation of students experiencing the same fear and apprehension I felt as they make the right decisions towards their educational journey."



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Assistant Principal Kathy in 'paradise'

WHEN growing up, Kathy Frost had the good fortune to be surrounded by strong, inspirational females in her family. "My mother was my first major influence in my life, and ultimately the most profound, because she instilled in my siblings and me the importance of getting a good education, so that we could enjoy the opportunities in life that she herself didn't have," Kathy said.

Another female inspiration for Kathy was her aunt, a teacher. "As a young girl I remember seeing her enthusiasm and sheer joy for her chosen profession," Kathy recalls. "I knew I wanted to be just like her."

Kathy completed her teaching qualifications at the University of New England in Armidale. "I was the second person in my family to go to university," she says proudly.

After a spell of casual teaching in Sydney, Kathy found herself back in her home town of Tweed Heads where, after about 12 months, she found her new 'home' as a permanent teacher at Pottsville Beach Public School.

"When I first started here, Pottsville Beach was a small school of about 240 students and 10 teachers. A little piece of paradise," she adds with a smile. "Now we've grown bigger, we're in a new site and we've got about 550 students. And it's still a piece of paradise!"

Kathy Frost, the Assistant Principal at Pottsville Beach Public School: "I come from a family of strong, inspirational, and supportive female role models who helped me to become what I am today."



Kathy's dedication, talent and passion for her chosen profession has been recognised by her promotion to Assistant Principal, a role that will no doubt enable her to extend her own positive influence as an inspirational role model for the next generation.

"In lots of ways my teaching career defines me, especially as it is a career I have always aspired to," she says. "As the eldest in my family I was aware that I needed to lead by example – first for my siblings, and now for my own children."

Kathy's example and her mother's supportive encouragement were evidently an effective combination: One of Kathy's sisters is co-ordinator for Aboriginal health care on the Gold Coast; her brother completed a journalism degree and now works in media; and another sister runs a successful business with her husband, in addition to the full-time job of raising a family.

There is yet another generation of strong women that Kathy can look up to. "My grandmother is a local Elder, and she comes to our school as an honoured guest whenever we hold special functions," she says. "She actually opened the

school in 2000. So she is one more strong, positive, influential female role model that helped me get to where I am today."

Kathy's own two daughters are already considering their future careers. "My elder daughter, who is 15, wants to save the world and be an environmental scientist, while my eight-year-old is still deciding on whether to be a chef or a teacher," she says with a laugh – and just a hint of pride.

"Education is important, but there's another element that's just as important: Having a supportive family and community."

"That supportive environment is one of the greatest assets that we enjoy as part of an Aboriginal community – the strength and support that we are given to help us achieve our goals. As I was growing up I heard and listened to the stories of our parents and grandparents enduring discrimination because of the colour of their skin. We acknowledge these things happened, but as a nation we move on from there – we say, okay, let's go forward and do something about it."

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Jenna was a student with vision

INVESTEC Bank scholarship student Jenna Owen has graduated from the University of NSW as an optometrist with a first-class pass. She received a distinction/higher distinction average and was the dux of fourth-year UNSW optometry.

Jenna is the first Indigenous optometrist in NSW and only the second in Australia. She grew up in Albert (population 11) – 150km west of Dubbo, in western NSW. Albert had no school, so she would spend an hour on the bus each day to attend classes in nearby Tottenham, a town of just 300.

When she reached Year 8, Jenna's mother moved to Dubbo so her daughter could further her education.

The 23-year-old was supported in her UNSW studies by the Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship, which aims to redress the under-representation of Indigenous Australians in the health professions. She was also a beneficiary of a scholarship for Indigenous students administered by UNSW's Shalom College, Nura Gili and

the Muru Marri Indigenous Health Unit.

Jenna plans to work in her home town, Dubbo, where she will be among the first of a new breed of optometrists with added responsibilities. Like general practitioners, these graduates will be able to prescribe drugs and other therapies so patients receive a seamless eye care service.

Important

She intends to use her skills among the Aboriginal community in Dubbo because, she says, 'it's important for Indigenous people to have the opportunity to consult health professionals who have an understanding of their values and culture'.

Jenna is also a talented golfer, playing off a handicap of four.

After Dr Beth Kervin, who graduated as a doctor in 2009, Jenna is the second graduate of Shalom College's Indigenous scholarship program.

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Jenna Owen at her graduation with Shalom College CEO Dr Hilton Immerman.



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Tauondi student Jeannie Lehotski, right, who was selected to travel to New York to attend the US Virtual Enterprise International Trade Fair. With her at Adelaide Airport are fellow students Gandra Penola, left, and Gail Agius.

Enterprise on display during NY trade fair

TAUONDI College First Aid Virtual Enterprise student Jeannie Lehotski has travelled to New York for the US Virtual Enterprises International Trade Fair.

Virtual Enterprise is a simulated business environment used by schools, colleges and TAFEs, allowing students to gain experience in business without the risks of running a real business, using virtual money and products, and trading with other virtual businesses.

Tauondi College, based in Adelaide, is the only

Aboriginal Virtual Enterprise and will be hosting Australia's biennial International Virtual Trade Fair and Conference in May next year.

Tauondi College Business Services Lecturer Pamela Howard, who also travelled to New York, said other global virtual enterprises had been invited to attend in Adelaide.

They also promoted Tauondi College, Aboriginal culture and South Australia generally during the visit.

The travel was assisted by sponsorship from Adelaide Airport Ltd.

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UWS students visit AIATSIS



EIGHTEEN Indigenous students studying for the University of Western Sydney's (UWS) new Bachelor of Community and Social Development degree have visited the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) as part of their 'Who do you think you are?' studies.

UWS Indigenous Graduate Attribute team leader Wendy Holland said it was vital that first-year students were able to visit key institutions, particularly those such as AIATSIS that were able to directly assist their course of study.

"What AIATSIS holds by way of Indigenous family history material is phenomenal – yet not sufficiently known or appreciated," Dr Holland said.

"Who do you think you are? provides students practice in the analysis of historical documents, family narratives, autobiography, political and social issues around a project that will give a context for their own personal story.

"Students will develop skills in oral history work, locating and retrieving archival documents and compiling their own 'family tree'.

"This unit of study is part of a new three-year degree course and the 18 students visiting Canberra are first year students."

Dr Holland said the UWS has also introduced the requirements that all students undertake some units of Indigenous studies as part of their undergraduate program.

One of the course lecturers, Gamilaraay woman Rea Saunders, said the course had attracted Indigenous students from across New South Wales and three from far North Queensland.



During the visit to AIATSIS, back from left, Michael Hodges, Julie Trindall, Peter Hinton, Blake Tatafu and Warren Mason, middle from left, Wendy Holland, Darren Ivey, Jamie-Lee Ahearne, Kathleen Smith, Suzie Sing, Santanna Hooligan, Carla Colaiacovo, Skye Hipwell, Rachel Symonds and Elaine Zander, and front from left, Alison Collard, Amanda Lonsdale, Debra Morgan, Karen Ferguson, Isobelle Anderson and Rea Saunders.

"The course is run as a block residential program with students required to spend a specified number of weeks a year in Sydney," she said.

"Given that a major component of the course covers family history and genealogy, the visit to AIATSIS has really captured the attention of students.

"The extent of the family history information is amazing and I don't think people really appreciate what is held in the AIATSIS archives".



Associate Professor Eddie Thomas from Kulbardi and former Kulbardi student Curtis Taylor, now studying Media Production at Murdoch University, with some of the burning leaves.

New chapter under way for Kulbardi



KULBARDI at Murdoch University in Perth has held a smoking ceremony to mark the start of a new chapter for the Aboriginal

centre. Staff, students and supporters gathered for the ceremony, led by Nyungar Elder Noel Nannup, which was part of the official welcome for the centre's new director, Rhonda Marriott.

Prof Marriott said: "For us (the smoking ceremony) signifies that those associated with Kulbardi have come together as family and friends and celebrate the value of the centre to Murdoch and the wider community.

"We also raised Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags to represent the core purpose of Kulbardi, in nurturing students and providing them with 'wings to fly'."

Murdoch Vice-Chancellor Gary Martin said Kulbardi was

with other students.

"I really think that what Kulbardi is all about is to nurture the development of Indigenous leaders, not only for Murdoch University but also for the entire community. It is about supporting Indigenous leadership," he said.

Prof Martin also announced plans for a Kulbardi Festival to celebrate Indigenous culture.

The centre was established in 1988 as the Aboriginal Education Unit. In 1996 it was

re-launched as Kulbardi, a tribute to the late Munyari – Elder Ralph Winmar – who gave his respected counsel for the name, which means 'maggpie' in the Nyungar language.

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important because it provided support for Indigenous students and gave them pathways into university education. It also allowed Indigenous culture and experience to be shared

Goodwin is off to Harvard



INDIGENOUS lawyer Tim Goodwin is the inaugural Roberta Sykes Harvard Club Scholar.

The 27-year-old was named as the scholar by the Roberta Sykes Indigenous Education Foundation Trustees and the Harvard Club of Australia (HCA).

Mr Goodwin will now undertake a Master of Laws course at Harvard University in the United States, starting this September.

The Roberta Sykes Harvard Club Scholarship was created to honour the late Roberta Sykes, who received a doctorate from Harvard in 1984. Dr Sykes had made it part of her life's work to encourage and support Indigenous Australians to realise their dreams for further education. She died in 2010 after a life of working for the advancement of Indigenous Australians.

The scholarship is co-funded by

HCA and forms part of its program, together with the RG Menzies Scholarship, to provide outstanding Australian individuals with the opportunity to undertake a postgraduate degree course at Harvard University.

Mr Goodwin, a law graduate from the Australian National University, has worked at the National Centre for Indigenous Studies, in the Federal Court of Australia as a Judge's Associate and was also a member of the Steering Committee that established the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples. He is now practicing as a lawyer with Allens Arthur Robinson in the Banking and Finance practice group.

While in Harvard – one of the world's great universities – Mr Goodwin plans to

examine how the Australian constitutional system might recognise a legally-binding agreement between Indigenous and other Australians.

He is hoping to become a barrister.



TIM GOODWIN

Research will help Aboriginal patients



A GROUP of Curtin University researchers has been awarded a \$20,000 grant to develop a protocol for health service providers to better engage with Aboriginal

clients. The West Australian Cancer and Palliative Care Network Research and Evaluation Unit grant was awarded to the group from the Curtin-led WA Centre for Cancer and Palliative Care, directed by post-doctoral research fellow Dr Shaouli Shahid.

Indigenous Australians have the poorest health status of any identifiable group in Australia as a result of a range of communicable and chronic diseases.

Dr Shahid says recent improvements in cancer treatment and palliative care and the reduction in cancer mortality rates in Australia overall have not led to improvements in cancer outcomes for Aboriginal people. The problem may lie in a variety of unaddressed issues for Aboriginal patients and carers, who commonly miss out on the best cancer palliative care.

"Many Aboriginal people have a lot of mistrust towards the existing health system, so that is a big barrier itself," Dr Shahid said.

"Also, many Aboriginal people live in remote areas, where they have limited access to pharmaceuticals, so infrastructure is a big issue.

'Big issue'

"Communication is also a big issue. Whereas the Western approach may be to look at health from a biological point of view, Aboriginal people often have a more holistic approach to looking at health.

"There are also very few Aboriginal staff to administer care."

Dr Shahid previously undertook research into Aboriginal cancer patients and families' views and understandings of cancer care and their experiences accessing care services.

This latest study will build on his earlier research to form a comprehensive picture that could inform future policy decisions in what is an under-researched area.



Passing on valuable assistance ... ERM Power founder Trevor St Baker with scholarship recipients Corey McGuire, centre, and Gerald Ugle at Guildford Grammar School in Perth.

Scholarships power teens



A RISING AFL star and an aspiring physical education teacher have been awarded valuable scholarships at a ceremony in Perth.

Greater Western Sydney Giants AFL midfielder Gerald Ugle and university student Corey McGuire received \$10,000 each from the Trevor St Baker and Richard Wilkes Indigenous Scholarship Foundation (ISF).

ISF is an initiative of integrated energy company ERM Power that provides ongoing support for Indigenous students in communities near the company's power stations across Australia. It has already funded both WA teenagers' secondary education at Guildford Grammar School in Perth.

Gerald and Corey, the first two scholars of the foundation to complete their school studies, were presented with the funding by ERM Power founder and chairman Trevor St Baker and his wife Judith.

Gerald, who grew up in Beverley, paused his training to travel back to his home state for the award, which he said would assist his AFL career.

"If it weren't for ERM Power's support, I

would not have even had the chance to go to Guildford Grammar School in the first place," he said.

"I am going to put the money into a savings account and focus on my AFL."

Northam resident Corey said the support of the foundation had inspired his future career.

"In my time at Guildford Grammar School I decided that I wanted to become a physical education teacher for a private school," he said.

'Achieve dream'

"This money is going to go towards my education fees to help me achieve that dream, so that when I am finished I can help younger people discover sport."

Mr St Baker said the foundation was a way to give back to the community.

"Our focus is on investing in the people who live near our power stations," he said.

"These recipients are from the region surrounding the NewGen Kwinana power station, which ERM Power developed.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for these young people, which we really hope will benefit Indigenous communities in the future."

Congress Alukura delivers



ABORIGINAL women in Alice Springs now have access to a comprehensive birthing service with the launch of a Midwifery Group Practice at Congress Alukura.

The program aims to provide women with greater continuity of care throughout pregnancy, birth and after the baby is born.

Under the new model, women will be cared for by the same midwife, known as a primary midwife, while being supported by a group of four midwives, a style of care known as group practice midwifery.

Group Practice Midwifery focuses specifically on a woman's individual needs. It is a holistic approach of care which addresses a woman's spiritual and cultural needs while ensuring the emotional, physical and social needs of the woman are met.

The Primary Midwife is the key care provider, but in the instance of caseload management, midwives form a relationship with each client on the program. Should another midwife be on call when a client goes into labour, she is still being seen by a midwife she knows.

Congress Alukura says research has shown that pregnant women who receive regular consultations with the same midwife reduce their need for obstetric intervention and medicated pain relief during birth, while increasing the comfort and perception of control.

An Alukura midwife will be on call and available to assist during the birth at the hospital and work with hospital staff to ensure clients receive the best care. The program has been made possible under the Memorandum of Understanding agreement between Alukura and the Alice Springs Hospital.

Care and support

"At Alukura, our midwives care for and support women and aim to give clients' babies the best possible start in life," said Alukura Manager Leshay Maidment.

"Focusing on health and well-being early in pregnancy is critical. The commitment from Congress Alukura in partnership with the Alice Springs Hospital plays an active role in supporting women and their families to achieve these outcomes."

For information on the program, contact Congress Alukura on (08) 8953 2727.



Alukura Cultural Advisory Council grandmothers cutting the cake at the launch of the midwifery service, from left, Maureen McCormack, Agnes Abbott, Bessie Liddle (obscured) and Irene Davies.



Congress Alukura Group Practice Midwifery midwives, from left, Aleta Kennedy, Breanna Monk, Tanya Gardner, Rosemary Weckert, Sue Roth, Sheryl Alexander and Gail De Lucia

Service helps Mt Isa mums



MOUNT ISA is to get a culturally appropriate pre-pregnancy care and early childhood development service.

The Federal Government has allocated \$420,000 to Gidgee Healing (Mount Isa Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service) to develop a holistic and caring environment for new and expectant mothers in the north-west Queensland city and surrounding area.

Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said the funding would help to improve access to care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mothers and their children through home visiting and outreach services.

"As well as improved ante-natal and post-natal care, there will also be better monitoring of developmental milestones, immunisation status and infections, and better availability of checks and treatment referrals before children start school," he said.

Better access

"Mothers will also have better access to information about baby care, practical advice and assistance with breastfeeding, nutrition and parenting."

Mr Snowdon also opened the enhanced Kalkadoon Aboriginal Sobriety House (KASH) drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre at Spear Creek, near Mount Isa.

KASH is a holistic drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre

with dormitory-style family accommodation for up to 45 people. Its residents come from the Mount Isa region, the Gulf and the Northern Territory.

The upgraded centre now features a new training house which was built and fitted out following a \$332,200 grant from the Government.

The Minister said the new training house would be used to provide 'life skills' training to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people being treated. The training courses would play a key role in addressing the holistic needs of clients, enabling them to become job-ready and to engage fully in all aspects of life.

KASH will also make the Training House available to other community organisations in the Mt Isa region.

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1000th worker now on the job



SMOKECHECK has trained its 1000th health worker in brief intervention for smoking cessation at a workshop held at the University of Sydney.

As part of a NSW Government commitment to reducing smoking, the NSW Health Department has developed the Aboriginal tobacco prevention project called SmokeCheck.

"The SmokeCheck program aims to train all NSW Aboriginal health workers and other health professionals who provide care for Aboriginal people to encourage their clients who smoke to quit," says SmokeCheck senior trainer Luciana Massi.

"It's really exciting to reach such a significant milestone."

Launched in 2007, the project has trained Aboriginal health workers and health practitioners around New South Wales.

The NSW SmokeCheck Project is based at the University of Sydney and funded jointly by the NSW Health Department and the Cancer Institute NSW.

The provision of smoking cessation training in NSW also aligns with the Federal Government in tackling tobacco smoking among Aboriginal communities.

"Smoking is contributing to the high mortality rates and is a major contributor to serious illness such as cardiovascular disease, cancer and diabetes," Ms Massi said.

The smoking rate among Aboriginal Australians is almost double that of other people, although there have been reductions in the prevalence of smoking among Indigenous people over the past decade.

Significant

The 2006-2009 Report on Adult Aboriginal Health indicates that in NSW, 33.9 per cent of Aboriginal adults are current smokers, compared to 17.2 per cent of the general population. This shows a significant decrease from the figures reported in the 2002-2005 report, where 43.2 per cent of Aboriginal adults were current smokers, compared to 18.4 per cent of the general population.

SmokeCheck, as a leading evidence-based brief intervention smoking cessation program designed specifically for Aboriginal people, is in a position to continue to contribute to the decline of smoking prevalence in Aboriginal communities in NSW.

Reducing the high rates of tobacco smoking among the Aboriginal population will help to close the 17-year life-expectancy gap between Aboriginal and other Australians.

"Each time a client comes to the health service they may not have thought about giving up, but the SmokeCheck intervention encourages them to think about why they smoke," Ms Massi said.

"The health worker then uses the culturally specific resources to support their client in quitting and the conversation can be revisited at future visits."

Registration and for further information about SmokeCheck workshops can be obtained by calling SmokeCheck on (02) 9351 5129 or by email on smokecheck@sydney.edu.au

Further information and registration is also available by visiting www.smokecheck.com.au



● PICTURED: At the SmokeCheck celebration were, from left, trainer Luciana Massi, Sandra Wallace who was the 1000th person trained and program chief investigator Shane Hearn.

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Dreamtime stories for children



Angeline Penrith performing in Leah Purcell's *The Dreaming: Wake Up Australia!* which is part of the Sydney Theatre Company's Actor on a Box program for children aged three and upwards.

Photo by TRACEY SCHRAMM



IN the Sydney Theatre Company's latest offering from its Actor on a Box program, director Leah Purcell leads young audiences back to the very beginnings of Pamanyungun, respectfully sharing stories passed

on to her about the great spiritual powers of the ancestors and the awakening of the land.

Performed by Wiradjuri woman Angeline Penrith, and narrated by Purcell, *The Dreaming: Wake Up Australia!* fuses traditional and contemporary storytelling with movement and music, humour and play, to create a dream time experience for children aged three and upwards. Following the performance there is a chance for audience engagement, including dance and art.

The show runs at the Richard Wherrett Studio, Sydney Theatre until this Saturday 23 April, with performances at 10am and 12.30pm each day. Suitable for ages three and upwards and all tickets are \$12.

Picture book tackles a sensitive subject



FAMILY and friends turned out to help local childcare worker Althea McKeown launch her first book, *Sissy's Secret*, on Horn Island on 8 April.

Sissy's Secret is a children's book which aims to help children, parents and teachers talk about bad secrets and is illustrated by Monique Russell, a young teacher aide from Townsville who is related to the author.

This is Monique Russell's second book, following on from *Sam's Fishing Adventure* which was published in 2010.

Black Ink Press co-ordinator Jeanie Adams said in the context of her work, Althea had seen the need for a resource, so she went ahead and created her own, in the form of illustrated fiction.

"Althea has created a story in which the characters speak in Torres Strait Creole," Ms Adams said. "The story is in simple English and there is a translation of the Creole words in the back of the book, hence the book appeals to a wide audience."

"The character Sissy is a happy young girl, but what happens at a family event means that she has a secret that makes her sad. In the end, Sissy's mother realises something is wrong, and helps her daughter. The story ends on a positive note, but it provides opportunities for teachers and parents to talk about sensitive issues."

Ms McKeown said there was 'so much abuse going on' but there weren't the right resources in the Torres Strait.

"What we have in English is too difficult for the kids to understand," she said.

Last Month Black Ink Press held writing and illustrating workshops for both adults and children on Horn Island and Thursday Island and Ms



Althea McKeown at the launch.

Adams said they were very keen to discover more talent and publish more books from the Torres Strait.

"There is so much talent," she said.

"After a couple of days I am leaving with more excellent manuscripts, so we will definitely publish more books from the Torres Strait. This means more writers and illustrators will be receiving royalties."

Sissy's Secret is available now in bookstores, distributed by the Australian Book Group (ABG), and also directly from www.blackinkpress.com.au

The publication was supported by the Australian Government through FaHCSIA's Family Violence Regional Activities Program.



Molly Pwerle will travel from Utopia for her exhibition opening.

First solo exhibition for Atnwengerrp Elder

Now the eldest of the Pwerle sisters and the senior female Elder of her country of Atnwengerrp, in Utopia in the Northern Territory, Molly Pwerle will be presenting her first solo exhibition of paintings at DACOU Melbourne next month.

Her late sister and renowned artist Minnie Pwerle was 'discovered' by DACOU (Dreaming Art Centre of Utopia) when she began painting in 1999. Already in her late 80s, Minnie expressed a desire to paint while observing an art workshop, and proceeded to produce bold designs symbolising the women's ceremony of her country Atnwengerrp.

Today her works are held in prominent public and private art collections.

Molly Pwerle also came to painting late in life when, along with her sisters Galya and Emily, she joined Minnie at a 2004 art workshop hosted by Minnie's daughter, prominent artist Barbara Weir.

Although Molly's Dreamings are shared by her sisters, in the seven years since she started painting, she has developed her own personal style and her works depict the tracks made in the earth by women dancing and singing during ceremonies, and also reference the ceremonial body paint they apply to each other.

The exhibition opens on 3 May at 6-8pm, and runs until 5 June at DACOU Melbourne, 33 Spring St, (corner Flinders Lane). For more info see www.dacoumelbourne.com.au

French focus for new book



At the Sydney launch of Anita Heiss' latest book were Gadigal Information Service's general manager Lily Shearer and board member Gayle Caldwell. Photos by Nancia Guivarra



NASCA's Charles Prouse, Reconciliation Australia's Karen Mundine, Michaela Perske and NCIE's publicist Brooke Petit were there.



Lawyer Robynne Quiggin, academic Michael McDaniell and AGNSW curator Jonathan Jones.

Author Anita Heiss signing books after lawyer, friend and fellow writer Terri Janke launched *Paris Dreaming* in Sydney earlier this month.



Around 70 people gathered at the Surry Hills Library on 1 April for the Sydney launch of Anita Heiss' latest book *Paris Dreaming*, which is the sequel to *Manhattan Dreaming*.

Heiss, the creator of the Koori chick lit genre, said it was important to her to write about modern, urban-based Aboriginal women, that felt

'real'. In the story the main character, an arts educator originally from Moree, finds herself posted to Paris.

Heiss said she'd wanted to take the story to Paris to showcase the work of Brenda L Croft and Hetti Perkins who co-curated the Australian Indigenous Art Commission at the Musee du Quai Branlee.

Kimberley acts sought for 2011 Broome Fest



GOOLARRI Media Enterprises is looking for new musical talent from the Kimberley to perform live on stage at Nurlu Presents Gimme Fest 2011 in Broome on 14 May.

Auditions will be held on 4-5 May and acts can be young or old,

Indigenous or non-Indigenous. The opportunity includes the chance to support groups such as the Naomi Pigram Band and Layla and Lord Zazastah of Downsyde, paid gigs throughout Kullarri NAIDOC Festival 2011 and full media support provided by Goolarri Media. Contact (08) 9195 5333 for an entry form.

Opportunity to record EP at Gadigal studios



GADIGAL Music is calling for submissions from NSW-based Indigenous music artists who want to record an EP.

Selected artists will get a professionally-recorded EP

which will be released through the Gadigal Music label, as well as music industry business advice and planning workshops with top music industry professionals.

All songs must be original compositions and can be in any contemporary genre. Written lyrics must be supplied. Applicants must also include a bio with their musical and personal history and future plans, a demo of at least two tracks, even if just roughly recorded, and must be available to attend an interview if required. Submissions close on 30 April. Address to Michael Hutchings, Gadigal Music, Gadigal Information Service, PO Box 966 Strawberry Hills NSW 2012. For more information contact Michael on 02 9384 4017 or email michael@gadigal.org.au

Koorie kids of Hume connect with culture



AN exhibition showcasing personal stories of cultural connection, community and the artistic talents of Koorie youth from the Hume region of Victoria is now open at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural

Centre at Melbourne Museum.

My People, Culture and Country is an outcome of Museum of Victoria's Indigenous Pathways project, which is designed to support Indigenous students as they connect with their cultural heritage.

The exhibition, which was created by seven students, explores themes of people, place and culture through objects, artworks, photographs and documents drawn from Museum Victoria's collections and personal objects.

The students also created artworks and learned traditional practices such as weaving and making spears in workshops with Victorian Aboriginal artists. The exhibition runs until 25 June.

Urban art show opens at UMI



FAR north Queensland artist Tommy Pau will be launching his first solo exhibition – *Exploration of Mediums* – next Friday, 29 April at UMI Arts Shop and Galleries in north Cairns.

Pau grew up on Thursday Island and in Cairns, and has a diverse cultural heritage that includes Aboriginal Australia, Papua New Guinea, Asia and the Pacific. His parents both come from Darnley Island in the Torres Strait.

Pau said he integrated contemporary and western styles of art with traditional content.

"With a diverse and complex cultural heritage, I try to incorporate all my bloodlines into an art style unique to me," he said.

Pau's exhibition is the culmination of his participation in the UMI Arts Exhibition Ready Program. Exhibition Ready provides artists at all stages of their careers with training in the 'nuts and bolts' of preparing and presenting artwork for exhibition and sale.



Dancing Dhari by Tommy Pau.

Exploration of Mediums runs from 29 April to 9 June, 2011 at the UMI Arts Shop and Galleries, 335 Sheridan St, North Cairns. Opening hours are Mon to Fri 10am-4pm. For more info contact UMI Arts on 07 4041 6152, or visit www.umiarts.com.au



2012 ACT Arts Fund Open

Applications are invited from individuals, groups and organisations wishing to undertake arts programs, projects and activities in the ACT.

