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THE *Koori Mail* has been named Newspaper of the Year in its category at the 2011 Pacific Area Newspaper Publishers' Association (PANPA) Awards.

At a gala ceremony in Sydney last Thursday, the *Koori Mail* and the *Geraldton Guardian* were announced

as joint winners of the category for non-daily newspapers with a circulation of up to 10,000.

On the *Koori Mail*, the judges commented: "Koori Mail has had an incredible year and you can see it in the quality of the newspapers that it has produced."

"Everything about the newspaper is bold and proud. The full colour, striking designs, page after page, give the newspaper the ability to pull readers in, and then engage with them deeply."

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Koori Mail Chairman Russell Kapeen and Managing Editor Kirstie Parker with the award.

How sweet it is

Gurrumul stars in first music awards

Photos by GLENN CAMPBELL



IT'S destined to become the Indigenous music industry's night of nights ... and what a way to start.

Thousands of people packed Darwin's Botanic Gardens Amphitheatre for last Friday's

inaugural National Indigenous Music Awards.

And while there were plenty of stars, none shone as brightly as Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu, the sweet singing Gumatj man who took five of the seven awards on offer.

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There was no doubting the crowd's enthusiasm at the awards night.



Singer/songwriter Shellie Morris on stage.



Coloured Stone's front man Bunna Lawrie. The band was inducted into the NIMA Hall of Fame.

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My FAMILY REBECCA DENNIS – Ngukurr, NT



From left, Emma Jambeyapidy, Rebecca Dennis, Alan Joshua, Marlena Jambeyapidy and Tamara Joshua.

WE'RE all at the prize-giving for the Telstra Art Award in Darwin. I'm with my husband Alan Joshua and our daughter Tamara Joshua who's 14, and my twin grand-daughters Emma and Marlena, who are 11.

The twins' mother was my niece, but she used to call me mum. My niece passed away in 2004 when the twins were four-years-old and then they came to live with me.

My eldest is my son Abel Joshua, he's 22-years-old.

My husband and I are both from Ngukurr and we got married in 1988. Alan has been painting for the last 13 years and he sells his paintings through Ngukurr Arts.

He tries every year to get into the Telstra Awards with his art.

I've also been making screen-printed cushion covers since 2000.

We're part of the Ngukurr Arts stall at the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair. We've been coming for the last four years. The girls are

also interested in painting and drawing – anything they see.

I've been working at the Ngukurr library as the librarian since 2000. I've got somebody who helps me from CDEP, working with Roper Gulf Shire.

Last year when I was in Darwin for a library conference some of the young kids trashed the library building, and now there's no library. I don't know when they are going to start building a new one.

I'm still working in the council office helping out doing customer service, but I still receive the library stuff. I'm looking forward to getting a new library. I sometimes go down to the Ngukurr school library and help out there. I go down and help at the art centre too.

As a family we like to go hunting, and we go fishing. There's a big river at Ngukurr, but we mainly go to the billabongs where you can catch bream, barramundi and turtles. That's my favourite.

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OUR CHILDREN



My future's so bright... Lyndsey Booth, Lenita Malone and Riki-Lee McInerney were amongst well-dressed tots who took part in the annual Day Care NAIDOC Ball (baby show) at Undoonoo Day Care Centre in Woorabinda, central Queensland, last month. The centre also hosted a community march, barbecue, art and craft activities, face painting, cultural games and sport as part of the celebrations. See Page 46 for more on the celebrations.

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He's our king of karaoke

THIS is the style that's won Indigenous man Aden Billy, from Mackay in north Queensland, the chance to be the world's best karaoke performer. The 21-year-old customer services worker wowed the judges when he took to the stage at the recent Australian trials for the World Karaoke Championships.

Next month he's off to Ireland to take on the world's best for the hotly contested title.

"To be honest, before this I thought karaoke was just something you did on stage on the weekends with your mates after a few drinks ... a bit of fun. I never knew how big it was in this country, it's a serious competition," a delighted Aden told the *Koori Mail*.

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Inquest to go ahead

By Townsville Correspondent
ALF WILSON



THE coronial inquest into the death of Townsville man Lyji Vaggs will start in the north Queensland city on Monday, 12 September.

Brisbane-based Kerin Lawyers is representing Mr Vaggs' widow Stacey Somerville and their three children. One of the firm's solicitors, Penny Brown, said the inquest could take one week but had been allocated two. If required, a second week would start on 3 October.

Ms Brown, who'll travel to Townsville with the firm's principal Steve Kerin, said other interested parties were Queensland Health and the Queensland Police Service.

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



GRACELYN SMALLWOOD

When his medication failed to give him relief, Mr Vaggs returned to the unit in a highly agitated state and was restrained by security and medical staff before police were called. He was handcuffed and injected with anti-psychotic drugs, although doctors had not had time to perform a toxicology test to determine what drugs were already in his system.

It's believed Mr Vaggs lost consciousness immediately, and doctors spent 40 minutes trying to revive him before he was transferred to the hospital's intensive care unit. He died a day later after his life-support

system was switched off.

An autopsy report prepared for the coroner by Cairns-based forensic pathologist Paul Botterill showed Mr Vaggs died of the combined effects of restraint asphyxia, obesity, schizophrenia and a heart condition.

Indigenous leaders including Townsville activist Gracelyn Smallwood have been critical of the autopsy, claiming it did not pinpoint one thing that Mr Vaggs died from. Associate Professor Smallwood has also questioned why up to 12 people, including police officers and a security officer, restrained him and she raised other issues.

She told the *Koori Mail* she and Mr Vaggs' family were glad the inquest was finally being held.

"It will allow some healing and I urge Indigenous people to be at the court to lend support to the family who are still finding it hard to cope with the loss," Assoc Prof Smallwood said.

"Nobody should be judged on their state of mental health and the death may not have occurred if the family was consulted at the time and Indigenous people been called."



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How Goodes that!



Sydney Swans Aboriginal star Adam Goodes takes a big mark over Richmond's Bachar Houli during their round 21 Australian Football League (AFL) game at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on 14 August. The mark was one of the few highlights for the Swans, who were beaten by their less-fancied rivals. – AAP Images

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National award for *Koori Mail*

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"The articles are well-written and the quality of photography and reproduction outstanding."

This year's awards were especially competitive, with a record 1000-plus entries received from across the Asia-Pacific region for 66 awards recognising excellence in every part of the industry – from journalism and editorial leadership, and marketing of news and new brands, to the technical aspects of print and production, and advertising and newspaper sales.

Koori Mail Chairman and Bundjalung Elder Russell Kapeen said 2011 had indeed

been a big year for the paper, by far the most widely read Indigenous print publication in Australia.

"In May, we celebrated our 20th anniversary and published our 500th edition, and we believe our longevity demonstrates the confidence

are doing things right.

"The *Koori Mail* may be relatively small but we punch well above our weight in many regards."

Mr Kapeen paid tribute to the *Koori Mail's* editorial, advertising and administrative team led by Managing Editor

Kirstie Parker and former General Manager, now Business Manager, Steve Gordon, as well as columnists and correspondents who also contribute to the paper's ongoing success. And he thanked the *Koori Mail's*

loyal readers, in every state and territory.

Based in Lismore, northern NSW, the *Koori Mail* is wholly owned by five Bundjalung community organisations.

'This new accolade, from within the newspaper industry, is further affirmation that we are doing things right'

– Chairman Russell Kapeen

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities have in us," Mr Kapeen said.

"This new accolade, from within the newspaper industry, is further affirmation that we

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(02) 66 222 666 (then dial 3) after 2pm NSW time on Tuesday, 30 August, to be in the running for some great prizes.

The first two callers with verified calendars will each receive a \$50 Kmart voucher, with following callers getting a great *Koori Mail* gift pack.

Good luck, and keep reading your *Koori Mail* for more calendar giveaways.

Artist with a deadly message

Photo by MAHALA STROHFELDT



BRISBANE-based Tony Albert was one of hundreds of artists represented at the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) last week. And he had a message

for artists and audiences alike.

His latest project 'Be Deadly', commissioned by festival artistic director Avril Quail, is all about delivering positive messages to Indigenous youth about staying strong and feeling proud of who they are and where they come from.

The project is part of a new poster campaign supported by Griffith University. Originally from Cardwell, south of Cairns, Albert designed the screen-printed posters with the title statement 'Be Deadly' emblazoned across the smiling faces of three young children. He said the poster's red, black and yellow message was simple – encouraging young Aboriginal people to stand together, be positive and believe in themselves as deadly.

Albert is part of the proppaNow Aboriginal artist collective.

● See page 50 and our next edition for more on CIAF 2011



Challenges loom for new-look NSWALC

By KIRSTIE PARKER



RESULTS may have varied widely, from a landslide victory to one contest that came down to just a single vote, but the nation's largest

Aboriginal organisation has a new governing body.

And those in the top positions at the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) are new too, sort of.

The 2011 NSWALC election was held on 6 August and saw a voter turnout of 4120, about 21 per cent of the land council network's 20,000-plus members.

The NSW Electoral Commission declared the results within days, with five former councillors returned and four 'newbies'.

In something of a shock result, former outspoken Chairperson Bev Manton lost her quest for re-election in the Mid North Coast Region.

The nine candidates elected for four-year terms were: Stephen Ryan (Central Region), Peter Smith (Mid North Coast Region), Tina Williams (North Coast Region), Anne Dennis (North Western Region), Tom Briggs (Northern Region), Jack Hampton (South Coast Region), Roy Ah-See (Sydney/Newcastle Region), Des Jones (Western Region), and Craig Cromelin (Wiradjuri Region).

Ms Williams beat former incumbent Dallas Donnelly by just one vote after preferences (213 to 212), while Mr Ah See captured 344 of the 632 votes cast for the six candidates in his region.

Last Thursday, NSWALC held its 267th meeting and elected Dubbo-based 'long-time land rights fighter' Cr Ryan as chairperson and Cr Cromelin, an artist and former cotton picker, carpenter and welder



STEPHEN RYAN

from Murrin Bridge, as deputy chair.

The state body wasted no time issuing a statement in which Cr Ryan – perhaps in response to the shrinking voter turnout – declared land rights in NSW imperfect but 'without doubt the best model in the nation'.

Cr Ryan said he looked forward to guiding NSWALC over the next two years.

"NSWALC has a wide range of responsibilities, and the next two years represent an opportunity to strengthen our organisation, make our model work better, and form a lasting and productive relationship with government, in particular the O'Farrell Government," he said.

"It's also an opportunity to find ways to advocate the interests of our members, and to continue the excellent work of the NSW Aboriginal Land Council over the past four years.



CRAIG CROMELIN

"As our old people have told me, we've got a system, it might not be perfect, but we have to make it work, and in particular we have to make it work for our boories (children)."

Cr Cromelin, too, was looking forward to his new role.

"Land rights in NSW has entered an exciting new era, and I look forward to working as part of a great team to face the many challenges that confront our network," he said.

NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott said both men brought a wealth of experience representing the views and interests of Aboriginal people and a new energy to NSWALC.

"Our organisation has immense confidence in their ability – and that of our new Governing Council – going forward,"

he said. "We've made confident strides over the past four years, and I'm certain our next term will be just as industrious for the 20,000-plus Aboriginal members we represent."

Earlier, Mr Scott said that, as in previous years, NSWALC would conduct a full review of the electoral process to ensure members' interests were best served.

"Our voter turnout was consistent with voting trends in non-compulsory elections both in Australia and internationally," he said.

"But of course we want to look at the electoral process to ensure that we have the best possible system available to our members."

Mr Scott said challenges facing the new council included the longer-term sustainability of the land rights network, a 'massive' backlog of more than 26,000 undetermined land claims (some of them almost three decades old), and improving the State's record on protection and promotion of Aboriginal cultural heritage.

In a parting message to NSWALC staff, Bev Manton said she was deeply disappointed not to have been re-elected.

"The reasons, I suspect, are numerous and a matter for a discussion on another day," she said.

But Ms Manton said her regret was tempered by the legacy of the outgoing council, which she said had taken the helm at a crucial point in NSWALC's history and achieved much.

She praised NSWALC staff as displaying a combination of professionalism, commitment and dedication 'all too rarely seen in Aboriginal representative organisations' and congratulated the successful candidates and wished them well.

Lifestyle TV show idea by Langton



INDIGENOUS academic Marcia Langton believes a lifestyle-type television show could help address

Indigenous disadvantage.

Professor Langton raised the idea while giving the annual Vincent Lingiari memorial lecture at Charles Darwin University (CDU) last week.

She said poor education and isolation often meant that many Aboriginal people were ill-equipped to maintain their homes, or provide basic, nutritious food to their children.

"I'd like to see a homes and garden show that enables them to buy the right equipment, cook a delicious meal, how to make a nice eating area," she told the audience.

In her talk titled 'Culture, custom, modernity and health: a nexus of factors in the status of

Aboriginal children', the Melbourne academic said the most vulnerable citizens of the Northern Territory were Aboriginal babies.

She said many Aboriginal parents were victims of colonisation, segregation and extreme economic exclusion, and were deprived of the knowledge or commonsense of parenting duties.

She suggested a lifestyle program could be aired regularly on Imparja and National Indigenous Television to help educate people,

along with other measures such as improving refrigeration and food supply.

Prof Langton's talk was not without drama as some descendents of Vincent Lingiari boycotted the lecture.

Gurindji man Japarta Ryan said Prof Langton was a supporter of the NT Intervention which had 'hurt a lot of people'.

"It is wrong," he said of the Intervention. "A lot of my people, many Gurindji people, are trapped in this ideology."

In a letter to Prof Steve Larkin,

Pro-Vice Chancellor of Indigenous Leadership at Charles Darwin University, Gurindji community members in Darwin and the communities of Kalkarindji and Daguragu outlined their concerns.

"This event was established to honour one of our most important Elders and we do not

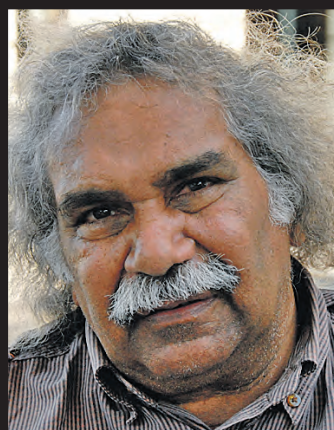
want to see his name used to promote agendas which are damaging to our communities and people," the letter said.

Gurindji Mob Darwin president Eddie Kitching said his group would now participate in a separate lecture commemorating Vincent Lingiari and the history of the Wave Hill Walk Off.

That lecture will be held during the 2011 Freedom Day commemoration at Kalkarindji from 26-28 August.



MARCIA LANGTON

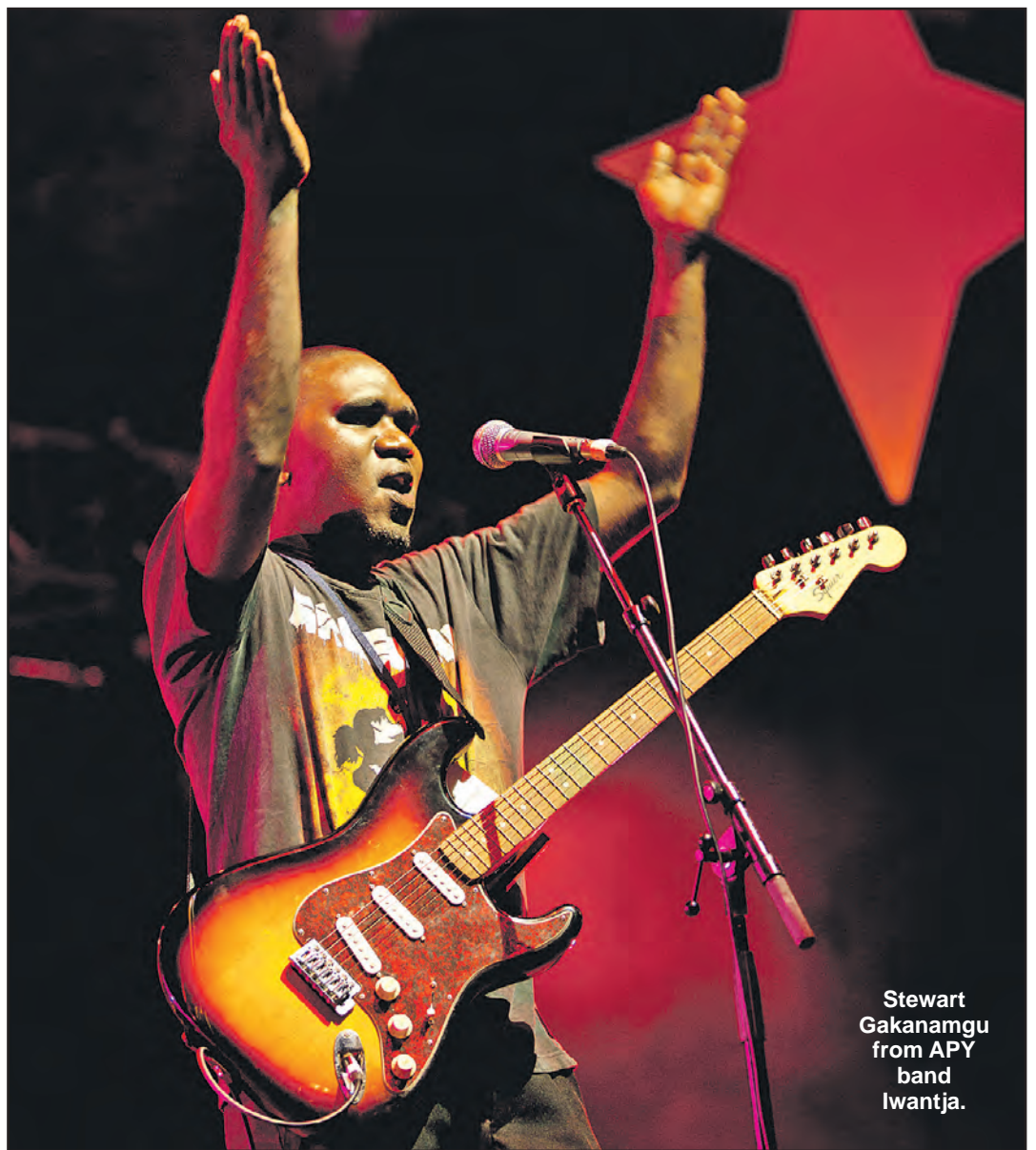


'This event was established to honour one of our most important Elders and we do not want to see his name used to promote agendas which are damaging to our communities and people' – Japarta Ryan

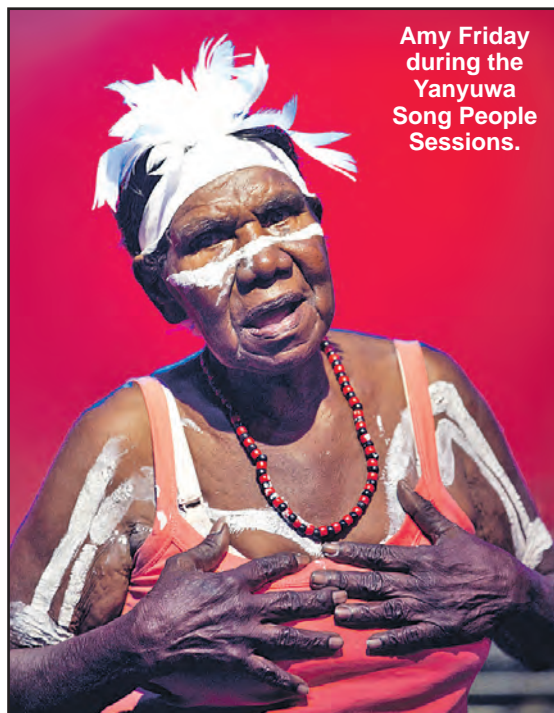
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Award hosts Robbie Collins and Ali Mills.



Stewart Gakanamgu from APY band Iwantja.



Amy Friday during the Yanyuwa Song People Sessions.



This Red Flag Dancer was wide-eyed at the awards.

Indigenous Music Awards



The Warumpi Band on stage.



One of the Red Flag Dancers from Numbulwar.

Top honours to Gurrumul

Photos by GLEN CAMPBELL and FRANCINE CHINN



GEOFFREY Gurrumul Yunupingu proved he's an unstoppable force, both abroad and at home, taking out five of the seven inaugural National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs) on Friday night.

Thousands of people turned out to the Amphitheatre in Darwin's Botanic gardens for what's destined to become the Indigenous music industry's 'night of nights'.

And, while the undisputed star of the show wasn't there, his fans weren't disappointed – thanks to a live cross to the shy singer at his home in Arnhem Land and a concert featuring performances by plenty of other Indigenous talents including ARIA Male Artist of the Year Dan Sultan.

Collaboration

Yunupingu's new album *Rrakala* was awarded Album of the Year and Artwork of the Year while the man himself was named Act of the Year. A remix of an earlier song, *Gathu Mawula*, this time a collaboration with Blue King Brown, took out awards for Song of the Year and Film Clip of the Year.

Sultan and Jessica Mauboy had been up against Yunupingu in the Act of the Year category.

It was the first time the awards, previously just a Territory affair, had gone national.

Yolngu singer/songwriter Rrawun Maymuru was named New Talent of the Year. And bands No Fixed Address and Coloured Stone, who performed alongside the iconic Warumpi Band,



Gurrumul Yunupingu skyped from his home in Arnhem Land.

were both inducted into the NIMA Hall of Fame.

Other winners of the 2011 Indigenous Music Awards were the Gapuwiyak School Band named Gapuwiyak School Band of the Year (NT Award), and the Mulka Manikay Archives for Traditional Music (NT Award). The NIMAs are presented by Music NT.

Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu begins a new national concert tour in Perth on Friday, before moving on to Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide, Canberra, Melbourne and Hobart. He'll be supported on the tour by up-and-coming Indigenous Tasmanian performer Dewayne Everettsmith.

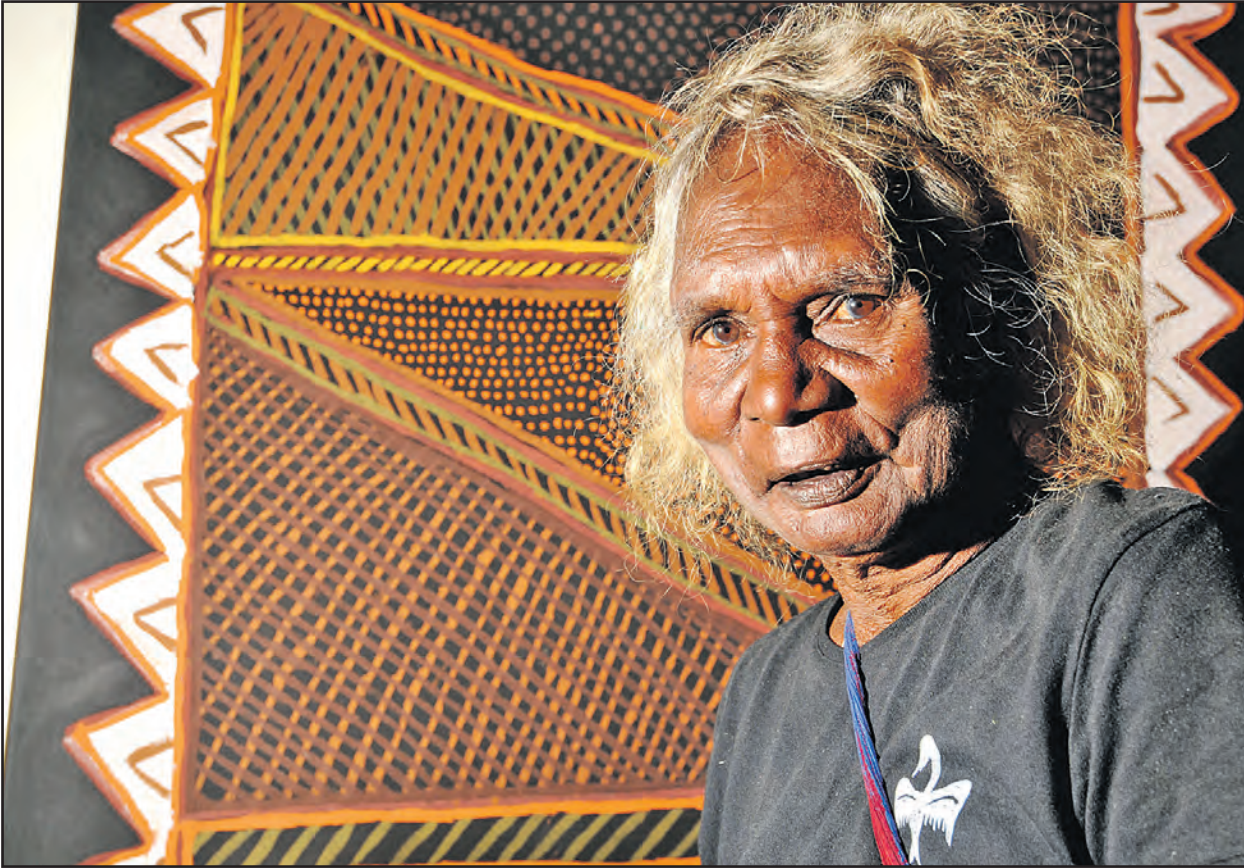


Dan Sultan performs.



NT New Talent of the Year, north-east Arnhem Land singer/songwriter Rrawun Maymuru.

Telstra National Aboriginal and



Finalist Jean Baptiste Aputimi, from Melville Island, with her artwork *Jirtaka (Sawfish)*.



Finalist Timothy Cook, from Melville Island, with his work *Kulama*. He was also a finalist in the WA Indigenous Art Awards (see Pages 48-49) which were held on 12 August in Perth, where he was named a commended finalist.