Applications for Project Funding, Communities Working With Artists Funding, Program Funding and ACT Creative Arts Fellowships will close on **5:00pm, Wednesday 8 June 2011.**

Applications to the Key Arts Organisation Funding Category will close on **5:00pm, Thursday 30 June 2011.**

Applicants are encouraged to attend an **Information Session** at The Street Theatre, 15 Childers Street, Canberra City West, on:

**Wednesday 4 May 2011
6:00pm - 7:00pm**

For more information visit www.arts.act.gov.au or phone 6207 2384.

Indigenous artists and artists working with the ACT Indigenous community are also encouraged to contact the ACT Community Arts Office on 6247 3314 to discuss their applications.

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Sydney opening sold out



The Belvoir St Theatre in Sydney was sold out for the opening night of Aboriginal actor Jack Charles' one-man show *Jack Charles v the Crown*. At the opening night were – ABOVE: Mark Simpson, Jack Charles and Max Gilles; RIGHT: Leah Purcell and Bain Stewart; BELOW RIGHT: Alison Murphy Oates and Helen Anu; BELOW: Kerry and Rachael Maza-Long.

Photos by Nancia Guivarra



Illustrated legends contain message



AMBELIN KWAYMULLINA

Three new children's books from West Australian Indigenous writer Ambelin Kwaymullina tell legendary stories, with full colour images of country, animals and birds.

Frogmouth Finds a Home portrays a young frogmouth who rebels against her grandmother's wish to live in the trees.

Then little frogmouth falls in love with the sun, but when sun disappears she is left in the dark along with the other animals, who she tries to help until finally she becomes immortal.

The other stories are also inspired by legends and traditional stories.

Caterpillar and Butterfly is about a small caterpillar who hides away in a chrysalis until triumphantly becoming a butterfly.

Crow and the Waterhole concerns a crow who becomes entranced by a reflected image.

From her home in Perth, Kwaymullina told the *Koori Mail* that she strives for

authenticity in her stories.

"I dreamed the story of the crow," she said. "It came from the Pilbara and our old people."

"We often think of our old people as coming back to us in the form of crows."

She adds her picture books tend to be stories with a message.

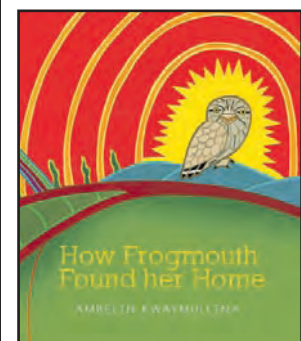
"*Crow* is about valuing yourself. *Butterfly* is about transformation, and *Frogmouth* is a creation story and is also about finding your place in the world."

Currently Kwaymullina is taking a break from her position as Associate Professor of Law at the University of WA where she has been teaching Aboriginal systems of knowledge and respect for country.

She is writing her first young adult fiction book, and says she has learnt a lot from her artist/writer mother Sally Morgan.

The author says her novel will be a complex story for young people.

"It's set in a post apocalyptic fantasy world, and deals with the bigger issues of discrimination, friendship, loyalty, the environment and how we should live in the world." – By MARGARET SMITH



Indigenous writers wanted for award



WIRADJURI writer Jeanine Leane said anybody thinking about entering the Unpublished Indigenous Writer – Arts

Queensland David Unaipon Award, should just do it.

Leane had been short-listed for the award in previous years, before winning last year for her manuscript *Purple Threads*. She said even just being short-listed meant you got valuable feedback from the judges.

She used her \$15,000 prize money to take her family for a holiday to New York.

The David Unaipon Award is one of 14 categories in the Queensland Premier's Literary Awards, and this year the prize money has increased to \$20,000.

Purple Threads is a fictional story, but is based on true events, with Leane's grandmother and two of her aunts particular inspiration.

Leane said the original manuscript was made up of vignettes and was fairly short at just 16,000 words.

She said the University of Queensland Press (UQP), which is publishing her manuscript, had been hoping for around 35,000-40,000 words, so they matched her up with a freelance editor.

"Originally I was overwhelmed about how I was going to do it," Leane said.

"(The editor) helped me to look for ideas within the story – tangents that could be expanded upon. The stories within the story. And she posed some good questions for me to think about."

Leane said that having gone through that editing process had made her a better writer, and while she learned to take good editorial advice, she also learned when to stand her ground when a suggested change didn't feel right.

Her manuscript has now gone to UQP's in-house publisher for the final edit and will be launched in September, at the same time as the announcement of the winners of this year's Queensland Premier's Literary Award winners – including the David Unaipon award.

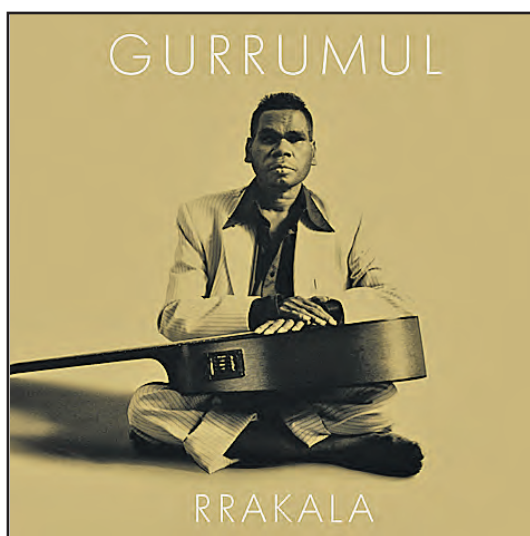
Meanwhile, Leane, who works as a research fellow at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies in Canberra will be conferred with her PhD from the University of Technology Sydney on April 28.

Entries to the Queensland Premier's Literary Awards close on 6 May.

Visit www.literaryawards.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 3405 5215 for more information. – By RACHEL SCOLLAY

● RIGHT: Winner of last year's David Unaipon Award Jeanine Leane at the Guggenheim Museum in New York.





Second album released

GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU has created what he says is a 'more cultural and spiritual body of work' on his highly anticipated second solo album *Rrakala*, which was released last week by Skinnyfish Music.

Hailed in this month's edition of *Rolling Stone* magazine as 'Australia's most important voice', Gurrumul is a member of the Gumatj clan on Elcho Island, off the coast of north east Arnhem Land. Rrakala is a sub-group of people within the Gumatj clan.

The album taps into old songs from

Gurrumul's band, his family's songwriting, his new material and presents a choice of songs that reflect deeply into his Aboriginal identity.

Showcased are his skills on piano, drums, nylon string acoustic guitar, and electric and acoustic guitars.

The album also reveals more of his rich vocal harmonies.

Recorded at the old Power Station in New York, now AVATAR, and 301 in Byron Bay by producer Michael Hohnen and engineer Anthony Ruotolo, the second album has been described as

retaining the quality, purity and sound of his first, but with the artist also delving into other genres and instruments within his own cultural context.

Album highlights are cited as songs about longing, beautiful places, whispering trees, a funeral song as well as the track *Ulminda* – a quasi-classical duet with Hohnen on bowed double bass and Gurrumul on guitar singing about the deep power of the mind.

Gurrumul's self-titled first album has sold more than half a million copies world-wide.

Own design label for Rhoda Roberts



Wearing one of her 'Mary dress' inspired designs, and a necklace from her own line of resin jewellery, Rhoda Roberts officially launched the Rhoda Roberts Gallery in New Italy on 10 April.



HAVING returned home to Bundjalung country, creative director Rhoda Roberts has not only opened a new art gallery, she has also embarked upon her first foray into jewellery and fashion design under the label Rhoda Roberts Designs.

She said the focus of the Rhoda Roberts Gallery, which is situated at New Italy, on the Pacific Highway between Ballina and Grafton, was on quality artwork and authenticity.

"Every artist I have in the gallery I know personally, which is important," she said. "I've either worked with them over the years through events, or I've gotten to know them."

Meanwhile for her fledgling clothing line, Ms Roberts has drawn inspiration from the traditional mission dresses (also known as Mary dresses).

"One thing with the dresses is I'm trying to show varying aspects of Aboriginal culture," she said. "They were known as Mary dresses or muumuus – the traditional mission dress given to our ancestors. That's

been the inspiration, and I've made them a bit trendier and used contemporary fabric design.

"One thing with culture is we consistently adapt, and we use the materials that are given to us."

Ms Roberts said she would review how sales went, however in her opening week she had already sold four, and was planning to do a series of pants to go with the dresses.

Rhoda Roberts Gallery carries artwork by Bundjalung artists like Penny Evans, Digby Moran and Frances Belle Parker, however Ms Roberts said it also features artwork from remote communities including the Central Desert and the Kimberley – providing access to high quality, authentic art for people who might never travel to those places themselves.

"Eventually we're looking to do workshops as well," she said. "And bring in those artists from those remote communities, as well as local artists, so people can have that Aboriginal experience on the north coast – that one on one experience with our artists."



● ABOVE: At the launch of the Rhoda Roberts Gallery at New Italy, 8275 Pacific Highway, (south of Woodburn) were, from left, Robin Davis, Bundjalung artist Frances Belle Parker and Kay Williams.

● RIGHT: Colin and Joyce Clague, from Maclean, were at the official launch on 10 April, which coincided with New Italy's cultural celebrations.



Finalists named in WA Award



SIXTEEN finalists have been selected for the 2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards – the richest Indigenous arts prize, with a total prize pool of \$65,000.

The \$50,000 Western Australian Indigenous Art Award will go to the artist whose work in the awards exhibition is considered by the selection panel to be most outstanding.

The award-winner will be announced at the opening event on August 12, along with the winner of the \$10,000 Western Australian Artist Award.

The People's Choice Award of \$5000 will be presented at the end of the exhibition season to the artist who receives the highest number of visitor votes.

Speaking to *The Koori Mail*, awards curator Glenn Iseger-Pilkington said he was currently out on the road meeting with the finalists and selecting a body of work which best represented them for the awards exhibition.

"The awards are quite unique because we select the artists based on their submissions, which are indicative of what they've been making," he said.

"We then go out on this adventure to find the best possible works to represent that artist."

Mr Iseger-Pilkington said the resulting works might come from private or public collections, or from commercial galleries.

He said as an Aboriginal man the opportunity to meet with artists on country had been a culturally enriching experience for him.

"It's important to have open communication with artists who often speak English as a third or fourth language," he said.

● The finalists are: Jan Billycan, Michael Cook, Timothy Cook, Angkaliya Curtis, Gunybi Ganambarr, Gary Lee, Danie Mellor, Patrick Mung Mung, Trevor Nickolls, Lena Nyadbi, Tiger Palpatja, Kururwariyngathi Bijarrb Paula Paul, Reko Gwaybilla Rennie, Nyilyari Tjapangati, Nyapanyapa Yunupingu.

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 or faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666.

National

Until 14 August: Yalangbara, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous artworks. This exhibition tells the remarkable story of the Marika family of Arnhem Land, three generations of artists, cultural diplomats and custodians of one of Australia's most important spiritual sites. Free and all welcome. Held at the Gallery of First Australians, National Museum of Australia, Canberra. Details: (02) 6208 5351 (0438) 620 710 or email media@nma.gov.au

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/crah2011

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@gmail.com or visit <http://www.domesticviolenceconference.net/>

18-19 May: Second annual Indigenous Governance for Sustained Development Conference aimed at implementing sustainable governance models to support self-determination and long-term development. Learn best techniques meeting policy requirements and unique Indigenous community needs. Register now and have you say. Held at Park Royal, Darling Harbour, Sydney. Details: 1300 316 882 or email registration@critterconferences.com or visit www.indigogovernance.com

1-2 June: The National Aboriginal Liaison Officers Forum 2011. This national event will offer a practical

It's our 20th birthday!

A GALA dinner celebrating 20 years and 500 editions of *The Koori Mail* will be held in Sydney on Saturday 7 May.

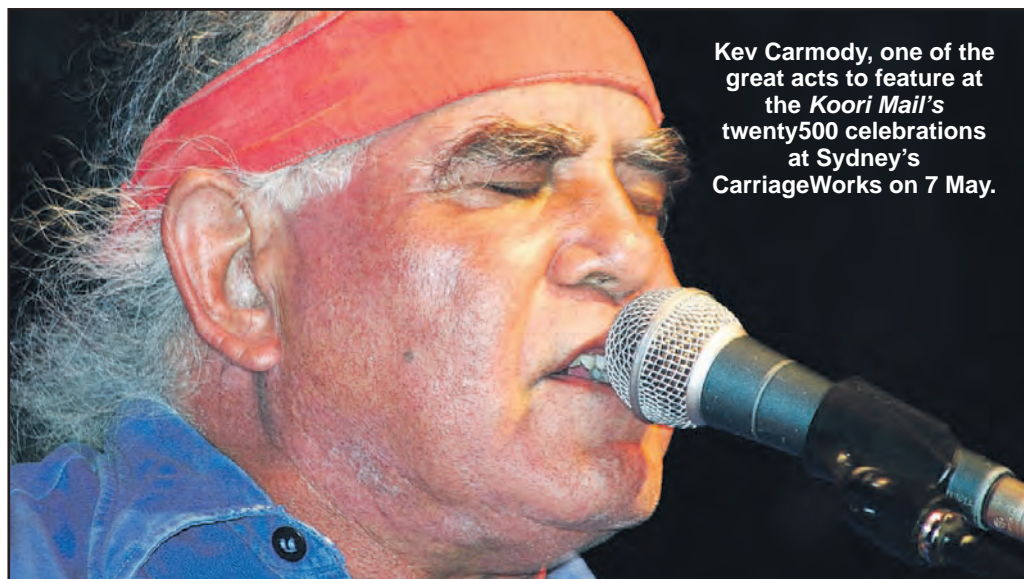
The impressive line-up of entertainers will include Kev Carmody, Dan Sultan, Casey Donovan, Mary G and the NAISDA Dancers.

The three-course dinner (with some drinks included), will be a chance to look back on the events that have shaped Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander life over the past two decades.

Tickets cost \$85, \$75 concession and \$800 for a table of 10, plus a booking fee. The event starts at 6.30pm at Bay 17, CarriageWorks, 245 Wilson Street, Eveleigh.

To book, call Ticketmaster on 1300 723 038 or online at www.ticketmaster.com.au/event/1300467FB2CD67 or in person at all Ticketmaster outlets.

● Details: email 500@koorimail.com or phone (02) 66 22 2666.



Kev Carmody, one of the great acts to feature at the *Koori Mail's* twenty500 celebrations at Sydney's CarriageWorks on 7 May.

toolkit of strategies, solutions and approaches through the form of case studies from industry professionals. All welcome to register. Held at Marriott Hotel, corner Exhibition and Lonsdale St. Melbourne. Details: (02) 9437 1311 or visit www.liquidlearning.com.au

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>

6 May: Traditional Indigenous games, instructor training workshop. This two-hour course is aimed at passing on valuable knowledge of traditional Indigenous games. Bringing traditional Indigenous games back to life. Free and all welcome. Held at the PCYC, Nowra. Details: (02) 4228 5355 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

27 May-3 June: Art competition for Reconciliation Week. Children aged 10 to 16 in NSW are invited by the NSW Reconciliation Council to enter a Reconciliation Week art competition. Winners will receive up to \$500 and sponsored travel to Sydney to attend the awards ceremony at the Australian Museum. Entry information details: www.nswreconciliation.org.au

NSW-ACT

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

25 April: 2011 Redfern Aboriginal Anzac Day commemoration – the whole 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. Includes wreathlaying 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

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

3-5 June: RANZCOG 2011 – Indigenous Woman's Health

Meeting aimed at improving the health and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander woman. This meeting will also have a diverse program of presentations covering cultural issues, current public health information, and clinical topics and also focus on youth health, including guest speakers and much more. Register now and have your say. All welcome. Held at the Cairns Convention Centre. Details: (03) 9412 2922 or email 2011iwhm@ranzco.edu.au or visit www.ranzco.edu.au/iwhm2011

4-5 June: Weipa Fest featuring traditional and contemporary Indigenous performances and dance troupes from communities across the Western Cape and Torres Strait. Also including Indigenous celebrity performers, didgeridoo competitions, art and crafts display, youth hip-hop dance party and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the Cultural and Holiday Park, Evans Landing. Details: visit www.weipafest.com

South Australia

19-20 September: The sixth National Wanganiny (Healing) Men's Health Convention is about promoting what is working out there, in regards to improving Aboriginal male health. Explore what is working and where Aboriginal male health needs to be improved to provide structures and strategies to influence policy-makers to provide the necessary resources to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander males. All welcome. Held at Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide. Details: (0417) 772 390 or email gmillan@bigpond.net.au or visit <http://www.aifs.gov.au/afric/conf/details.html>

PUBLIC NOTICE

Authorisation meeting for proposed Jangga People Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

QGC Pty Limited ACN 089 642 553 (**QGC**) proposes to explore for coal seam gas (**CSG**) in the Bowen Basin which may lead to a CSG Project involving production and distribution of CSG through the operation of pipelines and associated infrastructure (**QGC CSG Project**).

QGC proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (**ILUA**) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**NTA**) with persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to the area of land and waters shown in 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 made on behalf of the Jangga People (**Jangga Claim**) that covers the entire ILUA Area.

The purpose of this meeting is to authorise the proposed ILUA. The proposed ILUA will give consent to all future acts necessary for, or incidental to, the proposed QGC CSG Project within the ILUA Area. QGC seeks authorisation of the ILUA in accordance with the requirements of section 251A NTA.

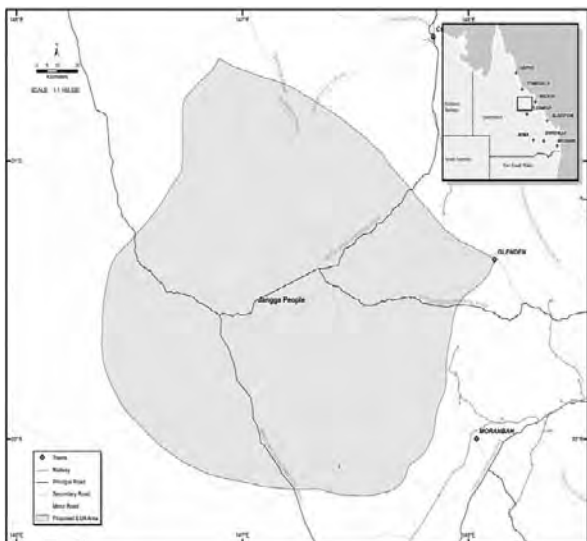
The Jangga People are described in the Jangga Claim as the descendants of the following Jangga apical ancestors:

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 otherwise hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area are invited to attend the authorisation meeting.

Details of the authorisation meeting:
Collinsville
10:30am, Saturday, 14 May 2011
Collinsville Community Hall

To register your intention to attend the authorisation meeting, please contact QG Christiansen 0410 343 041 or Sonya Choppy on 0448 123 756 by 5:00pm, Friday, 6 May 2011.



Census positions aplenty on offer

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINAL people are being encouraged to apply for the many Census collector positions being advertised across the nation.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) says that of the 29,000 Census collectors needed to help conduct the Census of Population and Housing on 9 August, 3200 would be best suited to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

At a Census launch in Hobart, Head of the National Population Census Program Paul Lowe, stressed the importance of accurate counts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

He said the employment of Indigenous interpreters, engagement officers and local engagement managers over the past two years was reaping benefits.

"They are absolutely fantastic," Mr Lowe said. "The key to getting it right, is getting the right people. They know their communities and are connected."

"Not only have we been able to raise the awareness of the Census and how important it is, but the community Elders now tell us how to best conduct the Census in their communities. It's absolutely fabulous work that's been done."

"It's early engagement and true engagement."

Mr Lowe said that in the past many Indigenous people were reluctant to report the correct number of people in their house for fear of information being passed on to other government agencies, so a strong message about the secrecy and confidentiality of information has been sent out for this Census.

He said Census figures were vital in getting funding for communities and additional services such as housing, schools and child care.

As part of the early engagement there has also been a lot of statistical literacy work with communities, guiding and teaching how information collected can be used for their own benefit.

Mr Lowe said an additional \$20 million in



National Population Census Program chief Paul Lowe with Aboriginal Census officers Helen Ransom and Vicki Matson-Green, who have two of the 17 Aboriginal-identified Census positions in Tasmania.

funding was being used solely to make sure there was a more accurate count of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"We admit that in some areas of the country last time we had an under-count. We are trying to employ more Aboriginal people in the Census, we are trying to recruit from every remote community across the nation, we are recruiting people from within the communities, so it's jobs for their mobs."

"Although the collector positions are part time from July to September, it is great experience."

Mr Lowe said four young Aboriginal people in a remote NT community who were trained up for Census testing positions, in what was their first-ever paid employment, had already been recruited by another research organisation.

Graduate scheme

Under the ABS Reconciliation Action Plan there is an Aboriginal graduate scheme, Aboriginal cadetship scheme and active recruitment and support of Aboriginal people.

Census collecting started in Australia

100 years ago, but did not include Aboriginal people until after the first Census (1971) after the 1967 referendum.

Before the referendum, estimates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were made by local authorities responsible for 'native welfare'.

From 1986, every Census has been supported by an Indigenous Enumeration Strategy aimed at improving census awareness, forms design and field procedures, to attain a more accurate count of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, particularly those living in remote areas.

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Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation



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Artist Development Program - \$58K basic salary
12 month contract

A fantastic opportunity exists to join Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation as Artist Development Manager. The position is responsible for the day to day operation of the Artist Development to include: Gadigal Music, Young, Black & Deadly, Klub Koori and Yabun, working in conjunction with the General Manager. This is a full time position, working Monday to Friday.

Essential Skills are:

- Aboriginality
- Highly developed Managerial and interpersonal skills
- Ability to develop and maintain administrative systems
- Well developed communication, negotiation and organisational skills
- Experience working with Artists
- Sound understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues
- An ability to work flexibly and in a pressured environment
- Ability to generate reports, submission writing and acquittals
- Ability to attend committee meetings on behalf of the organisation
- Ability to work in an environment supported by volunteers.

DESIRABLE:

- Tertiary qualifications in a related field
- Marketing and sponsorship experience.
- Current driver's license.

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Essential Skills are:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge of, and connections with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities in the Sydney metropolitan and Illawarra regions
- Understanding of the Department of Education High School system
- Ability to develop and maintain administrative systems
- Well-developed communication, negotiation and organisational skills
- Sound understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues
- An ability to work flexibly and in a pressured environment
- Ability to generate reports
- Ability to attend committee meetings on behalf of the program
- Ability to work in an environment supported by volunteers
- Ability to work in a team.

DESIRABLE:

- Tertiary qualifications in a related field
- Experience and/or understanding of community cultural development
- Current driver's license.

Volunteer Broadcasters

Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND broadcasts across metropolitan Sydney and has an estimated audience of 100,000 people a week.

We are currently seeking past and new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander broadcasters to be trained as volunteer Broadcasters with our deadly organisation.

If you think you are deadly enough and want to volunteer for a community radio station like Koori Radio 93.7 FM 2LND, and you live in the Sydney metropolitan area, and then please email your details to: info@gadigal.org.au and we will send you a program proposal and membership form.

**For further information, including position description,
please contact Lily Shearer, General Manager on
(02) 9384 4000 by COB on Friday, 20th May 2011.**

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation is home to Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND, Gadigal Music and Recording Studio, Young Black and Deadly, Klub Koori and Yabun Festival.

GIS is a not-for-profit, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander community media and arts organisation operating from state-of-the-art premises in Redfern, Sydney on the site of the Old Black Theatre.

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Essential Skills are:

- Aboriginality
- Ability to develop and maintain administrative systems
- Well developed communication, negotiation and organisational skills
- Sound knowledge of Media and Digital environment
- Experience in a production environment
- Sound understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues
- An ability to work flexibly and in a pressured environment
- Ability to generate reports
- Ability to attend committee meetings on behalf of the organisation
- Ability to work in an environment supported by volunteers
- Marketing and sponsorship experience.

DESIRABLE:

- Tertiary qualifications in a related field
- Experience with relevant computer audio software (eg: Dalet, Sony Acid Pro, Audio Grabber & Digital Radio)
- Current driver's license.

Calling Emerging NSW Indigenous Music Artists

Australia leading Indigenous owned and run music label "Gadigal music" is calling out for submissions from NSW based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music artists to record an EP in the state of the art Gadigal studios. So if you have never recorded or have recorded very little and want to further your music career this is a great opportunity.

Requirements for Submission

1. Bio to include your musical goals, career aspirations. This should include your musical and personal history and what you want to do with your music in the future

2. Recorded works and Demos.

(At least 2 tracks and don't worry if they have been roughly recorded)

3. Attend Interview if required.

All songs must be original compositions in any contemporary genre and please include written lyrics
Those artists chosen will get a professionally recorded EP that will be released through the Gadigal Music Label.
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Submissions can be made to:

Michael Hutchings
Gadigal Music
Gadigal Information Service
PO Box 966 Strawberry Hills NSW 2012
For more information contact Michael Hutchings on 02 9384 4017
Or email michael@gadigal.org.au

Submissions close on April 30, 2011

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Indigenous Career Counsellor - Widening Participation

Careers and Employment

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The Native Title Unit is responsible for representing the Department in the settlement of native title claims, implementing indigenous land policy and native title settlements, developing strategic approaches (including managing the implementation of joint management), and the Department's Indigenous Partnership Framework.

As Manager of the Native Title Unit, you will have a key leadership role in driving the delivery of the work program for the Unit and broader Strategy Branch; working towards the Forests and Parks vision and strategic direction. As a member of the Forests and Parks Management Team, you will contribute to organisational development programs and strategies that support and guide the division into the future.

To be successful in this role you will have extensive experience and knowledge in the development and delivery of policy, programs and projects and will demonstrate the potential to provide high level, authoritative advice and analysis on native title, projects and business matters. You will take the lead in implementing change programs to continuously improve policy, program and project delivery and effectively communicate, negotiate and build strong relationships with a range of individuals and groups.

If you are looking for a challenging and varied role then this may be the position for you!

**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 1 May 2011.

www.dse.vic.gov.au

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Blue Mountains Aboriginal Health Program

HEALTHY for LIFE PROGRAM STAFF

Full-time 37.5 hrs per week
Fixed term contract

The Blue Mountains GP Network (BMGNP) Incorporated is located in Hazelbrook in the Blue Mountains, and operates to build the capacity of general practice to enable GPs to provide optimal health care for the Blue Mountains community. The Network is a member of the Blue Mountains Aboriginal Health Coalition and works in collaborative partnership with the eight member organisations. The positions are funded under the Healthy for Life Program by the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, Department of Health and Ageing.

1. Male Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker (readvertised position)

To undertake outreach work with Aboriginal people (particularly engaging with Aboriginal men and children) and Community Agencies in the Blue Mountains to improve the health outcomes for Aboriginal residents.

The Blue Mountains GP Network Inc. considers being an Male Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s 31 (2) (h) and s 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

2. Child and Family Health Registered Nurse/Midwife (readvertised position)

To undertake work with Aboriginal and Community Agencies in the Blue Mountains to improve the health outcomes for Aboriginal families. The Healthy for Life Child and Family Nurse will be working closely with a team of Aboriginal Health Outreach Workers, a Complex, Aged and Chronic Care Nurse, the Program Manager, and Local Health Network staff to develop this innovative new program in the Blue Mountains.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

BMGNP is a family friendly workplace and salary packaging arrangements are available.

Applicants must address the Selection Criteria set out in the application package.

For an application package contact:

Blue Mountains GP Network Office on (02) 4758 9711 or email admin@bmdgp.com.au

For confidential enquiries about the position contact:

Sheila Holcombe, CEO on (02) 4758 9711.

Closing date for applications is:

5pm Friday 29 April 2011



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Salary Sacrificing of \$16,000 per annum available.

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- Empathy in working with older people

- Current NSW drivers licence.
- Good interpersonal and communication skills.
- Effective time management and personal organisational skills.
- Ability to work independently, as a team member.
- Self motivated.
- Experience in either aged care, disabilities, health or related field
- Qualifications in health or related area
- Strong Computer Skills

Desirable

- Experience working in a medical environment.

- Experience working in an Aboriginal organisation.
- Knowledge of the HACC Guidelines
- Knowledge of other local HACC Services available

If you require further information or wish to apply you must request an application package from Amanda Bridge on 65512088 or email abridge@biripi.org.au.

Please forward all applications addressed to H/R Ben Hunter P.O. Box 1083 Taree or email Ben.Hunter@biripi.org.au.

Closing Date:

Friday 6th May 2011 at 3pm

Team Leader Personal Helpers and Mentors (PHaMs) Program (full time)

We are seeking a dedicated Team Leader for our PHaMs team (Mental Health).

If you are passionate and committed to creating positive change to our local Indigenous community and have qualifications OR relevant experience in Mental Health then this position may be for you.

Attractive salary packages are offered. Please contact our office for an application package.

Applications close COB Friday 29th April, 2011
previous applicants need not apply

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People are strongly encouraged to apply.

Carbal Medical Centre
P: 4639 4461
F: 46394143
E: admin@carbal.com.au
www.carbal.com.au
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TAFE WESTERN CHANGING LIVES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are sought from suitably qualified persons for the following full time permanent vacancies. These are Aboriginal Identified positions.

Teacher Aboriginal Studies - NRM

Job Ref No: W 11-46

Location: Dubbo

Status: Permanent full time

Salary: Total remuneration package of up to \$93,531 pa, including salary (\$71,469 – \$84,759) employer's contribution to superannuation

Inquiries: Richard Ingham 6393 2626/0428 161 232

Cadetship:

A cadetship is a way for you to get paid for the work you do while you develop new skills and learn about the work of the organisation.

Salary: Total remuneration package of up to \$62,506 pa, including salary (\$52,104 - \$56,644) employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Promotions and Marketing Support Officer

Job Ref No: W 11-59

Location: Orange

Inquiries: Adam Bennett 6393 5941

Human Resources Support Officer

Job Ref No: W 11-58

Location: Orange

Inquiries: Peter Seligman 6393 5962

Application Form:

Download from: www.wit.tafensw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date:

13 May 2011 (late applications will not accepted)

TAFE www.wit.tafensw.edu.au



Program Manager

Population Health, Tamworth, Wallsend and Taree
Permanent Full Time

Creation of eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies

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:

- 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: Jenny Knight, 02 4924 6367

Ref ID: 24496

Closing Date: 1 May 2011

Administration Officer

Permanent Full-time

Tamworth Rural Referral Hospital

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:

- 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: Mary Wilcox, 02 6767 7223

Ref ID: 18941

Closing Date: 1 May 2011

Health Transport Officer

Health Transport Unit, New Lambton

Casual

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

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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: Margo Roland, 02 4921 4173

Ref ID: 20489

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

PERMANENT PART-TIME POSITION

SOCIAL SUPPORT (HACC) WORKER

PORT MACQUARIE/WAUCHOPE

- Current NSW drivers licence.
- Good interpersonal and communication skills.
- Effective time management and personal organisational skills.
- Ability to work independently, as a team member.
- Self motivated.
- Experience in either aged care, disabilities, health or related field
- Qualifications in health or related area
- Strong Computer Skills

Desirable

- Experience working in a medical environment.

- Experience working in an Aboriginal organisation.
- Knowledge of the HACC Guidelines
- Knowledge of other local HACC Services available

If you require further information or wish to apply you must request an application package from Amanda Bridge on 65512088 or email abridge@biripi.org.au.

Please forward all applications addressed to H/R Ben Hunter P.O. Box 1083 Taree or email Ben.Hunter@biripi.org.au.

Closing Date:

Friday 6th May 2011 at 3pm

Applications can be lodged on line at
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment

Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4926 7626.

Patient Transport Unit

Health Transport Unit, New Lambton

Permanent Full Time

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

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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: Margo Roland, 02 4921 4173

Ref ID: 20416

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

Aboriginal Health Worker

Muswellbrook Community Health Centre

Temporary Full Time (up to 30/06/2013)

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

Job Share will be considered.

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.

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Enquiries: Pearl O'Hara, 02 6542 2050

Ref ID: 24384

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

Birra-Li Manager

Birra-Li, John Hunter Hospital

Permanent Full Time

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

Enquiries: Carol Azzopardi, 0439 310 399

Ref ID: 21341

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

Theatre Typist

Belmont District Hospital

Permanent Part Time 24hpw

Creation of eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies

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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: Barbara Fazzini, 02 4923 2154

Ref ID: 25104

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

Administration Officer

Pathology

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.

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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: Margaret Televski, 02 4921 4793

Ref ID: 25331

Closing date: 8 May 2011

Family and Child Health Worker (Sexual Assault)

Permanent Full Time

Boggabilla, Moree, Toomelah

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

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- 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: Cate Johnston, 02 6757 0249

Ref ID: 24826

Closing Date: 8 May 2011

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage & Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

Opportunity knocks.

Join the Census Team in a job that lights
the way forward for your community.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is looking for more than 29,000 community-minded people to fill Census Collector positions.

August 9 is Census night. This is your chance to join a dedicated team working to improve communities and light the way forward for Australia. Census Collectors deliver and collect Census forms to and from all households in their area.

Let us shed a little more light on these jobs...

- Collector jobs are part-time, home-based, flexible and will involve evening and weekend work.
- Collectors are required for work between 1 July and 8 September 2011.
- Collectors must have their own telephone, a secure vehicle and storage area in their home.
- Collectors will earn around \$18 per hour plus allowances.
- Collectors must be Australian citizens or have permanent residency.

For all other specific Collector duties visit the website below.

Applications open 9 April 2011 and close 5 May 2011.

You can apply online at abs.gov.au/census
or by calling 1800 420 182



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The Settlement Neighbourhood Centre

Cook Wanted

for afterschool 4 days a week from 2 - 6pm

Some cooking experience necessary also completion or willingness to do the one day workplace hygiene procedures course.

This position is subject to a working with children's check.

For more information please call Michele on (02) 9698 3087 or email:
administration@settlement.net.au

or visit:

www.settlement.org.au



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Sector Graduate Stream

Division: Various

Ongoing, Full-time

\$51,795 - \$61,630

Location: Canberra | ACT

Classification: Graduate APS

Agency Employment Act: *PS Act 1999*

Position No: Several

Agency Website: <http://www.ausaid.gov.au>

Duties

AusAID Graduates are recruited through three separate streams and participate in an accelerated AusAID Development Program. The Graduate Development Programs provide an overview of AusAID and its operations over the course of 2 years.

The Programs includes participation in four work rotations across the agency, beginning in early February 2012, which provide on-the-job training and skills development under supervision. Rotations are in various areas of the Agency and may include policy, program, corporate or sectoral functions. Graduates may have an opportunity to undertake an overseas rotation during the second year of the program. Graduates participate in an induction and training program consisting of courses, seminars and workshops conducted or arranged by the Agency to provide opportunities to acquire the appropriate knowledge and skills.

The Sector Stream is specifically for people interested in working in the health, education, economics and infrastructure sectoral policy and/or partnership/program areas of the agency. The program will provide on-the-job training and skills development under the supervision of relevant sector staff. Rotations across the sectoral functions of the agency will also include country programs that relate to health, education, economics and infrastructure. Graduates will have the opportunity to develop skills in their sector specific areas and will be mentored by staff who have extensive knowledge in their fields. The role of the graduate will vary depending on the rotation, but may include policy development through research and analysis, on health, education, economics and infrastructure or supporting partnerships, program and/or projects in PNG, Asia, Pacific, Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean and the Middle East and/or with other relevant global or regional agencies.

Eligibility

These positions are security assessed roles and you will be required to either have, or be able to obtain, a security clearance at Secret level.

Only Australian Citizens are eligible for employment in the AusAID Graduate Development Programs.

You will need a minimum three year university degree with a strong record of personal achievement in academic or other fields. Qualifications in Health, Education, Economics or Infrastructure are essential.

AusAID values diversity in the workplace and encourages applications from Indigenous Australian, people with diverse cultural backgrounds and people with disability

To Apply

Position Contact: Recruitment, (02) 6206 4523

Closing Date

Monday 10:00 am, 9 May 2011

www.ausaid.gov.au

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Department of Community Safety



Changing Lives Protecting the Community

The Department of Community Safety provides fire and rescue, ambulance emergency and disaster management and corrective services to the community of Queensland. We are passionate about people, and we offer you an organisational culture that values results, professional growth, workforce diversity and a balance between work and life commitments. You will work in an organisation that values community service, learning, safety, teamwork and results.

A04 Reporting and Compliance Officer (Specified) Charleville DCS2491/11

(Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Being employed with Queensland Corrective Services, Probation and Parole, you will play a vital role in protecting our communities and changing lives by ensuring that the offenders who report to Probation and Parole comply with the conditions of their orders, to help break the cycle of re-offending.

OTHER BENEFITS

- Highly regarded superannuation scheme
- Leave loading
- Remote area incentive opportunities
- Diverse and rewarding work environment
- Secondments to other criminal justice agencies
- Interesting and rewarding careers

There are 34 Probation and Parole offices located across Queensland. You will develop a unique range of skills and experiences that will be valuable across the public sector and internationally.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.

If you have:

- Flexibility
- Self reliance and self motivation
- Ability to work autonomously
- Emotional resilience
- Self confidence
- Preparedness to make personal and lifestyle adjustments

Probation and Parole is the job for you!

For a full position description and details on how to apply go to:
www.jobs.qld.gov.au and in the keywords search box enter either:
DCS2491 or search by Organisation: <http://jobs.qld.gov.au>



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"IT'S REALLY GREAT TO BE ABLE TO HELP PEOPLE. I AM WELL PAID AND I CAN CHOOSE WHEN AND WHERE I WANT TO WORK." ROBIN, CASEWORKER

Salary package from \$64,278 – \$88,809 p.a.

Do you have a social work or other related degree and experience working with children and families?

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.

People from Indigenous and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and mature aged applicants are encouraged to apply. Aboriginal applicants do not need a degree qualification as their experience with Aboriginal communities is highly valued.

Join us now.
For more information and to apply visit www.community.nsw.gov.au/ruralcareers or phone 1800 203 966
CLOSING DATE: Friday 29 April 2011

 **Human Services**
Community Services

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SECTION 50D EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ACT


The Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service Inc is based in East Perth with clinics located in Mirrabooka and Maddington. We are an expanding and dynamic community based organisation delivering comprehensive primary health care services to Aboriginal people living in metropolitan Perth. We are the leading organisation in Aboriginal health care, providing medical, dental and allied health services for our clients.

The successful applicant will have a broad knowledge of health issues, with particular reference to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Possessing strong analytic and policy development abilities, the Chief Executive Office will have successful change management experience and the skills necessary to provide a complex organisation with stability. You will be an excellent communicator with sound decision making skills. These will be applied to guiding the organisation towards the Board's strategic direction, goals and objectives.

The position offers an opportunity to make a significant contribution to the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people through hands' on leadership and management of a dynamic and challenging organisation. Take on this exciting new challenge while being supported by a passionate team who are focused on providing an exceptionally high level of care for Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service clients. You will be rewarded for your dedication, passion and commitment with an attractive remuneration package, commensurate with your skills, qualifications and experience.

For a job description, selection criteria and further information please contact Robyn Pope, Corporate Services Manager via email rpope@dyhs.org.au or telephone 9421 3888.

All applications are treated with the strictest confidence and should include a CV and address the selection criteria. Please address all applications to Ted Wilkes, President DYHS, 156 Wittenoom Street, East Perth and mark Confidential. **Applications close 5.00pm 16 May 2011.**



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ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CAREER IN 2011?

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
NAME: Donna Luckett
PHONE: (07) 3635 3861

  **Queensland Government**

Board Directors

Connecting Home Ltd (CHL) is a state-wide, not-for-profit, non-government community service agency which supports members of the Stolen Generations.

Its service offerings include Healing Programs, Case Management, Community Development, Education and Sector-wide Policy and Capacity Building. With the terms of foundation Board Members now coming to a conclusion, CHL is committed to appointing Non-executive Directors of an equally high calibre.

Ideally possessing an operational understanding of the human services or community sector, you demonstrate empathy for the mission of CHL plus proven governance credentials. Specifically, you must have expertise in at least one of the following areas:

- Finance
- Communications Et Marketing
- Government
- Law.

Please send a CV (Word format, up to 5 pages) career@brookerconsulting.com.au or ring Jeremy Wurm on 03 9602 1666, in confidence.

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 **Northern Territory Government**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



Health Careers & Opportunities in the Northern Territory

If you want your career to go places then join Department of Health in the Northern Territory. The challenges and opportunities in health and community care in the Territory are like no other in Australia, from remote Aboriginal health to tropical health and Australia's National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre. Continued investments in Aboriginal health, remote health, acute care, and community services offer many opportunities for health professionals who want to be part of making a difference.

HEALTH PROTECTION

ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT, EDUCATION TOBACCO OFFICER
Administrative Officer 6 (\$70,272 – \$78,557) salary range
(Employment package in the vicinity of \$83,000 Alice Springs, \$93,000 Tennant Creek)
This includes remote locality provisions, superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus
Alcohol and Other Drug Services – Central Australia
Two temporary vacancies are available to 30/06/2012, one in Alice Springs and one in Tennant Creek

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 is a Central Australia position and travel for up to two weeks at a time may be required.

This is a re-advertised vacancy and previous applicants are encouraged to reapply.

Quote vacancy number: 211856 (Alice Springs), 211857 (Tennant Creek)

For more information please contact David Parfitt on (08) 8922 7702 or email david.parfitt@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 29 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.

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Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW

The Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON) provides an independent way of resolving complaints for customers of all electricity and gas providers and some water providers in NSW.

Aboriginal Project Officer

\$78,145 - \$86,500 pro rata (+ Superannuation)
Part time - 21 hours per week

The role of the Aboriginal Project Officer is to raise awareness of, and improve access to, our services by ensuring that EWON meets the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander consumers in NSW.

We are looking for someone with experience and/or genuine enthusiasm for community education and outreach. You will have strong interpersonal and communication skills, be able to manage your time effectively and work flexibly as part of a dedicated, enthusiastic team. Some travel within NSW is necessary and a NSW drivers license is essential.

Note: EWON considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

For further information call
Christine Abou-Rizk on 82185207.

Applications close at 5pm Monday 2 May 2011

For a position description or to apply on line:
www.ewon.com.au or call 8218 5207



Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association

Policy & Projects Manager

Salary Range: \$89,700 to \$95,700
Plus Statutory Superannuation.

The Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) is a not-for-profit, non-government organisation dedicated to the pursuit of leadership, partnership and scholarship in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, education and workforce.

AIDA advocates for improvements in Indigenous health in Australia and encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to work in medicine by supporting Indigenous students and doctors.

If you are:

- committed to improving the health and life outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
 - experienced in leading and managing teams
 - able to deliver quality policy and project outcomes
 - an effective communicator
 - someone who thrives in a dynamic environment.
- then, we want to hear from you.

Selection documentation for this position is located at
<http://www.aida.org.au/positionsvacant.aspx>

The AIDA Secretariat is located at Old Parliament House, Canberra.

AIDA STRONGLY ENCOURAGES ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE TO CONSIDER JOINING OUR TEAM

For further information please contact:

Mr Romlie Mokak romlie@aida.org.au or on (02) 6273 5013.

Applications can be forwarded to:

Mr Romlie Mokak
Chief Executive Officer
Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association
P.O. Box 3497, MANUKA A.C.T. 2603
or via email romlie@aida.org.au

Close of business: Friday 29th April 2011

Community Support Workers Mental Health/Peer Support

*** Traineeships available!**

*** Attractive remuneration & more!**

The Richmond Fellowship of NSW (RFNSW) has exciting opportunities for 2 F/T or P/T **Community Mental Health Support Workers** & a **Peer Support Worker** to join their team located in Bourke, NSW. You'll be supporting people with psychiatric disabilities & mental health problems living in their own homes. **Attractive remuneration plus salary packaging and more benefits!** *Traineeships would be available for approved applicants.*



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Legal Aid NEW SOUTH WALES

Community Legal Education

(CLE) Officer

Clerk Grade 3/4

**Aboriginal Identified, Central Sydney Office
(Haymarket)**

Provide assistance and support in the planning, coordination, delivery and evaluation of community legal education across the State.

Full position details (including selection criteria) can be found at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Kirsten Cameron on (02) 9219 5147

Information packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

All applications must be submitted via the
www.jobs.nsw.gov.au website

Closing date: 1 May 2011



ABC Open Producer - 2 positions

(Wodonga, VIC and Port Lincoln, SA)

**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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Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

There's no better time to join our team.

The Department of Health and Ageing is focussing on achieving better health and active ageing for all Australians.

Director

NSW State Office

EL2 \$103,406 - \$122,427

SYDNEY Ref Number: 11-1185

The Director OATSIH NSW provides strategic leadership and management to a Branch of 23 staff whose role it is to implement government priorities and programs aimed at improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health. OATSIH's key roles include negotiating and monitoring funding agreements with service providers and contributing to developing their capacity, maintaining relationships with organisations integral to the delivery of health services to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community including Aboriginal Controlled Health Organisations, peak bodies and State and Commonwealth agencies, and analysis and provision of advice on the health needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in NSW.

Contact officer: Gayle Anderson on (02) 9263 3500 or gayle.anderson@health.gov.au

Applications close 28th April 2011, 7pm AEST.

Selection Documentation: An application kit and more detailed information are available online at the department's website: <http://www.health.gov.au>

Diversity is important to us. Information about working for the department and workplace diversity is available on the Health website.

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Aboriginal Employment Consultant

- **\$76,424 - \$92,467+ superannuation**
- **Ongoing, Part-time 0.6 position**
- **Varied and challenging role**

The Department of Transport's People & Organisational Development (P&OD) Division is responsible for the development and delivery of innovative strategies that engage and put people first. The Department places great importance on its people and P&OD plays a key role in building this people friendly high performance culture.

Reporting to the Manager Development and Consulting, this key position has been established by the Department of Transport to develop and implement employment and retention strategies for Aboriginal people in the Department of Transport (DOT). This role will focus on delivery of the DOT Aboriginal Employment Strategy. This will include increasing the employment participation rate of Aboriginal people at DOT by: establishing strategies to support the recruitment of Aboriginal people; developing retention, learning and development, and engagement strategies; and creating clear and practical processes for the professional development and career progression of aboriginal people.

To be successful you will have demonstrated ability to build and maintain positive and productive working relationships with DOT internal and external stakeholders; establish networks across government and the community to facilitate departmental objectives; identify and balance the unique needs of individuals, groups and DOT to achieve mutually beneficial outcomes.

You will also have proven knowledge, appreciation and understanding of Aboriginal culture, social and economic issues along with community aspirations and attitudes. You will have the ability to identify with and be accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Australian Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander person.

Applications are sought from people who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander in accordance with VCAT application number A49/2011, allowing exemption from the Equal Opportunity Act 1995.

REFERENCE: 3502/3687/1

Applications Close: 26 April 2011

For more details and to apply:
www.careers.vic.gov.au

Department of Transport



Student Support & Recruitment Advisor

The Woilyungah Indigenous Centre (WIC)

The Woilyungah Indigenous Centre (WIC) is the University Centre of Learning and Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (ATSI). WIC engages with the University, Aboriginal communities and the wider community to promote the University as a key site for Indigenous tertiary training. WIC is responsible for the provision and continuous improvement of student support services to ATSI Students. WIC provides advice and support in all areas relating to students progress and success, ensuring improved outcomes by providing high quality academic support and advice.

We are seeking to recruit a highly motivated person with strong evidence of independent problem solving and decision making abilities to take a key position in student support, student recruitment and community relations. You will also share responsibility for the implementation of policies, processes and procedures for Student Support and Recruitment. This will include:

- ensuring improved outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at UOW by providing high quality academic support and advice;
- an understanding of the particular issues and needs of male Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students;
- coordinating and further developing outreach to Schools and other recruitment activities.
- a knowledge of the tertiary education environment and more than one academic discipline.

Aboriginality is essential for this position. Pursuant to Section (14)d of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, Aboriginality is considered to be an essential requirement for the performance of duties for this position.

- You must address the criteria specified in the Position Description, which is available from our website. For further information about this role please contact Professor John Bern on (02) 4221 4245

Applications Close 1 May 2011

Quote Ref No 23910

How to Apply: Please go to our website <http://employment.uow.edu.au/> to submit your application online & for more information about the position and UOW.



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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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Base: \$58K- \$96K pa | Ref. 7848 KM

For more information, application procedures and other vacancies, visit: www.hr.unsw.edu.au



Community Development Worker (Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders)

Ref: 2010/1560

Playing a key role in supporting ATSI services, activities and events in the Liverpool LGA, you will provide guidance and advice to Council on matters of importance to ATSI communities.

Position Status: Permanent Full Time

Salary: \$61,701.90 to \$67,600.25 pa

Contact: Simon Fox on 9821 7755

Closing Date: Friday, 29 April 2011

In accordance with section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 this position is deemed a genuine occupational qualification and only people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are eligible to apply.

Visit www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/jobs.htm

Senior Environmental Officer (Indigenous Specified)

Environmental Services, North Region

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community)

Environment and Resource Management

Salary: \$67 321 - \$73 520 p.a.

Location: Cairns

REF: QLD/ERM12518/11

Key Duties: Advise, liaise, consult and negotiate with clients. Plan and undertake compliance activities. Assess and condition applications for environmental approvals. Prepare ministerial and other correspondence.

Skills/Abilities: Sound understanding of ATSI Cultures/ Project Management/Technical skills/Analytical, research and problem solving skills/Written and verbal communication skills.

Enquiries: Chris Buckingham (07) 4722 5362

Closing Date: Thursday, 5 May 2011

Police Liaison Officer

Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$24 975 - \$45 872 p.a.

Location: Woorabinda

REF: QLD/PO2514/11

Key Duties: Knowledge and understanding of local cultures, customs and community organisations. The capacity to be accepted by the local community.

Skills/Abilities: Learn and apply relevant laws, Queensland Police Service and other government policies. Problem solve and organise. Effectively communicate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Enquiries: Senior Sergeant Stephen Crouch (07) 4935 0155

Closing Date: Wednesday, 4 May 2011

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



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Indigenous Health Project Officer

Two Positions

Full Time 38 hrs per week and Part-time 22.5 hrs per week

Fixed term contract to 30 June 2012

These positions are funded under **Closing the Gap – Improving Indigenous Access to Mainstream Primary Care Program**.

We are seeking two project officers with an understanding of general practice, primary health care and Indigenous health issues. The position will work in partnership with local communities and other stakeholders to provide a focus on Indigenous health issues at a local level.

We are not-for-profit organisations, supporting general practice to improve the health of the Blue Mountains and Penrith communities. The full time position will be based in Penrith and the part time position at Hazelbrook.

Responsibilities of the Indigenous Health Project Officer will include developing and implementing strategies to:

- Increase access to mainstream primary care services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Improve the capacity of general practices in the Penrith area to deliver culturally sensitive primary care services.
- Increase the uptake of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific MBS items including Indigenous health checks and follow up MBS items.
- Increase awareness and understanding of Closing the Gap measures in mainstream primary care services.
- Work with members of the Blue Mountains Aboriginal Health Coalition or Nepean Aboriginal Communities and general practices to foster collaboration.

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applicants must address the Selection Criteria set out in the application package.

Blue Mountains Part time position: For an application package contact either Gayle Shaw or Miriam Fuhrmann on 02 4758 9711 or email admin@bmdgp.com.au

For questions about the position contact Sheila Holcombe, CEO on 02 4758 9711.

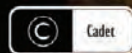
Penrith Full Time position: For an application package visit our website at www.nepeandgp.org.au or contact Jayne Wooden or email admin@nepeandgp.org.au

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Apply online: Newhorizons.applynow.com.au
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EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

Health Promotions Officer

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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

NSW GOVERNMENT

Environment, Climate Change & Water

Field Officer (Aboriginal)

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Total remuneration package to \$68,243 p.a., including salary \$40,110 p.a. - \$53,512 p.a.
Field Officer Grade 1/4. Permanent Full-Time.
Vacancy Ref: DECCW 016-11.

Undertake maintenance and improvements to infrastructure including camping areas, buildings, structures, trails and fencing, hygiene duties, pest management, collection of camping fees, law enforcement. Operate and maintain plant and equipment.

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. The position of Field Officer, including fire fighting related activities, is very physically demanding, requiring heavy muscular activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Field Officer applicants must meet the requirements of a specific medical which is inclusive of a clearance to undertake the fire fitness roles. The applicant must pass the task based fitness assessment to a moderate level within the probationary period (12 months). The Position Holder must obtain certification at the appropriate level prior to undertaking fire fighting/incident control duties. Applicants must obtain 4wd certification within the probationary period (12 months). Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible.

Inquiries: Denise Allen (02) 6566 6621

Information Pack: Anne Betts (02) 6566 6621 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 6 May 2011

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Duties

AusAID Graduates are recruited through three separate streams and participate in an accelerated AusAID Development Program. The Graduate Development Programs provide an overview of AusAID and its operations over the course of 2 years.

The Programs includes participation in four work rotations across the agency, beginning in early February 2012, which provide on-the-job training and skills development under supervision. Rotations are in various areas of the Agency and may include policy, program, corporate or sectoral functions. Graduates may have an opportunity to undertake an overseas rotation during the second year of the program. Graduates participate in an induction and training program consisting of courses, seminars and workshops conducted or arranged by the Agency to provide opportunities to acquire the appropriate knowledge and skills.