Winner of the Telstra Works on Paper section for the second year running was Torres Strait Islander artist Dennis Nona, pictured with his work *Zuga Zug*.



The Wandjuk Marika Memorial Three-Dimensional Award went to 69-year-old Gali Yalkarriwuy Gurruwiwi from Elcho Island for his work *Banumbirr (Morning Star poles)*. The *Banumbirr* is sacred to the Dhuwa clans of the Yolngu people and Gurruwiwi is the senior custodian for the Galpu clan.

Photo courtesy of the *Arafura Times*.



Renowned Indigenous artists and judges for this year's Telstra Art Award Nici Cumpston and Danie Mellor in front of a painting by finalist George Tjungurrayi.



The Telstra Bark Painting Award went to Raelene Kerinauia, from Melville Island, for her work *Kayimwagakimi Jilamara*. The bark painting represents her Dreaming, yirrikipayi (crocodile).



Winner of this year's Telstra General Painting Award Bobby West Tjupurrula from Kiwirrkura in Western Australia with his untitled work that depicts designs associated with the significant rockhole site of Tarkul, north of Mt Webb in WA.

Torres Strait Islander Art Award



Telstra Art Award winner Dickie Minyintiri, with his niece Alison Milyika Carroll who spoke to the assembled media, and later accepted his award on his behalf at the NATSIAA opening ceremony on the lawns of the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory. Also pictured is Ernabella Arts worker Julian Green.



The Telstra New Media Award went to Ricardo Idagi, from Murray Island in the Torres Strait, for his piece *Upi mop le – Tail end man*, a deeply personal work about overcoming child abuse. Idagi said the traditional mask represented himself as a boy, while the fish on top represented courage. Inside the mask is a mini video installation, showing Idagi wearing the artwork and doing ‘a victory dance’. “So it’s about turning something negative into a positive,” Idagi said.

APY man takes top honours

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



ONE of the most senior Pitjantjatjara men alive today, South Australian artist Dickie Minyintiri, took out top honours at this year’s Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award.

Born in about 1915, Minyintiri is the oldest man in Ernabella. He is a respected Ngangkari (traditional healer) and senior law man, referred to by local Elders as ‘our number-one man. Top one!’

He was announced the winner of the \$40,000 Telstra Art Award for his artwork *Kanyalakutjina (Euro Tracks)*, which reflects on more than 90 years of walking his country, tracing the tracks of the animals to the central and important kapi tjukula (waterholes) to drink, and where wati (men) also went for inma (ceremonies).

It’s the second year in a row that an artist from the APY Lands has won the Telstra Art Award.

Born in Pilpirinyi in Western Australia, near the border with South Australia, Minyintiri remembers his early life travelling with his parents across the country that is now known as the APY Lands.

When his family came to Ernabella, before the mission days, they were the first people there and he is able to point out landmarks such as rocky outcrops, waterholes and caves where his family camped. He remembers the first whitefella coming to Ernabella, the first building

and the entire establishment of the Ernabella Mission.

He also remembers the shock of seeing the first sheep and goats, which were to become a big part of his life as he spent many years working as a shearer and shepherd.

At the awards ceremony on 11 August his niece Alison Milyika Carroll spoke on his behalf in English and Pitjantjatjara, expressing great pride in their local art centre – Ernabella Arts – where Minyintiri began painting in late 2005.

“In our country, the APY Lands, we have seven art centres,” she said. “Every day we come to work in the art centre. Ernabella Arts started in 1948 and it’s still going.

‘Beautiful work’

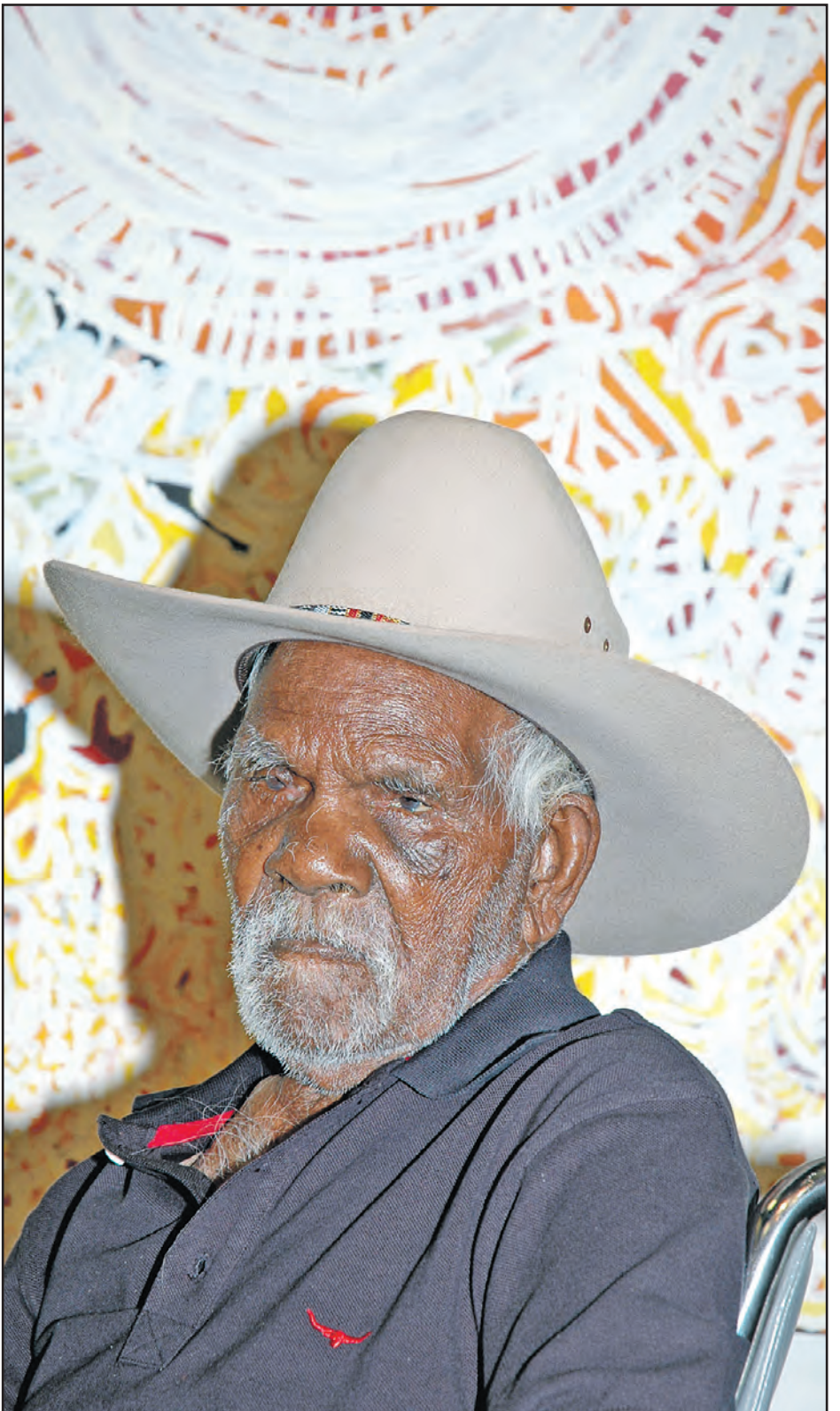
“We own our art centre. We paint Tjukurpa – Dreaming stories. We make strong, beautiful work and it will always be there.

“Our stories are from a long time ago and they will live in the future with our children. When they grow up they will be working here. They will be the owners of our centre and they will keep our culture strong.”

Ernabella Arts worker Julian Green said Minyintiri was a very special man who commanded a great deal of respect.

“For Dickie, this is more of that,” Green said. “He’s always known he’s been a good painter, but it’s nice to see other people say so as well.

“He said he’s very happy.”



Winner of this year’s Telstra Art Award, South Australian artist Dickie Minyintiri, in front of his winning work *Kanyalakutjina (Euro Tracks)* which was described by judges as ‘a spontaneous and multi-layered expression of the artist’s profound ancestral relationship to country’.

Palm set to seek pool as compo



THE Aboriginal community of Palm Island is expected to demand the Queensland Government build a swimming pool on

the island to settle a discrimination complaint arising from the 2004 riots.

After the riots brought the island's woes into the national spotlight, the so-called ringleader Lex Wotton brought a discrimination complaint before the Australian Human Rights Commission.

The complaint, against the Qld Government, focuses on its handling of the riots and the death of island man Mulrunji Doomadgee.

Mr Doomadgee died on the floor of the island's watchhouse in November 2004, and the bungled police investigation into the matter led to rioting in which the police station was burnt to the ground.

The complaint argues the State Government failed to provide police services to the island on a 'non-discriminatory basis' and on an equal footing with mainstream communities.

It also argues the bungled investigation into the death of Mr Doomadgee showed a lack of respect for the islanders' grief.

Mr Wotton's complaint also says residents were treated unfairly in the days after the riot, with many subjected to arbitrary searches and interference in their homes and families.

Following favourable findings from the president of the commission, Mr Wotton's lawyer Stewart Levitt said the Government had indicated they would like to settle the matter.

Despite parole conditions banning him from attending public meetings on the island, Mr Wotton was granted approval to



Lex Wotton makes a point at the meeting to discuss compensation on Palm Island. *Newspix image*

take part in the public discussion of the matter on Palm Island on 11 August.

Mr Levitt said the islanders had agreed on a number of settlement proposals to take to the Government, including the establishment of a public memorial for Mr Doomadgee using Indigenous and other artists.

Funding

The community is also demanding compensation in the form of funding to construct a swimming pool on the island.

"The general compensation would take the form of implementing the promise that's been made over the past 50

years to build a public swimming pool on the island and to train Indigenous labour so they can build it themselves," he said.

Mr Levitt said some islanders should also receive individual compensation packages for mistreatment around the time of the riot.

As part of the settlement proposal, the community also called for the appointment of Indigenous justice ombudsmen to oversee treatment of Aboriginal people by police and the justice system. Mr Levitt said if the Government was not receptive to the package, the community 'would have no hesitation' in bringing a class action against it. — AAP

Magnate's comment leads to complaint



MINING magnate Andrew Forrest's comment that young Aboriginal girls in the Pilbara are offering men sex for cigarettes has

prompted a complaint to Australia's human rights watchdog.

Five women from the town of Roebourne have complained to the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC), saying the comment is racist and vilifies their community.

The Fortescue Metals Group (FMG) chairman said on an ABC *Four Corners* report in July that 'little girls' approached men in Roebourne late at night and offered sexual services in exchange for the cost of a cigarette.

The comment came amid a dispute with the Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation (YAC) over Fortescue's rights to mine iron ore on their traditional lands.

FMG has so far failed to cut a deal with the YAC since beginning talks in 2007 to develop its Solomon Hub project, about 200kms south of Roebourne.

The company estimates that over the next 40 years it could extract 2.4 billion tonnes of ore worth \$280 billion, based on current prices.

FMG has offered the landowners a \$500,000 signing fee and a capped amount of \$4 million a year in cash, plus up to \$6.5 million a year in staff housing, jobs, training and business opportunities.

But YAC executive officer Michael Woodley says if the community accepts the deal they will be 'selling their soul to the devil'.

He has pointed to a better deal struck by Rio Tinto with traditional owners, that included an uncapped royalty of 0.5 per cent that would equate to \$2 billion over 40 years.

'Mining welfare'

But on the *Four Corners* program Mr Forrest said offering more cash would be akin to 'mining welfare'.

"If you want to join me one evening after 11 o'clock and walk down the streets of Roebourne and have little girls come up to you ... offer themselves for any type of service you want for the cost of a cigarette, then you've come to the end of the line," he said.

"I'm not going to encourage with our cash that kind of behaviour."

Pansy Sambo, one of the women taking the complaint to the HREOC, said her people were 'sick of this prejudice that blackmarks Roebourne and gives our community a bad name'.

"What he said makes shame for our girls. How can they stand up in their schools in Karratha and

Wickham and in the wider community? How can they be strong in their sporting teams when they play with other teams?" Ms Sambo said.

"How do they feel about themselves and what future can they have when everyone thinks they sell themselves for cigarettes? We want an apology for his slander of our community."

The women's statement to HREOC reads: "This is a vilification of a racist kind that stirs up a bad reputation and hatred of our people."

The YAC's Mr Woodley said Mr Forrest's allegations of child prostitution were no justification for cheating the Yindjibarndi people out of an honest and fair agreement.

He said the YAC had written to WA Child Protection Minister Robyn McSweeney and Police Minister Rob Johnson asking them to investigate Mr Forrest's allegation.

'Substance'

"If there is any substance to Mr Forrest's claim, Yindjibarndi children are clearly in serious danger and the police or child protection services need to act," Mr Woodley said.

"But if, as everyone in our community knows, Mr Forrest's allegations are false, then the public record should be set straight as soon as possible."

In a statement, FMG said it would comply with any investigation conducted by HREOC. "Fortescue's mission has always been and will continue to be to work to end the disparity faced by Australia's first people in communities throughout the Pilbara and Australia by providing training and guaranteed jobs," the company said.

Mr Forrest has been seen as a champion for Aboriginal people and in 2008 launched the Australian Employment Covenant to create 50,000 job opportunities for Indigenous Australians.

Last week, Mr Woodley described as disappointing but 'no surprise' a Federal Court decision to reject YAC's challenge against the grant of three leases to FMG for the Solomon Hub project.

"This confirms what we have known all along, that the Native Title Act is a bad piece of legislation that consistently works against the interests of the First Australians," he said.

"What is worse is that the system gives us no chance against the teams of company lawyers, land access managers and FMG's unlimited war chest. The deck has been stacked against us."

Mr Woodley said the organisation was seeking advice on a possible appeal of the court's decision. — AAP, with the *Koori Mail*

Cape welfare trial extended



THE Noel Pearson-led welfare reform trial in Cape York Aboriginal communities will continue, despite being slower than

expected to reverse chronically low school attendance rates.

The welfare reform trial was set up in four Cape York communities in 2008 to address school attendance rates and help break the cycle of dependence on government handouts.

Backed by the Queensland and Federal governments, the trial also included the creation of the Family Responsibilities Commission, which has the power to quarantine

the welfare payments of parents who fail to ensure their children attend school.

Welfare recipients can also be referred to the commission if they breach a tenancy agreement or they have been convicted of an offence in the Magistrates Court.

677 referrals

Queensland Aboriginal Partnerships Minister Curtis Pitt said on Friday the commission received 677 referrals from government departments from January to March this year.

This was down from 734 in the previous quarter.

He said the number of parents referred to the commission over

school attendance issues dropped slightly from 339 to 322 in the latest quarter.

However, Mr Pitt said there was still more work to be done in the communities — Aurukun, Hope Vale, Mossman Gorge and Coen — and the trial, which was due to be completed at the end of this year, would be extended for another 12 months.

"Extending the trial provides an opportunity to build upon the success of initiatives already underway aimed at restoring local Indigenous authority, encouraging positive behaviours and improving economic and living conditions," he said in a statement. — AAP

Book is the stuff of Legends



CURRENT Aboriginal AFL players have joined past champions at the home of AFL for the official launch of a groundbreaking book on the AFL's Indigenous

Team of the Century. *Legends – The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century 1905-2005* is the first book of Indigenous football and sporting history told by the players.

A study of the team that was named by the AFL in August 2005, it was written by Curtin University research fellow Sean Gorman and published by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies' Aboriginal Studies Press.

Former Essendon great Michael Long did the honours at the book launch at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).

"*Legends* is a more than a salute to the AFL Indigenous Team of Century," he told launch guests. "*Legends* is a rare insight into the stories of our careers and of our achievements whether they be in AFL or VFL Premiership teams, State Representative teams, or playing in the West Australian, South Australian or NT Football Leagues.

"I know that for many for us modern AFL players, to be called a 'legend' in the same category as Polly Farmer, or Syd Jackson, David Kantilla or Maurice Rioli, Steven Michael, 'Flash' Graham or Barry Cable is indeed a great honour."

Legends derives from Gorman's research into the AFL's anti-vilification laws.

"I have witnessed the redemptive



Aboriginal players past and present. Back, from left, Aaron Davey of Melbourne, Cyril Rioli of Hawthorn, Shaun Burgoyne of Hawthorn, Austin Woneamirri of Melbourne, Chance Bateman of Hawthorn, Neville Jetta of Melbourne, Jamie Bennell of Melbourne, Kelvin Lawrence of Melbourne and former umpire Glenn James. Front, from left, AIATSIS chairperson Professor Mick Dodson and AFL great Michael Long at the book launch of *Legends: The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century 1905-2005*.

power of football for both black and white Australians," said the author, whose first book *Brotherboys: The Story*

of Jim and Phillip Krakouer was published in 2005 and was adapted for theatre.

AIATSIS Professor Mick Dodson said the book was an almanac about Indigenous men who had courageously and spectacularly met the challenges of Australian Rules football and succeeded at the very elite level.

"*Legends* is a story of men who have levelled the field with artistry, magic and sheer brilliance," Prof Dodson said.

"It so brilliantly provides new perspectives for some readers of books about Australian Rules football – and Indigenous players in particular.

"With this book, the players tell their own stories about their lives, and this is what drives this narrative, interspersed with Sean's insights."

As well as Long, two other 'Legends' – Syd Jackson and Glenn James – attended the launch.

Long said he hoped *Legends* became a must-read for every Australian, a point backed by Prof Dodson.

"I hope that through reading this book, others will learn how these players – through their exceptional achievements – became a source of our pride, a mark of our survival, a sign of our strength and a symbol of our unique identity," he said.

"And why for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people they were more than just a band of brothers of footballers – they are Legends."

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Hopes high after talks with Premier

By Tasmanian Correspondent
JILLIAN MUNDY



TASMANIAN Aborigines have met with Premier Lara Giddings to push for greater land returns and five per cent of the state's annual land tax. And they say they're optimistic about improving relations between the local Aboriginal community and the Government.

Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania chairperson Clyde Mansell, who was part of the delegation that met with Ms Giddings in Hobart last week, said the Premier showed an eagerness to find a way forward.

"I think she was pretty sincere, proof is going to be in the pudding," he told the *Koori Mail*.

The Aboriginal community's relationship with the Government has been highly strained since last year when the Government approved a bridge to be built over a 42,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage site in the path of the Brighton Bypass.

Mr Mansell said the delegation urged Ms Giddings to meet a benchmark of 90,000 hectares of land being owned or managed by

the Aboriginal community by 2010, set through the Tasmania Together goal-setting and progress measurement project.

The figure currently stands at 55,904ha.

"The Government has stalled," Mr Mansell said. "In 2005, the Labor Government gave an undertaking that they would continue to return land to Aboriginals, in fact wukalina (Mt William National Park) and Rocky Cape were agreed to in principle.

"The Government is now saying they'll only give us back title to Rebecca Creek and the Eddystone Point area of Irapuna (but) they're really creating nothing. We've already got the lease of Irapuna, and Rebecca Creek is land the Government has purchased off a private owner and they want to get rid of."

The Aboriginal delegation was chosen at a community meeting during NAIDOC week and comprised of Mr Mansell, Adam Thompson and Aaron Everett from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC), Caleb Pedder from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Land and Sea Council, and Alison Overeem from the Aboriginal Children's Centre.

At the meeting, the group also



CLYDE MANSELL

proposed five per cent of state land tax be diverted to a Tasmanian Aboriginal Economic Development Fund (TAEDF).

Mr Mansell said Ms Giddings was very clear on her desire to have the Aboriginal community independent and self-managed.

"She undertook to take the proposal to Treasury to have it assessed in more detail," he said.

Mr Mansell said that no other form of government revenue was more appropriate to allocate to the TAEDF than land tax.

"The Tasmanian people will finally be paying some rent to the

Aboriginal community in a way that is in line with principles important to the Aboriginal community," he said.

"It is similar to what they did in NSW, with the land council there, some 20-odd years ago."

The delegation also urged the Government to scrap its schedule for new Aboriginal heritage legislation and introduce a bill into Parliament this year.

"They've already had two attempts and not succeeded," Mr Mansell said. "What we have said is we will provide them with the legislation."

He said the new legislation needed to recognise that Aboriginal heritage was not just artefacts.

"There needs to be a broader recognition of the fact Aboriginal heritage has continued and flourished," he said.

Ms Giddings described the meeting as a very important step in restarting positive dialogue with the Aboriginal community.

"The State Government has had a proud history of progressing a positive policy agenda for Aboriginal people, but I am conscious that relations have become strained in recent times," she said.

"I was very interested to hear

the delegation's ideas and agreed to raise them for discussions at the next Aboriginal Affairs Sub-Committee of Cabinet."

The Cabinet sub-committee, made up by Premier Giddings, Aboriginal Affairs Minister Cassy O'Connor, Aboriginal Heritage Minister Brian Wightman, and Economic Development Minister David O'Byrne, has met five times since March.

It has the capacity to provide advice to Cabinet and seek involvement from other Ministers and subject experts as required.

Mr Mansell encouraged the Government to seek advice from the Aboriginal people.

"What they've got now is no better than Governor Arthur had back in the 1800s when he formed a committee for Aboriginal affairs," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"We have got to get back to the Bacon/Lennon Labor Government (days) when we had an open door to the political leader.

"Premier Giddings has got to be a leader who has vision, she can be a premier who is guided by people around her or a leader with innovation and vision."

The meeting also discussed Aboriginal place naming policy for the state.

WA Government accused of neglect



THREE new reports show that the West Australian Government has failed to provide basic services in Aboriginal communities, the State Opposition says. Labor Regional Development spokesman Mark

McGowan says the reports, compiled by the Goldfields Esperance Development Commission (GEDC), showed Government neglect of the Ngaanyatjaraku and Tjuntjuntjara communities, north of Kalgoorlie.

He said the reports expose a lack of medical and disability services, no Home and

Community Care services, no dental care, and a decline in education services and school attendance.

Problems

The reports also show a large turnover in the number of nurses, problems with sewerage and clean water provision, and a failure to

approve foster carers.

"The reports also revealed children had been swimming in sewerage ponds because local pools were not operational," Mr McGowan said.

He claimed Regional Development Minister Brendan Grylls had sat on the report from January to June.

"The latest reports emerged

following an earlier report into the neglect of the Laverton community, and the Minister's failure to act on the findings of these reports is unacceptable," Mr McGowan said.

He said with an annual Royalties for Regions budget of \$1.2 billion there was no reason for the issues not to be addressed. — AAP

Spending has made a difference: Groups

Indigenous leaders in plea for a greater say



INDIGENOUS groups have rejected suggestions that Commonwealth spending on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs has made little or no impact.

And they've joined social service and local government organisations in pleading for greater Indigenous say over the design and delivery of Indigenous programs.

Earlier this month, Channel Seven succeeded under freedom of information laws in obtaining a Finance Department report prepared for Federal Cabinet.

The Strategic Review of Indigenous Expenditure said the Commonwealth was outlaying \$3.5 billion each year on Aboriginal programs which yield dismally poor results.

It said that in many cases the answer is not to spend more money but rather use existing resources far more effectively.

It said the current set of Indigenous-specific programs across the Commonwealth was unduly complex and confusing and 25 should be closed immediately and 51 consolidated into 18.

"Past approaches to remedying Indigenous disadvantage have clearly failed and new approaches are needed for the future," the report stated.

"The current set of Indigenous-specific programs across the Commonwealth is unduly complex and confusing."

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said there was no question that past policies have failed, but problems highlighted by the report had developed over many years and not just under Labor.

"The problems we face that are demonstrated in this review did not just emerge in the last couple of years," Ms Macklin told ABC Radio.

"They came about through serious problems in governments of all political persuasions over a long period of time and the job now is to address those problems."

Ms Macklin said there was certainly room for consolidation of programs, and departments were looking at where that could be done.

The Government recognised how important it was to achieve efficiencies, she



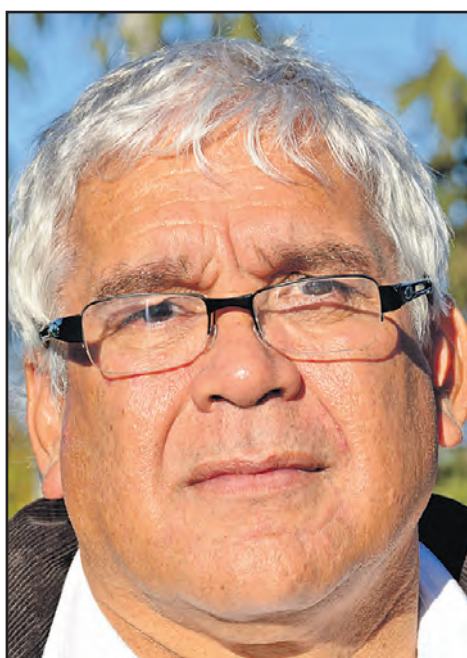
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said, and some changes had already been made.

But the Federal Opposition said the waste revealed by the spending review made the roof insulation debacle look 'trivial'.

"At a time when the rest of the world is running out of money, this sort of waste is an affront to everyday Australians," Opposition Treasury Spokesman Joe Hockey told Channel Seven.

"It makes the BER (Building the Education Revolution) and the pink batt programs look quite trivial."

Indigenous groups expressed little surprise over the report findings, but rejected what Tom Calma described as a

'persistent misconception' that past Government expenditure on Indigenous programs had achieved little or nothing.

Mr Calma, co-chair of the Close the Gap Campaign for Indigenous Health Equality, said while some wastage had occurred — 'as it had in all areas of government' — the overall investment of tax dollars had resulted in concrete, practical improvements to the lives of Indigenous Australians.

He said that while further work and investment was needed, Indigenous life expectancy had increased, despite the gap in life expectancy that remains with other Australians.