The Corporate Stream is designed for people interested in working in the corporate functions of AusAID, and developing a career in one of the following fields; Human Resources, Financial Management, Budget, Property Management or Information Technology. The Corporate Graduates will develop skills specifically relating to their specific corporate function and they are supervised and mentored by senior corporate staff in the agency. Graduates rotate through corporate areas of the agency relevant to their qualifications and undertake one rotation in a policy or program area. During the program graduates gain an understanding of the role of corporate in government and the impact corporate functions have across the entire agency. Graduates gain an understanding of the Australian Government frameworks and responsibilities of agencies. They develop skills in financial management and budgeting, executive and external reporting, information management, property management, security classifications and handling secure information, corporate service delivery, and the importance of a close interaction between program and corporate areas.

Eligibility

These positions are security assessed roles and you will be required to either have, or be able to obtain, a security clearance at Secret level.

Only Australian Citizens are eligible for employment in the AusAID Graduate Development Programs.

You will need a minimum three year university degree with a strong record of personal achievement in academic or other fields. Qualifications in corporate related disciplines are essential.

AusAID values diversity in the workplace and encourages applications from Indigenous Australian, people with diverse cultural backgrounds and people with disability

To Apply

Position Contact: Recruitment, (02) 6206 4523

Closing Date:

Monday 10:00am, 9 May 2011

www.ausaid.gov.au

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Aboriginal Student Support Officer

(Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Position)

Provide a high level of administrative and clerical assistance to support the Aboriginal Development Unit.

This is a temporary part time/part year position for two years. 15 hours per week x 41 weeks per year.

Note Aboriginality (Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act of 1977).

Location Albury/Corowa (based at Albury)

Job Reference No. 238776

Salary Total remuneration package valued to \$23,701 pa, including salary (\$19,615 – \$21,478), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

NB: It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence or a registrable offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Applications Close
Friday, 29 April 2011

Information Packages are available on our website. **ALL applications must be submitted electronically via our website.**

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NSW GOVERNMENT

Human Services
Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Economic Development Officer

Clerk Grade 7/8
Governance, Leadership & Community Engagement
Greater Western Region, Dubbo,
Temporary Full-Time
Position No. 11/AA_0456

Total remuneration package valued up to \$95,451 per annum (Salary: \$78,142 pa - \$86,498 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:
The incumbent is responsible for managing high level policy development and analysis to support the agency's lead role in key Government priorities.

Selection Criteria:

- High level ability to engage with Aboriginal people and communities and superior understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture and issues impacting on Aboriginal people
- Sound understanding of economic development requirements, businesses support systems
- Capacity to participate in a range of cross-disciplinary teams and establish and maintain co-operative working relationships across the Department, with Government agencies, industry stakeholders and Aboriginal community
- High level of problem solving and networking skills with the ability to think strategically and respond effectively and efficiently to resolve issues that impact on the Aboriginal community
- Demonstrated ability to work in partnerships and develop relationships with Aboriginal people and peak groups
- Demonstrated track record of exceptional influencing and negotiation skills and interpersonal skills
- Strategic policy analysis and reporting skills
- Strong written and oral communication and conflict resolution skills and experience in delivering group presentations and providing complex reports and papers. Current Driver's Licence

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position for a period up to 1 February 2012 under the terms of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Anjali Palmer (02) 6872 1911 or email: anjali.palmer@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Package and to Apply:
<http://bizrecruit.nga.net.au/?AudienceTypeCode=DAAext> or 1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 29 April 2011

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Care & Protection Field Officer Parramatta

The purpose of this role is to provide support and referrals to clients primarily in state care and protection matters, in accordance with the ALS policies, procedures and guidelines; to contribute to the implementation of the Aboriginal Legal Service's strategic plan to deliver high quality referral and support services to Aboriginal clients to assist them to resolve their legal problems. To provide Community Legal Education

Please contact Demeine Winikerei on 02 8836 3444 or email demeine.winikerei@alsnswact.org.au for more information including a full position description & selection criteria.

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Closing date 2 May 2011



Aboriginal Population Health Trainee – Registered Nurse

Reference No: 17337

Salary: \$984.50–\$1382.50 pw Temp F/T at Camperdown

Enquiries: David Lee, Ph: 9515 9469.

Closing Date: Friday, 6 May 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:

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Indigenous Employment Framework Coordinator.

Murrup Barak – Melbourne Institute for Indigenous Development

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 (No. A333/2010). Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

Murrup Barak - Melbourne Institute for Indigenous Development was established by the University of Melbourne to bring together the University's work in Indigenous research and teaching and to ensure that work is focused in ways that realise the aspirations of Indigenous communities. The Murrup Barak Institute has four key programs: Student Programs, Academic Development, Organisational Development, and Partnerships.

The University has recently re-affirmed its commitment to strengthening employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians through its review and revision of its Indigenous Employment Framework (IEF). In this position you will be responsible for co-ordinating the implementation of the Framework and will be instrumental in developing and implementing employment strategies across the University.

Salary: \$94,104 - \$97,908 p.a. plus 17% super.

Job No: 0025860

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Case Manager, Aboriginal Permanent Full Time Rockdale

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Based in our Rockdale office, Life Without Barriers is currently seeking a two Case Manager, Aboriginal. The Case Manager is the lead worker in the placement team, which is the group of people dedicated to the safety, welfare and wellbeing of the children and young people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage in out of home care, through the support and development of positive, stable, foster and residential care placements. The Case Manager oversees the day-to-day provision of services to the child or young person to ensure that it is effective, efficient and in accordance with the child or young person's case plan.

The successful applicant must be identified as a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and have a current drivers licence. LWB considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

An attractive remuneration package exists that includes; salary sacrifice, a fully maintained motor vehicle with private use and mobile phone. To download an information package, please visit our website at www.lwb.org.au. For all enquiries, contact Dora Zevgolts on (02) 9508 4108 or nswrecruitment@lwb.org.au

All applications **MUST** address the selection criteria in the information pack to be considered. Applications close **Friday, 6th May 2011**. The successful applicants will be required to undertake suitability checks. LWB 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.

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Chief Executive

- CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- KEY ARTS INDUSTRY ROLE
- ALICE SPRINGS

Our client Desart, is the Association of Central Australian Aboriginal Art & Craft Centres and is a government funded, not-for-profit Aboriginal Corporation. Members of Desart are Aboriginal owned Art Centres, which are community based enterprises that provide economic, social & cultural benefits and are owned by Aboriginal people in their own communities.

Desart provides services to its members to resource, promote, educate and protect the work of Indigenous Art Centres. Desart's members are located across the extensive desert regions of Central Australia, from Borroloola in NT and Newman in the Pilbara to Marla in Northern SA and Wiluna on the Canning stock route. The reach covers 47 Art Centres and over 3,000 artists.

Desart is seeking an inspiring individual to lead and manage this exceptional organisation as its Chief Executive.

Key areas of responsibility and focus include people management, financial management, marketing, strategic planning, Board Reporting, governance and risk management,

membership and stakeholder management, industry and government representation, grant submissions, business case presentation and board/member advice.

To be successful you will have a demonstrated track record in leading organisations and managing people. You will possess sound financial management, strategic planning, project management, business development, and commercial and stakeholder management skills. You will also have a high level of knowledge of the Arts and/or Indigenous policy environments and have experience in successfully dealing with all levels of government. Senior management experience in a community sector organisation will be well regarded.

Most importantly, you will have passion and drive, a genuine interest in Indigenous art and culture and an understanding and commitment to equity, diversity and people well being. You will be just as comfortable negotiating with senior government officials as you will be facilitating discussions with indigenous artists in a remote art centre in the desert.

To find out more about Desart visit www.desart.com.au

To apply for this role or obtain more information please contact
David Reynolds, Executive Consultant, Chandler Macleod on 0730037761
or at david.reynolds@chandlermacleod.com

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If you are interested in an apprenticeship with TransGrid register online at www.transgrid.com.au/careers

Applications close Friday 13 May 2011

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DURRI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL SERVICES



Positions Vacant - Kempsey Chronic Care Enhancement Program

Aboriginal Health Worker - Chronic Care * (Full-time)
Registered Nurse - Chronic Care (4 days)

*Aboriginal Designated Position

Durri's vision is to achieve and maintain better health and wellbeing outcomes for our Aboriginal people and communities. We currently have some fantastic opportunities available to join our dedicated team.

*Aboriginal Health Worker -(Chronic Enhancement Program)

This position is responsible as part of the Care Enhancement Team for assisting clients with a range of health and health related matters related to chronic conditions, working in partnerships within the community to ensure the achievement of agreed program performance indicators and improvement in health outcomes of clients.

Registered Nurse - (Chronic Enhancement Program)

This position is responsible as part of the Care Enhancement Team for assisting clients with a range of health and health related matters related to chronic conditions, identifying ways to improve health outcomes, working in partnerships within the community to ensure the achievement of agreed program performance indicators and improvement in health outcomes of clients.

This is a great opportunity for appropriately qualified and passionate individuals to make a real difference.

Please visit our jobs page at www.durri.org.au for all position descriptions and selection criteria forms. You can also email hr@durri.org.au or pick up a copy at 15-19 York Lane, Kempsey.

To apply attach a copy of your resume not exceeding 4 pages, and the selection criteria form and email to hr@durri.org.au, or mail to:

Human Resources Manager
Durri Aboriginal Corporation Medical Services
PO Box 136
Kempsey, NSW, 2440

Applications that do not attach the completed selection criteria form will not be considered.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for some positions and is authorised under the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 Section 14.

Applications close at 5pm Friday, 29 April 2011.

ANYINGINYI HEALTH ABORIGINAL CORPORATION 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

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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.

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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

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**Environment,
Climate Change
& Water**

Field Officer (Aboriginal)

Gundabooka (Bourke Area).

Total remuneration package to \$68,243 p.a., including salary \$40,110 p.a. - \$53,512 p.a.
Field Officer Grade 1/4. Permanent Full-Time.
Vacancy Ref: DECCW 117-11.

Undertake maintenance and improvements to park infrastructure (facilities and grounds) including buildings, roads, fire trails and fencing. Operate and maintain plant and equipment. Facilitate visitor relations and law enforcement activities.

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 97 compatible. Service accommodation is available in accordance with DECCW policy. The position of Field Officer, including fire fighting related activities, is very physically demanding, requiring heavy muscular activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Field Officer applicants must meet the requirements of a specific medical which is inclusive of a clearance to undertake the fire fitness roles. The applicant must pass the task based fitness assessment to a moderate level within the probationary period (12 months). The Position Holder must obtain certification at the appropriate level prior to undertaking fire fighting/incident control duties. Applicants must obtain 4wd certification within the probationary period (12 months).

Inquiries: Melissa Hull (02) 6872 2744 or 0429 722 765

Information Pack: Melissa Hull (02) 6872 2744 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 29 April 2011

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Agency Employment Act: *PS Act 1999*

Position No: Several

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AusAID Graduates are recruited through three separate streams and participate in an accelerated AusAID Development Program. The Graduate Development Programs provide an overview of AusAID and its operations over the course of 2 years.

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Eligibility

These positions are security assessed roles and you will be required to either have, or be able to obtain, a security clearance at Secret level.

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Closing Date:

Monday 10:00 am, 9 May 2011

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We are seeking expressions of interest from applicants of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent to work with a nationally recognised leader in the provision of telephone and online counselling services to enable young people, especially those who are marginalised and without voice, to improve their quality of life.

Successful applicants will have:

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To apply to be a Kids Helpline/Parentline Counsellor please visit www.boystown.com.au/vacancies to review the position requirements and submit an online application.

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or you are welcome to call Lisa Bird on (07) 3867 1340.

Applications close on the 1st May
and shortlisted applicants will proceed through to our Information Session on 16th May.

Successful applicants will commence employment on 4th of July.



Aboriginal Case Manager Brighter Futures- Orange or Bathurst

The Benevolent Society has been caring for Australians and their communities for nearly 200 years. We are a non-religious, non-profit organisation working to bring about positive social change in response to community needs.

Brighter Futures aims to provide targeted, long term support to vulnerable families focusing on improvement of emotional, social, health and educational outcomes.

Bring your knowledge of childhood development and the vulnerabilities impacting on Aboriginal families and communities; a willingness to advocate on behalf of clients; an ability to work in challenging environments and importantly your passion and professionalism. The focus is on improving outcomes for children and families living in the Central West Region who are vulnerable and have complex needs.

We offer a \$16,050 tax free salary component which means more in your take home pay. You will also benefit from ongoing professional development, a supportive working environment and great flexibility including a monthly accrued day off for full time employees.

To apply please visit the website below where applicants are required to send their CV and a statement addressing the selection criteria.

Applications close on Friday 29th April 2011.

www.bensoc.org.au



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Careers with Queensland Health

Podiatrist - Senior (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease)

Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$103 805 p.a., comprising salary between \$84 555 - \$90 980 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP4) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months.)

JAR: H11FC04105. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide podiatry services to patients of the Indigenous Chronic Disease Service and support avoidable admissions, early discharge and community based care. Operate as a sole practitioner to coordinate and deliver the Fraser Coast High Risk Foot Clinic utilising high level podiatry services based on current best practice guidelines.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 9 May 2011.

Clinical Nurse (Diabetes Educator - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease)

Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$90 628 p.a. comprising salary between \$74 148 - \$79 431 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (Nurse Grade 6) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H11FC0450. **Duties/Abilities:** You will provide clinical expertise in the area of diabetes management and education to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients residing on the Fraser Coast. Support the general function of the service through the application of the principles of best practice, education and leadership.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 9 May 2011.

Dietitian - (Clinical) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease

Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Service, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$87 458 p.a., comprising salary between \$52 151 - \$76 653 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP3) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) JAR: H11FC0415. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide routine nutrition and dietetic services to outpatients and community based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients within the Fraser Coast Health Service. You will also contribute to service development, education and research in the department.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 9 May 2011.

Senior Health Worker

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Program, Hearing Health Unit, Townsville, Townsville Health Service District.

Remuneration value up to \$76 944 p.a., comprising salary between \$63 958 - \$67 438 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (006) (Applications will remain current for 12 months)

JAR: H11TV03954. **Duties/Abilities:** Collaboratively lead and supervise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers (of the Hearing Health Unit) in the delivery and evaluation of effective and culturally appropriate hearing health services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and communities within the service area. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. 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: Jennifer Ketchell (07) 4789 9930.

Application Kit: (07) 4750 6775 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Thursday, 5 May 2011.

Advanced Health Worker (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander - Chronic Disease)

Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$61 632 p.a.,

comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) JAR: H11FC0460.

Duties/Abilities: Develop, implement and deliver primary health care in relation to Chronic Disease including prevention, education, intervention and promotion activities and strategies to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families and community groups. Develop and strengthen collaborative partnerships with Indigenous Community Control Health Services and Non-Government agencies. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 9 May 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.

Legal Aid NEW SOUTH WALES

Legal Support Officer

Clerk Grade 1/2,
Legal Services Division, Campbelltown
Regional Office,
(Recruitment Action: RA11/053)

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:

The Legal Support Officer provides a range of clerical and administrative services including but not limited to, processing legal documentation, preparing correspondence, liaising with the various stakeholders, Government Departments and the general public and providing basic referral information services to clients to support the effective and efficient operation of legal services within Legal Aid NSW.

Inquiries: Julie Ausburn (02) 4628 1192

Application/Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 1st May 2011

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Deputy CEO Aboriginal Health Service

- * Exciting leadership position!
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- * Salary sacrifice & RDOs!

Bourke Aboriginal Health Service has a fantastic position for an enthusiastic **Deputy Chief Executive Officer** to join their friendly and supportive team in Bourke, NSW.



Working as a part of the senior management team, you will be **providing support to the CEO in the everyday managing of the service and monitoring of staff, as well as assisting in the development of future programs.**

You'll be rewarded with an **attractive remuneration circa \$94,000 plus salary sacrifice options up to \$16,050!** You'll also benefit from a **company motor vehicle for personal use and a laptop for work!**

Further benefits include **5 weeks annual leave, sociable working hours** and the ability to **accrue RDOs!**

The successful applicant must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification for this position, as authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, NSW.



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Consultant - Aboriginal Youth & Community Initiatives

Location: Negotiable - Casino/Maclean/Lismore

Status: Temporary Full-Time for up to 12 months

Job Reference No: 11/010/NCI

Salary: \$101,223 - \$103,729 pa

Duties: Provide leadership, expert advice and consultancy services, in collaboration with a range of stakeholders, to support Aboriginal communities' development goals, and to support the design and delivery of programs to engage Aboriginal learners.

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: Friday 13 May 2011



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Human Services Housing NSW

Business Support Officer

Clerk Grade 3/4
Greater Western Sydney Housing Services
Division
Permanent & Temporary Full-Time
(Various Positions)
Position No. 11/HNSW_0513

Total remuneration package valued up to \$70,382 per annum (Salary: \$58,249 pa - \$63,781 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Coordinate the provision of executive and administrative support service to Area/ Business Unit, which includes records management, purchasing, finance, fleet management, HR advice, general administration and reporting.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated customer service skills and commitment to providing good customer service.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Good administrative and organisational skills.
- Analytical skills.
- Capacity to work independently and as part of team.
- Capacity to train and support other team members in computer applications and administrative procedures.
- Knowledge of policy and procedures relating to client service, finance, records management, purchasing, human resources procedures.
- Computer literacy including knowledge of Microsoft Office applications, SAP, TRIM.

Job Notes: There are various positions available. There is one permanent full-time and various temporary full-time positions for a period of up to 12 months with the possibility of extension under the terms of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Further information about these positions is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria. An eligibility list may be created as part of the recruitment and may be used to fill other permanent and temporary vacancies for similar roles in the Greater Western Sydney Region.

Enquiries:

Lee Toohey (02) 8713 4628 or
email: lee.toohey@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Maggy Yeum (02) 9891 8303 or
email: maggy.yeum@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Anjali Balani (02) 9891 8206 or
email: anjali.balani@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Amanda Fiala (02) 9831 0820 or
email: Amanda.fiala@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or
1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 6 May 2011

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Human Services Housing NSW

Senior Client Service Officer - Aboriginal

Clerk Grade 5/6
Southern & Western Region
- Housing Services Division
Western Area, Bathurst
Permanent Full-Time
Position No: 11/HNSW_0515

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.

Job Description:

The Department is seeking a highly motivated individual with genuine leadership, coaching and mentoring skills to work in its Bathurst Client Service Team to ensure quality service is provided to our clients and appropriate outcomes are achieved.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated leadership skills, and the ability to significantly and positively contribute to Team performance.
- Excellent skills in interviewing, negotiation, conflict resolution and decision-making.
- Ability to communicate information orally and in writing (including reports and submissions) in a style appropriate to the intended audience.
- Demonstrated ability to prioritise, to be innovative and to carry out a range of tasks under competing demands.
- Ability to undertake community consultations and contribute to local planning forums.
- Responsiveness to clients with special needs, including Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islanders, people of non-English speaking backgrounds, people with disabilities, mental illness, victims of domestic violence and those with complex housing issues.
- Demonstrated ability to use and analyse regular operational performance reports to ensure resources are effectively used to meet Team, Area and Corporate priorities.

Job Notes: This is a readvertised position and all previous applicants will need to reapply. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Graham Wright (02) 6332 7777

Information Packages and to apply online visit:

www.housing.nsw.gov.au/About+Us/Careers or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6363 6150 or post application to: The Recruitment Officer, NSW Businesslink, Western Regional Service Centre, PO Box 2552, Orange NSW 2800.

Closing Date: Friday 6 May 2011

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Environment, Climate Change & Water

Senior Field Officer (Aboriginal)

Booligal (Hay Area).

Total remuneration package to \$73,895 p.a., including salary \$54,700 p.a. - \$57,943 p.a.

Senior Field Officer Grade 1/2.
Permanent Full-Time.

Vacancy Ref: DECCW 118-11.

Responsible for the implementation of Area works and maintenance programs at Booligal Station and other nearby reserves. The position assumes a team leader role and undertakes park maintenance and construction work, pest plant and animal control programs. Performs fire management duties, and supervises and undertakes fire trail maintenance & hazard reduction work.

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. This position is based on park at Booligal Station, Lachlan Valley State Conservation Area about 80km north of Hay. The position is expected to spend considerable time working alone and at other times supervising visiting Field Officers. The successful applicant will be expected to reside on park in accommodation provided and maintain effective communication with the supervisor and support staff based at Hay.

Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. The position of Senior Field Officer, including fire fighting related activities, is very physically demanding, requiring heavy muscular activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Senior Field Officer applicants must meet the requirements of a specific medical assessment, which is inclusive of a clearance to undertake the fitness test for fire fighting fitness roles. The applicant must pass the task based fitness assessment to a moderate level within the probationary period (12 months). The Position Holder must obtain certification at the appropriate level prior to undertaking fire fighting/incident control duties.

Inquiries: Harry Mangan 0428 495 268

Information Pack: Aliene Honeyman (02) 6990 8200 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 29 April 2011

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Considering a lifestyle change

Townsville offers a tropical lifestyle combined with a diversity of culture and a beautiful senic gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. What more could you ask for?.

Congress Community Development and Education Unit Limited (CCDEU) is an Indigenous organisation, based in Townsville. CCDEU currently works in the areas of education, health and aged care, drug & alcohol rehabilitation, construction and publishing. Due to continued growth, applications are currently being sought for the following new position in Townsville. Excellent salary package with tax free fringe benefits is available.

Graduate Accountant

- Proven work ethic which demonstrates dependability, responsibility and self motivation
 - Demonstrated strong planning and organising skills in an office environment
 - Demonstrated ability to work effectively within a small team
 - Demonstrated high level written and verbal communication skills
 - Demonstrated knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural issues and lifestyle
- Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.*

An Application Pack can be obtained by telephoning the HR Team on (07) 4773 5077, by emailing recruitment@shalomcollege.qld.edu.au or by visiting our website at www.ccdeu.org.au and completing our on-line application.

Applications must be received by
5.00pm Friday 13 May 2011



Aboriginal Adolescent & Family Counsellor/Case Manager

Mt Druitt Area

Applications are sought from individuals who are interested in working with young people who are experiencing substance use and other related issues.

This is an identified position under section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Relevant qualification &/or experience working with client group will be highly regarded.

For further enquiries and application details please contact in the first instance Julie Dubuc: (02) 8886 2803 or visit www.noffs.org.au for a full position description.

Closing Date:

C.O.B. 29 April 2011



On Track Community Programs
connecting people to their communities

Aboriginal Community Liaison Worker based Lismore

Looking for a challenge and want to make a difference

We are a not-for-profit community organisation committed to providing responsive and flexible support services to people experiencing mental illness, disability or accommodation difficulties.

This is a new regional position to enhance partnerships between Aboriginal communities, On Track Community Programs and other inter-agencies to deliver quality services to the Aboriginal communities within our geographical area.

This role involves engaging with Aboriginal communities and providing advice and support to employees on the cultural and social needs of our Aboriginal employees and clients.

Ideally, you will be experienced in community development work within Aboriginal communities in our geographical area. You need to be self motivated, able to work independently, engaging with clients, employees, other service providers and liaise closely with Aboriginal communities.

This is a part time fixed term position for 12 months (4 days per week) paid at NAPSAs Grade 6 (\$61,200 to \$64,600) plus superannuation and generous salary sacrificing options available to the not for profit sector. A position description and selection criteria are available from our website at www.ontrack.ngo.org.au or from lalita@ontrack.ngo.org.au.

Aboriginality is considered a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications must address the selection criteria and should be returned to the above email address by **Friday 4th May 2011**. For enquiries call Michael Shnukal on 07 5536 9851.

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (WACHS)

(Funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing)

HOME VISITING NURSE

AUSTRALIAN NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (ANFPP)

Servicing clients in Dubbo & Wellington

This is a full time position within Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service who has been funded to undertake a program based on the Nurse Family Partnership program developed in the United States.

The Home Visiting Nurse will be responsible for providing comprehensive community health nursing services to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander women and their families identified for the ANFPP in Wellington and Dubbo. The home visiting begins during the antenatal period and continues until the child is 2 years old. The Home Visiting Nurse is responsible for maintaining the highest standards in nursing practice and adherence to the ANFPP model, to WACHS operational policies and procedures, and guidelines and standards of ANFPP and of the Primary Health Care Service. The Home Visiting Nurse reports to the ANFPP Nurse Supervisor and will be part of the Home Visiting Team.

The successful applicant will need to be a Registered Nurse in the state of NSW and have at least two years recent nursing experience. Demonstrated understanding of issues pertaining to Aboriginal primary health care and an understanding of issues facing Aboriginal families in a rural environment will be required. The successful applicant will also need to hold a current NSW Drivers Licence and a compulsory working with children's and criminal records check will be undertaken.

Demonstrated experience in the provision of home visiting services would be an advantage.

Suitably qualified and skilled people from Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander heritage are encouraged to apply.

Interested persons will need to contact Judy Townsend, Nurse Supervisor at **Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (02) 6845 2565** for an information package which details the "Essential & Desirable Criteria" to be addressed in application.

Applications close: at 5.00pm on the 13 May 2011.

Late or faxed applications will not be accepted.



NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

EXPLORATION NO.	APPLICANT	AMALG NO	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
38/2387	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	364612	187.8ha	26km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°46' Long 122°35'	Laverton
51/960	Silver Swan Group Ltd	359782	135.48ha	36km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°54' Long 118°35'	Meekatharra

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 20 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 **20 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 amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 20 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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NOTICES INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 SA SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED** (ACN 119 270 816), of UNIT I, 5 BUTLER BOULEVARD, BURBRIDGE BUSINESS PARK, ADELAIDE AIRPORT SA 5950 (and its successors and assigns) as licence holder, propose to carry out mining operations pursuant to Exploration Licences (ELs) 4412, 4521 and Exploration Licence Application (ELA) 2011/00068 (including any renewals, extensions, transfers, assignments or other dealings) on the following land (Land) that is currently not within a registered native title claim:

The Land in the State of South Australia being the land comprised within:

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4412 - AREAS D & E and that part of AREA G located outside the Adnyamathanha No. 1 SC 99/1 registered native title claim. LAKE CALLABONNA AREA - Approximately 170 km and 210km northeast of Olary, bounded as follows:

Area D - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°57'S, and longitude 140°11'E, thence east to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 29°58'S, west to longitude 140°11'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area E - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°57'S and longitude 140°14'E, thence east to longitude 140°15'E, south to latitude 29°59'S, west to longitude 140°14'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area G - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°59'S and longitude 140°10'E, thence east to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 30°02'S, east to longitude 140°13'E, south to latitude 30°03'S, west longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 30°06'S, west to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 30°03'S, west to longitude 140°06'E north to latitude 30°02'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 30°00'S, west to longitude 140°10'E and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4521 - AREAS C, D, E, F and that part of AREA B located outside the Adnyamathanha No. 1 SC 99/1 registered native title claim. LAKE CALLABONNA 2 AREA - Approximately 180 km northeast of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

Area B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°50'S and longitude 140°06'E, thence east to a western boundary of Lake Callabonna Fossil Reserve, thence generally southerly and easterly along the boundary of the said Reserve to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 29°51'S, west to longitude 140°06'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area C - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°57'S and longitude 140°25'E, thence east to longitude 140°29'E, south to latitude 30°04'S, west to longitude 140°25'E, north to latitude 30°01'S, west to longitude 140°23'E, south to latitude 30°05'S, west to longitude 140°20'E, north to latitude 30°01'S, east to longitude 140°21'E, north to latitude 30°00'S, east to longitude 140°23'E, north to latitude 29°59'S, east to longitude 140°25'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area D - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°05'S and longitude 140°14'E, thence east to longitude 140°18'E, south to latitude 30°07'S, west to longitude 140°14'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area E - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°05'S and longitude 140°28'E, thence east to longitude 140°30'E, south to latitude 30°09'S, west to longitude 140°27'E, north to latitude 30°06'S, east to longitude 140°28'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Area F - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°07'S and longitude 140°32'E, thence east to longitude 140°33'E, south to latitude 30°10'S,

west to longitude 140°32'E, and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION 2011/00068 - AREAS A & B - TILCHA AREA - Approximately 180 km SSE of Moomba, bounded as follows:

AREA A - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°30'S and longitude 140°31'E, thence east to longitude 140°36'E, south to latitude 29°31'S, east to longitude 140°42'E, thence south to latitude 29°34'S, east to longitude 140°51'E, south to latitude 29°37'S, east to longitude 141°00'E, south to latitude 29°44'S, west to longitude 140°57'E, south to latitude 29°50'S, west to longitude 140°52'E, north to latitude 29°49'S, west to longitude 140°51'E, north to latitude 29°45'S, west to longitude 140°42'E, north to latitude 29°41'S, west to longitude 140°37'E, south to latitude 29°42'S, west to longitude 140°34'E, north to latitude 29°41'S, west to longitude 140°33'E, north to latitude 29°40'S, west to longitude 140°31'E and north to the point of commencement.