He said the Close the Gap Campaign —

as opposed to the Closing the Gap programs of the Australian Government — advocated for Australian governments to work in a new way with Indigenous Australians, an approach based on genuine partnership.

"It's time that some of the red tape around our services, health services being a notable example, was removed," he said.

"Far too often approaches and programs are generated in Canberra and imposed on us, and then we get blamed when they don't work."

"Australian governments needed to listen to what Indigenous people had to say about some of these issues."

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda said the changes being sought were intergenerational and would not take place overnight.

He said it was crucial the Government maintained effort and investment towards closing the gap.

"Ordinary Australians should be reassured that, contrary to reports, their tax dollars have been invested in achieving concrete, practical improvements to the lives of Indigenous Australians," he said.

"Of course, like any Australian, I am concerned at any report of wastage of Government expenditure, particularly in areas that are targeted to improve the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. However, to characterise all spending as wasted is a gross generalisation."

Mr Gooda said Indigenous life expectancy had increased, with the National Indigenous Health Equality Council reporting that the Indigenous infant mortality rate was falling and was on track to be equal with the non-Indigenous rate by 2018.

"And 54 per cent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 15-64 years were employed in 2008, compared to 48 per cent in 2002," he said.

The National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, the Aboriginal Health Council of SA (AHCSA) and the Fred Hollows Foundation all agreed the review had highlighted the need for greater Aboriginal involvement in policies and programs.

Congress co-chairs Les Malezer and Jody Broun said the representative body would review the issues and recommendations raised in the review report.

"The Congress must play a fundamental role in any new approach to decision making about services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Mr Malezer said.

"This is an opportunity to ensure that there is full transparency, accountability of programs and engagement with communities." — With AAP

Housing 'on track'



THE Federal Government says it has exceeded ambitious targets for improving Indigenous housing in remote communities.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said that 490 new houses and 2288 refurbishments were completed in remote Indigenous communities across Australia in the 2010-2011 financial year, exceeding the target of 463 new houses and 2012 refurbishments.

"This work has been delivered in partnership with State and the Northern Territory governments under the \$5.5 billion National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH)," she said.

"All jurisdictions at least met their new housing targets and have exceeded their refurbishment targets."

The Minister said the substantial level of activity in housing had been essential in starting to address the level of housing need in remote Indigenous communities.

"Decent housing is essential for protecting children, improving health, education and employment and for re-building positive community norms," she said. "The National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing was renegotiated in late 2009 to



A new house being built at Maningrida in the Northern Territory under SIHIP.

provide greater incentives for performance, resulting in better than expected delivery.

"Under the revised arrangement up to 25 per cent of a jurisdiction's capital works funding allocation can be reallocated if agreed targets are not met. The renegotiation has resulted in a new sense of drive and urgency, with NSW, Western Australia, Tasmania and the NT all exceeding their new housing targets."

The latter will be a major relief to the Government, which had endured a barrage of criticism over slow initial progress under the \$672 million NT-based Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP), which falls under the NPARIH.

Ms Macklin said that overall since the start of the National Partnership on 1 January 2009, more than 800 new houses had been completed and 3100 houses

had been rebuilt and refurbished nationally.

"This upward trend in delivery is set to continue, with jurisdictions commencing work ahead of schedule for 2011-12," she said.

"In addition to housing in remote areas, 28 houses have been acquired in regional centres to support Indigenous people from remote communities to access employment and training opportunities."

"Getting housing right is critical to closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage."

Meanwhile, Noel Pearson says the Federal Government's 'ideological obsession' with public housing is holding back Indigenous development and denying homes to poor Australians.

"I am not persuaded that all of this massive investment in public housing for Aboriginal communities is going to result in the social uplift of our people," Mr Pearson told *The Australian* newspaper. "I don't think it's taking our Indigenous policy forward. We've gone through 40 years of public housing. I've seen it in my own lifetime."

"The first wave of public housing came to me when I was in primary school and since then I've seen waves and waves of public housing coming through."

Mr Pearson also blamed the Federal and State governments' low expectations for the failure of the \$3.5 billion spent on Indigenous social programs and infrastructure each year.

"At the moment the way in which government is calibrating their expectation of Indigenous people is still too low," he said.

"There is a higher expectation that can be placed on people, should be placed on people, and they will respond to that." — *With AAP*

Hockey told to butt out over smoking



AS a star rugby league player Ian Lacey was used to brushing aside rough play and the odd sledge.

But, now a health worker, the former Brisbane Bronco says he won't wear Federal Opposition criticisms of a new national program to fight high levels of smoking in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The Gillard Government is spending \$100 million on the program over three years, placing Indigenous tobacco action workers in 57 regions, to help Indigenous smokers quit and educate others not to take up the habit.

But despite smoking in Indigenous communities being double the rate in the general population, Shadow Treasurer Joe Hockey says the program is a 'an outrageous waste of money' and should be scrapped.

"This is a classic example of the sort of waste that Australians would be outraged about," Mr Hockey told media in the wake of a Finance Department report which found dismal outcomes in Indigenous programs, despite Commonwealth expenditure of \$3.5 billion annually.

He said the initiative duplicated existing health department programs.

But Ian Lacey, who now leads a Brisbane anti-smoking team funded under the program in question, says the Shadow



IAN LACEY

Treasurer is plain wrong and should visit Brisbane to see what he and his team are doing.

"Far from being the desk-bound bureaucrats that Mr Hockey alleges, my team of seven hard-working healthy lifestyle advocates is out and about in the south-east Queensland Aboriginal community every day," he said.

"We visit schools, youth detention centres, sporting clubs and a huge range of community events every day to explain to our people that high smoking rates are one of the key causes of our low life expectancy."

"We also work on improving nutrition and increasing the amount of physical activity our mob engage in."

"These are the key lifestyle changes that will make a difference to our health and start to close the gap and we are

sorely disappointed that Mr Hockey would bag our work."

Adrian Carson, CEO of the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health (IUIH) where Mr Lacey and his team are based, said most of the funds allocated to the program had gone not to employing over-paid bureaucrats — as claimed by Mr Hockey — but to the Aboriginal and Islander community controlled health service sector.

"The sector has employed regional tobacco co-ordinators, tobacco action workers and healthy lifestyle workers who deliver services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to address the risk factors for chronic disease," Mr Carson said. "As far as I know there are no bureaucrats employed through this funding."

Head of Queensland's peak Aboriginal health body Selwyn Button said research indicated that tackling high Aboriginal smoking rates was a pre-requisite to closing the gap.

He said early deaths from smoking made up nearly 20 per cent of the life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other Australians. "...It is very clear that 'mainstream' tobacco messages have not impacted on Indigenous tobacco rates," he said.

Despite the uproar over his comments, late last week Mr Hockey again described the Indigenous anti-smoking initiative as money wasted.

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Mr Ward death contractor fined



SECURITY contractor G4S has been fined \$285,000 for its part in the death of an Aboriginal Elder in the back of a prison van in Western Australia's Goldfields region.

Mr Ward, 46, died in January 2008 from heatstroke in the back of a van lacking air-conditioning.

He was being transferred in 40-degree

heat from Laverton in the Goldfields to Kalgoorlie to face a drink-driving charge.

In the Kalgoorlie Magistrates Court, G4S was fined \$285,000 and ordered to pay court costs of \$11,088 after pleading guilty to failing to ensure the health and safety of Mr Ward.

WA's Department of Corrective Services, which had control of the van, previously pleaded guilty in the Kalgoorlie Magistrates

Court to failing to ensure non-employees were not exposed to hazards.

The Government had previously been ordered to pay \$285,000 plus \$15,000 in court costs.

Since Mr Ward's death, the department has taken steps to prevent a repeat of the incident, including flying people from remote regions to court and taking delivery of 40 improved vans.

In July last year, Mr Ward's widow and her four children received \$3.2 million in an ex-gratia payment from the State Government.

The two G4S employees who were transporting Mr Ward have pleaded not guilty to charges of failing to take reasonable care to avoid affecting the safety or health of a person in custody.

They will face court at a later date. – AAP

Jail guard should be disciplined: Coroner

By LIZ MURRAY



The NSW Deputy State Coroner has delivered his inquest findings over another

prison transport death, recommending disciplinary action against a guard who observed the man's death but took no action.

Mark Holcroft, 59, was serving seven months for a drink-driving conviction when he died on 27 August 2009 from cardiac failure during transfer between Bathurst Jail and Mannus minimum-security prison.

Mr Holcroft had chest pains a week earlier that were misdiagnosed as reflux by the prison doctor, Suresh Badami.

At the inquest, Dr Badami acknowledged his error interpreting the results of two ECG tests done before the journey.

Deputy State Coroner Paul MacMahon made eight recommendations to NSW Department of Corrective Services, and said disciplinary action should be considered against transport officer Peter Sheppard, 'with particular regard to his actions as an observer' at the time Mr Holcroft died.

Former prisoner Andrew Bond, one of seven other prisoners in the van when Mr Holcroft died, said they yelled and waved at security cameras to alert the guards to what was happening, but the guards had not acted and Mr Holcroft was declared dead upon arrival at Mannus.

The Coroner recommended prison transport vehicles be fitted with two-way communication systems at the earliest possible date, and prisoners get appropriate food, water and toilet stops according to how long transfers would take.

During the inquest, Justice Health apologised to the Holcroft family for Mr Holcroft's death, and DCS NSW said it had already started fitting vehicles with better communications systems.

Mr MacMahon said DCS NSW should consider video recording all prison transport journeys and holding that footage for 14 days.



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He recommended the prioritisation of vehicle defects regarding the safety of guards and prisoners, and said staff should be reminded about compliance to policy and

about the important of updating the PAS (prisoner patient) information system and delegation of responsibility for that.

He said Mr Holcroft's death

encouraged to complain to Justice Health personnel about illness, with particular emphasis on intake assessments.

The Public Interest Advocacy Centre (PIAC) represented the

conditions for prisoners were often terrible and the recommendations 'acknowledged prisoners' basic rights'.

In 2009, after a damning University of NSW *Indigenous Law Review* report on nationwide non-adherence to coronial recommendations, the NSW Attorney-General legislated for government departments subject to coronial recommendations to publicly report on their implementation within six months.

Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) spokesperson Ray Jackson commended the efforts of barrister Ragni Mathur, formerly of the Redfern Aboriginal Legal Service, who he said was well known for fighting for the rights of those she represented.

"I am sure the good points picked up by McMahon were as a result of her arguments to him," Mr Jackson said of Ms Mathur.

"The call for disciplinary action against jail officers is not new... coroners have made such recommendations at least since the early 90s, but it is never made public or to the families involved, as to whether such disciplinary action is taken.

"The major problem with this procedure is justice, such as it is, is not seen to be done. There is, therefore, no closure possible by these families already suffering the loss of their loved one."

Mr Jackson said prisoner transport protocols should vary according to the classification of inmates being transferred, and all the eight inmates on that trip had minimum-security ratings.

"The transport officers state when Mark collapsed they were in, or just leaving Batlow... Batlow has good hospital facilities and a working police station," he said.

"Why didn't the transport officers utilise both, to check on the health concerns of Mark?"

"The Coroner goes on to state 'Mark died of a natural cause process'. What's natural about a death brought about by the negligence of Justice Health and callousness by the transport officers?"

"Activists within and without of the custodial systems must not allow this ridiculous term to have any currency."

'The call for disciplinary action against jail officers is not new... coroners have made such recommendations at least since the early 90s, but it is never made public or to the families involved as to whether such disciplinary action is taken' – ISJA's Ray Jackson

procedures regarding the occurrence of custodial deaths.

He made two recommendations for Justice Health regarding staff awareness

was 'primarily the result of the failure of Justice Health to provide him with proper care'.

He also recommended staff ensure inmates were aware and

family, and its CEO Edward Santow urged NSW Justice Minister Greg Smith to push for implementation.

Mr Santow said transport

Uranium the focus of walk

By LIZ MURRAY



A TEN-WEEK protest walk from Wiluna to Perth will aim to draw international attention to the dangers that

organisers say uranium mining poses to Western Australia.

People from around the globe will join together in the small mining town, to take part in the trek about 1000kms south-west to Perth.

Footprints for Peace, the Anti-Nuclear Alliance of WA and the Conservation Council of WA (CCWA) held a protest launch last Wednesday, 17 August, which saw protesters assemble in Perth's Stirling Gardens and march to Parliament House.

The launch had the support of the WA Labor Party, the Greens and the nuclear-free City of Fremantle. Speakers included Indigenous Affairs Minister Sally Talbot, Giz Watson MP, and Fremantle Mayor Brad Pettit.

Elder Ben Taylor welcomed the crowd to Noongar country, and Noongar Whadjuk spokeswoman Marianne McKay spoke of her concerns about potential pollution of Noongar country and the places the proposed uranium mine would export to.

Ms McKay lambasted the Barnett Government for failing to support the public over the proposal, declaring it disrespectful to traditional owners.

The 10-week walk coincides with the public release of Toro Energy Ltd's environmental review management plan (ERMP), the first for a uranium mine proposal in WA.

International group Footprints for Peace hopes the 70-day walk will draw attention to what it says is the WA community's historic opposition to uranium mine proposals, and the State Government's failure to call a public inquiry about the plans.

Yeelirrie man Kado Muir called on traditional owners living along the path of the walk and the broader Aboriginal community to join the walkers to show their authority as the spiritual custodians of the land, standing in solidarity against the



The protest march through Perth to the WA Parliament House.



Mohammad Khan of the Human Rights Alliance.

Government's 'toxic' uranium mining plans.

United States activist Ammon Russell, from the Dine-Navajo Reservation, extended his support to the Indigenous community in WA in their stance against uranium mining and said he'd take part in the walk.

Footprints for Peace organiser Marcus Atkinson said the walk was designed to bring together the traditional

custodians of the country with people from all over the world who oppose uranium mining, to support them in their resistance to uranium mining plans.

"This is a part of the growing global resistance to all aspects of the nuclear industry," Mr Atkinson said.

"We recognise the fact that radiation contamination in Japan (after the recent earthquakes) has most likely included

uranium mined in Australia.

"Around the world people are saying no to nuclear power and we, here in Western Australia, will join and be joined by them."

Chairperson for the Anti-Nuclear Alliance Jo Vallentine said uranium mining was to blame for nuclear testing on Indigenous lands, accidents like Three Mile Island, Chernobyl, and the 'unfolding tragedy of Fukushima'.

"For global citizens to put one foot forward after another for ten weeks to prevent this industry from starting its polluting practices in this state is a strong expression of community opposition to thwart the nuclear industry's plans," she said.

CCWA nuclear-free campaigner Mia Pepper said Toro's ERMP lacked essential baseline studies, had scant detail on transportation plans, and failed to address a number of serious questions about water, food security and ongoing management of radioactive mine waste.

"The Government is pushing ahead with this toxic industry despite widespread political and public opposition," she said.



KADO MUIR



Noongar Elder Ben Taylor.



MARIANNE MCKAY WHADJUK



Dine-Navajo activist Ammon Russell addresses the crowd at Parliament House, Perth.

Police complaints confidence falls: Survey



A SURVEY has revealed a drop (from 65 per cent to 55 per cent) in the number of respondents who believe Queensland police treat Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people differently from white Australians.

And the Public Perceptions of the Queensland Police Service 2010 survey also found public confidence in the Queensland police complaints process against officers has declined.

Released by the Qld Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC), the survey found 90 per cent of the 1529 respondents

from across the state agreed police were honest and mostly well-behaved.

But it also showed a decline in faith in the Queensland police complaints process since the last survey in 2008.

Only 57 per cent of respondents said they believed the police service properly investigated complaints, compared to

62 per cent the previous survey.

There was a slight increase in the lack of faith associated with reporting police corruption. Thirty-three per cent of respondents, compared to 28 per cent in 2008, say they believe reporting corruption among the service would lead to nothing being done. —AAP

News Ltd launches RAP



NEWS Ltd has become the first Australian print news organisation to develop and implement its own

Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), aimed at closing the gap in Indigenous disadvantage.

Launched by the Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin in Sydney on 9 August, the 2011-12 plan sets out an agenda to strengthen and expand the company's partnerships with Indigenous Australians.

Developed in collaboration with Reconciliation Australia, it includes an Indigenous employment strategy, editorial exchanges with Indigenous media organisations, appointment of an Indigenous programs manager, cultural awareness training, support for Indigenous business awards, and visits to remote communities.

Ms Macklin welcomed News Ltd's commitment to reconciliation.

"I commend them for developing a plan that acknowledges the unique role they can play in working towards the national goal of closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage," she said.

"With over 9000 employees



Noel Pearson, News Ltd Chairman and CEO John Hartigan and Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin at the launch of the News Ltd RAP in Sydney on 9 August. *NewsPix image*

Australia-wide and a weekly readership of over 13 million people, News Ltd is well-placed to play a role in closing the gap."

News Ltd chairman and chief executive John Hartigan said the RAP would enable the company to champion the

rights of Indigenous people.

"News Ltd occupies a unique place in Australian public life," he said.

"We reach more Australians every day than any other media company. This gives us both obligations and opportunities to play an important role in reconciliation."

"Over the life time of our company, Australia has grown into a confident, prosperous and diverse nation. It is deeply sad, however, that many Indigenous Australians have not enjoyed the benefits of national prosperity."

Ms Macklin was joined at the launch by the Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Mark Arbib.

Senator Arbib said the plan set out projects and targets that were relevant and accessible to all employees, including editors, journalists and executives.

"This reconciliation action plan demonstrates the vital role that business and corporations can play in improving employment outcomes for Indigenous people," he said.

Regular contributor to News Ltd flagship *The Australian*, Cape Yorker Noel Pearson, reportedly described the company's RAP as 'a brilliant concept' that would deliver tangible benefits for Indigenous people.

It's far from Utopia — Amnesty report



THERE'S been widespread support for an Amnesty International (AI) report that claims Northern Territory Aborigines are being driven off their traditional homelands

and herded into 'hub towns' where the Federal and NT Governments are splashing out cash for resources and services.

The human rights organisation profiled the Alyawarr and Anmatyerr people of the Central Australian homeland communities of Utopia.

The Utopia region, 260kms north-east of Alice Springs, has 1400 residents in 16 different communities. Far from what the name suggests, most Utopia communities experience third world conditions.

In its report released on 9 August, Amnesty International slams the Federal and NT governments' Closing the Gap policy that concentrates investment into 21 of the largest settlements.

The criticism comes after a Finance Department report prepared early last year revealed the Commonwealth is outlaying \$3.5 billion each year on Aboriginal programs that yield dismally poor results.

More than one-third of the NT's Aboriginal population lives in 500 remote homeland communities.

The Amnesty report says restrictions on health, housing and education services have resulted in many homeland communities falling through the cracks.

"The medium-to-long-term implication of the policy is the declining viability of homelands," Amnesty said.

AI says Federal and NT government policies ignore the connection Aboriginal people have to their land.

Internationally acclaimed Indigenous artist, Anmatyerr Elder Kathleen Ngal, 78, said if Utopia residents were forced to move to 'hub towns' they would become 'third-class, non-existent human beings'.

"My paintings are maps of our country ... through my art I am educating the world about my country and my culture," she said. "I cannot paint when I'm not on my land."

Ms Ngal said the Federal Government's NT Intervention had been a 'traumatising' land grab. During the 2007 NT Intervention the Federal Government took over homelands under a five-year lease which is due to expire next year.

Against research

AI said the focus on 'hub towns' also went against medical research that said there were health benefits to living on homelands.

There was limited access to alcohol in the Utopia region, the report said.

A *Medical Journal of Australia* study from 2008 said despite increasing levels of obesity and diabetes among Indigenous people nationally, Utopia residents were healthier.

The NT Government put a moratorium

on money for homeland housing in 2006, creating a backlog of under-investment, AI said. 'Growth towns', with about 24 per cent of the NT Aboriginal population, are receiving \$772 million for new housing and maintenance in 2010-11. That's 100 times more than remote homeland communities, which have 35 per cent of the NT indigenous population but only receive \$7.1 million for maintenance, the report says.

Overcrowding

There is severe housing overcrowding in Utopia homelands, with about 85-100 people living in makeshift shelters without power, running water or sanitation, the report says.

As many as 15-18 people sleep in some two-bedroom homes each night.

Houses in Utopia communities had become dilapidated because of 'decades of neglect' and low levels of maintenance funding, the report said.

Most have dodgy electrical wiring, no insulation, no fans or air coolers, limited kitchen facilities and malfunctioning toilets and sewerage systems.

"There are incidents of raw sewage leaking from inadequate systems," the report said.

Amnesty International recommended ending the Closing the Gap policy's discrimination against homeland people. It says funding should be distributed

equitably to include homelands and rectify the backlog of under-investment in housing.

Stop the Intervention Collective Sydney (STICS), the Northern Land Council (NLC), Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) and the Australian Greens all backed the report.

STICS said it exposed current policy of Federal and Territory Labor governments as a return to disastrous assimilation policies of the past and 'a new wave of dispossession'.

NLC CEO Kim Hill said the preservation of outstation communities was a key tool in the fight to end Aboriginal disadvantage in the NT but, sadly, that message was not being heeded by policy makers in Canberra.

"Forcing people off their traditional lands and into growth towns will only result in more dysfunction and more disadvantage," Mr Hill said.

Meanwhile, the 'concerned Australians' group said the Amnesty report and its recommendations should be considered fully.

"As a nation, Australia is lagging behind the world when it comes to providing support for Aboriginal self-determination," said spokesperson Michele Harris.

She said there'd be no improvement to the lives of Aboriginal people until the views of the people become central to the decision making process.

Dementia concern

Report on aged care criticised

By DARREN COYNE



A REPORT on aged care in Australia has been criticised for having no recommendations that address dementia in Indigenous communities. However, the Productivity Commission's report *Caring for Older Australians* does acknowledge that 'the prevalence of dementia among Indigenous Australians is substantially higher than among non-Indigenous Australians'.

Research suggests the rate of dementia is five times higher among Indigenous people, with 12 per cent of people in the Kimberley aged over 45 showing symptoms.

Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Indigenous Health Andrew Laming said it could be expected that the rates of dementia in urban areas were just as high or higher.

Dr Laming said the Productivity Commission's report had failed Indigenous people with dementia.

"We know that dementia is already a very serious problem in Indigenous communities, and given the emerging psychosis problems in Indigenous youth and continued alcohol abuse, we can probably expect to see further increase in early onset drug/alcohol induced dementia in Indigenous communities," Dr Laming said. "We know that there is a high level of unmet need.

"Recent data obtained from the Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) shows that at 30 June 2010 across the whole of Australia, only 26 packages (one package = one person) existed to support home and community care for older, frail Indigenous Australians with dementia.

"Furthermore, the department was unable to identify where these packages were being delivered – that's right, no idea whether the

New book offers ideas



A NEW book has been released that offers ideas and activities for those caring for Indigenous people with dementia.

The book was launched recently in the community of Wugularr, about 120kms south-east of Katherine in the Northern Territory.

Called *Dementia: Things To Do, Activity Ideas for Carers*, the book is especially aimed at carers in remote and rural areas where the incidence of dementia is up to five times greater than the general population.

Frontier Services NT Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Service (DBMAS) developed the book after identifying a gap in resources for carers in remote Indigenous communities.

DBMAS program manager Judy Ratajecz said providing activities for people with dementia made a huge difference to their quality of life.

"We all need to have purpose and meaning in our lives," she said.

"Providing activities for a person with dementia gives them back some meaning, to actually be involved in something gives them that purpose back."

Activities listed in the resource include going back to country, collecting bush tucker, bush aromatherapy, painting and weaving, storytelling and physical activities and games such as chair football or boomerang golf.

"In our experience, carers in Indigenous communities were seeking advice and support that the work they were doing engaged the person with dementia," Ms Ratajecz said.

"The resource explains why activities are important and provides prompts and ideas for carers."



Frontier Services NT DBMAS pastoral worker David Crawford with Jocelyn McCartney, from Barunga, (left) and Miliwanga Sandy, from Beswick.

In developing the resource, DBMAS conducted focus groups in remote communities where care was already being provided and worked closely with cultural advisors. The resource is accompanied by colour photographs, many of which were taken in Wugularr.

Alongside the distribution of the book, DBMAS will conduct training and education on how to provide activities in dementia care.

A Federal Department of Health and Ageing Dementia Community Grant funded the book.

recipients are in urban Brisbane or remote Kimberley.

"We know that dementia is a serious problem for Indigenous Australia and that there is high unmet need when it comes to providing care, yet the problem isn't even on the Government's agenda.

"I urge the Government to put dementia care on the agenda when responding to the Productivity Commission's report."

Alzheimer's Australia chief

executive Glenn Rees said it was a great disappointment that the Productivity Commission had failed to acknowledge dementia as the core business of aged care.

"There is not a single recommendation that addresses dementia or acknowledges the additional costs of caring for individuals with dementia," Mr Rees said.

Meanwhile, the Federal Government said it would develop its response to the report's

recommendations guided by four overarching principles.

They were that every older Australian had earned the right to access quality care and support that was appropriate to their needs, and that they have greater control and choice over their care arrangements.

Thirdly, funding arrangements for aged care needed to be sustainable and fair for older Australians and the broader community, and that care should

be provided by a skilled workforce.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard said the commission report would form an important part of a national conversation about how to promote opportunities for healthy and positive ageing.

"The Government will seek the views of the community as it develops its response to the final report," she said.

The report *Caring for Older Australians* can be found at www.pc.gov.au

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No more 'us and them'

Co-chair issues challenge

By DARREN COYNE



AUSTRALIAN business leaders have been challenged to work towards doing away with the 'us and

them' mentality that often marks dealings with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

New Reconciliation Australia co-chair Melinda Ciento told a gathering of business leaders in Melbourne recently that the critical challenge for reconciliation and closing the gaps in Australia was to improve the level of trust between Indigenous and other Australians.