AREA B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°38'S and longitude 140°24'E, thence east to longitude 140°24'E, south to latitude 30°36'S, east to longitude 140°25'E, south to latitude 30°37'S, west to longitude 140°26'E and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of economical mineralisation which may include the following: geological mapping and gridding; airborne and ground radiometric, magnetic, gravity and electrical survey, geochemical soil and rock-chip sampling; shallow trenching; rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation percussion and diamond core drilling; minor clearing for drill rig access, and construction of temporary camp sites.

WE, MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED, seek to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act, 1971 in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, if two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act, 1971*, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED** may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63N of the *Mining Act, 1971* for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if within (4) months from the initiation of negotiations, **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED** and any native title party(ies) have not reached agreement under Part 9B of the *Mining Act, 1971*, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act, 1971* for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED**.

Contact: Domenic Calandro, Managing Director
Phone: 08 8375 4300
Facsimile: 08 8375 3999



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
30/51	Internickel Australia Pty Ltd	2681.29ha	52km SW'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°53' Long 120°32'	Menzies
45/248	Atlas Iron Limited	383.26ha	64km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°52' Long 118°31'	Port Hedland Town
45/254	Atlas Iron Limited	2379.58ha	94km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 21°08' Long 118°47'	East Pilbara/Port Hedland Town

The purposes for L30/51 are: road, pipeline, power line, taking water, search for groundwater, bore field, water management facility, power generation and transmission facility and bore.

The purposes for L45/248 are: road, pipeline, power line, taking water, search for groundwater, communications facility, minesite accommodation facility, bore field, minesite administration facility and workshop and storage facility.

The purposes for L45/254 are: road, pipeline, power line, conveyor system, tunnel, bridge, taking water, search for groundwater, minesite accommodation facility, bore field, power generation and transmission facility, storage or transportation facility for minerals or mineral concentrate, minesite administration facility and workshop and storage facility.

Nature of the act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 20 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 **20 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 miscellaneous licences may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 20 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 miscellaneous licences.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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CareWest is recruiting for a new case management team to implement innovative new services aimed at reducing the risk of homelessness in the Dubbo and Wellington communities. The Sustainable Tenancies Service will provide long term case management to clients and families to ensure better outcomes where clients are experiencing the threat of homelessness.

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service and play a key role in establishing a best practice Case Management Team responsive to the needs of clients and for aspiring or less experienced Case Managers to establish their career in a supportive and dynamic environment.

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For further information please go to www.cw.org.au or contact Jenny Nalder on 02-6391-2400.

Applications close on 27th April 2011.

Applications ***must*** address the selection criteria listed under 'Person Specifications' in the position description.

Information packages, including position descriptions are available at:

www.cw.org.au/careers

or by phoning Clare Tovey on **02-6391-2400** or by email **clare.tovey@cw.org.au**

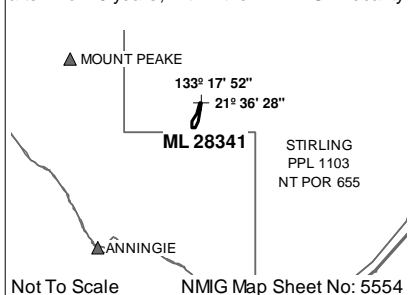
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

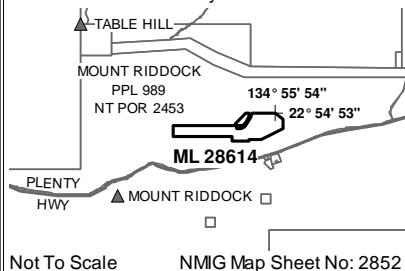
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do acts namely to grant the following mineral lease applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Mineral Lease 28341 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 358 Hectares depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



Mineral Lease 28614 sought by AUSTRALIAN ABRASIVE MINERALS PTY LTD, ACN 118 292 756 over an area of 4815 Hectares depicted below for a term of 25 years, within the DELNY locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals including (but not limited to) the processing and the removal of minerals from the lease area and the treatment of tailings or other mining material the property of the Crown on the lease area, including any extractive minerals

for or in connection with any of the purposes specified in the lease document for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral leases commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973 Adelaide, SA 5001, telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Notification Day: 20 April 2011

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 4 May 2011



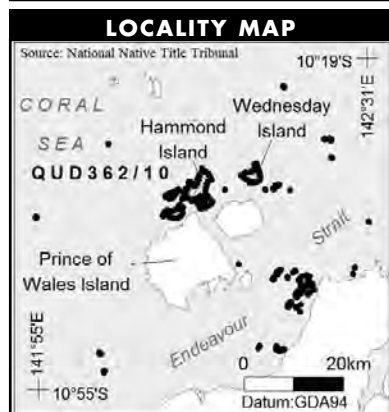
National Native Title Tribunal

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, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE QLD, 4003 **on or before 3 August 2011**.

After 3 August 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: Kaurareg People #3

Federal Court File No: QUD362/10

Date filed: 30 August 2010

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description: The area subject to this application covers about 42 square kilometres and covers various islands, islets and rocks in the Torres Strait as shown on the locality map.

The application area falls within the Local Government Authorities of Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council, Torres Shire Council and Torres Strait Island Regional Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal or sourced from the Department of Environment and Resource Management (Qld).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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A key function of this position is to assist in building our database by recruiting Indigenous owned controlled and managed businesses.

The Certification Specialist role will provide:

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Applications close Friday 29th April 2011 at 5pm (Sydney time)

For more information including a position description and applicant pack please contact Adelina Romano on (02) 8239 99006 or adelina.romano@aimsc.org.au

For more information about AIMSC visit: **www.aimsc.org.au**



Human Services

NSW Aboriginal Housing Office

Senior Policy Officer (Identified)

Clerk Grade 10/11
 Aboriginal Housing Office
 Parramatta
 Permanent Full-Time
 Position No: 11/AHO_0516

Total remuneration package valued up to \$118,509 per annum (Salary: \$95,319 pa - \$107,394 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Undertake policy and program development and manages specific projects supporting a major reform agenda for the Aboriginal community housing sector, the *Build and Grow Aboriginal Community Housing Strategy*, and the Remote Indigenous Housing National Partnership Agreement to achieve better housing outcomes for Aboriginal people.

The position holder develops strategies and initiatives relating to the delivery of housing and related services to Aboriginal people with particular emphasis on strengthening the capacity and improving the performance of the Aboriginal community housing sector. The Sector Reform team works with multiple government, NGO and community stakeholders in a complex and sensitive political environment.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Proven successful record working with teams to develop, implement and evaluate innovative, coordinated and strategic policies and programs.
- Proven ability to research, analyse and evaluate complex issues, and provide high level, strategic policy advice on complex Aboriginal housing issues
- Superior conceptual, oral, written and interpersonal communication skills.
- Demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal cultural beliefs, attitudes and needs within Australian society, and of their impact in relation to housing and housing related assistance.
- Proven experience in effectively communicating, consulting and undertaking negotiations with Aboriginal people and their communities.
- Detailed knowledge and understanding of the the strategic directions for the sector, AHO's role in the sector and the legal and practical issues of community housing management.
- Demonstrated awareness of, and commitment and capacity to implement State and Commonwealth Government policies and programs for the delivery of Aboriginal housing services.
- Current driver's licence and availability to travel as required.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Catherine Walton (02) 8836 9471 or 0408 028 216

Information Package and to apply on-line: www.aho.nsw.gov.au/employment or 1800 203 966

Closing Date: Friday 6 May 2011

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Enquiries: Alison Simpson, 0428 114 250

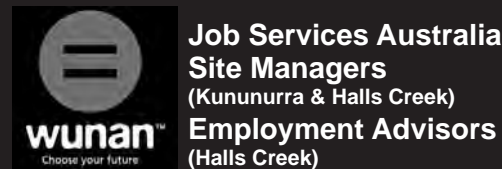
Close Date: 4 May 2011

This is a designated position for persons of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14d of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*, New South Wales.

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For more information please feel free to contact **Sandra Mitchell, Manager Employment Strategies on 08 9166 5769** or for a detailed position description, please visit **Wunan's website www.wunan.org.au**.
Applications for the above positions close **4.30pm Friday 29 April 2011**.



Indigenous Family Caseworker – RAI Service

- Toowoomba
- Full-time UCA Level 5

RAI provides services to families subject to low level Child Protection concerns by providing parenting support to address parenting issues and prevent progression within the Child Protection statutory system.

This full-time position, completes need and psycho-social assessments for families, as well as provides direct service, which may include counselling, and combinations of practical and emotional support, education and advocacy. Casework occurs with families in their homes.

An appropriate level of relevant experience, the ability to work within a strengths-based framework, and a working understanding of the Child Protection context is required. A tertiary qualification in the human services fields is highly desirable. A current Blue Card, or willingness to make application for same, as well as a current Driver's Licence is essential, as is the preparedness to work within the ethos and values of the Uniting Church.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons are encouraged to apply.

To apply, please send an Expression of Interest and a current resume to Stella Miria-Robinson at families.plus@lccq.org.au

Applications close Wednesday 27 April 2011.

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We are currently seeking energetic and tenacious people to take on key roles in our innovative new homelessness services under the North Coast Regional Homelessness Action Plan.

The successful applicants will work collaboratively with another Case Worker, comprising a team of two in each of the following service areas:

- Tweed/Murwillumbah, Lismore, Grafton, Byron/Ballina

The ideal candidates will have the ability to establish and maintain strong working relationships with other housing providers and provide innovative solutions to complex client housing problems.

These positions are part or full time fixed term contracts (30 – 38 hrs per week) paid under NAPSA SACS Award Grade 3/4 dependent on experience plus superannuation and generous salary sacrificing options available in the not for profit sector.

Homelessness Case Workers Aboriginal 4 Positions

Aboriginality is considered a genuine occupational qualification as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

The position description and selection criteria are available from www.ontrack.ngo.org.au or lalita@ontrack.ngo.org.au.

For enquiries relating to this position, contact Cliff Hawkey on 0438 234203. Only completed applications which address the selection criteria will be accepted and may be returned to the same email address by:

Friday 29 April 2011.

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The Land in the State of South Australian being the land comprised within:

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4253 - AREAS A & B. LAKE FROME AREA - Approximately 170 km southeast of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

AREA A - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°45'S and longitude 140°04'E, thence east to longitude 140°11'E, south to latitude 30°50'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°57'S and longitude 140°11'E, thence east to longitude 140°17'E, south to latitude 31°02'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, north to latitude 31°00'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4255 - LAKE CALLABONNA SOUTH AREA - Approximately 175 km northeast of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°00'S and longitude 140°05'E, thence east to longitude 140°09'E, south to latitude 30°02'S, west to longitude 140°06'E, north to latitude 30°01'S, west to longitude 140°05'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4256 - AREA B. LAKE FROME AREA - Approximately 170 km east of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

AREA B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°15'S and longitude 140°07'E, thence east to longitude 140°11'E, south to latitude 30°45'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, north to latitude 30°25'S, east to longitude 140°07'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4276 - LAKE COOTABARLOW AREA - Approximately 160 km ENE of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°12'S and longitude 140°00'E, thence east to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 30°16'S, west to longitude 140°03'E, north to latitude 30°14'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p.4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4319 - LAKE FROME AREA - Approximately 145 km NNW of Olary, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°00'S and longitude 140°00'E, thence east to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 31°02'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4320 - LAKE FROME AREA - Approximately 155 km east of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°34'S and longitude 140°04'E, thence south to latitude 30°55'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 31°00'S, west to an eastern boundary of Lake Frome Regional Reserve, thence generally northeasterly along the boundary of the said Regional Reserve to latitude 30°34'S, and east to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4383 - that part located within the Adnyamathanha No. 1 (SC 99/1) native title claim. BILLEROO WEST AREA - Approximately 100 km NNW of Olary, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°15'S and longitude 140°01'E, thence east to longitude 140°03'E, south to latitude 31°21'S, east to longitude 140°05'E, south to latitude 31°35'S, west to longitude 140°03'E, north to latitude 31°32'S, west to longitude 140°02'E, north to latitude 31°31'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, north to latitude 31°28'S, east to longitude 140°01'E, north to latitude 31°27'S, east to longitude 140°02'E, north to latitude 31°20'S, west to longitude 140°01'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the

within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4412 - those AREAS of F AND G located within the Adnyamathanha No. 1 (SC 99/1) native title claim. LAKE FROME-MOOLAWATANA AREA - Approximately 180 km northeast of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

AREA F - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°00'S and longitude 140°01'E, thence east to longitude 140°05'E, south to latitude 30°03'S, east to longitude 140°06'E, south to latitude 30°04'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, north to latitude 30°01'S, west to longitude 140°01'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA G - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°59'S, and longitude 140°10'E, thence east to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 30°02'S, east to longitude 140°13'E, south to latitude 30°03'S, west to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 30°06'S, west to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 30°03'S, west to longitude 140°06'E, north to latitude 30°02'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 30°00'S, west to longitude 140°10'E and north to the point of commencement. All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4521 - AREA B - that part located within the Adnyamathanha No. 1 (SC 99/1) native title claim. LAKE CALLABONNA AREA - Approximately 110 km and 210 km south of Moomba, bounded as follows:

AREA B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of 29°50'S, and longitude 140°06'E, thence east to a western boundary of Lake Callabonna Fossil Reserve, thence generally southerly and easterly along the boundary of the said Reserve to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 29°51'S, west to longitude 140°06'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4572 - that part located within the Adnyamathanha No. 1 (SC 99/1) native title claim. MULLIGAN HILL AREA - Approximately 180 km east of Maree, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 29°35'S and longitude 139°56'E, thence east to longitude 139°58'E, south to latitude 29°38'S, east to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 29°40'S, west to longitude 139°58'E, south to latitude 29°45'S, east to longitude 139°59'E, south to latitude 29°46'S, east to longitude 140°01'E, south to latitude 29°47'S, east to longitude 140°03'E, south to latitude 29°49'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, north to latitude 29°48'S, west to longitude 139°59'E, north to latitude 29°47'S, west to longitude 139°58'E, north to latitude 29°46'S, west to longitude 139°56'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of economical mineralisation which may include the following: geological mapping and gridding; airborne and ground radiometric, magnetic, gravity and electrical survey, geochemical soil and rock-chip sampling; shallow trenching; rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation percussion and diamond core drilling; minor clearing for drill rig access, and construction of temporary camp sites.

WE, MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED, seek to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act, 1971 in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, if two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act, 1971*, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED** may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63N of the *Mining Act, 1971* for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if within (4) months from the initiation of negotiations, **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED** and any native title party(ies) have not reached agreement under Part 9B of the *Mining Act, 1971*, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act, 1971* for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

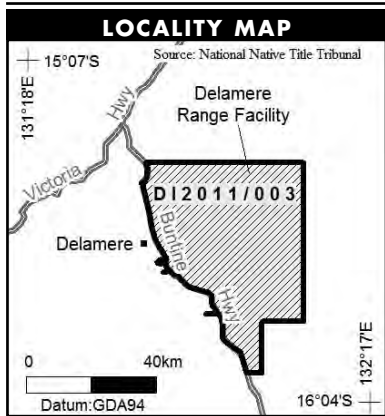
Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact **MARMOTA ENERGY LIMITED**.

Contact: Domenico Calandro, Managing Director
Phone: 08 8375 4300
Facsimile: 08 8375 3999

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Northern Territory
Notification day: 20 April 2011

National
Native Title
Tribunal



DI2011/003 Delamere Indigenous Land Use Agreement

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 2,179 square kilometres, located approximately 105 kilometres south of Katherine in the vicinity of the Australian Government Department of Defence Delamere Range Facility Training Area, as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Victoria – Daly Shire.

Parties to the agreement and their contact address:

Commonwealth of Australia
c/- Cridlands MB
GPO Box 1302
Darwin NT 0801

Jessie Brown, Neville Brown, Nina Brumby and Smiler Larrgut (the Wardaman ALRA claimants)
c/-Northern Land Council
45 Mitchell Street
Darwin NT 0800

William (Bill) Harney on behalf of the Wardaman group, Alan Young and William (Bill) Harney on behalf of the Wardaman, Liyi, Yingawurnarri and Narrwan groups and Jessie Brown on behalf of the Wardaman, Jalalabayin, Wubalawun and Daly Waters families groups (the Native Title Parties)
c/-Northern Land Council
45 Mitchell Street
Darwin NT 0800

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The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

5.1 To the extent that any or all of the Relevant Acts constitute or amount to a “future act” under the Act, the Parties consent to the doing of any or all of those Relevant Acts subject to the provisions of this ILUA.

5.2 The “right to negotiate” provisions of Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Act are not intended to apply to the doing of any or all of the Relevant Acts.

2.2 Unless the context otherwise requires, the following definitions apply:

[Clause 2.2 includes a number of definitions which are summarised here: the Act means the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth); Defence Sites 6 and 7 are part of NT Portion 578; Defence Site 9 is a part of NT Portion 3985; Domestic/Maintenance/Radar Site is a part of NT Portion 578; DRF means the Buffer Zone, the Impact Area and the Stock Route; Buffer Zone means NT Portion 3413; Impact Area means NT Portion 6398(A) and Stock Route means that part of NT Portion 3986 (Dry River Stock Route) that is located within the boundary of NT Portion 3413. These areas are more particularly described within Drawings and Survey Plans at Schedule 3 of the ILUA].

- (x) “Relevant Acts” means any or all of the following acts:
- (i) the grant of a freehold interest in either or both of the Buffer Zone, the Stock Route or the Impact Area by the NTG [Native Title Group] to Defence [Department of Defence] or the Wardaman people or their permitted nominee;
 - (ii) the transfer or assignment of all of Defence’s right title and interest in the Buffer Zone and the Stock Route to the Wardaman people or their permitted nominee in accordance with clause 7.1(a) of this ILUA;
 - (iii) the transfer or assignment of all of Defence’s right title and interest in the Impact Area to the Wardaman people or their permitted nominee in accordance with clause 7.1(b) of this ILUA;
 - (iv) the issue of a Pre Acquisition Declaration under the *Lands Acquisition Act 1989* (Cth) in respect of the Defence Sites;
 - (v) the surrender by AA Company or acquisition by the NTG of AA Company’s leasehold interest in the Defence Sites;
 - (vi) the grant to Defence by the NTG of a leasehold interest in the Stock Route and Defence Sites for a purpose which is sufficient for Defence’s purposes;
 - (vii) the continued use and occupation of the DRF for defence purposes, including any construction or development of infrastructure required for Defence’s purposes, as determined by Defence;
 - (viii) the declaration of all or any part of the DRF and the Defence Sites as a Defence Practice Area under a law of the Commonwealth;
 - (ix) any and all acts necessary or incidental to any or all of the acts referred to in this clause.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Northern Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Adelaide, South Australia, 5000** 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. 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 Hamish MacLeod on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Industrial Relations



Client Service Officer (Aboriginal)

Workplace Services, Clerk Grade 3/4

SALARY: \$70,377 pa. Package includes salary (\$58,249 – \$63,781 pa), employer’s contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

LOCATION: Dubbo

JOB STATUS: Temporary for up to 2 years

JOB NOTES: Position is targeted under the Department of Finance and Services Aboriginal Employment Strategy for the employment of an Aboriginal person in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The purpose of this position is to deliver timely, consistent and accurate information and advice on industrial relations legislation and industrial instruments to the NSW public. This may be through phone inquiries or compliance activities or by promotional or educational activities.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Aboriginality is a key criterion for this position and it is essential that applicants address this in their application.
- Capacity to respond to changing environments, demands and priorities, including new modes of service delivery.
- Ability to consistently deliver a high quality client service in a high volume work environment.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team, using sound initiative and judgement.
- Effective written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to interpret legislation, analyse data and understand the industrial relations system.
- Computer literacy and experience in the use of Microsoft Office and databases

ENQUIRIES: April Edwards 9020 4519 or Tamara Belleair-Mayers

9372 7672 or Tamara.Belleair-Mayers@services.nsw.gov.au

CLOSING DATE: 1st May 2011

APPLICATIONS TO: You can apply on-line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au to access this role quote Requisition number 00000FLW.

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BARAMBAH REGIONAL MEDICAL SERVICE INDIGENOUS PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

If you are passionate about Primary Health Care, want to make a difference and are seeking a unique and rewarding experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people along with a great work-life balance, now is the time to join our team.

Barambah Health Centre is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service. The most significant function of our service is to provide comprehensive primary health care, medical and social & emotional well being services to Aboriginal people living in the Cherbourg community and the surrounding area. Our team includes Aboriginal Health Workers, Doctor, Nurse Practitioner and is further complimented by administrative and auxiliary staff, visiting specialists and allied health professionals.

Location: Cherbourg based

Cherbourg is a small rural community with a population of 2500 people located within the South East corner of Queensland. It is nestled among the splendour of the picturesque farming lands in the heart of the South Burnett region. The nearest major city is Brisbane, approximately a three hour drive away. Once a Aboriginal mission Cherbourg is known for its friendly and welcoming nature and is now a thriving community. Cherbourg is governed by Local Government structure. The community has well developed infrastructure with educational facilities ranging from Prep to Year 7, with the opportunity for further studies through the Barambah Institute of TAFE. A High school in nearby Murgon caters for Years 8-12.

Positions:

The work is broad and challenging, delivering comprehensive primary health care, chronic disease management and acute clinical care. The positions are supported by visiting allied health professionals and specialists.

Vacancies:

Service Coordinator

Aboriginal Health Workers (1xFemale & 1XMale)

Endorsed Enrolled Nurse

Medical Receptionist

Bringing Them Home Counsellor (Male)

Outreach Worker

Casual Transport Drivers

To apply send a Covering Letter and Resume to:

Veronica Roderick

Executive Support - Barambah Regional Medical Service

Telephone: (07) 4169 8600

or email: veronicaroderick@barambah.org

Barambah Health Centre is an equal opportunity employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



The Junction Neighbourhood Centre (JNC), working in partnership with South East Neighbourhood Centre (SENC), is looking for an energetic, dynamic and creative Community Worker for a new community capacity building project. The project will provide a diverse range of innovative programs to address social isolation and provide opportunities for people in the Randwick and Botany LGAs to be linked into support services and social networks in their local communities.

We are looking for an Indigenous person, or a person with a knowledge of or experience in working in Indigenous communities. The 21 hr/wk role is based in Maroubra and works as part of a team of three Community Workers across the two LGAs.

Are you an energetic and creative Community Worker? Looking for a community development role in a dynamic neighbourhood centre? **Community Worker**

Essential Criteria

- An Indigenous person or a person with knowledge of or experience in working in Indigenous communities
- Previous experience in community development roles working with people who are socially isolated and financially disadvantaged
- Demonstrated ability to network and work co-operatively with other organisations
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team in a varied work environment
- Previous experience in establishing, resourcing and supporting groups of people from diverse social and cultural backgrounds
- Previous experience in program planning, development, reporting and evaluation

- Car licence and access to a comprehensively insured vehicle
- Available to work Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays

Desirable Criteria

- Demonstrated ability to develop and produce promotional material
- Bus licence.

Salary based on SACS Award Grade 4 Year 1

Please directly address all criteria in your Job Application and e-mail to jnc2@jnc.org.au by **Friday 6th May 2011**

For further information on our organisations please visit **www.jnc.org.au** and **www.senc.org.au**



ABORIGINAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

**Salary: \$85,993 - \$93,313
3 Years Fixed Term – Full time**

Location: Australasian College of Health Service Management, North Ryde

If you are an Aboriginal person with previous experience in a management or leadership role in a health or human services setting and would like to support and mentor up and coming health managers please read on.

We are looking for an excellent communicator to work closely with the ACHSM Executive Director Leadership Development and Member Services to ensure the effective delivery and development of the ACHSM Graduate Health Management Program.

The successful applicant will be responsible for developing effective partnerships in the Aboriginal Workforce and with other agencies to identify and grow future Aboriginal health managers and leaders. They will work closely with NSW Health, including the Centre for Aboriginal Health and other agencies.

The Aboriginal Health Management Development Officer will have a key role in the the planning, management, development and design of programs for the Aboriginal workforce and the immediate priority will be to develop a program for job application and interview skills.

If you enjoy a challenge and an opportunity to problem-solve whilst managing a range of issues and projects please visit our website to apply: <http://www.achsm.org.au/AHMDO-position.html>

Enquiries: Call Christine Callaghan on 0410 620 801 or by email Christine.Callaghan@achsm.org.au

**Applications close:
Monday 30 May 2011**



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
38/1255	Gold Road Resources Limited	1808.06ha	81km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°09' Long 123°42'	Laverton
47/1460	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	1500.48ha	79km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°49' Long 119°12'	East Pilbara

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: 20 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 **20 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. 20 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

State of Queensland

Notification day: 4 May 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



QI2011/002 Dugalunji Camp ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 0.06 square kilometres and lies approximately 5 kilometres east of Camooweal on the Barkly Highway as shown on the locality diagram.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of the Mount Isa City Council.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Dugalunji Aboriginal Corporation
Colin Saltmere and Hazel Windsor on their own behalf
and on behalf of the Indjalandji-Dhidhanu People
Both c/- Sally Sheldon
PO Box 24
CAMOOWEAL QLD 4828

The agreement contains the following statements:

5.1 The Parties consent to the Lease and any Renewal.

‘Lease’ means the grant of a term lease under the *Land Act 1994* (Qld) over the ILUA Area

‘Renewal’ means a renewal, re-grant or re-making of the Lease

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 4 August 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, BRISBANE, QLD, 4001 by 4 August 2011.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Search and photocopy fees may apply. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Justice & Attorney General

**Indigenous Cadetship 2011
Department of Attorney General and Justice**

Victims Services

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Clerk General Scale

Parramatta, Temporary Part Time up to 12 weeks per year for a period of 4 years

This is a great opportunity for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are full-time students studying Law, Social Work or Psychology to commence a rewarding career with the NSW Department of Attorney General and Justice.

As an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Cadet you will obtain knowledge, experience and career development opportunities in Victims Services of the Department. Information about Victims Services can be found at www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/vs.

Successful applicants will receive

- A study allowance of \$600 per fortnight paid by the Department
- Up to \$500 per semester for books and resources
- A salary for 12 weeks full time work per year (equivalent to \$30,432 to \$44,320 per year depending on age and years of employment)
- The possibility of a permanent job at the end

We are seeking candidates who are

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Enrolled full time in studies in Law, Social Work or Psychology
- Interested and would like to work for Victims Services

For further information about this Cadetship opportunity please contact

Mandy Young, Director, Victims Services

Email: mandy_young@agd.nsw.gov.au

Telephone: (02) 8688 8056

To apply please address how you meet the above selection criteria and attach a brief resume. Applications must be received by 6 May 2011.

Applications should be submitted via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au by searching for Aboriginal Cadetship, Victims Services. Alternatively, you may submit your application by email to agrecruitment@agd.nsw.gov.au.

Applicants may be invited to an interview. At interview you may be asked about your interest in the role and any relevant skills or experience you have.

If you are doing other courses of study and may be interested in future Cadetship opportunities with the Department of Attorney General and Justice please contact Maureen Randall, Norimbah Unit, Department of Attorney General & Justice at maureen_randall@agd.nsw.gov or telephone number (02) 8688 5751.

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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
04/2086	Boral Resources (WA) Ltd	9.81km ²	127km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°13' Long 124°56'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2087	Boral Resources (WA) Ltd	13.07km ²	120km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°19' Long 124°54'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2088	Boral Resources (WA) Ltd	42.41km ²	53km N'ly of Broome	Lat 17°29' Long 122°15'	Broome
09/1824	Audalia Resources Pty Ltd	34.26km ²	80km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°34' Long 115°48'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1825	Audalia Resources Pty Ltd	208.85km ²	77km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°31' Long 115°42'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1837	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	46.86km ²	141km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat 24°08' Long 116°44'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1842	Lighthouse Ridge Pty Ltd	3.11km ²	128km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°36' Long 116°22'	Upper Gascoyne
15/1292	Abekh Pty Ltd	170.35km ²	17km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°06' Long 121°11'	Coolgardie
15/1293	Giles Rodney Dale	8.79km ²	16km W'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°14' Long 121°30'	Coolgardie
15/1294	Golden Eagle Mining Ltd	29.39km ²	33km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°04' Long 120°51'	Coolgardie
15/1295	Golden Eagle Mining Ltd	97.14km ²	18km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°55' Long 122°09'	Coolgardie
15/1296	Golden Eagle Mining Ltd	55.9km ²	32km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°59' Long 120°50'	Coolgardie
16/425	Yilgarn Iron Pty Ltd	207.65km ²	83km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°15' Long 120°05'	Coolgardie/Menzies
20/760	Venus Metals Corporation Limited	218.26km ²	138km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°09' Long 117°12'	Meekatharra/Murchison
21/159	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	188.26km ²	24km SW'ly of Cue	Lat 27°35' Long 117°42'	Cue/Mount Magnet
28/2112	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	198.4km ²	159km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°15' Long 123°01'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City/ Menzies
29/804	West Peak Iron Ltd	36.13km ²	100km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°43' Long 119°53'	Menzies
31/965	Independence Group NL	127.87km ²	137km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°50' Long 122°42'	Menzies
38/2384	Kiamora Pty Ltd	154.12km ²	130km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°39' Long 122°09'	Wiluna
38/2397	South Boulder Mines Ltd	194.78km ²	89km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°24' Long 122°17'	Laverton
38/2599	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	30.11km ²	20km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°31' Long 122°34'	Laverton
38/2605	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	8.99km ²	77km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°57' Long 123°05'	Laverton
38/2608	South Boulder Mines Ltd	30.42km ²	54km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°08' Long 122°20'	Laverton
38/2612	JML Resources Pty Ltd	24.4km ²	57km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°51' Long 122°20'	Laverton
39/1606	Snap Hook (WA) Pty Ltd	160.45km ²	172km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°54' Long 123°23'	Menzies
39/1627	Peter Romeo Gianni	2.99km ²	71km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°13' Long 122°09'	Leonora
47/2136	Giralda Resources NL	12.62km ²	15km S'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°49' Long 117°46'	Ashburton
47/2150	Colchis Resources Pty Ltd	638.37km ²	81km SE'ly of Roebourne	Lat 21°10' Long 117°48'	Ashburton/Roebourne
47/2396	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	28.45km ²	31km NE'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°34' Long 118°03'	Ashburton
47/2477	Baracus Pty Ltd	47.8km ²	41km NE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 21°23' Long 116°37'	Ashburton/Roebourne
47/2478	Baracus Pty Ltd	15.91km ²	23km E'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 21°34' Long 116°32'	Ashburton
47/2484	Zetek Resources Pty Ltd	83.34km ²	53km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°31' Long 118°09'	Port Hedland Town
51/1476	Alchemy Resources (Murchison) Pty Ltd	58.1km ²	34km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°49' Long 118°15'	Meekatharra
51/1477	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	88.59km ²	45km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°56' Long 118°16'	Cue/Meekatharra
51/1484	GMK Exploration Pty Ltd	55km ²	38km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°55' Long 118°19'	Cue/Meekatharra
51/1485	Classic Minerals Ltd	46.23km ²	102km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°52' Long 117°52'	Meekatharra
52/2658	Montezuma Mining Co. Ltd	446.33km ²	130km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 24°32' Long 119°44'	Meekatharra
52/2671	Thundelarra Exploration Ltd	71.48km ²	186km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 25°02' Long 119°35'	Meekatharra
53/1519	Fauxex Pty Ltd	30.6km ²	27km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°49' Long 120°51'	Wiluna
57/857-60	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	821.86km ²	77km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°41' Long 119°14'	Sandstone
57/863	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	159.06km ²	115km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat 29°01' Long 119°21'	Sandstone
57/869	West Peak Iron Ltd	18.16km ²	26km E'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°04' Long 119°32'	Sandstone
57/876	Gateway Mining Ltd	3.04km ²	65km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°25' Long 119°29'	Sandstone
57/877	Troy Resources NL	205.82km ²	36km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat 28°15' Long 119°30'	Sandstone
58/396	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	39.36km ²	69km E'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°57' Long 118°32'	Mount Magnet
58/402	Geological Resources Pty Ltd	21.21km ²	56km NE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°50' Long 118°21'	Mount Magnet
58/404-5	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	424.68km ²	41km SE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°44' Long 118°06'	Cue/Mount Magnet
59/1738	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	208.93km ²	76km E'ly of Merkanooka	Lat 29°26' Long 116°45'	Perenjori
59/1739	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	101.42km ²	76km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°30' Long 116°57'	Perenjori
59/1740	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	134.29km ²	33km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°28' Long 117°26'	Yalgoo
59/1741	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	66.11km ²	89km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°45' Long 118°23'	Mount Magnet
59/1742	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	310.46km ²	22km S'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°27' Long 117°41'	Yalgoo
59/1743	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	119.48km ²	64km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°22' Long 117°02'	Yalgoo
63/1240	Bushwin Pty Ltd	75.31km ²	80km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°21' Long 122°36'	Dundas
63/1371	Sirius Resources NL	58.34km ²	96km E'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°23' Long 122°36'	Dundas
69/2883	Marford Group Pty Ltd	124.11km ²	195km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°04' Long 121°51'	Wiluna
70/3805	Reedy Lagoon Corporation Ltd	336.44km ²	51km NE'ly of Wongan Hills	Lat 30°35' Long 117°08'	Dalwallinu/Koorda/ Wongan-Ballidu
70/3806	Reedy Lagoon Corporation Ltd	153.11km ²	43km W'ly of Bencubbin	Lat 30°49' Long 117°24'	Koorda
70/3810	Bauxite Resources Limited	31.22km ²	6km NW'ly of Manjimup	Lat 34°11' Long 116°07'	Manjimup
70/3855	Darling Range North Pty Ltd	67.63km ²	39km W'ly of Wongan Hills	Lat 30°57' Long 116°18'	Victoria Plains
70/3872	Rand Mining NL	76.45km ²	16km SE'ly of Wongan Hills	Lat 30°57' Long 116°46'	Goomalling/Wongan-Ballidu
70/3878	Heron Resources Ltd	438.45km ²	61km NE'ly of Walpole	Lat 34°28' Long 117°00'	Cranbrook/Manjimup/ Plantagenet
70/3970	Sheffield Resources Ltd	6.04km ²	30km N'ly of Eneabba	Lat 29°33' Long 115°13'	Irwin
70/3992	Great Western Exploration Limited	137.08km ²	24km E'ly of Northam	Lat 31°42' Long 116°55'	Cunderdin/Northam/York
70/4022	Bauxite Resources Limited	29.18km ²	23km SW'ly of Toodyay	Lat 31°41' Long 116°16'	Swarf/Toodyay
77/1589	Polaris Metals Pty Ltd	156.91km ²	44km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°26' Long 119°37'	Yilgarn
77/1680	Heron Resources Ltd	26.68km ²	59km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°19' Long 119°44'	Yilgarn
77/1734	Gondwana Resources Ltd	81.73km ²	85km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat 31°51' Long 119°51'	Yilgarn
77/1894	Tamilie Pty Ltd	2.96km ²	63km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°17' Long 119°15'	Yilgarn
77/1895	Soaraway Development Pty Ltd	128.84km ²	134km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat 29°12' Long 119°22'	Menzies/Sandstone
77/1920	Talga Gold Limited	205.84km ²	12km SE'ly of Bullfinch	Lat 31°02' Long 119°13'	Yilgarn
80/4539	Geological Resources Pty Ltd	169.29km ²	38km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat 17°56' Long 127°52'	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: 20 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 **20 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. 20 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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NOTICES INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 SA SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **MONAX MINING LIMITED** (ACN 110 336 733), of UNIT I, 5 BUTLER BOULEVARD, BURBRIDGE BUSINESS PARK, ADELAIDE AIRPORT SA 5950 (and its successors and assigns) as registered licence holder, proposes to carry out mining operations pursuant to Exploration Licences (ELs) 4548 and 4642 (including any renewals, extensions, transfers, assignments or other dealings) on the following land (**Land**):

The Land in the State of South Australia being the land comprised within:

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4548 - YELTACOWIE AREA - Approximately 140 km north of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°56'S, and longitude 137°17'E, thence east to longitude 137°21'E, south to latitude 31°02'S, east to longitude 137°23'E, south to latitude 31°23'S, west to longitude 137°18'E, north to latitude 31°06, west to longitude 137°17'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4642 - PERNATTY AREA - Approximately 70 km southeast of Woomera, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°20'S and longitude 137°36'E, thence east to longitude 137°42'E, south to latitude 31°31'S, west to longitude 137°40'E, south to latitude 31°35'S, west to longitude 137°39'E, south to latitude 31°44'S, west to longitude 137°30'E, north to latitude 31°39'S, east to longitude 137°32'E, north to latitude 31°37'S, west to longitude 137°28'E, north to latitude 31°36'S, west to longitude 137°27'E, north to latitude 31°34'S, west to longitude 137°23'E, north to latitude 31°32'S, west to longitude 137°22'E, north to latitude 31°31'S, west to longitude 137°19'E, north to latitude 31°29'S, west to longitude 137°18'E, north to latitude 31°23'S, east to longitude 137°23'E, south to latitude 31°27'S, east to longitude 137°36'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth

Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of economical mineralisation which may include the following: geological mapping and gridding; airborne and ground radiometric, magnetic, gravity and electrical surveys, geochemical soil and rock-chip sampling; shallow trenching; rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation percussion and diamond core drilling; minor clearing for drill rig access, and construction of temporary camp sites.

WE, MONAX MINING LIMITED, seek to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the *Mining Act, 1971* in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, if two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act, 1971*, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, **MONAX MINING LIMITED** may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63N of the Mining Act, 1971 for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if within (4) months from the initiation of negotiations, **MONAX MINING LIMITED** and any native title party(ies) have not reached agreement under Part 9B of the *Mining Act, 1971*, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment, Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act, 1971* for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact **MONAX MINING LIMITED**.

Contact: Gary Ferris,
Managing Director
Phone: 08 8375 3900
Facsimile: 08 8375 3999

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS

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 the Exploration Permit for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit for Minerals under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) for a term not exceeding five (5) years with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Exploration Permit for Minerals 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.

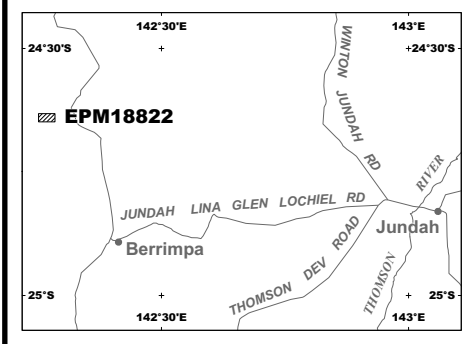
Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Minerals, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Exploration Permit application may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737.

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 Exploration Permits. 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: 11 May 2011

Exploration Permit for Minerals 18822 sought by Jaroslav Doktor, over an area of 2 sub-blocks (6 km²), centred approximately 83km West of Jundah in the locality of Barcoo Shire Council.



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Cathy was impressed



IT was marvellous to be part of such a fun day, Olympic legend Cathy Freeman said at the conclusion of a traditional Indigenous games day in Sydney.

Freeman and other Laureus sports legends led the applause as youngsters from Sydney and Canberra took part in displays of traditional Indigenous games and rugby league skills sessions.

"They were just great," Freeman said of the children.

"It was wonderful to be here and marvellous to be part of such a fun day for such important causes.

"If I hadn't been so pregnant, I would have got up and joined them."

Freeman was joined by three fellow Laureus World Sports Academy members, former world motor cycle champion Mick Doohan, Olympic swimming great Dawn Fraser and double decathlon Olympic gold medallist Daley Thompson, plus current Olympic triathlon champions Emma Snowsill and Jan Frodeno, to mark the final countdown to the start of the 2011 Dextro Energy Triathlon ITU World Championship series in Sydney on Sunday 10 April.

Laureus was the global charity partner of the International Triathlon Union.

The event at Waterloo Oval also celebrated the long-standing partnership between the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation and the Australian Sports Commission (ASC).

Laureus first supported the ASC in 2001, through the Indigenous Sport Program. Involvement in grassroots sports by young people from disadvantaged communities is a key objective of Laureus and the ASC.

One of the highlights of the day

was the announcement that Australia's Emma Snowsill and Germany's Jan Frodeno are to become Laureus ambassadors and volunteer their time to support the work of the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation.

Freeman said: "It gives me the greatest pleasure to be able to name Emma and Jan as members of the Laureus Ambassador program. They are the first triathletes to become Laureus ambassadors and I am sure they won't be the last. They will be joining many other Laureus ambassadors around the world who give their time so generously to help others."

The sports stars were joined at Waterloo Oval by Indigenous school children, coaches and volunteers from key sports partners of the ASC.

Skills on display

The Academy members and triathletes met the children and watched as they demonstrated rugby league skills and played traditional Indigenous games.

One of the key participation aims of the ASC is to increase the opportunities available to Indigenous and other disadvantaged peoples through sport.

Mick Doohan, Dawn Fraser, Cathy Freeman and Daley Thompson are members of the Laureus World Sports Academy, an association of 48 of the greatest living sporting legends who volunteer their time to act as global ambassadors for the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation.

The mission of the Laureus Foundation is to utilise the power of sport to address social challenges through a global program of sports-related community development initiatives. There are 84 projects around the world supported by Laureus.



Laureus World Sports Academy Member Cathy Freeman is joined by Indigenous school children at Waterloo Oval, Sydney on 7 April. The children demonstrated rugby league skills and traditional Indigenous games. Laureus is the global charity partner of the International Triathlon Union. *Picture: Getty Images*

Robert Lui assault charges dismissed

WESTS Tigers halfback Robert Lui has had assault charges dismissed in a Sydney court.

Lui appeared in Burwood Local Court last Wednesday after he had been charged with nine offences in September last year.

They related to his then pregnant partner Taleah Rae Backo, who he has since reunited with.

Magistrate Caleb Franklin dismissed all of the charges.

Lui was stood down by the Tigers late last year before returning to pre-season training and is currently sidelined with an ankle injury.

"Today's court decision brings a welcome end to a difficult period for Robert and his partner Taleah," Tigers chief executive Stephen Humphreys said. —AAP



NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
08/624	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	52.87ha	56km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°03' Long 116°02'	Ashburton
15/2625-9	Focus Minerals Ltd	699.48ha	14km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 31°04' Long 121°07'	Coolgardie
16/2676	Hayes Mining Pty Ltd	199.39ha	40km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°33' Long 120°06'	Coolgardie
20/2173	Ruby Rich Pty Ltd	185.2ha	59km NW'ly of Cue	Lat 26°59' Long 117°32'	Cue
21/714	Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd	102.9ha	12km W'ly of Cue	Lat 27°28' Long 117°46'	Cue
24/4571	Western Resources Pty Ltd	116.65ha	65km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 30°16' Long 121°00'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4582	Thomas James Giri	3.83ha	52km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°18' Long 121°17'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2202-4	Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	363.55ha	38km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°50' Long 121°50'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/2206	Karl Christian Pirkopf	147.6ha	52km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°35' Long 121°58'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/1214	Tony Roy Faull	199.79ha	112km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°11' Long 122°26'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
37/8010-4	James Paul Sullivan	944.67ha	12km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°47' Long 121°24'	Leonora
8/37/8019					
37/8033	Timothy Daniel Westcott	199.12ha	14km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°56' Long 121°27'	Leonora
37/8035	Trevor John Dixon	152.68ha	6km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°49' Long 121°19'	Leonora
37/8037	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	102.24ha	39km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°34' Long 121°07'	Leonora
37/8038-9	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	202.48ha	38km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°36' Long 121°07'	Leonora
37/8040-1	Iron Wheel Pty Ltd	359.73ha	12km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°46' Long 121°19'	Leonora
37/8042	Rubicon Resources Ltd	121.37ha	4km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°51' Long 121°21'	Leonora
38/3942	Regis Resources Limited	23.51ha	54km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°50' Long 122°22'	Laverton
38/3943	Regis Resources Limited	95.42ha	63km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°39' Long 122°22'	Laverton
38/3949-50	Golden Pig Enterprises Pty Ltd	352.87ha	69km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°48' Long 122°13'	Laverton
47/1582	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	145.65ha	101km E'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 21°53' Long 117°15'	Ashburton
47/1583	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	147.06ha	102km E'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 21°54' Long 117°16'	Ashburton
51/2712-3	Silver Swan Group Ltd	359.94ha	38km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°55' Long 118°35'	Meekatharra
59/1947	West Peak Iron Ltd	200ha	56km S'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°33' Long 117°46'	Mount Magnet
70/1573	Hampton Hill Mining NL	90.68ha	20km W'ly of Manjimup	Lat 34°11' Long 115°56'	Manjimup

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: 20 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 **20 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. 20 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 for determination of native title in the state of Queensland



National Native Title Tribunal

Notification day: 4 May 2011

This application is a 'non-claimant application', an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves. The applicants have an interest (which is not a native title interest) in the area, set out in their application as described below. They want the Federal Court to determine whether anyone has a native title interest in the same area.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. **Becoming a party to the application may be the only opportunity for people who claim native title rights and interests in the area to have their rights and interests recognised in the Federal Court's determination.**

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the District Registrar, Federal Court of Australia, GPO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 on or before **3 August 2011**. After 3 August 2011, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before **3 August 2011** the area may be subject to protection under section 24 FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.



Application name: Castle Hill Exotics Pty Ltd

Federal Court File No: QUD43/11

Non-native title interest: Registered Permit to Occupy numbered PO 0/231146

Order sought by Applicant: The Applicant seeks determination of no native title.

Description and Location: The area subject to this application is Lot 13 on MRY45 covering about 415 hectares, located in the vicinity of Lake Dalrymple as shown on the locality map.

This application falls within the Local Government Authority of Charters Towers Regional Council.

Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Foley trials loom

By ALF WILSON



THE Kaiwalagal Rugby League Kustodians and the Northern Peninsula Bulls will meet at Bamaga on 29 April in a trial to select the Torres-Cape team to compete in the Foley Shield competition.

Torres-Cape officials are leaving no stone unturned in a bid to see the far northern team return to its form of 2009 when it entered the Foley Shield.

That team rolled Cairns, Mount Isa-Mid West and Townsville in their charge to the grand final, where they were beaten 32-22 by Innisfail-Eacham.

By comparison, last year Torres-Cape lost their four matches to finish at the bottom of the table.

The Foley Shield started in 1948 and will be held at Brothers Leagues Club, Townsville, from 20-22 May.

Debut teams

Two new sides – Townsville Country and Palm Island-Bowen – will make their debuts next month against Townsville City, Cairns, Mackay, Innisfail-Eacham, Torres Cape and Mount Isa-Mid West.

In the 2010 grand final, Townsville thrashed Mount Isa-Mid West.

KRL Kustodians will be made up of players from Thursday Island-based clubs Roosters and Suburbs and Badu Island team Mulga Tigers, which competes in the KRL competition.

NPA Bulls will be picked from the four mainland sides Alau Eagles, Bamaga Roos, Mapoon and Injinoo Crocs, which also compete in that expanded competition.

Players from the Centrals Cape Suns will also be considered for the NPA Bulls.

Central Cape Suns was picked from the four-club Western Cape competition clubs Mapoon Brumbies, Napranum Brothers, Weipa Raiders and Northern Force.

The Suns are being coached by former champion forward Garreth Smith, who had previously indicated he had retired after playing for Torres-Cape in the 2010 Foley Shield.

"Yes, I am coaching the Suns. I was



Milton Thaiday, centre, with fellow Bindal Sharks players Vincent Palmer, left, and Gresham Ross after getting off the ferry from Palm Island.



Young TSI star Solomon Ahmat, who is playing with Kangaroos in Cairns.

thinking about coming out of retirement after a few people talked to me about the new format for Foley Shield," Smith said.

"Players who have been looking good at training are Jimmy Baira, Chasten Bowen, Teleke Kofe, Johanis Gebadi, Anarky Tamai, Micheal Loburn, Kaji Bowi, Jason Nixon and Sereli Volavola."

Meanwhile, Palm Island players have been training hard in preparation for their Foley Shield selection trial match against Bowen at Ayr in the Burdekin on 7 May.

Lloyd Morgan is the coach of the Palm Island side to meet Bowen and said his charges had been training strongly at the State School oval for several weeks.

Morgan has been at the helm of the Butler Bay Bulls in their past three Palm Island domestic club competition premiership wins.

"We have had about 40 players training and they are very keen and I reckon we will field a good team against Bowen," Morgan said.

"Players will certainly strip fit in the trial with Chris Gundy and Ray Dennis from the

Palm Island Boxing Club agreeing to help in that department."

Palm Island-Bowen will play its first match 7pm on Friday 20 May against Townsville City.

Former champion Townsville halfback Rod Wells said from Bowen that trial games involving two Bowen teams, one from Collinsville and another from Glenden, had been held a few weeks ago.

"It was so wet they were covered in mud," Wells said.

Palm Island won an exhibition game against Bowen 40-4 as a curtain-raiser to last year's Foley Shield grand final.

Milton Thaiday on Palm

Former Newcastle Knights NRL back and Waratahs (rugby union) star Milton Thaiday is one of numerous Palm Island and Torres Strait Islanders who could be picked for Foley Shield teams.

Thaiday and quality backs Darryl Pearson and Tabua Oui live on Palm Island, but have played for Bindal Sharks in the Townsville competition.

With dual registration of Palm players not allowed, they would be eligible to be picked for Townsville.

Palm Islander Obe Geia Jnr continued his fine form for Atherton in the Cairns on 10 April, scoring two tries against Innisfail in the strong 11-club Cairns competition.

Atherton defeated Innisfail 26-22 to be the only undefeated side after round six and are the runaway competition leaders.

Geia looks a certainty to be picked for Innisfail-Eacham, as does former TSI star Aaron Binawel, who has shone for Innisfail since being signed this season.

Young Badu Islander Solomon Ahmat is playing with Kangaroos club and is eligible to be selected for Cairns in the Foley Shield.

In other news, the four teams in the Three Rivers League have changed their names.

The former Hope Vale One team will be known as Hope Vale Warriors, Hope Vale Two becomes Red Soil Rebels, Cooktown is now the Cooktown Crocs and Wujal Wujal now the Wujal Wujal Yindili.

Hornets are looking for more sting

By ALF WILSON



THE arrival of experienced recruits to join the youngsters is what the Hornets are banking on for a charge up the ladder of the 2011 domestic competition.

Palm Island rugby league competition.

In 2010, Hornets and Mundy Bay Warriors were the two new clubs in the competition and both performed well against the established clubs.

Although Hornets did not win a game, they lost a number in close encounters and had a large supporter base.

Seven clubs – Butler Bay Bulls, Jets, Skipjacks, Mount Bentley Raiders, Brothers, Mundy Bay Warriors and Hornets – will battle it out for premiership honours.

Hornets Club President is long

serving Palm Island Ambulance officer Bill Landers, who spoke to Koori Mail about the prospects of his team.

"I think we will improve in the coming season as lots of new recruits have told us they will be with us. We had lots of young blokes last season," Cherbourg-born Landers said.

The co-coaches will be respected rugby league identities Rio Walsh and Lance Poynter, who have plenty of experience.

Hornets had their sign on 26 February and Landers was pleased with the attendance.

Players to watch in the 2011 season will be forwards Tim Asai, Lindsay Richardson, William Blanket and Maynard Ross as well as young back Daniel Geia.

The Hornets side also gained plenty of experience competing at the 16-team Bindal All Blacks carnival in Townsville last October.



Hornets players at the 2010 Bindal carnival with co-coach Lance Poynter, right.

When rugby codes come together...



HERE'S an interesting development... a hybrid game of rugby ??? – involving a school rugby union team from Sydney and a school rugby league team from Queensland's Gold Coast.

St Augustine's College, Brookvale, will take on Keebra Park State High School at Brookvale Oval, on Sydney's Northern Beaches, on Wednesday 11 May at 7pm.

It is a Schoolboys' exhibition game where the rules of rugby league and rugby union will come together.

Organisers say it is an opportunity for opposing teams and codes to play on equal terms in a fun, yet competitive environment.