She praised the number of Australian businesses that had developed Reconciliation Action Plans (RAPs) but said more needed to be done to close the gap in disadvantage.

"The fact is the level of trust between Indigenous and other Australians remains almost non-existent," Ms Ciento said, pointing to the 2010 Barometer that indicated only 12 per cent of Indigenous people had 'very or fairly high' trust for other



At the business leaders gathering, from left, Stephanie Rice (NAB), Heather Saunders (First Nations Foundation), Elizabeth Rudd (Clayton Utz) and Keith Clarke (First Nations Foundation).

Australians. "Achieving reconciliation depends on our ability to turn these 2010 Barometer results around.

"Increasing business efforts towards closing the gaps can assist in doing that.

"The commitments from business to cultural awareness training and to demonstrating cultural respect have the capacity to generate systemic change by making these issues part of everyday business and life.

"Business can influence a very wide and diverse audience through its employees, customers, investors, and business partners.

"Business engagement also provides an opportunity for what I

think of as 'day-to-day reconciliation' – more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and other Australians working side by side; more businesses being supplied day in and day out by Indigenous businesses and so on.

"All of this adds up to less 'us and them'; to more understanding, and ultimately greater levels of trust."

Attention

Ms Ciento said greater attention should also be focused on job retention, duration and career pathways created through corporate RAPs, not just the number of Indigenous job opportunities created.



Melinda Ciento speaking to the gathering of business leaders organised by KPMG.

"I would encourage businesses to ask themselves and their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander partners what they are ultimately trying to achieve and to develop measures that reflect this," she said.

"Reconciliation Australia will need to work with its stakeholders to improve the quality of data and measurement.

"I believe we will need to raise our expectations regarding RAP measurement and reporting."

Ms Ciento said more attention needed to be focused on measuring and reporting the collective social impacts of RAPs.

"The next logical step is not just to measure the collective impact of

RAPs, but to persuade RAP organisations to work together to leverage knowledge, initiatives and collective results," she said.

"There are some good examples already, such as the Indigenous Financial Services Network.

"Nonetheless, in this area too, Reconciliation Australia may need to set its expectations higher; or better communicate its expectations to RAP organisations.

"I for one would like to see all RAPs contain specific commitments related to proactive information sharing and collective engagement.

"The growth in corporate RAPs is to be celebrated; but closing the gaps is going to require more businesses to get involved.

"Business talking to business will be the most effective way of achieving this."

Ms Ciento also challenged those present to spread the message of reconciliation outside their immediate circles.

"We all need to find more ways to touch people with our messages and stories, and to deepen understanding and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, heritage, history and circumstance," she said.

Ms Ciento's lecture was part of the Closing the Gap national speakers series, promoted by Reconciliation Australia.

Ms Ciento is also a non-executive director of Woodside Petroleum and Wesfarmers General Insurance Ltd, and she is an advisor at the Business Council of Australia (BCA).



Coolah - Newcastle Gas Pipeline Project - Community Information Sessions

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Bow Street, Merriwa

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Submissions close at 5pm on Monday 26 September 2011.



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The Voice of Indigenous Australia

Digger's Bible is home



Culcairn resident Gordon Ridley presented the Aboriginal digger's Bible to Kiama Mayor Cr Sandra McCarthy at Kiama Library.

By DAVE MORLEY



THE Bible of an Aboriginal digger killed two weeks after arriving at Pozieres, France, in July 1916 has been returned to its owner's home town of Kiama, NSW.

The Bible of No 5182 Private Richard McDonald was found in a box of second-hand books bought at Sydney's Surry Hills five years ago by Culcairn resident Gordon Ridley's daughter.

Mr Ridley, an amateur historian, said he always had a great interest in Australia's World War I and World War II diggers and what they did.

"When I read the message in the front of this Bible I thought, 'something's got to be done about this'," he said.

"So I decided to track down the soldier's family and return the Bible to them."

Mr Ridley said he went to the Salvation Army, who presented the Bible to the digger in 1915 as he set off on a 'Waratah March' from Kiama.

"I didn't do much good there, so I tried a couple of radio stations and that wasn't a real success either," he said.

"Then I contacted the *Kiama Independent* newspaper and they took the story up from there."

Private McDonald's army record indicates he had no known next of kin and, when he died from a gunshot wound on 29 July 1916, his few belongings were sent to

a Miss A M Morrow, of Dapto.

She died in 1949, also with no next of kin, and where the Bible was between then and 2006 remains a mystery.

As Private McDonald had no family, Mr Ridley decided the next best thing would be to present the Bible to Kiama Shire Council.

The book was received on behalf of Kiama Shire Council by Mayor Sandra McCarthy at a small ceremony last month attended by local dignitaries at Kiama Library.

Cr McCarthy said she recognised the Bible added something really special to the history of Kiama.

"We are very fortunate to have Private McDonald's Bible here at the Kiama Library," she said.

Remarkable

John Kaehler, president of the Gerringong RSL Sub-Branch, said it was brave and remarkable for an Aboriginal man to join the Army and go off to war in 1915.

"Aboriginal people weren't even allowed to vote back then, and they weren't recognised as citizens until many years later either," he said.

"It was a very courageous thing he did."

Mr Ridley has written a song about the Bible called *The Soldier's Bible Came Home* which ends with, 'Private McDonald, you've done your country proud'.

● If any *Koori Mail* readers can help track down Private McDonald's family, we'll be pleased to pass on their details.

Funding for Kowanyama



THE Kowanyama Men's and Women's Support Service is to receive \$153,806 in Queensland Government funding to target problem drinking and family violence issues.

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Favourite bush tucker?

I'm not real game to try too much, but I've had kangaroo and dugong.

Favourite other food?

Anything! Dark chocolate.

Favourite drink?

Mocha.

What are you watching on TV?

A lot of reality shows.

What are you reading?

I read a lot of true crime stories.

What do you dislike?

Arrogant people or those who are ignorant.

What do you like in life?

I call it the three f's – family, friends and footy

Who is your favourite team?

The (NRL) Cowboys of course!

Where is your ultimate holiday destination?

I would love to go over to Europe, and next year I'm planning a trip to America and Ireland.

If you could have anyone around the campfire, who would you choose?

My grandparents, who have both passed on. Anyone that's good company, especially my family and friends. And Sean Choolburra for a laugh.

If you could do anything to improve things for Indigenous people, what would it be?

I'd like to educate the wider community, especially non-Indigenous Australians about what they can do to help.

Quote



'I promise you children that I will do everything in my power, everything in my power to make your voice heard'

– Blank Page Summit
co-convenor Mary
Victor O'Reeri

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Unquote

Indigenous arts alive and well

ONE look at our pages in this edition and you'll be in no doubt that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts are alive and very well.

That's underlined by the high standard of entries in the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award and the Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards, both held this month.

Judges at these prestigious events were loud in their praise for the standard of entries, which ranged from the traditional through to cutting edge urban art.

Our congratulations to all the winners, in particular Dickie Minyintiri (\$40,000 Telstra Art Award) and Gunybi Ganambarr (\$50,000 WA Indigenous Art Award). Both are richer for their success – and so are we.

Also emphasising the strength and depth of our arts were the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair and the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, which drew thousands of people, many willing to part with their dollars for some of the fine art on offer.

And let's not forget our musicians (how could we!)

Thousands turned out in Darwin last week for the inaugural National Indigenous Music Awards, and what a line-up of talent there was vying for the honours.

He may not have been present in person, but Gumatj man Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu dominated the event, taking five of the seven awards



OUR SAY

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Karaoke champ Aden is on song



Aden Billy shows his karaoke style.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT

IN Aden Billy's world, two personas co-exist within him. On the stage with his amateur theatre group in the Queensland city of Mackay, the outrageous and flamboyant characters Aden inhabits for each role are colourful, loud, confident and brash.

By day, however, the mild-mannered customer services worker – shy and polite – would go un-noticed in any crowd.

Aden admits he's a little of both, and knows that his sudden recognition has brought the two closer together than ever before.

That recognition has come after he took the coveted top spot in the Australian trials of the World Karaoke Championships. He'll go to Killarney in Ireland next month to battle it out for the ultimate prize – the World Karaoke Title.

For this 21-year-old who had never braved karaoke, it has been a surreal journey, one he is still reeling from.

"To be honest, before this I thought karaoke was just something you did on the weekends with your mates after a few drinks, a bit of fun. I never knew how big it was in this country, it's a serious competition," he said.

"It all happened by accident. I went along to support a good friend in the local competition and before it kicked off they invited people to get up and sing just for fun, so I did. The judges actually asked me to enter and I won, it was incredible."

The rest, as they say, is history.

Aden went on to wow the judges with his singing and engaging stage presence, something he says must come from the heart.

From Airlie Beach, north Queensland, and then on to the grand finals in northern New South Wales, Aden admits he has been having the time of his life.

Preparing himself for the next international leg of the competition and

dealing with increased media attention, Aden was still pinching himself when out of the blue he got a call from the producers of the *Today* television show.

"The producers called me and said they'd like to do a segment on me, but I'd have to jump on a flight to Sydney that afternoon," he said.

"I was a little nervous but everyone was so welcoming and made me feel really comfortable.

"It was an amazing experience, for me to be performing in front of my country. Then my mates texted me and said I was in the top five most clicked on for their website. From Mackay to the *Today*

"My dad's been one of my greatest role models," he said.

"We were always travelling across the state with him and his band. He's helped to give me the confidence to get up on the stage and tips on how to connect with the audience. He's been a great help."

Aden also cites music as the greatest healer, and after some recent personal challenges it was music that helped him through.

"Music speaks the truth, it can be very empowering," he says.

"If I didn't have music in my life I don't know where I'd be. Music is like my oxygen, I'm waking up singing and I'm

made someone feel special through a song."

For Australia, the stakes are high. This will mark the country's seventh year of participation in the World Karaoke Championships, with three world titles and three top-five placings. About 30 countries will be competing this year, and it is predicted to be tougher than ever.

"I'm going in with an open mind," Aden says.

"I have no expectations and am going in to have fun. I'll be travelling to Ireland with three friends and my family and friends are over the moon. The support has been overwhelming."

Having prepared his four songs for the competition including Cee Lo Green's *Forget You* and the Fugees' *Killing Me Softly*, Aden has reflected on what this will mean for his life and career beyond karaoke.

"Karaoke has been looked down upon and viewed as a bit of a joke. It's still got that image of being a drunken Friday night pub experience, but the reality is a lot of hard work," he says.

"It's been a huge validation for me. I knew I had some sort of potential, but to be recognised nationwide is an honour, and then to be competing for my country on the world stage. It's been a huge wake up call for me that this is what I want to do with my life.

"I'm just taking each day as it comes and being thankful that it happened to me, I'm also trying to have fun with it."

Aden also wants other young Indigenous people to have a go.

"I really want to get the message out there that taking a risk, especially for us blackfellas, is worth it," he says.

"We can tend to shy away from things. I know I did. But there are so many rewards if you just give it a chance.

"I want to be a role model for my people and I want to say to other young Indigenous people that you can take a chance and get to where you want to be, all you have to do is try."

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show, it's been like a surreal roller-coaster."

But to see Aden performing before *Today* hosts Karl Stefanovic and Lisa Wilkinson, it looks like he was made for the stage – already a seasoned performer rather than the 21-year-old newcomer he is.

Aden admits that he's a different person with music in his life. Some of this he credits to his family's influence. In his early primary school years Aden spent a lot of time on the road, travelling with his troubadour dad and his band.

It was a solid musical grounding for his later years.

going to bed singing.

"Music is a big healer for me, whatever I'm going through. It goes into a much deeper level, it makes you feel at peace."

It is also hard to believe when speaking with Aden that he admits to being more than a little shy.

"During high school I always wanted to do music, acting or singing but I was always too shy, I was a little bit of an introvert," he said.

"I'm someone different when I'm on stage, from the moment I step on to the moment I walk off. It's the thing that makes me feel good, and hopefully I've



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Conferences can offer some really cute perks

THE best thing about having a job is that you get little perks. One of them is getting paid a chunk of money each fortnight. Another perk is free cuppa teas.

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But as you can guess I didn't find my love at an Aboriginal education conference.

I didn't even get lucky at a sexual health conference, would you believe.

That didn't stop me going to another conference just a few weeks ago to get learned up and meet new people.

On the opening night of the conference there was a welcome event. This is a time for all the people attending the conference to meet and yarn up together before the real work begins the next day.

There was a welcome to country by the traditional owners, speeches by the big wigs and some yummy snacks.

Once the formal part

was done and everyone was yarning in little groups, I spotted this one cutie.

They were stone lovely and I introduced myself.

We got to yarning and I soon had them sussed out. After all, why waste your time if you get a feeling it's not gonna work?

No good, this budding romance didn't even begin. They were happily married up with their partner at home.

Story of my life!

But don't you worry you fullas. I'm sure I'll be going to another conference real soon so maybe I'll be seeing you.

You never know, you could be going home with more than a bag full of resources and a notebook of new ideas – you may even have my phone number, you lucky devil!

Casey, Aaron to be Deadly hosts



**AARON
PEDERSON**



**CASEY
DONOVAN**

Upgrading the Pacific Highway Ballina bypass

The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) has formed an alliance with Leighton Contractors, AECOM, SMEC and Coffey Geotechnics to design and construct the Ballina bypass.

The northern end of the project from Cumbalum to Ross Lane was opened in March 2011. It was recently announced that the bypass section between Teven Road to Cumbalum would be open by Christmas 2011, with the remaining section from Bruxner Highway to Teven Road opening in early 2012, weather permitting.

Construction update August to October 2011

Bruxner Highway to Cumbalum

- Continue placement of pavement material on the new road alignment for the construction of the project's southern section.
- Complete all project bridge works.
- Complete construction of a small single span bridge at Cumbalum, adjacent to the existing Pacific Highway and move traffic onto new bridge.
- Continue construction of a major culvert underneath a section of the old Pacific Highway south of the Teven Road interchange.
- Continue placement of surcharge material adjacent to the newly constructed bridge over Emigrant Creek and approximately 400m north of the intersections of the Bruxner and Pacific Highways.
- Switch local traffic onto the Smith Drive permanent alignment and complete kerb and street lighting installation.
- Continue landscaping works.

Cumbalum to Ross Lane

- Complete construction of a single span bridge on Tamarind Drive (old Pacific Highway) at Tintenbar.
- Remove concrete batch plant and rehabilitate site.
- Complete Cumbalum interchange western roundabout.

Construction hours are Monday to Friday from 7am until 6pm and Saturday from 8am until 1pm. Nearby residents will be advised of any construction works to occur outside normal working hours.

For more information contact the project information line on 1800 209 484 (toll free), write to PO Box 303, Ballina NSW 2478, email community.enquiries@ballina.incite.com.au or visit the website www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific



TELEVISION actor Aaron Pederson and singer Casey Donovan will host the 2011 Deadly Awards at the Opera House in Sydney on 27 September.

They're both past Deadly Award winners and role models for Indigenous people and the wider Australian society.

Aaron Pederson is best known for his roles in high-profile television dramas, while Casey's ever-evolving star has been firmly on the rise since her remarkable performance in last year's hit musical *The Sapphires*.

Deadly Awards executive producer Gavin Jones said the pair were 'tailor-

made for the Deadlys centre stage'.

Pederson's connection with the Deadlys goes back to 2003, when he won Male Actor of the Year. He won it again in 2007 and also received a nomination for Outstanding Achievement in Film for the documentary *My Brother Vinnie*.

National stardom

Donovan shot to national stardom in 2004 as a 16-year-old winning *Australian Idol*. That year she also accepted her first Deadly Award for Most Promising New Talent in Music and has maintained a close association with the Deadlys ever since.

Deadly Award finalists have been announced and voting in Australia's largest Indigenous awards night is now open at www.vibe.com.au

Tickets to the Deadlys are on sale through the Sydney Opera House booking office on (02) 9250 7777 or email bookings@sydneyoperahouse.com: Ceremony only – Adults: \$45; Concessions: \$30; Groups of 10-plus: \$30; Ceremony as well as the After Party: \$75.

The Deadly Awards will be broadcast on SBS One on Sunday, October 2 at 9.30pm and repeated on SBS Two on Saturday, October 8 at 7.30pm.



Views of the people must be central

IS it a coincidence the Government Strategic Review of Indigenous Expenditure is brought into the public forum just two days before the launching of Amnesty's Homeland Report?

The Amnesty report gives focus to the wishes of Northern Territory Aboriginal people, that homelands be recognised as places where the people are able to live their traditional lives on their own estates, where they can fulfill their ceremonial duties, care for their land and protect their culture, language and law.

These rights are recognised in the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, which was given formal support by Australia in 2009.

Suddenly, however, we are now faced with the Strategic Review provided to Cabinet back in early 2010. The timing is remarkable. Although its focus identifies the enormous waste of money and the failures of management and implementation, its suggested reforms strongly reinforce much of the assimilatory biases of the first draft intervention by ignoring the views of Aboriginal people.

We are told that the Strategic Review has been produced from within the Commonwealth Government family. This is clearly a family that has not consulted its history, or even its recent history.

Bringing together diverse groups of Aboriginal peoples, whether under the missionary umbrella or otherwise, has never really worked.

These artificially-created groupings have never been successful; they are more likely to lead to conflict and social instability.

Even the most recent experiences of small numbers trickling down to the future 'hub' towns from the homelands have proved somewhat testing.

These people become squatters on other people's land. They are without rights, mostly living in overcrowded town camps out of necessity and due to the failures of providing services to them on their own lands.

This Strategic Review recognises the need to work with Aboriginal people.

It acknowledges the need to target local needs and to work in partnership.

And yet, at the same time, it simply ignores the

views provided by Aboriginal leaders regarding the importance to them of Homelands and fails to acknowledge the findings of recent studies** that identify the better health outcomes of those living in Homelands where food is more nutritious and people are happier.

The Strategic Review does little more than to direct the Commonwealth to wash its hands of any Homelands future.

The Amnesty Report and its recommendations must be given full consideration.

As a nation, Australia is lagging behind the world when it comes to providing support for Aboriginal self-determination.

Both the Amnesty Report and the Strategic Review acknowledge the importance of engaging with the people.

What the Government needs to recognise however, is that this can't be accomplished after the decisions have been made.

Real partnerships involve two-way listening and must incorporate the 'on the ground' realities before the decisions are made. Canberra-based notions, however thorough, are inadequate on their own.

There will be no improvement to the lives of Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory until the views of the people become central to the decision making process.

Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra is supported by other community leaders in calling for a Prescribed-Communities Representative Forum to be established to work with government in all future planning.

Government may even wish to consider them 'partners'.

MICHELE HARRIS
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* <http://www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/en/drip.html>

** <http://www.menzies.edu.au/news-and-events/media-releases/may-2009/healthy-country-healthy-people-study-supports-links-between->

POETRY

From Past to Present

Fishing with my family at our secret spot, sitting on the river bank, damn it feels so hot; Catching our feed as the day comes to a rest, I often sit and wonder at times what it would have been like, When our ancestors would sit and fish, through all hours of the night? With no cars or swags to take them along, But with only the moonlight for them to fully rely on.

I have my lures and I have my rods, I even got a good secret weapon, the old mud crab pot! But way back then, boy did they do it hard, camping on the hard ground, or near an old stock yard: eating only enough from what they caught, Us young fellows of today could surely be taught.

We fish all day with lines across the rivers, but how they did it in their day can give a man shivers; They would make their fish traps by hand using rocks and hooks from bone, and fishing wire came from the old tree vine. What a way to catch your food, but you had to be fit and healthy, And you had to be in the mood. Today we sit on our fancy chairs, sitting back, Worring about the mud on our leg hairs.

Turning on the genny for the lights and music to start pumping, what we don't realise is that the snakes are coming to investigate "what's that thumping"? Ice in the esky with the cold beer; heck our old mob never had any fear. Setting the table up for a feast, but the old fellows of the day ate and slept not far from the beasts. Nowadays we will awake with a mighty hangover, stumbling to the toilet and sitting in the shower, Taking the panadol every fourth hour.

Hunting today with our new guns,

bang, bang, bang, I think I got one? Aiming very slowly through a glass telescope, if I had no modern weapon, how can I cope? But the old men, they were smart; they would sit and wait, for a jump start, Startling a roo from behind a bush, throwing his spear, got him, straight through its heart. Sitting by the campfire, preparing for his next meal, sharpening his spear, yes it is sharp to feel.

I read history books that some often tell us, that all our ancestors were good for was fencing, mustering and breaking in horses? How wrong are some of these textures of literature do I have to take? For when I was in high school, I had a young uni grad teaching me Aboriginal history for Pete's sake!

The men of yesterday would be arrested for hunting game on their own land, A sheep or a cow just to feed the crowd, the constable would come and take them away; "Ten years hard labour" is what the magistrate would most commonly say; With a hot metal chain wrapped around their necks, and shackles around wrists and ankles giving in to the suns hot, heating element effects. Burns were common, cuts and scratches from being dragged, chained to a horses back through the hot sand. All of this wrongness just for a feed, all on his own land, being taken away from them with no written deeds. The women and children would be left to defend for themselves, with the men all locked up, who would be in charge? Hunters and gatherers were survival techniques, back burning country for the days feed, Attracting game from near and far, quickly getting the spear and woomera ready on the arm.

Rock carving was also an ancient tool, a tool so sophisticated for its use. It holds information for our mob, from a time long ago when the world was soft. Today we have the internet with so many pages, but the old rock carvings, mmm, mate they have survived through the ages.

Today I will need a licence to fish for my tucker, don't want to get too much or I will get into trouble; Trouble from the fisheries

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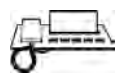
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Unlocking key to national identity

REMOTE Australia is our heartland. The rugged beauty of its landscapes, the creativity and vigour of its people and industries lie close to the core of who we are as Australians, besides underpinning our economy.

All the more reason, then, for us to look after this immense expanse of our continent, to maintain its population, affirm its values and strengthen its communities – and not let them deplete and ebb away.

At the moment, as most people know, we are struggling to keep many of our remote communities in existence.

Now, more than ever in our history, we need fresh thinking, new models, and innovative approaches that will achieve this.

And since services underpin any community, we need a different approach to service delivery in remote areas.

Governments, agencies, NGOs and remote communities themselves have grappled for decades with this issue.

But as the Commonwealth Government's 'Strategic Review of

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a company established in 2003 to
conduct research, training and
research application in remote
Australia.

NOTE: The ten Principles of
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Indigenous Expenditure' points out, we're still way off the pace in delivering good, reliable, appropriate and affordable services to remote Australians.

Over recent years research evidence has accumulated that there is a better way – and it doesn't involve rocket science or bucketfuls of money. It involves people.

For example, Australia has high standards and strict rules about water quality – but if you live in the desert 1000km from the nearest water technician, you can't run a water plant to the same standards

as Adelaide or Sydney. It's impossible.

However, by changing our mindset, modifying our regulations and approach, you can train local people to risk-manage their own water supply, resulting in water that is safe and affordable to that community – even if the system doesn't measure up to capital city criteria.

In other words, you can achieve practical results by being flexible and using local talent.

Another example: Under current proposals, most remote Australians will miss out on the

National Broadband Network.

However, with alternative technologies like shared WiFi and different business models, they could have affordable access to it.

Again, it's a case of flexibility and listening to the locals.

The take-home message is that local communities can manage some of their own services and can certainly advise what they need and don't need, if engaged and allowed a chance to do so.

In remote areas, this works much better than a one-size-fits-all approach, which tends to characterise many services.

Research by the Desert Knowledge CRC, the CRC for Remote Economic Participation and NintiOne offers compelling evidence for a view that engaging with the locals achieves better results than rules and standards imposed from afar.

Project leader Steve Fisher and his colleagues have distilled their findings across numerous areas of service delivery into ten commonsense principles for getting better services to the

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POETRY

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department, who only recently came to exist, Telling us locals how much to catch does not make any sense.

But I will still catch enough to feed our mob; Waiting for the knock on the door, from an official, an officer named Bob. "How much have you caught this time buddy? Is exactly what he will say? "Hey not much mate, I've only been fishing for half the day".

See, a lot of things have really changed, From the old walkabout days, of hunting and gathering by ancient tools of the day, To 'just down the road' to the snack bar, with my Foxtel, internet and video games!

If I could go back, what's the one thing could I take? I would take my batteries and video camera, because the world would never believe... In what our Australian Aboriginal Ancestors could have achieved!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

Kindergarten Inclusion Support Packages Program for Children with Severe Disabilities

The Victorian Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is inviting applications for inclusion support packages programs for children with severe disabilities to access and participate in funded kindergarten programs in 2012.

This incorporates State and Commonwealth funding for kindergarten inclusion support services for children with severe disabilities.

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Closing date for applications is **Friday 23 September 2011**.



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BASIN AUTHORITY

Expressions of Interest - Basin Community Committee

The Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) is an independent Commonwealth agency responsible under the Water Act 2007 for the development and implementation of the Basin Plan to ensure the sustainable use of water in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Expressions of interest are sought from people interested in being appointed to positions for the second term of the Basin Community Committee (BCC).

The BCC is established under the *Water Act 2007* to provide advice to the Authority about the performance of the Authority's functions including community engagement relating to Basin water resource issues and the preparation of the Basin Plan.

The Committee also provides advice to the Murray-Darling Basin Ministerial Council on its functions under the Murray-Darling Basin Agreement, which may include matters such as delivery of natural resource management programs.

Membership of the 16-member committee will include individuals with expertise or interest in community, Indigenous or local government matters relevant to Basin water resources, irrigated agriculture or environmental water management, and water users or representatives of water users. The appointment period will be from mid- 2012 to mid- 2015.

Expressions of Interest incorporating a written submission identifying your expertise and areas of interest should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Murray-Darling Basin Authority, GPO Box 1801, Canberra, ACT 2601 by 30th September 2011.

An information package is available from the Authority's website - see www.mdba.gov.au.

For further information please contact Jackie Luethi on telephone 02-6279 0632 or email jackie.luethi@mdba.gov.au

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Focus on compliance

I'D like to respond and clarify issues raised by the Tiwi Islands Shire Mayor in your article 'Not happy, PM' (*Koori Mail*, 10 August 2011).

Mayor Lynette De Santis suggested that Centrelink hasn't been enforcing rules in the Tiwi Islands, resulting in some local welfare recipients receiving payments despite not trying to find work.

Centrelink takes a firm but fair approach to help unemployed Australians return to work.

Job-seekers have a mutual obligation, which extends to participating with reasonable obligations and attending appointments or maintaining contact with Centrelink and Job Services Australia or their Disability Employment Services Provider if they cannot make an appointment.

It's important to note that some of the activities linked to the Centrelink payments made to Tiwi Islands residents are managed by parties external to Centrelink.

For example, while Centrelink makes

payments to people involved in the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program (which many Tiwi Islands residents participate in), it is managed on a day-to-day basis by CDEP providers, who are contracted by the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

If CDEP participants who receive income support don't attend their

activities, CDEP providers report this through the Job Services Australia provider who decides whether or not to generate compliance action with Centrelink.

While Centrelink has no control over the way providers manage and report non-compliance, Centrelink undertakes a full investigation of all failures that are reported.

Centrelink and the Department of

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations are collaborating on further strategies to improve job-seeker compliance in remote communities, including the delivery of additional provider training with a strong operational focus.

HANK JONGEN

General Manager

Department of Human Services

Local solutions required for local problems

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750,000 people who inhabit remote Australia.

They include gems such as 'suit the service to local needs' – and, by implication, these are not necessarily the needs of metropolitan Australia, but could be those of a tiny settlement in the desert.

They advise engaging with the locals in decision-making about how, where and when to deliver services, hiring trusted locals to help deliver them, and involving the community in a transparent decision process rather than excluding it or presenting a fait accompli.

Above all, the research teaches us that in remote Australia, success or failure is often down to the quality of the human relationships.

In small communities, people are vital. Good relations built community engagement, a sense of ownership, a wish to participate and take responsibility, a desire for more skills and better technologies. And the opposite is also true.

The unseemly public debate over services in remote communities usually ends up being about money.

Well, the good news from our research is that services which are flexible enough to go the extra mile and meet the needs of a local community are often more affordable too because they are tailored to more modest local needs.

Needs to change

Australia has under-invested in service delivery to remote regions, but less in the sphere of money than in the sphere of human capital – and this needs to change.

Also, we need to take account of the fact that the fastest growing component of our population is Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in remote communities – and we need to work with them more closely on building better futures outside metropolitan Australia.

If, as Australians, we value our Outback as well as equality and a fair go, we have to adopt approaches that enable Australians to live fulfilling lives wherever they choose to live – albeit with different levels and kinds of services.

Remote Australians are part of the solution, not part of the problem. We need to engage with them better. It's all about people.

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Equality and Recognition.

The Australian Government has asked a Panel of community leaders to explore options for recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in the Australian Constitution.

All Australians are invited to have their say on this important issue.

The Panel is seeking your views on how the Australian Constitution might be changed. **Submissions close on 30 September 2011.** You can lodge a submission online at www.youmeunity.org.au or you can write to PO Box 7576, Canberra Business Centre, ACT, 2610.

Public meetings are also being held in each major capital city.

Brisbane	25 August
Perth	14 -15 September
Melbourne	19 September
Canberra	20 September
Darwin	26-27 September
Sydney	28-29 September

You can find more details on the public meetings at www.youmeunity.org.au.

For more information email Contact@youmeunity.org.au or call 1800 836 422.

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\$500,000 is the vision of fundraiser



LISMORE optometrist Bernard Starfield is hoping to

change lives by supporting Specsavers National Eyecare Day. The Specsavers initiative aims to raise \$500,000 for the Fred Hollows Foundation.

The funds will go towards helping improve eye health for remote Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory and western New South Wales, and in countries across Asia Pacific where the Fred Hollows Foundation works.

Mr Starfield is donating \$5 from every eye test conducted during the five days from Specsavers National Eyecare Day on Saturday 27 August to the Fred Hollows Foundation.

More than 250 Specsavers stores around Australia are taking part in the fundraising.

"This campaign gives everyone in our local community a chance to give the gift of sight to those needlessly suffering from vision loss or blindness in disadvantaged regions," Mr Starfield said.

Motivation

"All Australians should have their eyes tested every two years to ensure good eye health, so we are encouraging people to use National Eyecare Day as motivation to get their regular eye check and at the same time help change the life of someone who wouldn't normally be able to access eyecare.

"If you can't get to a store on the day, we'll continue to make a \$5 donation to The Fred Hollows Foundation for every eye test that takes place until the end of August.

"Every person in the



Lismore woman Leeanne Morris has her eyes checked by optometrist Bernard Starfield at Specsavers in Lismore.



Flashback ... the late Fred Hollows treating Indigenous patient Stephen Ellison.

community can make a big difference as we work towards our goal to raise half a million dollars for the Fred Hollows Foundation to continue their inspiring work."

Fred Hollows Foundation founding director Gabi Hollows said that the foundation was committed to improving the health of Indigenous Australians and to reducing the cost of eye health care and treatment

in developing countries.

"(Fred) was incredibly passionate about his work and that passion has lived on in The Fred Hollows Foundation," she said, of her late husband.

"Our vision continues to be for a world where no one is needlessly blind, and Indigenous Australians enjoy the same health and life expectancy as other Australians."

Four Corners looking back on half a century



ABC current affairs program *Four Corners* marks its 50th anniversary this month, and

to celebrate the national broadcaster is re-running some of its most memorable reports.

It starts its retrospective on ABC News 24 this Sunday, 28 August, with two programs from the 1960s focusing on major Indigenous issues.

The first, screening from 10.10pm NSW time, is *The*

Price of Equality (1966), which examines the action of the Gurindji stockmen who had gone on strike over the right to equal pay at Wave Hill station in the Northern Territory.

Public support for the Gurindji culminated in the first return of land to Aboriginal people, signified by then prime minister Gough Whitlam pouring red sand into the hand of one of the original strikers, the late Vincent Lingiari, in 1975.

This will be followed by *Out*

of Sight, Out of Mind (also 1966), a report about injustice in the remote Queensland town of Cunnamulla. It was the story of Aboriginal woman Nancy Young who was jailed for manslaughter after the death of her baby, allegedly of neglect. The episode exposed the squalid living conditions of the Aboriginal community and the indifference felt towards Indigenous issues in the 1960s.

Check local TV guides for more on the *Four Corners* retrospectives.



Family & Community Services
Aboriginal Housing Office

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Chairperson (00000JSE) and Board Members (00000JKE)
Department of Family & Community Services
NSW Aboriginal Housing Board

The NSW Aboriginal Housing Board was established on 24 July 1998 pursuant to the *NSW Aboriginal Housing ACT 1998* and operates an all Aboriginal Board under the direction and control of the NSW Minister for Housing.

The Board includes a Chairperson, Members from a cross section of Aboriginal communities and a representative from the NSW Aboriginal Land Council.

The role of the Board is:

- to develop and advise on strategic directions and policies for the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO);
- to develop and implement strategies for consultation with Aboriginal communities in NSW on housing and related issues; and
- to provide advice to the Minister of Aboriginal housing and related issues, including program monitoring and development.

The Chairperson and Board Members must have a strong affinity and rapport with NSW Aboriginal people. The Chairperson and Board Members will be expected to give priority to the work of the Board and make the time commitment necessary. To meet the responsibilities of the position, the role of Chairperson is a full time commitment and the role of the Board Member is anticipated to be at least 4 days per month. This commitment will involve actively participating in and contributing to the work of the Board, its working groups and have a focus on achieving the Board's key objectives.

Remuneration is paid on an annual basis for community members of the Board. This is \$119,225 pa for the Chairperson and \$12,861 pa for Board Members.

In applying for these roles, applicants must address the relevant selection criteria.

Please note, applicants who apply for the position of Board Member that also have an interest in applying for appointment as Chairperson, must address both sets of criteria.

Selection Criteria for Board Members

1. Aboriginality and credibility within the Aboriginal community
2. Demonstrated capacity to develop strategic direction and provide leadership, and to participate in a corporate decision making processes in relation to Aboriginal housing
3. Previous extensive experience and relevant involvement in the Aboriginal housing sector or a related field
4. Expertise in a field relevant to the management of Aboriginal housing policy, procedures and implementation
5. Demonstrated understanding of the issues affecting the provision, management and maintenance of Aboriginal housing in NSW
6. Demonstrated experience in successfully participating in governance structures and capacity to commit sufficient time to actively participate in the activities of the Board

Selection Criteria for Chairperson

(Note: If applying for the position of Chairperson, this must be addressed in addition to the Board Member selection criteria):

1. Demonstrated understanding of and capacity to provide strategic advice in relation to the issues impacting on the provision, management and maintenance of Aboriginal housing in NSW
2. Demonstrated understanding of the role and accountabilities of statutory advisory Boards and of Chairperson of such Boards
3. High level presentation and negotiation skills
4. High level analytic skills
5. Demonstrated capacity to communicate across a diverse range of stakeholders including tenants, the Aboriginal community, AHO administration, other agencies and Ministerial contacts
6. Demonstrated capacity to promote a culture that supports ethical decision making

The Chairperson and Board Members will be selected on the basis of their application by the NSW Government, having regard to individual experience and expertise. Members will not act as a representative from any specific community or community organisation.

Job Notes: The term of appointment for the Board is three (3) years, under the terms of the *Aboriginal Housing Act 1998*. In applying for the position of Chairperson and Board Member, applicants must address the selection criteria.

Further information on the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office can be found at www.aho.nsw.gov.au

Contact person: Carly Puckeridge a/Board and Ministerial Liaison Officer Ph: 02 8836 9444

Closing date: Friday 9th September 2011

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Graduates of the Bouverie Centre and La Trobe University family therapy training.

Network to aid families



INDIGENOUS graduates of family therapy training at Victoria's La Trobe University can now count on the support of a new network.

Health policy specialist Dr Kerry Arabena launched the Indigenous Family Therapy Network during the inaugural Family Therapy Forum in Melbourne last week.

The occasion also celebrated the achievements of 42 graduates from the three-year Graduate Certificate in Family Therapy under an Indigenous program run by the

university's Bouverie Centre. The course builds students' capacity to work with families across a range of services, allowing Indigenous families to choose high quality family therapy services in either Indigenous or mainstream services.

Certificate

The program is making its mark. Graduates from the course this year represented five per cent of Australia's Indigenous post-graduates and 17 per cent of all Indigenous students graduating with a post-graduate certificate in any field. Many have since taken up

leadership positions.

Program manager Dr Kerry Proctor said the graduates were assets to their organisations.

"Their work with families and community is incredibly complex and the need for recognition of career pathways for these and future graduates by their organisations is paramount at this time," Dr Proctor said.

"...Nurturing and promoting Indigenous child, family and health workers in senior therapeutic roles in Indigenous and mainstream organisations is vital in supporting family healing practices."



Members of a panel discussion convened following the network launch. From left, National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and Healing Foundation board member Daphne Yarram, Dr Kerry Arabena, Elder and family therapist Aunty May Owen, director of the Bouverie Centre at La Trobe University Jeff Young and principal practitioner in child protection at the Department of Human Services (Victoria) Robyn Miller.

Expert Panel members meet



MEMBERS of an expert panel seeking views on constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples will be in Grafton on 29 August, and Lismore, northern New South Wales, on 30 August. The Grafton consultation will be held at The Quality Inn, 51 Fitzroy Street, Grafton from 5-7pm, while the Lismore gathering will be held at the Lismore City Council chambers in Goonellabah from 5-7pm.

The panel is tasked with leading a broad national consultation program to seek views

from across the Australian community about ideas for recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in the nation's Constitution.

The Expert Panel will report to the Government on possible options for constitutional change by December.

Members of the Expert Panel, Janelle Saffin MP, Rob Oakeshott MP, and Alison Page, will be holding the consultations in Lismore and Grafton.

For information about the expert panel and its mission, go to www.youmeunity.org.au

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Tuesday 6th September 2011

Bathurst

Bathurst Showground
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Friday 30th September 2011

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Public Notice



CITY OF SYDNEY

Local Community Grants Program and Environmental Grants Program – Round 2, 2011/2012

To help realise Sustainable Sydney 2030, the City of Sydney is seeking applications for its Local Community Grants Program and Environmental Grants Program.

Non-profit organisations are invited to apply for one-off grants up to \$5,000 for the Local Community Grants Program, and up to \$10,000 for the Environmental Grants Program. Grants are given to provide support for community based projects, events, activities, services and resources occurring within the City of Sydney Local Government Area between 1 January 2012 and 30 September 2012.

The closing date for applications is 6pm Monday 19 September 2011.

For guidelines, application forms or more information:

- Visit the City's website www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/grants;
- Visit the City's One Stop Shop at Town Hall House or any Neighbourhood Service Centre;
- Email communitygrants@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au; or
- Call 9265 9333.

A Community Information Session will be held in the Southern Function Room of Town Hall House, 456 Kent Street, Sydney at 6pm Tuesday, 6 September 2011.

cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

General enquiries and after hours assistance

02 9265 9333 ■ council@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

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PUBLIC NOTICE

MANDANDANJI PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

THE MANDANDANJI PEOPLE include the descendants of the following Aboriginal apical ancestors:

Nellie Edwards
Combarnago Bill

Weribone Jack Senior
Mary Weribone

This Notice invites all persons who are members of the Mandandanji People (the description of whom is set out above) to attend an Authorisation Meeting at the time and location below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday 3 September 2011

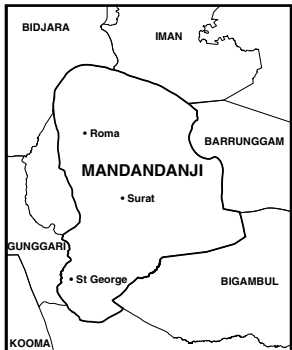
Venue of Meeting: Cedar Centre – 36 Baker Street, Toowoomba

Time of Meeting: 9.30 am – 4:00 pm

The Authorisation Meeting will authorise matters including:

- Expert evidence for the connection from presovereignty to contemporary society;
- A claim group description that is consistent with the expert evidence, which may include amending the existing apical ancestors;
- A boundary description for the Mandandanji Application (as depicted in the map below);
- A description of the native title rights and interests claimed in relation to Mandandanji lands and waters;
- Provide instructions from the claim group to amend the native title determination in accordance with the evidence; and
- Instruct QSNTS to provide the connection report to the State.

The area of the Mandandanji native title determination application is depicted below:



Please note that this map is indicative of the areas of the claim/s and not the actual boundaries of the claim/s. The boundaries of the claims will be provided at the Authorisation Meeting.

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with travel and accommodation costs for attending the Authorisation Meeting, however, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided to participants at the meeting.

All Mandandanji People are invited to contact **Hank Wymarra, Community Relations Officer, of Queensland South Native Title Services** on email: **Hank.Wymarra@qsnts.com.au** or **1800 663 693** no later than close of business **31 August 2011** to register their intention to be present at the information session and Authorisation Meeting.



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Funding to operate new children and family centres

Ten children and family centres will be established in Queensland under the Indigenous Early Childhood Development National Partnership to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in their early years (0–8 years).

Non-government organisations are invited to apply for funding (available until mid 2014) to operate one or more of the children and family centres in Mackay and Palm Island.

The children and family centres will provide integrated services, responsive to community needs, and include early childhood education and care, parenting and family support, and child and maternal health services.

Interested organisations can apply to operate one or more of the children and family centres, but must lodge a separate funding submission for each location. Funding Information Papers, Submission Forms and information regarding Funding Information Sessions are available at www.education.qld.gov.au/earlychildhood/indigenous.html or by calling (07) 3898 0373.

**Funding submissions close 5.00pm
Monday 26 September 2011**

A joint initiative of the Australian and Queensland Governments



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Owners celebrate as APY land protected



THINGS are looking up for the black-flanked rock wallabies and other endangered

species of Central Australia.

With only about 150 of the wallabies left in the wild, their chances of survival are much better now that five million hectares of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands are being protected.

Traditional owners, the Nguratija, were the latest to add 846,000 hectares of their land to Indigenous Protected Areas in the region.

The Antara-Sandy Bore IPA joined four others in the APY Lands – Watarru, Walalkara, Kalka Pipalyatjara and Aparra-Markiri-Puti – which together make up the five million hectares.

Survival

And along with the wallabies, known as warru, other threatened species such as the great desert skink, or tjakura, and the marsupial mole, itjaritjari, will also have a greater chance of survival.

Antara-Sandy Bore traditional owners gathered at Victory Well on 9 August to celebrate the declaration of the IPA. They now hope to rehabilitate their country and reintroduce the wallabies.

The Federal Government's Indigenous Protected Areas and Working on Country programs have provided



Edward Dodd teaching the emu dance to Mimili Community School children, from left, Reshaun Doolan, Corey Campbell, Bronson Edwards, Bernard Edwards and Richard Dodd.

nearly \$400,000 to support the IPA declaration and employ rangers to work in the area.

The APY Land Management Unit, which runs the black-footed rock wallaby recovery program, won the 2011 NAIDOC Caring for Country award this year.

Traditional owner Willy Martin said the declaration of the IPA was a positive step for the community's

young people. "Our kids can learn about the dreaming from their grandparents, like the wanampi, the watersnake dreaming," he said.

Another traditional owner, Huey Tjami, said the IPA was important for looking after country.

"We can look after our rockholes and do bush burning like irititja, a long time ago," he said.

Key role call for councils



THE 17 Indigenous local councils in Queensland should have a key role in co-ordinating

efforts to reduce Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander disadvantage, the Local Government Association of Queensland says.

Association president Paul Bell said the Federal Government's report on the Strategic Review of Indigenous Expenditure, released under Freedom of Information laws, showed that policies aimed at reducing Indigenous disadvantage needed to be properly targeted to local needs.

Cr Bell said he agreed with the view that effective partnership between the Commonwealth and State governments was critical to the

implementation of the Indigenous reform agenda and to the achievement of the Closing the Gap targets.

"But sustainable reform will only be achieved when those partnerships extend to local government as well," he said.

"This is particularly pertinent in Indigenous communities.

Interests

"Mayors and councillors in those communities are democratically elected to represent the interests of those community members. They live and work in the community they represent.

"They know the local situation and are a voice for those local people."

Cr Bell said the Federal and State governments should recommit themselves to genuinely listen to and formally engage with these local

government representatives.

"Too often, local people and their representatives are consulted but only after the State or Commonwealth have made their determinations on what to do and what they think is needed and then seeking local feedback on those proposals," he said.

"Now is an ideal time for new collaborative models to be set in place. Let's not have good intentions and advice of 'expert' remote commentators lead us to making the same mistakes all over again. We have good and competent local representatives – listen to them, engage with them."

Cr Bell said the LGAQ was eager to work with the Australian Government to encourage a new era in Commonwealth and Indigenous Local Government collaboration.



Hallett, South Australia



A **retiree** on a single age Government pension of \$18,000 will receive assistance of up to \$338 per year.



A **single parent** with one child under 5 and an income of \$50,000 will receive assistance of around \$460 per year.



A **family** with two children and combined income of \$110,000 (evenly split) will be eligible for assistance of around \$670 per year.



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What a carbon price will mean for you.

The Australian economy has developed without considering the costs of carbon pollution. A carbon price changes this. It adds a price to every tonne of carbon pollution created.

This makes high pollution choices more expensive and gives businesses an incentive to create better, cleaner ways of operating.

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A carbon price isn't a tax paid directly by householders or small businesses – it's a charge paid by only around 500 companies.

But we recognise they may pass some of these costs on, and that's why more than half of the money raised from big polluters will be used to assist households.

With the rest we'll be supporting jobs in the most affected industries and creating our clean energy future.

A carbon price is the cheapest and most effective way to cut carbon pollution and generate investment in new, clean energy technologies.

More than half the money raised will assist households.

9 in 10 will receive tax cuts, increased payments or both.

With the rest, we'll be supporting jobs and investing in our clean energy future.

Australians are already working together for a clean energy future. But we need to do more. That's why the Government will introduce legislation to implement a range of initiatives – including a carbon price. Find out more at australia.gov.au/cleanenergyfuture or call 1800 057 590.



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TV Guide

24th August to 6th September

All times are AEST. For SA/NT - 1/2hr and for WA - 2hrs.

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Wednesday 24th August

12.00 **Black Tracks NY** G (Entertainment)
12.30 **Bran Nue Dae M** (News & Documentaries)
1.30 **The Coolbaroo Club G** (News & Doc)
2.30 **Finding Our Talk G** (News & Doc)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini PG** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
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 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
9.30 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.30 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **Chocolate Martini PG** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **Black Tracks ImagiNative G** (News & Documentaries)
1.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
1.30 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
2.30 **Waabiny Time 2 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 **On The Up and Up G** (News & Doc)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong G** (Entertainment)
6.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Searching for God G** (News & Doc)
7.30 **Lousy Little Sixpence G** (News & Doc)
8.30 **The Aboriginal Bible G** (News & Doc)
9.00 **Culture Warriors G** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **My Home, the Block M** (News & Doc)
11.00 **MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 25th August

12.00 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **Wind M** (Entertainment)
1.00 **Vis a Vis Techno Tribal M** (News & Doc)
2.00 **Desert Healing PG** (News & Doc)
2.30 **Finding Our Talk G** (News & Doc)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini PG** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
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)
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8.30 **InTune 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
9.30 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.30 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **On The Up and Up G** (News & Doc)
1.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
1.30 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
2.30 **Waabiny Time 2 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 **The Human Race PG** (News & Doc)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong PG** (Entertainment)
6.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Searching for God PG** (News & Doc)
7.30 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG** (Sport)
11.00 **MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Friday 26th August

12.00 **Talking Broken PG** (News & Doc)
1.30 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Thanks For All The Fish G** (News & Documentaries)
2.30 **Finding Our Talk G** (News & Doc)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
4.30 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
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6.00 **Living Strong G** (Entertainment)
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7.00 **Searching for God G** (News & Doc)
7.30 **Buffalo Legends PG** (News & Doc)
8.30 **Here's My Hand PG** (News & Doc)
9.00 **Culture Warriors MA** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Palm Island G** (News & Documentaries)
10.30 **The Colony M** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 27th August

12.00 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
2.00 **The Colony M** (Entertainment)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
6.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
6.30 **Welcome To Wapos Bay PG** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Letterbox Pro G** (Entertainment)
7.30 **Letterbox Pro G** (Entertainment)
8.00 **Like, Me Like You G** (Kids & Family)
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12.30 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
2.30 **More Than Legends PG** (News & Documentaries)
3.30 **Palm Island G** (News & Documentaries)
4.00 **On The Up and Up G** (News & Documentaries)
5.00 **Here's My Hand PG** (News & Documentaries)
5.30 **NITV News in Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Sacred Ground PG** (News & Documentaries)
7.00 **Nukkan Ya Ruby G** (Music & Radio)
8.30 **Dreamkeeper PG** (Movies)
10.00 **Constitutional Reform Forum NC** (Special Interest)



NITV News

NITV News features the rich diversity of contemporary life within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, broadening and redefining the news and current affairs landscape. Don't miss latest news from the oldest culture, at 5:30pm AEDT.