It will be the first ever hybrid code match to be played in Sydney.

St Augustine's College and Keebra Park State High School are steeped in rugby union and rugby league tradition and have produced a number of marquee players in both codes.

Test case

Organisers of the match say the first Sydney hybrid code event will serve as a 'test case' to demonstrate to the public, corporate and media interest of the hybrid code and its validity as an exciting and feasible annual event at an elite level.

They expect the game to attract 5000 spectators. Special invitations have been sent to key government, corporate, league and union officials, media and players.

Entry to the game is free.

So what is hybrid code?

It is a rugby game with a mixture of rules designed to eliminate the



Mark Ella, pictured with brothers Gary, centre, and Glen, right, is one of the consultants behind Sydney's first hybrid code, where rugby league and rugby union will come together. Schoolboy teams from Sydney and the Gold Coast will clash in the hybrid code at Brookvale Oval on 11 May. Admission to the game is free.

predictability of sixth-tackle options in rugby league and introduce a 'genuine contest for the ball', while eliminating defensive kicking and continual stoppages associated with rugby union.

It features:

- Thirteen-man game.

- On average it takes around 60 seconds for a set of six tackles in rugby league. In place of six tackle sets and unlimited phases, a set time in possession (shot clock) is used where the attacking side has 60 seconds with the ball. Teams in possession are required to score or kick during this time, otherwise a turnover in possession will occur on the sound of the shot clock or referee's signal. The ruck and maul will also be subject to

the shot clock.

- Play the ball – while the attacking team is in their defensive (own) half of the field.

- Ruck and maul – while the attacking team is in their attacking (opposing) half of the field.

- Six-man scrums will be contested, with the attacking side to have the loose head and feed with the ball to be fed into the centre of the scrum. Scrums will be governed by the current rugby union laws, especially in regard to the 'touch and engage' rules/laws. Trial games have shown an easy and immediate adaption by players and referees.

- Points are: Try = 5 points, conversions and penalty goals = 2 points,

field goals = 1 point.

- There are to be two referees – one rugby union and one rugby league.

The rules have been developed in conjunction with rugby league and rugby union experts who have ensured they are simple and easy to adapt for players of both codes to create an even playing field.

Organisers say the hybrid code is not meant to replace rugby league or rugby union.

"That would be both impossible and completely undesirable," they said.

"On the contrary, rugby league and rugby union will jointly participate in a single annual and unique event.

'Way around salary caps'

"The hybrid code may assist in alleviating the problems associated with the restrictions imposed by the salary cap with the games – marquee players having representation in this annual event.

"Other sporting codes such as AFL and soccer are increasingly encroaching on the rugby league and rugby union markets. The hybrid code will provide a vehicle for the two rugby codes to tackle this emerging threat on a united front."

Organisers say the hybrid code is an opportunity for the two rugby codes – not a threat to them.

They have enlisted some big names of yesteryear as consultants, including rugby league great Bob Fulton, rugby union legend Mark Ella, rugby union coach Bob Dwyer, and rules consultant Phil Franks, a Sydney entrepreneur who played rugby league at a professional level for the Balmain, Penrith, North Sydney and Western Suburbs clubs in the late 1960s and early 1970s

Qld upsets NSW

By ROBBIE PATTERSON
in Alice Springs



QUEENSLAND emerged victorious from the inaugural under 18 Indigenous national rugby

union championships, going undefeated over the three-day competition in Alice Springs.

Although it was a round-robin tournament, a grand final-like match-up between the two dominant states, Queensland and New South Wales, gave the championships a dramatic climax at Anzac Oval.

Heading into the final match-up, both sides were undefeated.

But NSW Blues looked the favourites, having won their previous two games against the Northern Territory (31-0) and Combined States (5-0).

Queensland had won their match against the Northern Territory convincingly at 52-12, but struggled in the tournament opener against the Combined States, ending with a 24-all draw.

But in what virtually became the championship grand final, Queensland rushed out of the gates and three quick tries by Sansom Link-Hookey, Cameron Eastman and Kyle Blackman gave them a 21-0 lead after just 14 minutes.

The dominant performance continued, as Queensland's stifling defence and brilliant kicking game gave them the edge over a sharp NSW side.

They remained in control for the rest of the half, letting only one try slip in when Isiah Dawe crossed for the Blues in the corner.

Queensland managed to counter before the half ended when Boche Satrick crossed to lead 28-5 at the break.

Second-half jolt

NSW came out determined and was easily the better side in the second half. But their slow start hurt them as they were unable to make up the difference, losing 28-17.

In the battle for third place the Combined States outlasted the Northern Territory 20-10, leaving the home side winless.

The game was closer than expected.

All points came from tries.

Zane Bashford led the Combined States with brilliant organisational skills and a tenacious passing game.

Bashford also scored the final try, sealing the victory.

The Territorians gave their best performance of the tournament, but were hurt by penalties.

Two yellow cards for foul play resulted in the NT playing a man short for most of the second half.



Queensland ball carrier Benji Waters attempts to break the Northern Territory defensive line. Team-mate Brendan Ramsay looms up to take the pass.

European adventure

AS you read this, I am probably somewhere in Europe sipping on a coffee and pretending to be a cultural guru to a group of young footballers on a trip that promises to be an adventure they will never forget.

In the week leading up to the blockbuster between the Magpies and the Tigers, I was proud as coach of the latest AIS-AFL Academy squad to be part of the presentation of the national team guernseys to this young team with stars in their eyes.

The Academy squad had the opportunity to play Geelong's VFL side in a curtain-raiser to Friday night's big game between Richmond and Collingwood at the MCG before jetting out on Sunday for a training tour that includes stops in Italy, England and Turkey.

For many youngsters, the opportunity to play on the MCG alone would be an honour, but the AFL is pulling out all stops to ensure our game attracts the best young athletes of the next generation.

I am honoured to lead the tour after taking over from Jason McCartney as high-performance coach at the end of last year,

and will travel with fellow former players Matthew Lloyd, Tom Harley and Brett Kirk.

I represented Australia with the International Rules team and I thought that was an amazing experience.

It was one of my highlights as a footballer, but I'm really rapt to be in a position to do this.

I've got a big responsibility in trying to teach these kids because it's not just about becoming better footy players, it's about becoming better young men as well.

Preparation the key

One of the big things that I try to preach to these guys, and it's something I certainly lived by over 16 years in footy, is that preparation is the key to everything.

You can't just walk in off the street and think you're going to play just because you have enough skill.

You have to work extremely hard as well.

Over the two weeks the youngsters will utilise the AIS's brand new European training centre just north of the Italian city of Milan, play a match against a European representative side in London, and visit Gallipoli for the

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dawn service on Anzac Day.

North Melbourne's Brady Rawlings was part of the first Academy squad that toured Ireland 14 years ago and he was on hand, along with Saints' star Brendon Goddard, to hand out

the coveted green and gold jumpers.

"When I was part of the program, I was just so grateful to be given a chance," Rawlings said.

"I still feel indebted to the guys who made the program available, so I'm more than happy to come back and present jumpers and do anything I can.

"The opportunity to represent your country as a 16 or 17-year-old is unbelievable and hopefully the boys take it with both hands."

"I'm actually a little jealous. They get to go away with their mates for a few weeks and I'm really hopeful they get the very most out of the next couple of weeks the way that Mick and I did way back then."

Brady hit the nail on the head. Opportunities like these are rare and most people would make great sacrifices just to have the chance to make such a tour.

Unfortunately, there are always some people who almost assume they are entitled to such events.

These are the people who are also certain to fail.

In all facets of life, we need to appreciate opportunities that

come our way and make the most of them.

We need to be open to learning from others – other people, other cultures and other ideas.

In my new coaching opportunity, I am certainly on a new learning path.

Playing more than 300 AFL games certainly has given me an understanding of the game, but I am a novice when it comes to coaching.

These young guys have been identified as the stars of the future.

They are gifted with the talent to be able to play the game.

At the moment, we call this potential.

But many pubs in Australia are filled with people who had potential.

It is those who worked hard and mastered that talent who realised their potential.

It is all about taking the opportunities that come your way.

I hope the young players under my care on this tour understand this and appreciate the privilege they have been given.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Brothers recognised for basketball skills

INDIGENOUS brothers Robert and Ricky Baldwin have been named in the Knox Amateur Basketball Association (KABA) teams of the decade.

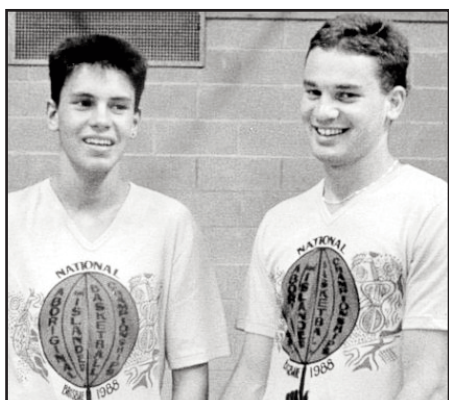
To celebrate the association's 30th anniversary, officials chose teams of the three decades.

Robert was in the 1980s starting team and Ricky was named a bench player in the 1990s team.

The brothers are Gunai/Kurnai-Gunditjmara men.

The KABA is based in the Melbourne suburb of Baronia.

The brothers now are coaching their children in the Victorian Basketball championship – Rob with teams from the KABA, while Ricky is coaching for the Nunawading Spectres.



● **ABOVE:** Rob, left, and Ricky Baldwin with their Knox Amateur Basketball Association Team of the Decade plaques.
● **LEFT:** Rob and Ricky Knox in 1988.

Minniecon in mix for Asian qualifiers, U-20 World Cup



GOLD Coast United soccer star Tahj Minniecon was part of a joint 31-player squad in training at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra. The squad was chosen by

Qantas Olyroos head coach Aurelio Vidmar and Qantas Young Socceroos head coach Jan Versleijen.

The camp ended on 16 April and the majority of the squad came from the locally-based Hyundai A-League and National Youth League player ranks with two players from the Victorian Premier League and Hertha Berlin's Ante Drazina as the only overseas-based player in the squad.

This was the first of a series of training camps for Australian-based players to prepare for the upcoming 2012 London Olympic Games Asian qualifiers and FIFA under 20 World Cup in Colombia in 2011.

The Qantas Olyroos will face Yemen in the second round of the 2012 London Olympic Games Asian qualifiers on 19 and 23 June, with the venues to be confirmed at a later date.

The Qantas Young Socceroos will compete at the FIFA under 20 World Cup in Colombia from 29 July, with the final to be played on 20 August.

Minniecon was one of the hottest properties in the Hyundai A-League when he decided to commit his immediate future to Miron Bleiberg's Gold Coast United.

He is described as possessing explosive pace and power and observers say the best is yet to come.

Born in Cairns, the striker switched from the Queensland Roar to the Gold Coast in 2010.



Ready to lead

RUGBY LEAGUE



With Guest Columnist
PRESTON CAMPBELL

JAMAL Idris is a person who gives me confidence in our future.

Most people will obviously think I am talking about the future of the Gold Coast Titans.

In one sense, I am, but I am not talking about the future of the Titans on the field.

The strengths and potential of Jamal as a footballer are obvious to even the most casual supporter of rugby league.

I am talking more about Jamal the person – a young proud Aboriginal man who is as committed to his people as he is to his career as an athlete.

Much has been made of the lunch that Jamal had with me and Ryan James when he came up to meet coach John Cartwright and managing director Michael Searle.

For Ryan and me, it was more about a free feed and catching up with a mate than trying to convince Jamal to sign for the club.

In reality, we wanted Jamal to make a decision that would ensure he was not only financially secure, but also happy with his life in general.

You could sense that he wanted to make his mark off the field and that the programs the Titans are working on with Indigenous youth appealed to him.

There is a depth of passion in this area for Jamal that few get to witness.

But all the boys who have played alongside Jamal in the Dreamtime Team and the Indigenous All Stars teams will understand what I am saying.

Jamal has an extroverted character and a great sense of humour because he does not take himself too seriously.

But he also has a serious side and he captured everybody's attention in the All Stars camp when he spoke of what it meant to represent his people.

Tomorrow's leader

It was then that I realised how quickly Jamal was maturing and that I was witnessing the emergence of a leader of the next generation of Indigenous rugby league players.

He is great mates with Ryan James – another giant of a human being with a different character, but the same passion and leadership ability in this area.

Both of them can play the game, but both will also ensure that our club and our game continue to make a difference for our people.

If Jamal wanted any evidence of this commitment, he needed only to speak with Esi Tonga and Greg Bird, who travelled with former great Larry Corowa and our Indigenous programs manager Linda Biunaiwai to Cherbourg as part of a health promotion.

For Esi, it was an opportunity to visit the community where he grew up attending



Gold Titans Greg Bird, rear left, and Esi Tonga get to meet some of the locals during a visit to Cherbourg. For Tonga, it was a trip home. He grew up at Cherbourg and went to school at nearby Murgon. Former rugby league great Larry Corowa joined the two Titans on the visit.

school in nearby Murgon.

The fact that it was the players' official day off as they prepared for the critical game against Canberra mattered little.

"Going back and having the opportunity to catch up with friends and community members was great," he said.

"Sometimes you can focus on football so much that you can play the game before you take the field.

'Refreshing'

"So to go home where you are remembered and be treated for who you are as a person, is refreshing.

"It brings you back to reality and makes you understand what is really important.

"When I return from a community trip like this, I feel energised and look forward to running out knowing that I am representing these people as well as the club."

That's why so many players enjoy the opportunity to work in the community.

It connects you not only with your culture and your people.

It connects you with yourself and who you are.

At the end of the day, I think that is why Jamal has joined the Titans.

It is a place where you are accepted for who you are and you are allowed to be yourself.

It is a club that embraces players' work for their communities – Indigenous and non-Indigenous – and supports them wherever possible.

It is this inclusiveness that converts to team spirit on the field as well.

It is a winning combination – a culture that appealed to Jamal, not only as a competitive player, but also the proud Aboriginal man I am proud to call my brother.

He is ready to lead – on and off the field.

● Idris' Titans deal – P99

Barba gives Bulldogs a new look



WHILE reunited halves Trent Hodkinson and Kris Keating hog the spoils following

Canterbury's strong start to the National Rugby League (NRL) season, another Bulldogs playmaker is happy to slip under the radar.

Diminutive fullback Ben Barba has quietly set about the task of making the blue and white No 1 jumper his own, the 21-year-old content to be out of the spotlight that had followed his stop-start NRL career.

A point-scoring whiz in the lower grades, Barba has never quite transferred his electrifying

skills to the NRL as doubts mounted over his ability to become a top grade half.

Four NRL games in 2008 were followed by another four in 2009, before the Darwin-born flyer became coach Kevin Moore's shock weapon off the bench with 21 appearances in 2010.

It was also determined last year that Barba was to be groomed as Luke Patten's successor at fullback, no mean feat considering Patten had been one of Canterbury's most consistent performers during a ten-year reign in the No 1.

But as his apprenticeship continued in the 27 March victory over the Sydney Roosters at

ANZ Stadium, Barba has already stamped his own imprint on the fullback role – with his ability to chime into the attack adding potency to an already dangerous backline.

His three-try effort against Parramatta last Friday night only served to reinforce his attacking potential.

'Something different'

"He's got a long way to go to be in the same ballpark as General (Patten) given he did something special over a long period of time for the club, but he certainly offers that little bit of different style of football," Moore said.

"He has the ability to link in

out the back with his support, but also he can jump in and play a bit of a seven or six role for you.

"As long as he keeps developing and he keeps working hard at his game, I think he can add something to us there."

But it hasn't been a seamless transition to the custodian's role for Barba, who admits he has had to temper his natural instinct to get his hands on the ball.

"One of the things I worked really hard on over the off-season was knowing when to inject myself and knowing where to be," Barba said.

"It's a work in progress, hopefully I can keep getting better.

"I'd like to think I can (help out with the playmaking)... I'll gladly put my hand up and do that coming in from the back."

Helping his adjustment has been plenty of video analysis as he picks up little tips from some of the game's best in the position.

"I try and watch a fair few games on the weekend when I'm not playing – the Friday and Saturday night clashes," Barba said.

"I've sat down a few times by myself and watched guys like Preston (Campbell) and Matty Bowen and Billy Slater – they're some of the best fullbacks in the game and they've been doing it for some time now." – AAP

Correct balance

By PETER ARGENT



CHAD Wingard is an exceptional young football talent who looks to have his priorities in place for a successful life.

The maturity of this young man is refreshing for one so young.

Along with making his debut with Sturt in the South Australian National Football League (SANFL) during round one of the current season, he is combining his Year 12 studies at Murray Bridge and spending one day a week working at the Commonwealth Bank.

"It was a pretty big honour to play league football with Sturt," Wingard said.

"Knowing the quality of the players who have donned this jumper before me makes it pretty special.

"Playing for the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) against the Sydney Swans reserves was a great learning experience which helped me prepare for the intensity of league footy.

"I found that opportunity helpful."

In his first game, when Wingard left the field with suspected concussion, Sturt had a 47-point lead over Glenelg early in the last quarter in the twilight game at the Bay.

"It was frustrating, as I passed all the tests from the doctor, but wasn't let back on the ground," Wingard said.

"This meant we ran out of people on the interchange bench, and our rotations were down.

"I reckon this contributed to the end result."

Sturt went down by 19 points, in an amazing turnaround, with the 17-year-old watching the about-face from the bench.

Destined

Wingard always seemed destined to move towards stardom, having started at the age of 11 and moving down to Sturt three years later to play in the under 15s.

Along with his under-age achievements with the Double Blues in 2009, he played State under 16s, where he won selection in the 2010 AIS-AFL Academy and travelled as a part of this squad to South Africa.

Returning to his home club, the Imperials, at Murray Bridge, Wingard was a key member of the A grade premiership win the robust River Murray Football.

At 16, he kicked five goals and was high in the best players in an emphatic win over the Mannum Roos.

Along with playing in Sturt under 18s and reserves last year, as a bottom-aged player, he was



CHAD WINGARD

an integral part of the State side that performed admirably at the national championships.

The slightly built 183cm young sporting talent also was a keen basketball before Aussie rules took precedence, having represented his State in 'hoops' as a junior.

"My sporting hero is (basketballer) Patrick Mills," Wingard said.

"He's an Indigenous sportsman from the ACT who could have played footy or basketball.

"His journey has been a big inspiration to me.

"I played predominately as a point guard in basketball.

"There is no doubt playing basketball has helped my football.

"Things like hand skills, co-ordination and decision-making are improved by the game.

"I chose footy over basketball because there are more opportunities."

Education

Among his ambitions for 2011 is to be a part of the SA under 18 side, along with performing well in his Year 12 exams and gaining his 'certificate three' in finance.

Naturally, in November, he's also keen to be drafted.

When asked about the pressure on him, Wingard said it was important to take everything in his stride.

"I'd hope I stay pretty level-headed, and education must always come first," he said.

"Even if I get drafted, the average AFL footballer's career is only four years."

One suspects this elite young talent's career will be significantly longer than that.

Palm boxers set a new course

By ALF WILSON



JOINING Boxing Australia has put star Aboriginal boxers Patrick Clarke and Reggie Palm Island on target to compete at trials for selection in the Australian team for the next Olympic Games, according to their trainer Ray Dennis.

Dennis said five members of his Palm Island boxing team competed at a Queensland Boxing Association tournament at Blackwater, in Central Queensland, on 9 March.

"Our five Palm boxers had to be registered with the Boxing Association or they would not have been allowed to take part in the tournament and also to be eligible to represent Australia," Dennis said.

"The promoter, Sam Serio, from Blackwater, paid to register our lads with the association."

Most boxers from the north Queensland Aboriginal community are also members of the rival Sunstate Amateur Boxing League and a third boxing organisation – Global.

At Blackwater, 17-year-old Clarke won the main bout, defeating Sam Payne, of Blackwater, in the 64kg division on the 15-event card.

The other four Palm boxers – David Sam, Isaac Bulsey, Joey Geia and Reggie Palm Island lost on points.

Dennis said those events could have gone either way.

"Sam Payne has been boxing with the association for some time and is a very experienced boxer and Patrick did well to defeat him.

"Patrick is still on track to make the trials for the 2010 Olympic Games," Mr Dennis said.

Super heavyweight David Sam has had four bouts and was narrowly defeated by Gladstone's Anthony Taylor.

Heavier opponent

Eighteen-year-old Reggie Palm Island was matched against a Gladstone opponent in the 54kg flyweight division who never turned up.

"So Reggie stepped up 12kg to fight Australian junior champion Nathan Hincliffe, from Rockhampton, who weighed 61kg, compared with Reggie at 49kg," Dennis said.

"Reggie was narrowly defeated and is also on track to make the Olympic trials."



Trainer Ray Dennis with boxers who went to Blackwater, from left, Reggie Palm Island, Joey Geia, Isaac Bulsey and Patrick Clarke.

'Dizzy' now in India

By PETER ARGENT



JASON Gillespie – Australia's first Aboriginal Test cricketer

– has joined the Indian Premier League T20 competition as a member of the Punjab Kings XI coaching staff.

This came about after a request from former team-mate and franchise head coach Michael Bevan to join the program as their bowling coach.

It is something of a reunion as this pair, who, along with on field leader Adam Gilchrist, were members of the decisive era were Australia dominated world cricket.

There was a big push from Punjab skipper Gilchrist and coach Bevan to convince the franchise management to find room in their budget to secure Gillespie's services.

The South Australia native who opened the bowling so successfully in tandem with Glenn McGrath for a decade, is gaining a reputation as the elite tutor of first-class and

Twenty20 bowling squads.

"Bevo (Michael Bevan) and Adam Gilchrist as captain have been working hard to have someone work with their bowlers, which is nice of them," Gillespie told the Adelaide press.

"I spoke to Michael on Wednesday night (6 April) and he was keen to have me over there.

"It is just a matter of having a simple, yet effective game plan, go out and do a job and I am there to help.

"Bevo's big thing is having someone to mentor his young bowling group, so that is exciting.

Zimbabwe stint

"I have made a decision to give it a crack and see where it takes me and opportunities like this don't come along every day, so I thought I had better take it."

The man who took 259 Test wickets in the 'Baggy Green' had just returned after a first season at MidWest Rhinos, where he was head coach of this Zimbabwe franchise in its inaugural season.

After just a couple of days back in his home city –

Adelaide – Gillespie arrived for the Kings XI's first clash against Pune Warriors in Mumbai.

Unfortunately, the top-order batsmen failed in the team's season opener – the Kings XI went down by seven wickets in just over 13 overs, chasing just 112 for victory.

Among the bowling group Gillespie will be working with will be the Queensland Bulls' Ryan Harris and fellow Queenslander Nathan Rimmington.

Gillespie is also excited about a squad of developing Indian pace bowlers he will tutor.

This group includes Abhishek Nayar, Love Ablish, leg-spinner Piyush Chawla and Praveen Kumar,

Interestingly, Gillespie's reputation is also growing as his services were also chased by the Mumbai Indians, the team that has the greatest batsman in world cricket – Sachin Tendulkar.

It is also believed Gillespie has also thrown his hat in the ring for the Australia national bowling coach's position recently vacated by Troy Cooley.

JAMAL IDRIS

Idris signs Titans deal



DREAKLOCKED giant Jamal Idris knocked back a massive offer from Newcastle and the opportunity to be coached by Wayne Bennett to sign a

five-year deal with the Gold Coast last week.

On the same day 61-year-old super coach Bennett signed a four-year contract with Nathan Tinkler's Knights, the game's most exciting 20-year-old pledged his loyalty to the Titans, who are desperately in need of a next generation cult figure for young fans to follow.

The most exciting centre prospect to emerge since a young Greg Inglis made his NRL debut for Melbourne in 2005, Idris has rugby league buzzing about his untapped potential.

Titans chief executive Michael Searle predicted the 'earth would move' when a fully fit Idris and Inglis clashed next season.

"I think it will be something legends are written about when those two are going at each other," Searle said.

Hard decision

Idris admitted he 'teared up a bit' when he told team-mates of his decision during last Tuesday morning's weight session.

He said the chance to involve himself in some community work with someone like legend Preston Campbell appealed to him.

"For me, personally, I'm big with the

Indigenous side of things and the community and I think that's bigger than anything up there for me," he said in Sydney.

"I want to help the community no matter where it is."

Idris said helping the community meant more to him than money, which was why he turned down several other NRL offers.

Idris looks set to quickly establish himself as a star of the Origin and Test arena.

"He's certainly at a level I haven't seen an outside back at for a long, long time," said Searle.

"He's also got the most powerful fend I've seen as far as physical strength for a 20-year-old goes.

"He's a big man, very powerful on the paddock, explosive.

"He's still raw-boned as the coach (John Cartwright) said, but it was his demeanour off the paddock when he was up here that we were most impressed with and his desire to work within the community."

The Titans were not in the same ball park compared with what billionaire Tinkler pitched at Idris.

While he made his decision before Bennett announced his move to Newcastle just hours earlier, he would have had a good idea Bennett was going to be their coach.

Campbell, an Indigenous All Stars team-mate, played a big part in Idris' decision.

"Having Preston and Ryan James convince him we honour our word as a club

helped a lot and in the end, I think he felt comfortable with it," said Searle.

Searle clinched the deal after having had dinner and breakfast with Idris and his family on the Gold Coast recently.

He was surprised the deal came together so quickly.

"I was expecting it to be a longer process," he said.

"He obviously made his decision and wanted to do the right thing by the Bulldogs by telling them early and we respect that."

Centre, then a forward

Coach John Cartwright said Idris would play centre, but with his size would probably end up in the forwards.

"He's best suited at centre. Once you go to the forwards, it's a long way back, but he will probably end up there," said Cartwright.

The deal with the Titans is said to be worth in excess of \$2 million.

Desperate as they were to retain Idris, the Bulldogs simply couldn't match the dollars on offer from the Gold Coast.

Chief executive Todd Greenburg admitted it was simply money that led the 20-year-old out of Belmore at the end of the year.

"Just raw dollars (was the difference)," Greenburg told the media.

"The salary cap is there for a reason, it takes talent across the board and on this occasion we simply couldn't match it.

"Obviously as a club we're disappointed we couldn't retain Jamal, you never want to

lose high-profile players, but we simply could not compete with the commercial terms on offer.

"I made it very clear from the outset that we wouldn't get into a bidding war for his services.

"I'll never put this club under pressure in relation to the adherence of the rules and procedures around the salary cap.

"Rugby league is big business and players are looking to maximise their earning capacity and why wouldn't they?

"I'm not so surprised, I think it was always going to be tough to keep someone like Jamal at the Bulldogs."

Greenburg insisted that it was not an issue of loyalty, or that Idris had let the Bulldogs down in any way.

"Loyalty has got nothing to do with this," he said.

"To me, rugby league loyalty is about within the terms of your contract and Jamal has been extremely loyal to this club over four years.

"He's given us nothing but wonderful service... he needs to maximise his earning capacity."

Meanwhile, Idris said he was now 100 per cent committed to delivering the Bulldogs a premiership this year.