Sunday 28th August

12.00 **The Fringe Dwellers M** (Movies)
2.00 **Urban Clan G** (News & Documentaries)
3.00 **Stolen Sisters M** (News & Documentaries)
4.00 **Lyndon's Story PG** (News & Documentaries)
4.30 **Thanks For All The Fish G** (News & Documentaries)
5.00 **InTune 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
6.00 **Roots Music G** (Music & Radio)
7.00 **InTune 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
8.00 **Songlines In The City G** (Music & Radio)
8.30 **Songlines In The City G** (Music & Radio)
9.00 **Chocolate Martini 3 G** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **NITV News in Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **When Two Tribes Go To War G** (Entertainment)
1.00 **2010 NATSIBA Games AU** (Sport)
2.00 **2010 NATSIBA Games AU** (Sport)
3.00 **Lore Poles G** (News & Documentaries)
3.30 **Constitutional Reform Forum NC** (Special Interest)
4.30 **Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG** (News & Documentaries)
5.30 **NITV News in Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Live at the Basement PG** (Music & Radio)
7.30 **Straight Shootin' AU** (Entertainment)
8.00 **Dreamkeeper PG** (Movies)
9.30 **The Aboriginal Bible G** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Wrong Side of the Road MA** (Movies)
11.30 **Red Rock Earth G** (Music & Radio)

Monday 29th August

12.00 **Gang Girls MA** (News & Documentaries)
1.00 **Gang Girl - Tamz Story MA** (News & Doc)
1.30 **Bro Town 2 M** (Entertainment)
2.00 **Bro Town 2 M** (Entertainment)
2.30 **Finding Our Talk G** (News & Doc)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini PG** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
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 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
9.30 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.30 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **Kulka PG** (Documentaries)
1.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
1.30 **Thanks For All The Fish G** (News & Doc)
2.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
2.30 **Waabiny Time 2 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 **Hauora Ngati Porou PG** (Entertainment)
5.00 **Hauora Ngati Porou PG** (Entertainment)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong PG** (Entertainment)
6.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Searching for God G** (News & Doc)
7.30 **Up In The Sky PG** (News & Doc)
8.00 **Rodeo Kaupoal G** (Entertainment)
8.30 **Rodeo Kaupoal G** (Entertainment)
9.00 **Culture Warriors G** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **More Than Legends PG** (News & Doc)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 30th August

12.00 **Lore Poles G** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **Hauora Ngati Porou PG** (Entertainment)
1.00 **Hauora Ngati Porou PG** (Entertainment)
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2.30 **Hauora Ngati Porou PG** (Entertainment)
3.00 **More Than Legends PG** (News & Doc)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
4.30 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
5.00 **Letter Box G** (Kids & Family)
5.30 **Yeyekerte M** (News & Documentaries)
6.30 **Like, Me Like You G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Yarramundi Kids G** (Kids & Family)
7.30 **Yaarnz 4 60** (Entertainment)
8.30 **InTune 09 PG** (Music & Radio)
9.30 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.30 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Ent)
11.30 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG** (Doc)
12.30 **Red Rock Earth G** (Music & Radio)
1.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
1.30 **Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
2.30 **Waabiny Time 2 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 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (Doc)
5.00 **Thanks For All The Fish 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 **Searching for God G** (News & Doc)
7.30 **The Aboriginal Bible G** (News & Doc)
8.00 **Living Black NC** (News & Documentaries)
8.30 **Wind M** (Entertainment)
9.00 **Culture Warriors PG** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Sixty Thousand Barrels PG** (News & Doc)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Ent)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Wednesday 31st August

12.00 **YAARNZ 3 G** (News & Documentaries)
1.00 **Aeroplane Dance PG** (Movies)
2.00 **Up In The Sky PG** (News & Doc)
2.30 **Finding Our Talk G** (News & Doc)
3.00 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Matatahi G** (Entertainment)
4.30 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
5.00 **Letter Box G** (Kids & Family)
5.30 **Yeyekerte M** (News & Documentaries)
6.30 **Like, Me Like You 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 2 G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.30 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **Chocolate Martini G** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **Strong Men, Deadly Groups PG** (News & Documentaries)
1.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
1.30 **Lore Poles G** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
2.30 **Waabiny Time 2 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 **Sacred Ground PG** (News & Doc)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong PG** (Entertainment)
6.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Searching for God PG** (News & Doc)
7.30 **Live at the Basement PG** (Music & Radio)
9.00 **Culture Warriors G** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Up In The Sky PG** (News & Doc)
10.30 **The Aboriginal Bible G** (News & Documentaries)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Thursday 1st September

12.00 **2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG** (Sport)
1.00 **A Frontier Conversation G** (News & Documentaries)
2.00 **Desert Healing PG** (News & Do)
2.30 **Lore Poles G** (News & Documentaries)
3.00 **Kulka PG** (Documentaries)
4.00 **ELLA 7'S 2009 G** (News & Doc)
4.30 **Behind Deadly G** (Entertainment)
5.00 **Here's My Hand PG** (News & Doc)
5.30 **In The Shed G** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Letter Box G** (Kids & Family)
6.30 **Like, Me Like You G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
7.30 **Desert Healing PG** (News & Doc)
8.00 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
8.30 **Yarramundi Kids G** (Kids & Family)
9.00 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
9.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **On The Up and Up G** (News & Doc)
11.00 **The Hypothetical PG** (News & Documentaries)
12.00 **Palm Island G** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **Talking Broken PG** (News & Doc)
2.00 **YAARNZ 3 G** (News & Documentaries)
2.30 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
3.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
3.30 **Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G** (News & Documentaries)
4.00 **Waabiny Time 2 G** (Kids & Family)
4.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
5.00 **Grounded PG** (Kids & Family)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong PG** (Entertainment)
6.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Searching for God PG** (News & Doc)
7.30 **Live at the Basement PG** (Music & Radio)
9.00 **Culture Warriors G** (News & Doc)
9.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **Up In The Sky PG** (News & Doc)
10.30 **The Aboriginal Bible G** (News & Documentaries)
11.00 **Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G** (Entertainment)
11.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)

Friday 2nd September

1.00 **Talking Broken PG** (News & Doc)
2.30 **Yaarnz 4 PG** (Entertainment)
3.00 **2010 NATSIBA Games NC** (Sport)
4.00 **2010 NATSIBA Games NC** (Sport)
5.00 **Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG** (Sport)
6.00 **Letter Box G** (Kids & Family)
6.30 **Like, Me Like You PG** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
7.30 **Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G** (News & Documentaries)
8.00 **Waabiny Time G** (Kids & Family)
8.30 **Yarramundi Kids G** (Kids & Family)
9.00 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
9.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **JUMBA JIMBA G** (News & Documentaries)
10.30 **Black Pearls PG** (News & Documentaries)
11.30 **Yamaji Man PG** (News & Documentaries)
12.00 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
2.00 **Up In The Sky PG** (News & Documentaries)
2.30 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
3.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay G** (Kids & Family)
3.30 **Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG** (News & Documentaries)
4.00 **Waabiny Time G** (Kids & Family)
4.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
5.00 **Grounded PG** (Kids & Family)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong PG** (Entertainment)
6.30 **KAI ORA G** (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.00 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
7.30 **The Dreaming G** (Kids & Family)
8.00 **Life of the Town PG** (News & Doc)
8.30 **Life of the Town PG** (News & Doc)
9.00 **GROUNDSED SERIES 2 G** (Entertainment)
9.30 **GROUNDSED SERIES 2 G** (Entertainment)
10.00 **Ngati NRL Series 8 G** (Entertainment)
10.30 **Ngati NRL Series 8 G** (Entertainment)
11.00 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
11.30 **Palm Island G** (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 3rd September

12.00 **VOLUMZ PG** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
6.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay PG** (Kids & Family)
6.30 **Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G** (News & Documentaries)
7.00 **JUMBA JIMBA G** (News & Documentaries)
7.30 **Waabiny Time G** (Kids & Family)
8.00 **Yarramundi Kids G** (Kids & Family)
8.30 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
9.00 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
9.30 **Like, Me Like You G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **The Coolbaroo Club G** (News & Documentaries)
11.00 **Cool School Antarctica G** (News & Documentaries)
11.30 **My Bush Tukka Adventures G** (Lifestyle/Documentary)
12.00 **NITV News in Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG** (Sport)
2.30 **Black Tracks ImagiNative G** (News & Documentaries)
3.30 **MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G** (Entertainment)
4.00 **2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG** (Sport)
5.00 **Tales of Oceania G** (Documentaries)
5.30 **NITV News in Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Crossing The Line PG** (News & Documentaries)
7.00 **Sacred Ground PG** (News & Documentaries)
8.00 **MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G** (Entertainment)
8.30 **Going Bush 2 G** (Documentaries)
9.00 **More Than Legends PG** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **My Mother My Son PG** (Entertainment)
10.30 **Radiance M** (Movies)

Sunday 4th September

12.00 **Bran Nue Dae M** (News & Documentaries)
1.00 **Cold Turkey MA** (Entertainment)
2.00 **JUMBA JIMBA G** (News & Documentaries)
2.30 **Crossing The Line PG** (News & Documentaries)
3.30 **Here's My Hand PG** (News & Documentaries)
4.00 **Gulpi!l: One Red Blood M** (News & Documentaries)
5.00 **Jane Elliot's Australian Eye MA** (Documentaries)
6.00 **Urban Clan G** (News & Documentaries)
7.00 **Sacred Ground PG** (News & Documentaries)
8.00 **VOLUMZ PG** (Music & Radio)
12.00 **NITV News in Reivew 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 Reivew NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Culture Warriors PG** (News & Documentaries)
6.30 **MILLI MILLI NGANKA SERIES TWO G** (Entertainment)
7.00 **Yaarnz 4 PG** (Entertainment)
7.30 **Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG** (News & Documentaries)
8.00 **Dreamtime to Dance PG** (Documentaries)
8.30 **Rose against the Odds PG** (News & Documentaries)
9.30 **Crossing The Line PG** (News & Documentaries)
10.30 **SEPTEMBER M** (Movies)

VOLUMZ

A hot new music program in which host Patrick Mau chats with Indigenous artists about music. Artists like Casey Donovan, Lou Bennett and Micro Wave Jenny yarn about their passion for music, and explain just how they create their own works. As well as introducing their favourite pop, rock and country tunes from our very own music collection, there may even be an intimate impromptu performance or two.



12am each Saturday in September
(Repeats 8am each Sunday in September)

Monday 5th September

12.00 **Apekath G** (News & Documentaries)
12.30 **Cold Turkey MA** (Entertainment)
1.30 **Tamara Sangam Mandrika Rupa G** (Doc)
2.30 **Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG** (News & Documentaries)
3.00 **Lousy Little Sixpence G** (News & Doc)
4.00 **Mob Daughters MA** (News & Doc)
4.30 **In The Shed G** (News & Documentaries)
5.00 **As The Crow Flies G** (News & Doc)
6.00 **Letter Box G** (Kids & Family)
6.30 **Like, Me Like You G** (Kids & Family)
7.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay PG** (Kids & Family)
7.30 **Here's My Hand PG** (News & Doc)
8.00 **Waabiny Time G** (Kids & Family)
8.30 **Yarramundi Kids G** (Kids & Family)
9.00 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
9.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
10.00 **Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G** (News & Documentaries)
10.30 **Vis a Vis Techno Tribal M** (News & Doc)
11.30 **As The Crow Flies G** (News & Doc)
12.30 **Sacred Ground PG** (News & Doc)
1.30 **Tamara Sangam Mandrika Rupa G** (Doc)
2.30 **Bizou Series 1 G** (Kids & Family)
3.00 **Welcome To Wapos Bay PG** (Kids & Family)
3.30 **Red Rock Earth G** (Music & Radio)
4.00 **Waabiny Time G** (Kids & Family)
4.30 **Go Lingo G** (Kids & Family)
5.00 **Grounded G** (Kids & Family)
5.30 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
6.00 **Living Strong G** (Entertainment)
6.30 **KAI ORA G** (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.00 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
7.30 **The Dreaming G** (Kids & Family)
8.00 **Ravens & Eagles PG** (News & Doc)
8.30 **OPINION PIECE 2011 NC** (News & Doc)
9.00 **No Wabu No Wuju No Gunduy PG** (News & Documentaries)
9.30 **Yamaji Man PG** (News & Documentaries)
10.00 **As The Crow Flies G** (News & Doc)
11.00 **NITV News NC** (News & Documentaries)
11.30 **Black Tracks ImagiNative G** (News & Documentaries)



John Speck speaks with trainees Jade Kelly and Michelle Warren.



Frank Wanganeen speaks to students in Adelaide as part of the program.



Trainees on a cultural tour in Brisbane are welcomed by Riverlife Mirrabooka and the Yuggera Dancers. With them is Lola Forrester, of Show Me The Way.

Showing the way



SHOW Me The Way, Australia's online mentoring and social networking program for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students, has been touring the country aiming to help turn teenagers' dreams into realities.

Teenagers like Rheanna Lotter, a teller at the Bowral branch of the Westpac branch, have used the program to gain workplace tips, learn more about their culture, and make inspirational videos of their mentors.

"I was hoping to achieve more confidence in myself, to meet new Indigenous people who were taking part in the program," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"I ended up making some new friends and learnt new skills in the video workshop.

"I would definitely recommend this program to other Indigenous people, it's a great experience to have under your belt when looking for different jobs.

"This program has given me more confidence in myself, and I have gained many friends which will last a life time. My advice for other Indigenous people is to take every opportunity that comes your way because it will always help you in the long run."

Show Me The Way has recently visited Brisbane, Wollongong and Adelaide to help Westpac Indigenous school-based trainees make videos about their fellow colleagues.

In the lead-up to making these videos, the trainees had been connecting online with volunteer Westpac employees to talk about future plans, from finishing high school to fulfilling careers.

Jean Lewis, a business manager with Westpac in Townsville, volunteered to be a learning partner in the program.

"I wanted to be a learning partner to show our kids that nothing is impossible and to never give up," she said.

"Make sure you find a role model at school, home, sporting field and work, because these are the people who will see



Interviewee Lynne Stares with trainee Rheanna Lotter.

your worth and your full potential, and they will stick with you to make sure you will achieve your dreams."

Show Me The Way general manager Chris Maguire said the program encouraged Indigenous students to embrace technology, complete high school and progress to tertiary education.

"It is a disturbing statistic that only 43 per cent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people complete high school," Mr Maguire said.

"Show Me The Way supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and fills the gap where other socio-economic factors may interrupt their learning opportunities."

Mentoring

In making these videos for mentoring purposes, Show Me The Way says it is educating students about the video and editing process; showing them the different sectors in the finance industry; and helping

them to believe in a bright and successful future.

Show Me The Way offers an online platform for Indigenous students to connect with professionals once a week at a designated time for mentoring sessions.

Examples of the videos made by the Show Me The Way students can be found on the Show Me The Way YouTube channel <http://www.youtube.com/user/ShowMeTheWayVideos>



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Membership Approval

This application will be considered by the National Board of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples Ltd at its next available meeting. The decision to approve this application for membership is at the complete discretion of the National Board.

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Luxury lodge opens



Traditional owner Neddy Tambling and IBA CEO Chris Fry on a tour of the local billabong.



A FIVE-STAR resort offering jobs and opportunities for local Indigenous people has been officially opened between Darwin and Kakadu

National Park after being transported from Queensland.

The Wildman Wilderness Resort began its life as Wrotham Park Station in far north central Queensland before being bought by Indigenous Business Australia (IBA). The station was dismantled and transported 3000kms to its current location in 2009, and has since been rebuilt.

The safari lodge features a variety of boutique and environmentally sensitive touring options, including tours of Kakadu National Park and cruising on the Mary River.

Two local Aboriginal people are now employed at Wildman operating the various tour options available to guests, with further avenues for economic development opportunities for other locals being explored.

Anthology, The Traveller's Collection – a company that provides premium quality tourism – is responsible for marketing and managing the business.

Anthology managing director

Grant Hunt said it was a bold move to relocate a luxury resort from one side of the country to the other.

"It has been a rewarding process to go through, and I now look forward to working with IBA to ensure the success of Wildman well into the future," he said.

IBA CEO Chris Fry said the organisation aimed to create pathways for Indigenous Australians that would help unlock the wealth potential of their land.

Opportunity

"IBA sees our involvement in Wildman Wilderness Lodge as an opportunity to work with Anthology and the traditional owners to achieve economic outcomes for Indigenous Australians in the future," he said.

Officially opening the lodge, Federal Indigenous Health Minister and Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon said the resort offered its guests the opportunity to explore the Mary River Wetlands.

"This is a magnificent area of floodplains and billabongs; home to an abundance of birdlife, fish and the iconic saltwater crocodiles," Mr Snowdon said.

"You stay in five-star luxury with five-star wilderness on your doorstep."



Federal Minister for Indigenous Health and local MP Warren Snowdon, IBA chief executive Chris Fry and Anthology managing director Grant Hunt at the opening of the lodge.

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The Northern Territory Government is calling for Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) applications under the following categories:

- CDS Coordinator Approvals
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- NT Container Supply Approvals

To become involved in the Scheme as a CDS Coordinator or Collection Depot you will need to be approved by the Government.

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For more information and application forms visit www.greeningnt.nt.gov.au, email cashforcontainers@nt.gov.au, or phone 1800 752 632.

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National Youth Week 2012 - Queensland Grants

Non-government organisations and individuals are invited to apply for funding to host Queensland National Youth Week events in April 2012 (dates to be confirmed). A total of \$70,000 is available for organisations throughout the state.

Grants will be provided to assist organisations in engaging young Queenslanders in projects, programs, events and activities in their local community to celebrate the contributions young people make to society.

Further information is available by downloading funding submission forms at www.communities.qld.gov.au or phone the Department of Communities' Office for Youth on (07) 3008 8625.

Submissions close at 4pm on Monday 3 October 2011.

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The Voice of Indigenous Australia

Youth stepping up

By KIRSTIE PARKER



LISTENING to revered Central Australian Elder Uncle Bob Randall, he sings and speaks of his life

journey – riding a camel, workshoping identity, putting up tents in the dark with strangers, and chatting with the likes of veteran journalist Jeff McMullen and former AFL great Michael Long.

Each one of these experiences would leave an impression on most people. But imagine encountering them at just 15 or 16 years of age and all within the space of a few days.

This was the whirlwind program for participants in an Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP) excursion to iconic Uluru in the Northern Territory earlier this month.

Luckily all of 130-or-so mostly Year Ten students in the group have already shown plenty of pluck and a desire to 'step up'.

The IYLP, run by the Federal Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR), aims to help close the gap in Indigenous education by helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, especially those from remote and very remote areas, to attend high performing secondary schools and/or universities to complete Year 12 and/or an undergraduate degree.

To be eligible, students need to apply and be able to demonstrate a level of disadvantage, generally



Participants in the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP) at Uluru in the Northern Territory earlier this month.

financial. They need to aspire to a strong education and possible future leadership roles. And they must have the support of their families.

Students are then paired with schools that can demonstrate a receptive and supportive environment and, ideally, subjects that match the students' strengths, for example sporting, agricultural or musical.

The program, which began in 2006, currently supports 514 secondary students and 107 tertiary students with scholarships that are in addition to ABSTUDY and contribute towards the costs for school fees and tuition, boarding and accommodation costs, and practical leadership experiences.

The gender split within these numbers is virtually 50-50. The largest group are from Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

Aspirations

In addition to helping Indigenous students achieve their educational aspirations, the IYLP contributes to the development of a pool of positive role models and future leaders, to inspire other Indigenous students and illustrate the successes that can be achieved through educational attainment.

And the program enjoys a high success rate, according to the Director of DEEWR's Youth Leadership and Mobility Team, Greg Bryant.

"For example, we had 75 kids commence one year as Year 12 students and 73 finished," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Mr Bryant conceded that the issue of Indigenous kids leaving their communities to pursue educational opportunities could be a fairly prickly one.

"None of this means that we don't need to get schools working really well in communities," he said.

"But in some communities, there are just no options available. Our participants generally don't have a lot of access to schools of choice, and some not at all.

"There are currently just over 500 secondary students with scholarships, out of about 70,000 Indigenous secondary school

students nationally, so we're only talking about a relatively small cohort."

The IYLP now has increasing numbers of participants finishing Year 12 and continuing under the program to university or other vocational training. And they're an increasingly tight-knit bunch.

"We help kids start to build networks for life," Mr Bryant said.

"Our kids can be from different schools, universities and states but they generally become friends for life and will support each other through the years.

"This has been almost a by-product of the program but is really quite central to its success."

For more information on the IYLP, visit the DEEWR website at www.deewr.gov.au

Legal honour to treasurer



LAW Society of the Northern Territory treasurer Nigel Browne has been named Indigenous Legal Professional of the Year.

And University of NSW law student and *Indigenous Law Bulletin* editor April Long has taken out the inaugural Indigenous Law Student of the Year for 2011. Both received their awards at the 6th National Indigenous Legal Conference, held this month in Sydney.

The Indigenous Legal Professional Award recognises outstanding Indigenous lawyers who have made a special contribution to the rights of Indigenous people or who have an exceptional commitment to providing legal representation, advice or assistance. The award is open to any Indigenous person admitted as a barrister or solicitor in Australia.

The inaugural Indigenous law student prize is open to any Indigenous person enrolled in a law degree in Australia.

Mr Browne, who works for the NT Department of Justice, was praised by Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland.

"Through his breadth of legal experience and his hard work on a number of Indigenous representative organisations, Mr Browne demonstrates his continuing dedication and commitment to championing the rights of Indigenous people," he said.

The Attorney-General also had words of praise for Ms Long.

"She is an all-rounder who has excellent grades and demonstrates outstanding community participation and involvement," Mr McClelland said.

"I am confident that she will become a leading lawyer and will make an outstanding contribution to her community."



Upgrading the Pacific Highway Ballina bypass

Ballina bypass signs

The 12 kilometre Ballina bypass is nearing completion.

The RTA is seeking comment from the community on the proposed guide signs.

The proposed signage is on display for your comment until **Friday 2 September 2011** at the following locations:

- **Ballina Shire Council**, corner of Cherry and Tamar Streets, Ballina (Mon-Fri, 9am - 4pm).
- **Ballina Bypass Alliance community information centre**, corner Teven Road and Pacific Highway, West Ballina (Mon-Fri, 8am - 5pm).

Comments can be submitted in person at the above locations or sent to the Ballina Bypass Alliance by email or by post using the contact details below. Please send your comments by **Friday 2 September 2011**.

Example sign:



For more information call the project information line on 1800 209 484 (toll free), write to PO Box 303, Ballina NSW 2478, email community.enquiries@ballina.incite.com.au or visit the website www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific



Australian Government

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

REQUEST FOR TENDER for

INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 2012-2015

- Employment Panel
- Economic Development and Business Support Panel

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) is undertaking a competitive tender process to appoint suitable organisations as members of panels for the Indigenous Employment Program 2012-2015. These are the Employment Panel and the Economic Development and Business Support Panel.

Closing the employment gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians is a national priority for the Australian Government. With this aim in mind, organisations are invited to tender to be members of one or both Panels. Panel members will be considered for the provision of Indigenous Employment Program services that help more Indigenous Australians obtain employment or establish businesses.

A Request for Tender (RFT) will be released on Wednesday 24 August 2011. RFT documentation can only be obtained from the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au. You must register on AusTender for access to this documentation.

The closing date and time for the submission of tenders is **4.00 pm Canberra time, Monday 19 September 2011**.

To support the RFT, information sessions will be conducted in all capital cities and in Dubbo, Shepparton, Cairns and Alice Springs from 5-9 September 2011. For further information regarding specific venues, dates and times and to register your attendance, please contact the Employment Services Purchasing Hotline on 1300 733 514.

Enquiries regarding the RFT should be directed to the Employment Services Purchasing Hotline on 1300 733 514 between the hours of 9.00 am and 5.00 pm (Canberra time) Monday to Friday or via e-mail to esprocurement@deewr.gov.au. Visit www.deewr.gov.au/esprocurement for more information.

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Motion supports flood help for Torres Strait



THE House of Representatives has heard a call for recognition of the damage caused by flooding in the Torres Strait islands. Liberal MP Warren Entsch, who represents the northern tip of Queensland, moved a motion that noted Torres Strait Islander people had been

devastated by floods for the past four years yet received no government assistance.

He said Torres Strait Islanders deserved the same rights as the people in areas of south-east Queensland that flooded in January.

The motion called on the Government to restore and rebuild damaged sea walls on the outer islands of the Torres Strait. – AAP

New president for WA legal service



LORRAINE WHITBY has been elected president of the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western

Australia's (ALSWA) executive committee.

The Yamatji woman was one of two candidates representing the Murchison/Gascoyne region.

"I am happy to be committed for the next three years to achieve what I perceive as the best outcome for the organisation which will include governance changes so that the organisation can meet and fulfill future opportunities," Mrs Whitby said.

"I am also grateful to ALSWA members who showed confidence in me through my re-election and executive committee members who have placed their faith and trust in my leadership skills and ability."

With a long-standing involvement on the ALSWA committee, Mrs Whitby has gained an insight into the complexity of issues facing many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who come into contact with the justice system.

"I want to be a part of the solution and ensure that our own culture and family values remain strong for the benefit of our future generations," she said.

"ALSWA plays a major role within this state's justice system and I have a great interest and commitment to addressing the issues that



Lorraine Whitby at the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia in Perth.

impact upon our cultural survival now and for our future generations."

ALSWA CEO Mr Dennis Eggington said the organisation was looking forward to working with the newly elected board.

"Our executive committee each bring a wealth of experience to their roles in representing their communities in the Murchison/Gascoyne, Central/Metropolitan, Goldfields, Pilbara, Central

Desert, Southern, East Kimberley, West Kimberley regions," he said.

"As a peak organisation in this State's justice system, we know that our executive committee members will make invaluable contributions not only to our own organisation, but to the communities which they also represent."

Mrs Whitby has previously represented the Central/Metropolitan region on the 16-member board.



Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

A TERTIARY EDUCATION PLAN FOR GIPPSLAND – CONSULTATION INVITE

On 21 March 2011 the Hon Peter Hall MLC, Minister for Higher Education and Skills announced the establishment of an expert panel to develop a Gippsland Tertiary Education Plan to boost tertiary access, participation and attainment to meet the future industry and educational needs in the region.

After receiving written submissions from stakeholders the Expert Panel is now seeking to meet with interested parties and discuss these issues in face-to-face consultations.

These forums provide an opportunity for further consideration of local issues, knowledge and insight on factors affecting participation in tertiary education.

Public forum meetings will be held on:

Wednesday, 24 August in Leongatha at 10:30am – 11:30am

Thursday, 25 August in Morwell at 11am – 12pm

Wednesday, 31 August in Sale at 11am – 12pm, and

Thursday, 1 September in Bairnsdale at 9:30am – 10:30am.

If you would like to attend a public forum at one of the locations mentioned, please RSVP to the Secretariat at skills.victoria@edumail.vic.gov.au with Gippsland Tertiary Education Plan as the subject, or on (03) 9651 4553 as soon as possible. Please note, places are limited.

The Expert Panel have prepared a discussion paper to consider a number of options focused on the way forward for tertiary education in Gippsland. A copy of the discussion paper can be found at:

<http://www.skills.vic.gov.au/gippsland-tertiary-education-plan>

These forums are an opportunity for the Gippsland community to provide input to and shape the future delivery of tertiary education in their community

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Australian Government

Remote Participation and Employment Servicing Arrangements

NOTIFICATION OF CONSULTATION SESSIONS

The Australian Government is reviewing remote participation and employment services to ensure that the needs of all job seekers living in the remote areas of Australia are met.

The Government believes that new remote services, which it will introduce on 1 July 2013, should be simpler, more integrated and more flexible than existing arrangements.

The Government has produced a discussion paper and is conducting a series of public consultation sessions. It is asking for your views about what is working now, as well as your views about how current arrangements could be improved for the future, so that we can build stronger communities and provide better employment opportunities and outcomes for people living in remote Australia.

Consultation sessions will be held in regional centres and remote communities across Australia in August and September 2011.

If you are unable to attend a consultation session, you may provide your views by e-mail or by post.

For further information, including the consultation schedule and how you can be involved, please visit www.deewr.gov.au/rsr or email remoteservices@deewr.gov.au



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Minister says target topped



THE Australian Government says the Indigenous Employment Program (IEP)

has secured more than 31,000 job and training places for Indigenous Australians during the 2010-11 financial year.

Speaking at the 2011 National Employment Services Association Conference, Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib said the IEP had exceeded its target by 14 per cent.

"Strong partnerships between Indigenous job-seekers, communities, employers and IEP Panel members mean the program is producing results around Australia," he said.

"To continue the success of

the program current members of the Employment Panel and the Economic Development and Business Support Panel, who support the Indigenous Employment Program, will be offered a three-year extension of their contracts.

"The Government will also give more organisations the chance to become IEP panel members allowing them to access the IEP and help create Indigenous jobs."

'Real jobs'

Senator Arbib also announced a change to the IEP aimed at ensuring all programs were linked to 'real jobs'.

"We want to ensure there is no training for training's sake. The IEP will move to a system where any organisation requesting funding for training must provide the link to a job at

the end of it," he said.

"Training is important, but a job provides you with a sense of purpose. Whether it is a reason to get out of bed every day or providing for your family – the IEP is about providing opportunity and long-term jobs for Indigenous Australians."

Senator Arbib said the Federal Treasury had estimated 500,000 jobs would be created over the next two years and it was critical that Indigenous Australians had the support and training they needed to take up employment opportunities.

"Indigenous employment is not a short-term issue," he said.

"Over the next four years, the Australian Government has committed almost \$650 million to the Indigenous Employment Program and \$50 million to the Indigenous Youth Careers Pathway Program."

Praise for ex-minister Clyde Holding



FORMER Hawke Government Aboriginal Affairs Minister Clyde Holding has been remembered as a champion of Aboriginal rights, the arts and a showman with a serious side.

Mr Holding, who was also Victorian state Opposition Leader between 1967 and 1977, died aged 80 earlier this month at an aged-care home in central Victoria.

Former prime minister Paul Keating, who delivered the eulogy, recalled Mr Holding's

tears the night native title legislation passed the Senate.

"He was a blade, Clyde, he was a blade," Mr Keating told the hundreds gathered at the state memorial service at the National Gallery of Victoria in Melbourne. "He was funny, he was a raconteur, he was a showy man about town but he was also a very serious person."

Mr Keating described Mr Holding as the quintessential Labor man, who guided the party through some of its darkest days after the 1955 split.

Former prime minister Bob Hawke was among dignitaries attending the service, as well as Prime Minister Julia Gillard, former Labor premiers John Cain, Steve Bracks and John Brumby, and Victorian Premier Ted Baillieu.

Ms Gillard described Mr Holding's funding of the late Eddie Mabo's native title case in the High Court, despite the Commonwealth being the defendant, as cheeky and courageous.

She noted Mr Holding's disappointment when his attempt to introduce uniform

national land rights was not supported by the Hawke Government after furious lobbying from the mining industry and West Australian premier Brian Burke.

"He didn't get to be the father of national land rights legislation that he ought to have been," Ms Gillard said.

Mr Holding appointed the first Indigenous head of the then Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Charles Perkins, and was responsible for handing over Ayers Rock, now Uluru, to the local Mutitjulu people. — AAP



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, left, with Indigenous services librarians Ronald Briggs and Melissa Jackson and Mitchell Librarian Richard Neville at the launch of the project. Photo by BRUCE YORK

Project to revive lost languages

By MARGARET SMITH



THE State Library of NSW has launched a new project aimed at reviving lost Indigenous languages.

The three-year Rediscovery Program is a research and rescue mission to find and preserve surviving early colonial records of languages spoken by Aboriginal people.

Some of these fragments were noted down by British naval officers, one of them being William Dawes who was the colony's first astronomer, in 1790.

The program has been partially financed by Rio Tinto, and Sydney University linguist Michael Walsh will spend three

months helping to unearth surviving word lists in old library records.

Indigenous librarians Ronald Briggs and Melissa Jackson will follow up by visiting Aboriginal communities to gain permission to use what is found, and recording other information.

Enthusiastic

Human Rights Commissioner Mick Gooda has agreed to be the project's patron, and at the program launch he was enthusiastic when shown some of the word lists in early notebooks.

Mr Briggs told the launch that when the English first arrived, they thought there was just one language. "But in fact there were over 150 languages.

Our work is to make these word lists assessable to people through an education program," he said.

Speaking about the Rediscovery Program, NSW Arts Minister George Souris said a nation's oral and written language 'is the backbone to its culture'.

"The preservation of the languages and dialects of our Indigenous citizens is a very important project in this regard," he said.

● Meanwhile, the State Library's Carved Trees Exhibition opens at Lithgow Library on Friday 26 August. It then goes to Parkes Library on 16 September followed by other regional towns. It's the most successful touring exhibition the library has had. — with AAP

Young going hungry: report



THOUSANDS of children — many of them Indigenous — are going

hungry and living rough in NSW, research has found.

A report by the NSW Commission for Children and Young People has assembled data on the lives of the 1.6 million kids in the state.

It says six per cent of parents have run out of food at some time and could not afford to buy more.

And the problem is worse in rural areas, where 7.5 per cent of children sometimes go hungry.

Nearly 8000 children (one in every 200) were homeless in 2006, with 18 per cent of them aged 12 to 18 living rough on their own.

NSW Children's Commissioner Megan Mitchell says many children are being robbed of opportunities.

"Children who are hungry and who do not have stable and secure housing are gravely disadvantaged when it comes to staying connected to school and the community, or enjoying good physical and mental health," Ms Mitchell said.

"There are some excellent programs in place to assist vulnerable children, but they

cannot overcome the impact of inadequate family incomes and a lack of secure and affordable housing."

Figures also showed that almost 15 per cent of households with children were overcrowded, with the rate for households with Aboriginal children higher.

The Smith Family CEO Lisa O'Brien said children living in disadvantaged households find it hard to access essentials like

uniforms, textbooks and a computer.

"Being unable to 'fit in' with their peers can affect the confidence, self-esteem and aspirations of children and can set up a pattern of under-achievement that may last the rest of their lives," Dr O'Brien said.

"If we don't invest in the future of today's

children, these bleak statistics will become entrenched and the next generation will face the same hardship."

The report was produced in collaboration with the University of NSW Social Policy Research Centre.

It draws on data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the Longitudinal Study of Australian Children and the Longitudinal Surveys of Australian Youth. — AAP

'If we don't invest in the future of today's children, these bleak statistics will become entrenched and the next generation will face the same hardship'

Heritage Act, 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

Strickland House State heritage Register Curtilage Extension, Vaucluse Road, Vaucluse

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

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of any of these places. Please post written information to the address below until 7 September 2011.

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

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8534 or tanya.koeneman@planning.nsw.gov.au.

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Government of South Australia
Primary Industries and Resources SA

DRAFT AQUACULTURE (ZONES – TUMBY BAY) POLICY 2011

INFORMATION SESSION

The draft aquaculture zone policy for the Tumby Bay region has been released by the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries for two months of public consultation.

Officers from Primary Industries and Resources SA Fisheries and Aquaculture Division will hold a public information session for the community to discuss the proposed aquaculture zone policy and the proposed development plan amendment.

Where: Senior Citizens Club, Tumby Terrace, Tumby Bay
When: 3 – 6pm, Thursday 25 August 2011

Copies of the draft policy and policy report are available at: www.pir.sa.gov.au/aquaculture/management_policies/draft_policies

For more information phone (08) 8226 2214.

Submissions on the draft policy must be received by **5pm on Friday 30 September 2011.**

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NT crackdown targets grog



FINES have been increased for anyone caught grog running into Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory, and 850 problem drinkers have been banned from buying takeaway alcohol under tough new restrictions.

NT Minister for Alcohol Policy Delia Lawrie said the Government was sending a clear message by spending \$400,000 of Federal money on a campaign to combat the 'scourge of grog running'.

"A total of 31 Territory communities are being targeted in this campaign with the clear message that grog running is illegal, brings trouble, hurts your family and costs your family too much," Ms Lawrie said last week.

"Under recent changes to crackdown on sly grog sales, the maximum penalty for the illegal trade, sale or supply of liquor was lifted from \$1000 to \$34,250 and if liquor is purchased from an unlicensed dealer, a maximum penalty of \$13,700 can apply."

Ms Lawrie said the campaign was developed with the support of Crime Stoppers, which had agreed to the use of the Crime Stoppers hotline (1800 333 000) as the Grog Running Reporting Line, NT Police, the departments of Health, Education and Training and Housing, Local Government and Regional Services.

She said communication tools included talking books and posters, point of sale posters, school project fact



PAUL HENDERSON

sheets, information sheets, tenancy fact sheets and radio and television commercials.

Meanwhile, NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson said 858 people had been banned from buying takeaway alcohol since the introduction of the Banned Drinkers Register on 1 July.

"My Government is serious about tackling alcohol-related crime and violence and banning problem drinkers from buying alcohol and enforcing the bans Territory-wide for the first time," Mr Henderson said.

"The Opposition continue to ignore the link between alcohol and crime – despite 60 per cent of all assaults being alcohol-related."



ADAM GILES

Mr Henderson said the register was operational in all major centres of Darwin, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs as well as all premises along the Stuart Highway.

He said most Territorians drank responsibly and were not affected by the reforms, with the identification scan a small inconvenience to help curb alcohol-related crime and violence.

But Country Liberal MP Adam Giles said the Government was not dealing with the root causes of alcohol abuse, and had not thought its policy through clearly.

"What it does is turn people with alcohol abuse problems into criminals," Mr Giles said.

NLC, National Bank in Blue Mud Bay deal



THE Northern Land Council (NLC) and the National Australia Bank (NAB) have agreed to work

together to help traditional owners capitalise on the anticipated settlement of the Blue Mud Bay High Court decision.

NLC chief executive officer Kim Hill said last Wednesday that the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the NLC and the NAB for the commercialisation of the court's 2008 decision represented a major step towards building sustainable economic development in the Northern Territory's coastal Aboriginal communities.

The MOU will see the NAB provide financial expertise to assist the NLC in developing long-term business enterprises.

"The NLC is committed to assisting Aboriginal peoples who reside near the intertidal



'The signing of the MOU with NAB is another step towards building viable Aboriginal economic interests and to properly respect the rights of Aboriginal peoples'

– NLC CEO Kim Hill

zone to capitalise on any settlement, and develop the rights recognised by the High Court," Mr Hill said.

"Having NAB on board will assist the NLC to create the maximum benefits for Aboriginal traditional owners."

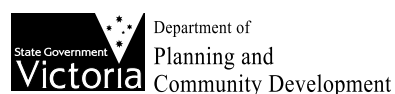
Mr Hill said the court's

decision represented a unique opportunity to achieve commercial and economic benefits for coastal Aboriginal peoples.

"The signing of the MOU with NAB is another step towards building viable Aboriginal economic interests and to properly respect the

rights of Aboriginal peoples," he said.

"NAB launched its Reconciliation Action Plan earlier this year and this MOU confirms the organisation's commitment to using its corporate knowledge to improve the lives of Aboriginal peoples."



Grants for Community Sport and Recreation Groups

If your organisation delivers sport and recreation activities in regional Victoria, it could be eligible for support under the Country Action Grant Scheme and Victalent.

Up to \$5000 per project is available from the Country Action Grant Scheme to:

- Improve your organisation or club;
- Enhance the skills of coaches, officials or administrators; or,
- Help to provide better access for all members of the community.

Eligible organisations may also apply for up to two \$500 Victalent grants to assist with travel related to competition or training for officials, coaches, athletes and teams.

Applications for both programs are now open.

The closing date for applications for projects starting in the first half of 2012 is 7 October 2011.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss their application with a DPCD regional representative before lodging a submission.

To obtain copies of the guidelines and application forms or contact details for assistance with your application, please call our Grants Information Line on 1300 366 356 (for the cost of a local call) on any weekday between 8.30am and 10.00pm (except public holidays).

For further information and to lodge your application online, please visit:
www.grants.dpcd.vic.gov.au.

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A group shot of participants at the gathering. All photos courtesy of the Blank Page Summit

'Hard yarns' – and hope for a better future

By KIRSTIE PARKER



IF gentle words and good intentions alone could heal broken hearts and spirits, Aboriginal communities in Western Australia's Kimberley would be in good shape.

Both were in abundance at a groundbreaking bush gathering held at Billard on the Dampier Peninsula, north of Broome, at the end of July.

But those behind the Blank Page Summit Hard Yarn Youth Mob 2011 know that it is only through a collision of honest conversations – 'hard yarns' – and action that the region's suicide epidemic can really begin to be addressed.

Since April last year, up to 20 Kimberley young people have taken their own lives, an average of more than one a month.

Appalling living conditions, drugs, alcohol, a high incidence of foetal alcohol syndrome, sex abuse, poor health, grim educational prospects and unemployment have all been identified as potential contributing factors.

The statistics are distressing, but the co-convenors of the Blank Page summit – Billard community chairperson Stephen Victor Snr and his daughter and 2011 WA Local Hero Mary Victor O'Reeri – refuse to believe the situation is hopeless.

Even though their own family has been directly touched by suicide, they're convinced and quietly determined to prove that suicide is preventable.

A month or so after the first Blank Page Summit two years ago, Ms O'Reeri travelled to Canberra to share this message with the likes of Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and United Nations Special Rapporteur

We promise...

At the end of the summit, the adults and youth participants made pledges to one another about what they needed to change at a personal level...

● **Adults:** "We pledge as adults today that we will foster leadership through mentoring our young people. We believe strong leadership leads to strong, confident and liveable communities. We pledge that we will send this message to other adults to do the same. We pledge we will become the adults you want us to be."

● **Youth:** "We need to make change together by looking at ourselves, dealing with those hard yarns and standing together as adults and youth, so we can make liveable and safe communities together."

on Indigenous Peoples Professor James Anaya.

She called for communities to be made 'suicide-proof' through a zero-tolerance approach to grog, illegal drugs, child neglect and abuse, and pornography; for Aboriginal families to be trained to be families; and for healing and self-care through staged support.

This year's five-day summit expanded beyond the Kimberley region to attract participants from remote, rural and urban communities throughout Australia, and to

involve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in new ways.

Of the 142 people who attended, about 30 were young people. About 100 came from the community, government and non-government sectors. As in previous years, some were high profile, including Federal Mental Health Minister Mark Butler, WA Health Minister and Deputy Premier Kim Hames, Broome Bishop Christopher Saunders, and WA Chief Justice Wayne Martin QC.

"A lot of money is being spent but not much is happening," Mary O'Reeri told participants early on.

"We haven't had a really hard yarn about why things aren't changing for the better despite the money that's being spent.

"Hard yarns have tough consequences and bring responsibilities. But hard yarns also bring freedom. This summit is about the youth and the hard yarn that needs to happen with the next generation.

"We ask you to have those hard yarns at this summit that you don't normally have in everyday life."

This involved participants asking themselves, 'How can we ensure that young Indigenous people can lead long, strong and confident lives?'

The young people present sent particularly strong messages, organisers said, around a desire for mutual accountability and responsible and inclusive adults who could lay a solid foundation for young people.

"We have heard very powerfully from young people at this summit the sort of things they want to see in terms of responsible parenting, creating the sort of environment in which they would feel the hope and optimism that would prevent the sort of thing that is leading not only to

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Melvina Young (Amata Community, SA).



WA Chief Justice Wayne Martin.



WA Local Hero Mary Victor O'Reeri



William Mandijarra from Wirrimanu (Balgo) and Federal Mental Health Minister Mark Butler.



Thomas Kickett, from Melbourne.

Blank Page Summit 2011



Daniel Rockman from Wirrimanu (Balgo).



Leah Dolby from Broome, WA.



Ahmet Mandijalu from Bidyadanga in WA.



Lucy Rose Doolan from Mildura, Victoria.



John Nicholson from Darnley Island in the Torres Strait.



Rick Hanlon, Ernest Beckley, Carmille Pearson, Aaron Guligo, Marc Harbrow, Angie Nadredre and John Nicholson from AFL Cape York (Qld).



Nelson O'Reeri from Billard, Mark Weston from Warrnambool, Stephen Victor Snr and Beau Foster from Sydney with a surfboard presented by youth at the summit.



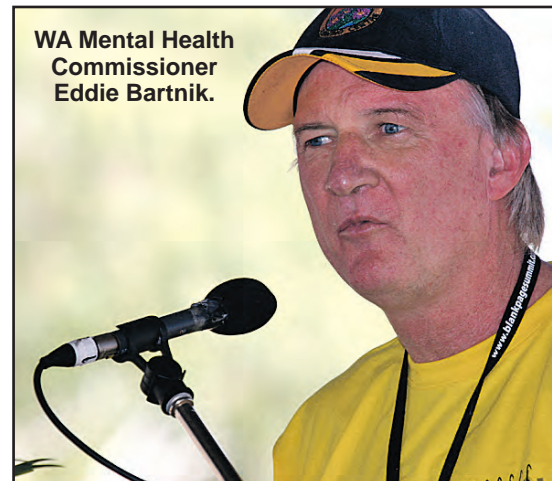
APY youth dancing, from left, Mark Campbell from Mimili, Zibeon Fielding from Mimili, Marshall Williamson, Troy Inkamala and Justin Schilling.



● Above: Women from Wirrimanu (Balgo), from left, Olive Darkie, Aunty Eva Nagomara, Madeleine Nowee, Marietta Nanala, Aunty Imelda Guguman and Aunty Grace Mosquito.



● Left: Marc Harbrow, Mike Board, Lisa Kickett, Aaron Guligo and Anne Russell-Brown.



WA Mental Health Commissioner Eddie Bartnik.



Donna Kickett from Perth.



Josh Sibasado from Broome.



Janine Mandijalu from Bidyadanga, WA.



Ernest Buckley from Horn Island in the Torres Strait.



Stephen Victor Snr, chairperson of the Billard Aboriginal Community.



Madeleine Nowee from Wirrimanu (Balgo).

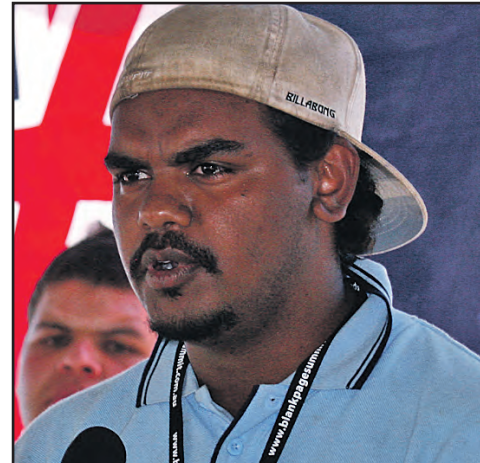


Emily Carter from Fitzroy Crossing.

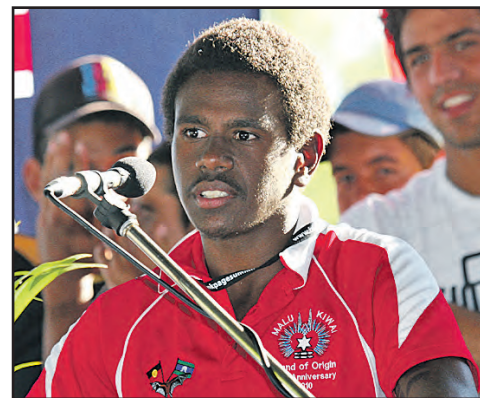
Beau Foster, Kobie Duncan, Trei Stewart, Taylah Quigley and Carla Brown from Kool Kids (NSW).



Rosie Dumoo from Knuckeyes Lagoon in Darwin, NT.



Bradley Gordon from Billard.



Aaron Guligo from Badu Island in the Torres Strait.

Hard yarns at summit

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suicide but also to reckless and offending behaviour that brings them before our courts," Chief Justice Martin said afterwards.

"You can't direct good parenting. You can't make orders about good parenting. You can't impose good parenting on people."

"It has to be encouraged and nurtured by processes that involve support and empowerment of Aboriginal people."

Regional psychiatrist with the Kimberley Mental Health and Drug Service Dr Siva Bala said children needed adults who could 'be there' and provide a secure and safe place for them.

"That's one of the standout messages from the young people here. Young people standing up and saying they want accountability from adults and adults to assume adult roles," Dr Bala said.

"This means adults might have to ask themselves some hard questions."

But Dr Bala said transformation was slowly happening, in places like Wirrimanu (Balgo).

About 20 of this year's



Stephen Victor Snr, Richard Aspinall of FaHCSIA, Mary Victor O'Reeri, and the Wirrimanu (Balgo) community CEO Matt Jennings.

participants came from the East Kimberley community, with whom Billard representatives have been working closely.

Together, they've developed

the 'Stand Up for life' project centred on the power of dialogue, improved social inclusion through community conversations, better community governance based on

hard yarns and localised score carding of service delivery to increase its likely effectiveness.

While the situation in Balgo remains fragile, there've been no

suicides there since 2009.

"So I see hope and resilience and cause for optimism," Dr Bala said. "In spite of the trauma and the historical legacy, there are people standing up for their communities creating change from within."

At the end of the summit, Ms O'Reeri issued her own call to action. She told the youth participants they were Australia's next leaders.

"Keep on doing what you are doing. The journey you took, the hard conversations you had, were just magnificent, it was magic," she said.

Ms O'Reeri also thanked the NGOs and government departments and pledged to all present to work to get the summit's key messages across at state, Commonwealth and international levels.

"I promise you that," she said. "I promise you children that I will do everything in my power, everything in my power to make your voice heard."

For more information on the Blank Page Summit Hard Yarn Youth Mob 2011, visit www.blankpagesummit.com.au

MP welcomes WA Libs' decision



A PUSH within the Liberal Party to end 'welcome to country' ceremonies has been voted down at the party's West Australian conference.

Aboriginal MP Ken Wyatt had told the conference it went against the party's values.

The motion calling for all paid 'welcome to country' ceremonies at government functions and events to be

scrapped was overwhelmingly knocked back by the WA Liberal Party on 13 August.

Mr Wyatt, who became the first Indigenous person elected to the House of Representatives last year, told delegates the move was inconsistent with how their 'great party operates'.

Respect

"I don't want to see division; I'd rather see a cohesive approach in the way that we all

respect each other mutually and acknowledge the pre-existence of not only Indigenous people, but also the British heritage and they stand side by side," he said.

Mr Wyatt said those who conducted 'welcome to country' ceremonies do so having been approached in a free market society, that was fair and open.

"As Liberals, we believe in the innate worth of the individual, in the right to be

independent..." he said.

"Equally, we believe in the freedom of choice and a free go for all."

Rod Henderson, the Liberal Party member who introduced the motion, argued 'welcome to country' ceremonies were divisive and racist as they acknowledged only 'one aspect of society'.

"We should have a balanced society and we don't have a need for this," Mr Henderson said. — AAP



KEN WYATT



Bruce Walker and Marshall Fittler with other concerned Northern Rivers locals, Mary Maloney, Arthur Maloney, Maurice Robinson, Mook Harrington Snr, John Paterson, Susan Paterson, Lyn Bell, Jimmy Budd and Kevin Archibald.

NSW group aims to tackle source of juvenile crime

By DARREN COYNE



A SMALL but enthusiastic group has begun meeting in the

Northern Rivers region of New South Wales in an effort to tackle the roots of youth crime.

Tabulam Elder Bruce Walker and Lismore man Marshall Fittler decided enough was enough while yarning on Bruce's porch one night.

They say too many young people are ending up in trouble, especially those leaving school without a job to go to, and that respect for older people has waned as parents struggled with ways to discipline their children without resorting to the good old-fashioned 'boot up the backside'.

Both men believe there are plenty of retired tradespeople, sportsmen and others who might get involved in developing programs aimed at keeping kids out of the juvenile justice system.

And while the first meeting at the Lismore Workers Club last Saturday was a small affair, it was the beginning of a dialogue between concerned Aboriginal and other locals, which Mr Walker later described as reconciliation in action.

Ideas

Ideas ranged from organising sporting events for local children, blue light discos, meeting with politicians, parenting training, and bringing young people to subsequent meetings to hear their views.

"Jail is no place for our young people," Mr Walker said. "We must do everything to break the cycle of crime and our purpose is to save young people from getting involved with crime by offering alternatives."

Mr Walker said programs developed as a result of the meetings would be designed for Aboriginal and other youth, male and female.

He said they would extend from Byron Bay, south to Yamba and as far west as Drake.

Mr Walker and Mr Fittler are hoping that local politicians and other decision-makers will support their efforts to tackle youth crime.

The meeting proposed another gathering in two weeks.



TRADITIONAL owners have split over the South Australian Government's plan to ban mining in the Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary.

The Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association (ATLA) has described the proposed ban as a 'political stunt' and voted recently in favour of mining. The group said its key issue with the Government was a lack of consultation.

But a rival group known as the Anggumathanha Adnyamathanha Elders, also known as the Camp Law Mob, has urged the Government to push ahead with the mining ban.

Spokeswoman Enice Marsh said the group fully supported the ban in view of their cultural knowledge as traditional owners.

She said future management of the area must include protection under the SA Aboriginal Heritage Act.