"(My motivation) shouldn't be questioned at all," he said.

"I'm going to play as hard as I can, if not harder. I'm going to give it all I've got because at the end of the day these are my boys." —AAP

Krakouer a wonderful story, says police chief



Andrew Krakouer's jailhouse salute overlooks his tale of redemption.

Krakouer (pictured) raised his crossed wrists, as if handcuffed, to the MCG crowd after kicking a goal in a

VICTORIAN Police Commissioner Simon Overland says the debate surrounding Australian Football League (AFL) player

match on 8 April.

Collingwood drafted Krakouer, 28, this season after he served 16 months in a Perth jail for assault.

His gesture has divided footy fans and angered victims' groups who believe the salute glorifies violence.

Mr Overland says he prefers to focus on the 'wonderful story' behind Krakouer's second chance.

"I think what we're losing sight of is

a fantastic story of redemption, a young man who actually has done some serious jail time, and has been able to fight his way back," he said.

"I'm sure he's been able to do that for lots of reasons, partly out of his own character, but partly because a lot of people stood by him.

"I just prefer to focus on the fact that I think it's a wonderful story."

—AAP



Beale to be rugby Rebel

Key Waratah playmaker said to earn \$1m a year



KURTLEY Beale had plenty of spring in his step at NSW training last Thursday – enough to suggest to his good friend Drew Mitchell that his focus was back on rugby union just a day after his lucrative signing with Melbourne Rebels was made public.

Beale's two-year deal with the Rebels, which starts next year, will reportedly allow him to earn up to \$1 million a season.

The 22-year-old made an emotional address to team-mates before their training run on Thursday and Mitchell, who Beale confided in over the Rebels' deal, could see the change in his mate from the night before.

"I'm pretty tight with Kurtley and I was his room-mate. We talk about those things (contracts), but at the same time he's got my word," Mitchell said.

"I think now there is that feeling of relief of just being able to not worry about that any more.

"Just his demeanor today, his spirits are up, and he's in a very good mood."

Meanwhile, NSW coach Chris Hickey said it

would have been financially irresponsible for the Waratahs to get into a big bidding war with Super Rugby rivals Melbourne Rebels for Beale.

Hickey said that while he did not know the exact figure offered to Beale, the Waratahs had a strict policy when it came to player payments and they were happy to stick with it.

"We're about trying to build a squad here, it's not about any one individual player, it's about being financially responsible and we've got a salary cap that we need to operate in, so that's the playing field that we work on," Hickey said.

"You'd have to talk to Kurtley's management exactly about what the offer was, we're not privy to that, we just say that we need to be financially responsible."

Indigenous ambassador

Beale's contract is understood to be heavily boosted by third-party deals and it's believed the Rebels also impressed the playmaker with their plans to assist him to expand his work as an Indigenous ambassador for the game – an area he's passionate about.

Beale was signed by NSW as a schoolboy prodigy and Hickey said he was disappointed to lose a player of Beale's calibre, particularly as he had been a Waratah for five years and had already earned 51 caps. – AAP



Kurtley Beale in action for the Australian Wallabies.
– AAP image

Recognition at last for Tom Dancey

Headstone, statue to be unveiled as tribute to athlete

By PETER ROOKAS



TOM Dancey, who won the Stawell Gift 101 years ago, is finally to be given the recognition due to him when a headstone over his until now unmarked grave, is unveiled at Dirranbandi, west of Goondiwindi.

The unveiling will take place at 2pm on Easter Saturday in the Dirranbandi Cemetery, just three hours after the great Aboriginal runner is recognised with the unveiling of a bronze statue in a public park in Dirranbandi.

The small Queensland town is on the Castlereagh Highway not far from NSW border.

Last year marked the 100th anniversary of the efforts of the young Aboriginal man from south-west Queensland who took all before him in winning one of the world's greatest foot races.

Born in Hebel, which is even closer to the NSW border, Tom Dancey was one of three sons to William and Mary Dancey. His brothers were Harry and Michael.

Tom's father moved the family to Dirranbandi, where the boys grew up and started work at a very early age.

Tom was a stockman and boundary rider and was a handy amateur runner.

In 1910 he went to Stawell, where he ran in the Stawell Easter Gift and won – at that time only the second Aboriginal to win the prestigious foot race.

There are only four Aborigines who have won the Stawell Easter Gift: B Kinnear (1883), T Dancey (1910), L Cooper (1928) and

J Ross (2003).

The history and romance of the Stawell Gift is entrenched in Australian folklore, ensuring its status as an icon of Australian sport. The race has been held in all but four years since 1878, and has developed into Australia's, and notably one of the world's, most famous and prestigious foot races.

When Tom Dancey won the Stawell Gift in 1910, he earned for his trainers £1000. He was decorated by the State Governor with his blue ribbon and presented with a silver cup.

The Dancey family is a large and well known family in Dirranbandi, with many of Tom's cousins and nephews outstanding local athletes. Tom's cousin, Tommy Chapman, was a champion boxer and was crowned the Australian featherweight champion in the 1940s.

Tom's nephew, Jack Dancey, won the noted Centennial Gift in St George in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

Unmarked grave

Tom Dancey died in 1957 and is buried in an unmarked grave in the Dirranbandi cemetery.

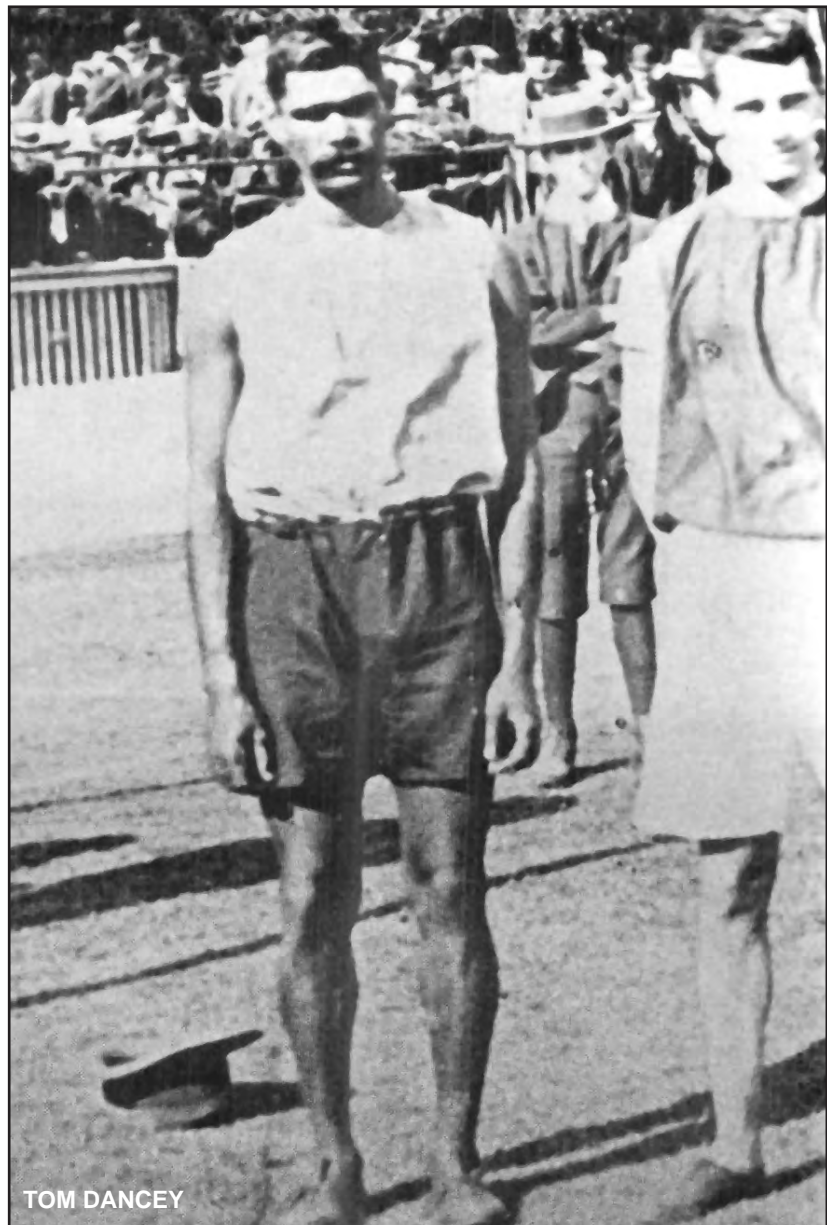
Sadly, until now, there has been no fitting monument to recognise this highly respected and gifted Aboriginal sportsman who paved the way for other Indigenous athletes.

But that will change on Easter Saturday. The Dancey family has gained support from Sydney-based company Sarkis Brothers who have donated a headstone to commemorate Tom's memory.

And with support from the Qld Department of Communities, Indigenous Co-ordination Centre and Balonne Shire Council, a bronze statue has been struck in his honour by artist Brett Mon Garling.

The *Koori Mail* reported in March 2010 that efforts were under way to raise money for a headstone and a statue.

Those efforts have come to fruition, and no longer will the deeds of champion Aboriginal athlete Tom Dancey go unrecognised.



TOM DANCEY

Thunder rumbled as Thunder rumbled



THE thunder did rumble when the Northern Territory Thunder took on new North East Australian Football League (NEAFL) side the Gold Coast Suns Reserves in the second round of the NEAFL.

The storm seemed to spark the home team into action.

The NT Thunder were down by three goals at half-time, but when the storm hit, complete with heavy rain, strong winds, lightning and thunder, the home team was sparked into action.

With players almost unable to see each other because of the torrential downpour, and Thunder leadership group stood tall, throwing themselves at the ball

and willing team-mates to dig deeper.

The Thunder rallied and kicked the last four goals of the match to win 11.15 (81) to 11.6 (72).

The Suns were kept scoreless in the final quarter.

Jarred Ilett was inspirational, kicking three goals and earning the Lord Mayor's Medal for his best-on-ground performance.

The formidable bodies of Karl Lohde, Iggy Vallejo, Shannon Rusca and Kenrick Tyrrell took control of the wet conditions, out-muscling the younger and smaller Gold Coast players.

Head coach Murray Davis said all players showed character to get over quality opponents.

"The Suns outplayed us in a few areas, but the boys showed

some resolve to not allow the game to get away from them, in the end it came down to a real belief we could turn our pressure into results."

A week earlier, the Thunder opened the NEAFL season with a resounding win over the Aspley Hornets in Darwin.

The home side won 16.14 (110) to 9.9 (63).

In trying conditions, the Thunder broke away early, with full forward Darren Ewing kicking the first goal of the game and ending with match figures of 6.4.

The win was set up on the back of great defensive efforts by small players Matt Rosier and Liam Corrie.

Shaun Tapp was strong across the half back line.

Ross Tungatalum continued

his great form, kicking four goals and making a match-high ten tackles.

The night however belonged to new Thunder captain Cameron Ilett, who was involved in everything, gathering 27 touches, taking 12 marks in the wet conditions and leading the side to its first win at TIO for season 2011.

Last weekend the Thunder were to play their first game in Queensland against for 2011 against ladder leaders the Broadbeach Cats in a top-of-the-table clash.

The Cats recruited well during the off-season and will be one of the teams to beat in the NEAFL this year.

The Cats won the NEAFL pre-season competition.



North Cairns players celebrate after their win.

Tigers storm home after sluggish three quarters

By ALF WILSON



A BARNSTORMING last quarter led North Cairns Tigers to a 36-point win over Manunda Hawks in the Australian Football League (AFL) Cairns women's grand final at Cazaly's Oval.

The Tigers booted six goals in the final term to win 7.9 (51) to 2.3 (15) for their first premiership in three seasons in the women's competition played in the summer.

Inaccurate kicking by the Tigers in the first three quarters had the Hawks in with a big chance to snare victory.

However Tigers dug deep when it mattered and deserved the win.

Tigers utility Tasia Seden was named best on the ground and goal kickers for the winners were Sharume Creed and Maddison Peeters, with three each, and player-coach Jo Butland kicked one major.

Kareena White and Sally Green were the goalkickers for Manunda Hawks.

Coach Butland told *The Koori Mail* that the Tigers players had worked hard this year.

"We regularly had 20 players or more at training, which helped with team cohesion and it showed in the game that really mattered," she said.

"I am very proud of the girls and their work rate for the entire game. We had been under the pump a little during the second and third quarters, but came out in the fourth."

In the preliminary final a week earlier, Manunda Hawks scored a handsome 8.6 (54) to 0.0 (0) victory over Centrals Trinity Beach at Holloways Beach.

Best for Manunda Hawks were K White, C Eccles, S Green, J Lui and J Dennis.

Centrals Trinity Beach Bulldogs was well served by L Dowling, S Edwards, C Velonias, M Smith and W Beveridge.

Change codes

Many of the women who compete in the four-club summer competition are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders and also play women's rugby league in the strong Cairns competition, as well as at various All Blacks carnivals.

North Cairns rover, 25-year-old Ruby Leete was named the best and fairest in the league at the presentation night, polling 16 votes from Centrals Trinity Beach captain Lauretta Dowling, who polled 11.

North Cairns key forward Sharume Creed won the competition's leading goal kickers award, and Manunda Hawks Tiarna Ernst was named the rising star.



THE 2011 NSW Aboriginal golf championships will be played at Dubbo next month.

Most of the State's best Indigenous golfers will compete.

The 26-27 May tournament will coincide with the 44th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum, which formalised the recognition of Aboriginal people as Australian citizens.

The NSW Aboriginal Golf Incorporated (NAGI) board recently visited the Dubbo course for a preview and were 'very impressed' by the well-maintained and challenging layout.

Among the contenders will be top Aboriginal golfer Michael Bell, from Campbelltown, in Sydney's south-west.

Right-handed Bell has a handicap of +3.

Convenor Joe Flick said he was delighted the championship, which was in its 33rd year, would be hosted in the central west for the first time, particularly as this year lined up with such an historically significant event.

"This will just be a great opportunity to encourage Aboriginal people from country NSW to play golf," he told the *Daily Liberal*, Dubbo.

"We haven't held an event like this in Dubbo before. A lot of games are held on the coast, but to have it at an inland, rural area will appeal to a new audience.

"And the fact that it's all happening at the same time as the anniversary of the 1967 Referendum and will feature a dinner with the mayor... that just makes it extra special."

Mr Flick said he expected about 120 golfers to tee off on the first day, 'including some of the best golfers in the State'.

Golf legend and patron of Aboriginal Golf Inc John Delaney said the tournament would be a great social forum for golfers of all abilities.

"It gives us a chance to catch up with each other and to test our skills on a tremendous golf course," he said.

Chair of the NAGI Bob Morgan said the tournament was a stepping stone for Aboriginal golfers who wanted to progress to new heights.

"Sport has always played an important role in the lives of Aboriginal people and many have gone to distinguish themselves individually," he said.

Winners of the male, female and junior divisions will progress to the national level, due to be held later this year in South Australia.



Top Aboriginal golfer Michael Bell, pictured in 2009.

'Legend' says he's back on track



Anthony Mundine rips into Garth Wood's body during their middleweight re-match in Brisbane last Wednesday night. Mundine won on points and says he's now looking overseas. — AAP image



ANTHONY Mundine believes he's lifted himself into legendary status by avenging last December's shock loss to former toilet cleaner and garbage collector Garth Wood with a unanimous points decision in Brisbane last Wednesday night.

Before the middleweight fight, critics believed Mundine was at a career crossroads.

But Mundine (41 wins, four losses) believed he had not only silenced critics calling for his retirement — he was now a 'legend'.

"He was probably more desperate in this fight than the first one just to prove he can beat me (again)," Mundine said.

"But I rose to the occasion. That's not

just a sign of a champion — it's the sign of a legend."

Boasting a nasty cut above his right eye from a head clash, Mundine said he had to counter 'dirty' tactics to overcome Wood and win over the judges 96-92, 96-92, 95-93.

Penalised once

Yet Mundine was the only one deducted a point — for holding late in the bout.

"I am a bit upset that he takes a point off me for holding, but he can't take a point off him for headbutting, holding, and hitting below the belt," Mundine said.

"(But) to adapt to his style is phenomenal.

"People have to understand I am fighting a guy who is as desperate as an

Ethiopian for dinner.

"That's a bad way to put it but that's how desperate he was.

"And he was dirty. I didn't expect it in the first fight and that is probably why he came out on top.

"But I was prepared for this one. It was still hard to deal with."

Wood's manager Michael Karagiannis made the extraordinary pre-fight threat that he was planning civil action against organisers should the bout end with 'a stench'.

In the past, Mundine has been accused of receiving preferential treatment from officials in Queensland — the only Australian State without a government legislated boxing authority.

Wood said he would cop the result, but did not believe he would fight in

Queensland again.

"I may have lost the fight, but I don't think it was unanimous," Wood said.

"I am a good sport and I will cop defeat, but no way in the world was I given a chance to fight my style of fight.

"Every time I was trying to make a good go at it, he (Mundine) complained to the ref and the ref jumped in.

Brisbane boycott

"I would love for there to be a third fight, but there is no way I would be coming to Brisbane."

Wood belatedly received a standing count in the ninth round, but later denied he was knocked down, calling it a slip.

But he conceded he was caught flush by Mundine early in the tenth, prompting a second count. — AAP

Danny Green rates Tarver tough



DANNY Green rates multi-world title winner Antonio Tarver as his toughest challenge as he

prepares to defend his International Boxing Organisation (IBO) cruiserweight boxing world title against the American.

After beating career-threatening health issues, Green (31-3 record) will clash with 42-year-old Tarver (28-6) at the Sydney Entertainment Centre on 20 July, just over six months after having his appendix and a large abscess removed in a Perth hospital.

The Sydney-based West Australian said he felt fantastic after regaining most of the 13

kilograms he lost during the worrying illness.

"I was genuinely worried that I wasn't ever getting back to full health," the 38-year-old Green said.

"I honestly felt I wasn't going to fight again."

World titles

Tarver, who aspires to fight for a heavyweight world title, was the dominant light heavyweight of the past decade, winning numerous titles prior to losing twice to compatriot Chad Dawson.

Like Green, Tarver's resume also includes a quick knockout win over multi-division world champion Roy Jones Jr.

"He is a future Hall of Famer, if I can defeat Antonio Tarver it's

another massive feather in my cap," Green said.

"I think this is a much harder fight than Roy Jones. I see this as a harder challenge as far as height, reach and his awkwardness and power.

"He's a more powerful puncher than Roy Jones was."

Green challenged anyone who criticised his choice of the American veteran as his next opponent to name the largely unheralded and much less well known other world cruiserweight champions.

Tarver had just the one heavyweight fight last year since his second loss to Dawson, but was adamant he was not a spent force.

"I'm ready to show the people

that I'm not a washed up, over-the-hill fighter," Tarver said from Florida.

"If there was a time where I got knocked out and beat up in the ring, it would be time to hang them up.

"I see young fighters that have more wear and tear than I do. I preserve myself, I take care of myself."

Never stopped

Tarver, like Green, has never been stopped.

He wasn't concerned about Green's famed power and said he was 'deadly serious' about what he billed as a career-defining fight for his Australian opponent.

Green said he had been

chasing Tarver since 2007 and took exception to the American's suggestion he had 'weasled' out of a fight in the past.

"A bit of tension will spill out when the bell goes, that's for sure, because he's cost me a fair few nights' sleep," Green said.

He has shown he can handle tall southpaws, taming Stipe Dreads over 12 one-sided rounds to win a light heavyweight world title.

Green will import sparring partners and box up to 150 rounds to help him prepare for Tarver, who will make a promotional tour of Australia next month before returning at least two weeks before the bout.

— AAP

Run, Charlie, run...



At the Perth try-out are, from left, Rob de Castella, Tegan Pigram, Jordan Ah Chee, 2010 New York Marathon runner Juan Darwin, Petrina Injie, Tahli Raftery, Sam Shepherd and Marathon Project head coach and manager Tim Rowe.



ALICE Springs footballer and athlete Charlie Maher this week was to run in the Boston Marathon.

The famous race was on Monday.

Maher and three other Indigenous athletes last year competed in the New York Marathon as part of Rob de Castella's Marathon Project.

de Castella won the Boston Marathon 25 years ago, and to celebrate the occasion, race organisers invited the great Australian marathon runner to be their guest for the 2011 event.

de Castella decided to ask Maher to join him and to take part in the race.

Maher, who has maintained a level of fitness because of his Australian football commitments, accepted de Castella's invitation and at the same time, asked supporters to help him raise money for the Western Desert Dialysis House, based in Alice Springs.

Alice Springs has the world's highest percentage of people on dialysis.

People wishing to sponsor Maher, even though the event has been run, can go to <http://www.everydayhero.com.au/charliemaher>

Meanwhile, The Marathon Project team of de Castella, coach Tim Rowe and media co-ordinator Mel Grice have returned from a national tour searching for potential Indigenous athletes to compete in the 2011 New York Marathon.

The Project team said they were delighted with how the national try-out tour unfolded.

The tour took them to Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Alice Springs, Darwin, Cairns, Brisbane, Sydney and Canberra.

Mel Grice said they met many amazing people.

"Now Tim and Rob have the arduous task of selecting the final 20, which will be revealed in the next week," she said.

She said it still wasn't too late for Indigenous athletes to take part in future New York marathons.

Grice said it was planned to roll out the Indigenous Marathon Club in the next month 'and who knows, 2012 might be your year'.

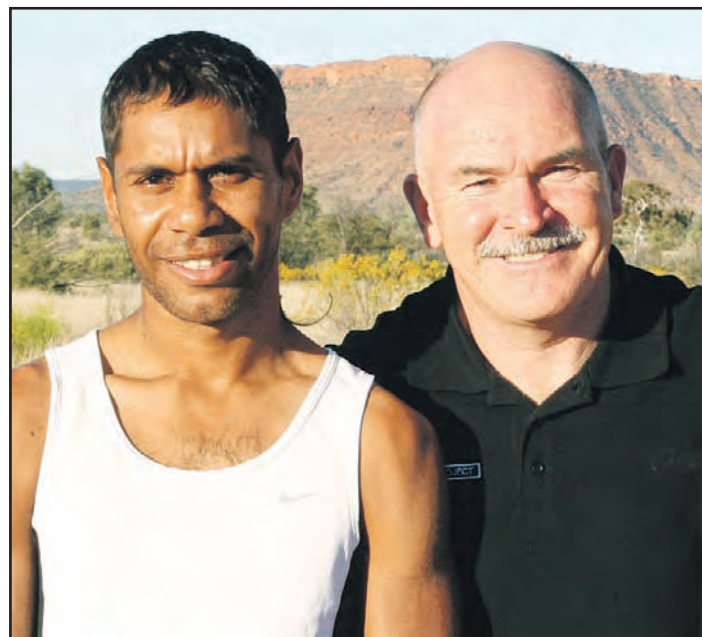
She said Indigenous athletes would be encouraged to join the club.

Meanwhile, Joseph Davies, one of The Project Team's 2010 New York Marathon runners, has won the Recreate! Office for Youth award for excellence in sport and recreation in the WA Department of Communities Youth Awards.

Joseph is from Kununurra.



Jamie Wunungmurra, from the remote community of Yirrkala, in East Arnhem Land, at the Cairns try-out.



● **ABOVE:** Charlie Maher and fellow 2010 New York Marathon runner Juan Darwin visiting Charlie's sister at the Western Desert Dialysis House in Alice Springs last year. Charlie was seeking sponsors for his Boston Marathon run to raise money for the House.

● **LEFT:** Charlie Maher and Rob de Castella in central Australia last year in the build-up to the New York Marathon.



Beale to become a Rebel
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Titans, Bulldogs rein in 14-point deficits

ACTION from last Friday night's National Rugby League (NRL) matches as Gold Coast Titans halfback Scott Prince (below left) and Canterbury fullback Ben Barba (below right) score tries. Prince's Titans were down 14-0 to West Tigers, but won 20-14 at Skilled Park, Gold Coast. Prince was inspirational for the Titans. In Sydney, the Canterbury Bulldogs were down 14-0 to Parramatta, but stormed home to win 34-14 at ANZ Stadium. Barba scored three tries. With Parramatta fullback Jarryd Hayne sin-binned, Barba sparked a scoring blitz as the Bulldogs piled on 20 points in 11 minutes. – AAP images ● Barba brings new dimension to Bulldogs – P97



Bound for Germany?



TWO Indigenous soccer players are at short odds to be in the Australian team to contest this year's FIFA Women's World Cup tournament in Germany.

Sydney FC striker Kyah Simon and Canberra United goalkeeper Lydia Williams were members of the Matildas squad that last month went into camp ahead of the final team selections for the World Cup.

The camp ended just hours before Simon cleaned up at the Westfield W-League 2011 awards night in Sydney, collecting the Julie Dolan Medal, Young Player of the Year, and the Hummel Golden Boot Award.

Williams was named Goalkeeper of the Year.

Four-day camp

The awards night was held at the end of the four-day camp for the squad preparing for the Women's World Cup.

The camp was held at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

Simon was one of three W-League players at the awards night dressed by Australian fashion designer Carla Zampatti.

"What red-carpet stunners! The girls look absolutely gorgeous and so confident," Zampatti said.

The Westfield Matildas are preparing for



Kyah Simon, left, and Lydia Williams, right. The two Indigenous soccer players are well-placed for selection in the Matilda team to represent Australia in FIFA's Women's World Cup in Germany in June-July. The two women play W-League football in Australia.



the FIFA Women's World Cup in Germany from 27 June to 17 July.

Coach Tom Sermanni took 32 players through their paces in Canberra before having to select a squad of 21 players to take to the World Cup.

Simon, striker for the Matildas and Sydney FC, is a shining star in Australian football.

In 2009 she was named Under 20 Footballer of the Year and last year scored the winning goal in the Asia Cup final.

The Sydney FC W-League team was rewarded for another stellar season with ten players being named in the World Cup squad.

Brisbane Roar, Canberra United and Sydney FC players made up the bulk of the Matildas squad.

The Matildas team for the World Cup will be trimmed to 18 field players and three goalkeepers.

Striker Simon and Williams are odds-on to be in the team for Germany.

Williams finished the W-League competition with 11 goals in 12 matches.

"All of these players have just been through a highly competitive Westfield W-League season, said Matildas coach Sermanni.

"I've seen a lot of good things in the past four months and brought in the players selected for this first camp on their performance throughout the season.

"There are still other players I am looking at outside of this group, but with only 21 (from 23 chosen for the AFC Women's Asian Cup) places for the final it is going to be a very competitive few months for spots on the plane to Germany."

The Matildas play Brazil, Norway and Equatorial Guinea in their three group matches at the World Cup.

Simon is a role model for young Indigenous Australians.

She recently told Yahoo Lifestyle: "The best advice I can give to a young girl that aspires to be a Matilda is set your goals high, don't sell yourself short by setting easy targets.

"Anything's possible if you really believe in yourself. Hard work is the key and having a positive and resilient attitude can really get you places.

"Take on positive criticism, because there's always something to learn. Learn from your mistakes."

● Charlie Maher runs in Boston Marathon – P103