"We are the ones in our community who have fought for this and we will keep on fighting to save our spiritual sites," Ms Marsh said in a statement last Tuesday.

In July, South Australian Premier Mike Rann travelled to Arkaroola, in SA's Flinders Ranges, to announce a three-step process to protect the sanctuary.

It will include a mining ban with special legislation, nomination on the National Heritage List and a move to

have it included on the World Heritage List.

The decision has caused concern for uranium explorer Marathon Resources which wants to develop a deposit at Mt Gee, within the Arkaroola region.

The SA Government recently renewed the company's one-year exploration licence but said it also made it clear that the licence did not confer a right to mine.

ATLA chairman Vince Coulthard said his group was the only one that could speak on behalf of the Adnyamathanha people.

He said ATLA had voted in favour of mining but would not allow any new mines without proper consultation.

"This is our land and we want to play a major role in what happens here and how it happens," he said in a statement.

"We are sick and tired of governments treating us as if they know what is best for us and it has to stop."

"Come and talk to us, discuss the options and allow us to make decisions."

"It is not a lot to ask after all these years."

Responding to ATLA's concerns, Mr Rann said the Government would push ahead with the mining ban.

"While I respect the traditional owners, there has been a long process before we came to our decision," he said. — AAP

'Come and talk to us, discuss the options and allow us to make decisions'

Clothing line the right fit for Jess



ABORIGINAL singer Jessica Mauboy has begun producing a range of

'must-have' party dresses in her first foray into the fashion world. Teaming up with Sydney-based brand Kuku, Mauboy has produced a six-piece collection of dresses that will be available in Myer Miss Shops and other premium boutiques this summer.

After recently rejecting a lucrative offer to promote a brand of alcohol because she believed it would send the wrong message, Mauboy said the partnership with Kuku felt right.

"I'm thrilled to be working with Kuku to produce my very

own collection," she said.

"I love fashion and have wanted to create my own range for some time now, however it was essential to make sure the brand I chose was the right fit."

Kuku product manager Jane Hogan agreed that Mauboy and the brand were the right fit for each other.

Collaboration

"When we first began thinking about a collaboration, Jess immediately came to our minds," Ms Hogan said.

"She represents absolutely everything the Kuku girl aspires to be – young, fun, flirty and feminine – not to mention she is arguably Australia's most talented female singer."

The fashion foray comes

as Mauboy is set to feature in a cameo appearance in the *Underbelly: Razor* series. She has also started filming for the star role in her second feature film, *The Sapphires*.

As for the offer to front an alcohol brand, her manager David Champion told Sydney media recently that she had knocked back 'massive money' to front a wine campaign.

"She doesn't want to be preachy about it – she just felt that action speaks louder than words," he said.

"Particularly in regards to alcohol. She really wanted to be accountable."

"She works with a lot of Indigenous kids and knows the problems that alcohol has generated. She felt it just wasn't appropriate."



Jessica Mauboy with clothing by Kuku.



Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett with Rev Sealin Garlett, featured in the *Beeliar Boodjar* booklet.

Booklet makes history



THE Nyungar name for the City of Cockburn, in Perth's south, is Beeliar Boodjar. And that's the name of a free 24-page booklet on the West Australian

council area's Aboriginal history.

The booklet was written by Len Collard and Clint Bracknell with assistance from Sandra Harben, after a review of documents by the University of WA School of Indigenous Studies.

The City of Cockburn Aboriginal History Steering Committee provided objectives for the project and approved its content, while the local Aboriginal Reference Group also gave feedback.

Beeliar are one of the clans of the Whadjuk group of Nyungar – with Beeliar Nyungar literally meaning 'river people'.

Long-time Cockburn resident Rev Sealin Garlett said 'boodjar' meant land to local Aboriginal people.

"It really is the sense of identity and sense of belonging," he said.

"This is demangarmarn, my grandmother and grandfather's

land; this is their land where their spirits move now.

"Boorda, or later on, this is going to be the responsibility of my children and my children's children; their home and this place will always be linked to their spirit."

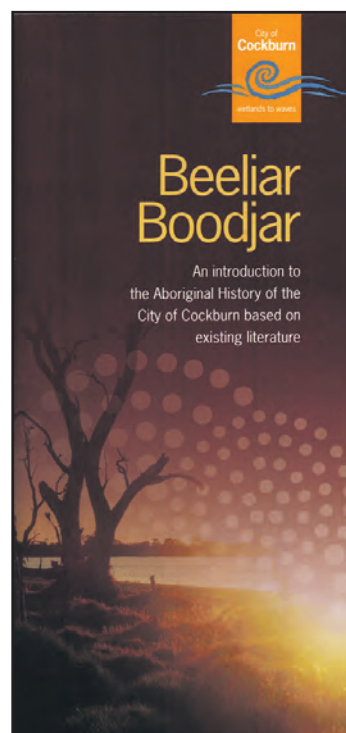
More than 80 sign-posted suburbs, streets and landmarks across the City of Cockburn have Nyungar names.

Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett said *Beeliar Boodjar* was a fascinating insight into local Aboriginal history and culture.

"The fact this publication exists is testament to the strength of our council's connection to the local Aboriginal community and commitment to recognising that aspect of our heritage," he said.

The *Beeliar Boodjar* booklet is available at the City of Cockburn administration building, 9 Coleville Crescent,

Spearwood. It can also be downloaded at www.cockburn.wa.gov.au by clicking on Community Services on the left, then Aboriginal Services – the booklet is on the right.



Expert in Fitzroy Crossing



A SENIOR WA Department of Commerce consumer protection expert is in the northern centre of Fitzroy Crossing this week.

Department senior regional officer for the Kimberley Annetta Bellingeri will be giving advice on property rental, buying cars, making warranty claims or being targeted by uninvited sellers during her visit.

"I will be giving out information about the rights and responsibilities we all have under the Australian consumer law which applies Australia-wide," she said.

During her visit to Fitzroy Crossing Ms Bellingeri will:

- speak with renters, landlords and property managers about their rights and obligations under tenancy laws
- undertake checks at petrol stations to ensure that fuel prices displayed match what is being charged and that accurate information is being supplied in a timely fashion to FuelWatch
- visit retailers to conduct scanning audits ensuring consumers are being charged prices in line with shelf labelling and traders are not displaying illegal signs or messages on dockets which restrict consumer rights, such as 'no refunds'
- check that businesses which require a licence have one, for example motor vehicle dealers and repairers.



The evening Bunggul featured dancers from various Yolngu clans.



The band Coloured Stone was a crowd favourite.



Thomas Gaykamangu, Terence Gaykamangu and Arnold Dhurrkay relax at the camping site prior to an evening of music and bands at Garma.



Indigenous Land Corporation chairperson Shirley McPherson speaks at a forum.



Djarrami Yunupingu and Amy Miller, both from the Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation in Nhulunbuy.

Festival hailed a huge success

By DARREN COYNE



THE 13th annual Garma Festival in north-east Arnhem Land has been hailed a great success in raising the importance of retaining cultural integrity as part of an excellent education. More than 3000 people descended on the remote festival site at Garkula, about 1000kms from Darwin.

Set amid stringy-bark trees on top of a plateau overlooking the Gulf of Carpentaria, the site is where Aboriginal clans have been gathering for thousands of years to share stories, dancing and culture.

These days those same Yolgnu clans gather, but their guests include high-powered politicians, academics, mining magnates and other Aboriginal and non-Indigenous people, including school children, from across the country.

This year, the four-day gathering focused on education and economic empowerment, and featured a full program of music, dancing and workshops.

The theme of Academic Excellence and Cultural Integrity prompted plenty of discussion throughout the festival, which is exactly what Yothu Yindi Foundation chairman Galarrwuy Yunupingu wanted.

"We arrived at the conclusion that in order to shine academically it is vital that we ensure our cultural beliefs are incorporated and boldly celebrated within an educational context," he said.

Mr Yunupingu spoke passionately about the long-held dream and importance of developing the Garma Cultural Institute and a bush college at Garkula, the site of the festival.

He said the institute would be a knowledge centre where Yolgnu cultural knowledge, language and learning could be centralised and

made available, where appropriate, to the public.

The proposed Dhumupa College would complement nearby Yirrkala and Nhulunbuy schools, and would develop support programs for Homeland Learning Centres and other Aboriginal schools.

Mr Yunupingu said Yolgnu people wanted an education system which respected Yolgnu culture, and which provided children with 'a real education'.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin gave an assurance that the Federal Government was committed to improving educational outcomes, but said Aboriginal people needed to work with government to ensure money being allocated was being spent in the most efficient way possible.

She outlined changes to income management that she said provided incentives for parents to get their kids to school.

Professor Marcia Langton, of Melbourne University, facilitated many of the forums, as well as appearing in a film called *Here I Am* by director Beck Cole in the bush theatre at Garma.

Prof Langton said she was particularly impressed with the festival's youth program, under which

200 high schools students from around Australia took part in activities. She said each of them would walk away with a new-found self-esteem and a deeper understanding of Indigenous culture.

In one forum Graham Gee, a director of the Healing Foundation and psychologist based in Melbourne, spoke of the importance of ensuring Aboriginal people were able to fully benefit from their educational opportunities.

"It is our belief that to be able to properly participate in economic prosperity, and to make use of educational opportunities, many of our people who have suffered from

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Matpu Marika of Yirrkala on the microphone during the performance by Groote Eylandt dancers.



Yidaki master Djal Gurruwiwi and his wife Dhopyu Gurruwiwi working on a yidaki.



Gina Hughes, of Cairns, and Jacqueline Griffin, of Brisbane, were working with Sodexo, which provides catering and other services to remote sites.



Ramo Munggurritj gives Garma visitor Leo Zhu a few welcome tips on how to play the yidaki.

Crowd packs Gulkula site

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the impact of trauma need to experience healing," he said.

"We must heal any hurts that have resulted from colonisation and hurts that we have inflicted upon each other within our own communities.

"To that end we want to develop the story of healing as a national agenda. We recognise the absolute need and the importance of social and emotional well-being and mental health programs around the country.

"In our works, healing is about recreating strong spirit, strong culture, strong people."

At another forum, members of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Peoples led by Professor Patrick Dodson, provided an update of their



An open day at the Yirrkala community school had everyone up dancing.

consultations so far, as well as challenging the audience to put forward their views and encouraging others to do so.

And while a majority of the audience supported the idea of constitutional recognition, the major concern raised was

whether enough time had been allocated by the Government to ensure that a referendum was passed.

After a final Bunggul (dance) on Monday evening to end the festival, volunteers were left to pack up the hundreds of tents, while organisers took stock of the event.

Yothu Yindi Foundation chief executive Wendy Ah Chin hailed the event as a great success.

"We built on the momentum starting last year which highlighted Indigenous education excellence as a key focus," she said.

"This year we were able to build on that, as the foundation works hard to establish Dhupuma College and the Garma Institute.

"The festival continues to provide local employment opportunities, supports performers and artists and helps close the gap."

Next year's Garma Festival will be in early August.

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President on hand as alliance forged

By DARREN COYNE

A STRONG alliance has been forged between the Gumatj clan of Arnhem Land and the nation of Timor-Leste.

Leaders from both signed a memorandum of understanding at the Garma Festival, which attracted about 3000 people to Gulkula, a remote ceremonial ground of the Yolngu people in north-east Arnhem Land.

Timor-Leste President Jose Ramos-Horta watched on as the East Timorese Ambassador to Australia Abel Guterres and Gumatj clan leader Galarrwuy Yunupingu signed the document, which paves the way for cultural and trade exchanges.

Mr Yunupingu, chairman of the Yothu Yindi Foundation which runs Garma, told the audience: "We just made history here," while President Ramos-Horta said the document provided 'a framework for how Timor-Leste can co-operate with the Indigenous peoples of East Arnhem Land'.

Earlier, the President had shared 'positive current developments in Timor-Leste' (also known as East Timor), since the small country gained independence from Indonesia in 1999, and became a sovereign state in 2002.

He gave thanks to all Australians for their support, and during a wide-ranging, off-the-cuff speech, provided an insight into the principles of forgiveness, reconciliation and direct action, which were forging his young nation.



East Timorese Ambassador to Australia Abel Guterres and Gumatj clan leader Galarrwuy Yunupingu with President Jose Ramos-Horta at the Garma Festival.

"I have been all over the world, to 134 countries. I have been a direct witness to many conflicts around the world and many efforts of reconciliation," he said.

"I have been to Kosovo, Bosnia, South Africa, Guatemala, El Salvador, and in south-east Asia, Korea and the Philippines, and can I say, I am very proud of our record in Timor-Leste.

"Despite 24 years of violence – and hardly a family in Timor-Leste

escaped the violence – there has been no hatred, no demonising the Indonesian side.

"Not one single Indonesian civilian was killed in 24 years of occupation. Two hundred thousand Timorese died but not a single Indonesian civilian.

"Military? Yes!

"There is an Indonesian cemetery next to our cemetery and it is protected and clean.

"There are many Indonesians,

small shop owners and large shop owners, street vendors ... not a single incident involving them.

"Many Timorese collaborated with the Indonesians and not one of them has been prosecuted or persecuted by us.

"Those who defected to the Indonesian side and took their weapons, they are back in the military.

"This is extraordinary goodwill and a quality that we must always

cherish and that's why I believe in the campaign (to have) Dili (recognised as) the City of Peace.

"One day the whole notion of violence will disappear from practice and our daily vocabulary."

President Ramos-Horta also spoke about 'illegal migrants', telling the audience that he and his brother were in Australia illegally in 1972.

"I always tell our people that they should not resent others who for some reason leave their own country, whether it be Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, and come to our country," he said.

"A migrant doesn't take away jobs from us. They help create jobs, and they can help us create wealth in our country."

President Ramos-Horta also spoke about the need for compassion when building a new country or society.

He said his country's Government had introduced numerous programs, funded by petroleum reserves, to improve education and health, as well as the general wellbeing of the population.

And he spoke about the power of change made possible by technology.

"Don't ever underestimate what you can do to promote justice and equality, especially with the internet," he said.

After his speech and the signing of the memorandum, the President spent almost an hour speaking with people from the audience and having his picture taken.



National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Jody Broun.



Professor Patrick Dodson spoke about the importance of constitutional recognition of Indigenous people.



Yirralpa rangers Angelina Marika, Bridget Mununuggurr and Carol Mununuggurr at the festival.



National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Les Malezer.



Mining magnate Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest, of Fortescue Metals.

Annual Cultural Fest proves popular



From left, Moses Nelliman, Francesca Nelliman-Adams, Peta-Rae Nelliman-Adams and Tristan Nelliman-Adams enjoying the Cultural Fest on Townsville's Strand.



Young members of the Whuntunah Jaban dancers perform.

Townsville packed

By ALF WILSON in Townsville



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people turned out in big numbers for Townsville's most popular festival, the annual Cultural Fest which has run for the past 17 years.

Presented by the Townsville Intercultural Centre with the Townsville City Council as a major sponsor, the festival ran from 17-21 August at Strand Park beside the sea. More than 70,000 people were expected to attend, and queues were long.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men, women and children appeared to have the biggest representation.

Guests were welcomed to country by Associate Professor Gracelyn Smallwood. The Aboriginal Whuntunah Jaban dancers and the Murray Island dancers were amongst the first groups on stage.

"It was great to do all our dances," said Whuntunah Jaban leader Frank Willis. "There'll also be another group here from Palm Island."

Indigenous storytellers explained the mysteries of how Aboriginal people interpreted the star formations.

This year, three stages were used including the main one with seating for 1000.

The nearby Global Village featured 70 stalls selling arts, crafts, clothes, jewellery and novelties.



Happy workers at Naianga's Torres Strait Islander food stall ready to feed the Cultural Fest crowds.



Estelle Nero and Dan Murphy from Mornington Island were amongst the stallholders at this year's Townsville Cultural Fest.

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Office in call for trainees



THE NSW Office of Environment and Heritage

(OEH) is seeking applicants for its 2012 Aboriginal cadet and traineeship program.

Head of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service Sally Barnes said the program was an important element of the OEH commitment to protecting Aboriginal cultural heritage within parks, reserves and cultural sites. "The four cadet and 11 trainee positions provide opportunities for Aboriginal people to be involved in the protection of cultural heritage in NSW," she said.

Cadet ranger positions are based at Moama, Bourke and Narooma and a cadet business officer position will be in the Sydney Metropolitan area. The trainee positions will be at Botany Bay, Nelson Bay, Cobar, Bourke, Tumut, Glen Innes, Mathoura and at Kinchega and Mutawintji national parks near Broken Hill.

Ms Barnes said cadets undertake a range of activities and assist with local programs to protect Aboriginal and historic heritage and the environment. Details at www.environment.nsw.gov.au

Program on offer



A NEW 12-month Indigenous employment program will provide 10 Indigenous

job-seekers with pre-employment training, mentoring and job placements in the Northern Territory construction industry. Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib said the program was designed to provide the participants with the skills they needed to find and sustain work in the construction industry.

"The 10 week training course includes training in units from Certificate III in General Construction and Certificate III in Civil Construction (Plant Operation). Included in the training is also work experience and work preparation training," he said.

"The training will ensure the participants will receive the skills they need to find a meaningful job in the construction industry and also an opportunity to move into apprenticeships and continue with their qualifications."



The Undoonoo Day Care Centre's NAIDOC march in perfect weather at Woorabinda, in central Queensland.

Spirit is strong in Woorabinda



All dressed up and ready to dance ... Undoonoo's NAIDOC Ball entrants.



Riki-Lee McInerney who won the Pre-Prep girls trophy and prize.



Geraldine Barber holds Faith Malone, an entrant in the NAIDOC Ball babies group.



TRUE 'Wooree style' was on show last month when the Undoonoo Day Care Centre at Woorabinda in Central Queensland celebrated NAIDOC. The centre hosted its annual Day Care NAIDOC Ball

(baby show), as well as a community march, barbecue, art and craft activities, face painting, cultural games and sports.

Undoonoo director Ursula Barber said the day always drew a good crowd and gave parents and families an opportunity to come together.

"It was very difficult for the judges to decide who would be the runner-ups and winners for each of the age groups for the boy and girls and pick the King and Queen of Undoonoo 2011," Ms Barber said.

Those honours ultimately went to Eli Morgan and Geraldine Malone.



Geraldine Malone was crowned Queen of Undoonoo 2011.



Leslie Taylor and Jack Ross from Koori Kids Menai with Katrina Ross.

Deadly day for tiny tots at Marrickville



FAMILIES and communities from north, south-east and inner-western Sydney gathered in Jarvie Park, Marrickville, this month to celebrate National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day.

The event also marked the launch of new resources from the Aboriginal Child Health and Family Strategy 'Deadly Tots; Love Yarn Sing Read Play Project'.

The resources, developed with families from Ngala Nanga Mai Parent Group La Perouse, the Multi Mix Mob Marrickville and the Koori Kids Play Group Menai, were launched by Janet Schorer from Community Services and Peter Shine, manager Aboriginal Child and Adolescent Health and Wellbeing.

The Multi Mix Mob performed their song *Love Yarn Sing Read Play* for the first time.

The children joined in cultural activities on the day, with rock art painting, dance, singing shell art, cooking healthy bush tucker, and stories.



Maxine Ryan showing the kids shell art.



Sandra Murphy, Lola Callaghan and Katrina Ross from Ngala Nanga Mai Parent Group at La Perouse in Sydney's south.



Marist College Emerald's Abbie Ongheen, Anglican Bishop Alf Chipman and Blackwater State High School's Kieran Ray during the JAM workshop at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

Youth jam along at workshops



ABOUT 1500 young people from the Queensland Central Highlands region have been engaging in musical workshops and local public

performances thanks to a Brisbane-based music group that has been touring the region.

JAM Australia has been sharing the art, trade and opportunities of music with the communities of Woorabinda, Emerald, Capella, Clermont, Blackwater, and Springsure.

The JAM Central Highlands Tour also included Aboriginal and cultural activities in recognition of the region's recent NAIDOC celebrations.

It marked the second consecutive year that the program has received support from the Kestrel Mine Aboriginal Community Development Fund, established in 1999 through a negotiated land access agreement with the Western Kanguulu People, and the Kestrel Mine Community Development Fund. The funds provided a total of more than \$32,000 for this year's tour.

"These funds were the first to come on board and support this project," said JAM Australia project manager Michael Thomas.

"It has been a huge hit in the region and this year attracted further funding support from organisations including Anglicare Central Queensland, the Central Highlands Regional Council, and Central

Queensland Indigenous Development Ltd in Emerald.

"The Central Highlands is by far the largest community outside of Brisbane that we visit and it's been great to help its young people develop their musical skills through our workshops, which feature a range of activities."

The activities include songwriting, recording songs, dancing, making instruments, body percussion, and demonstrating the knowledge learnt through public performances.

Support

Kestrel Mine Aboriginal Community Development Fund spokesperson Patrick Malone said that the fund was pleased to support the tour in the Central Highlands, which typically has limited music teachers, professionals, and music programs for young people.

"Music and dance is a creative and almost universal way for young people to communicate, especially Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth," he said.

"The JAM workshops and performances are helping develop raw musical talent and skills, but also build up confidence in our young people."

"...We want more young people to realise their potential and, by doing this, increase a whole host of life skills including team work, confidence, and initiative to help us build diverse and sustainable communities in the region."

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A file photo of Yulparija artist Jan Billycan who won the \$10,000 Western Australian Artist Award (photo courtesy of Short St Gallery) and, at right, the winner of the \$50,000 Western Australian Indigenous Art Award Gunybi Ganambarr, in front of some of his artworks, with friend and fellow artist Yinimala Gumana (with clap sticks).



Awards finalist Angkaliya Curtis looking at one of her artworks on display at the Art Gallery of Western Australia.



Finalist Michael Cook with his artwork *Through My Eyes*, a series of photographs of all of Australia's prime ministers, with photographs of Indigenous people overlaid.



Awards finalist Reko Gwaybilla Rennie in front of his artwork.



Awards curator Glenn Iseger-Pilkington (right) with Jan Billycan's son Kevin Nanudie, who accepted the award on her behalf.

Indigenous Art Award



A scene from the opening night of the 2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards held at the Art Gallery of WA in Perth.



Awards finalist Angelina George in front of one of her artworks.

Yolngu man wins

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



AFTER being named winner of the 2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Award, Yolngu artist Gunybi Ganambarr gave a spontaneous yidaki performance while his friend and fellow artist Yinimala Gumana joined him on the clap sticks.

Awards curator Glenn Iseger-Pilkington said such a 'gracious and rich' acceptance by the winner of the \$50,000 award – judged on a body of work rather than a single piece – 'really added to the ambience' of the official opening at the Art Gallery of WA in Perth on 12 August.

"It was really beautiful," he said. "All of Gunybi's work is connected to Yolngu songlines, so they brought in the yidaki and sang to all of the works. 'All of these ancestral stories in his work are linked very strongly to Yolngu culture... there was a sense of him paying homage to his ancestors and old people.'"

WA Arts Minister John Day presented the award to Gunybi Ganambarr, who was selected from 16 finalists (three from WA and 13 from other parts of the country).

Yulparija artist Jan Billycan was named winner of the \$10,000 WA Artist Award, with her son Kevin Nanudie accepting on her behalf.

"Gunybi Ganambarr's innovative use of unexpected materials such as conveyor belt rubber and insulation material takes a traditional form



LEFT: *Dhangultji* (detail), 2010 by Gunybi Ganambarr, ochre, earth pigment, sawdust and acrylic binder on hollow log. RIGHT: Artists Angkaliya Curtis and Marinka Baker from the APY Lands check out an installation by finalist Reko Gwaybilla Rennie called *Remember Me* – a recreation of a humpy with a video installation inside. Rennie's mural *The Rekospective* can be seen in the background.



in a new direction, while maintaining and celebrating Yolngu culture," he said.

Ganambarr who is from the Ngaymil clan, spent ten years working as a carpenter with Laynhapuy Homelands, building houses around north east Arnhem Land. The 38-year-old first came to notice as an artist in 2002 with a carved and painted ironwood sculpture of a wurrin or cormorant – a totem of his mother's clan. He said the wood's natural shape suggested the form, which he felt compelled to reveal.

Iseger-Pilkington said there

were about 600 people at the opening night, with a great deal of excitement and anticipation in the lead up to the announcement of the winners.

He said the awards celebrated the depth and diversity of Indigenous art. "What we're starting to see after four years is some interesting dialogue about what Indigenous art is," he said.

"And some real excitement about work that sits outside of what people's pre-conceptions might be."

Iseger-Pilkington said Kamilaroi urban artist Reko

Rennie's installation work *Remember Me* had provided an interesting example of different audience viewpoints.

A recreation of a humpy, with a video installation inside, Iseger-Pilkington said a lot of gallery visitors had referred to it as 'a shed'. But when Pitjantjatjara artists Angkaliya Curtis (one of the 16 finalists) and Marinka Baker (a celebrated APY Lands painter) approached the humpy, their response had been 'Look at this lovely little house'.

"It really goes to show the difference between Aboriginal

people living in remote areas on country, and people living in cities," he said.

"Humpys are everywhere in Indigenous Australia. These are people's homes and they provide shelter and they are really important to them."

The 2011 WA Indigenous Art Awards exhibition runs until December 19 at the Art Gallery of WA. A People's Choice Award of \$5000 will be made to the most popular artist as voted by exhibition visitors. The winning artist will be announced online on 24 November. For more details go to www.artgallery.wa.gov.au

Cairns fair offers a feast of works



A young member of the Arpaka Dance Company from Moa Island at the fair opening night.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



WHILE only in its third year, the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) is fast

becoming something of an institution to the thriving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts community of Queensland.

Not to mention the thousands of out-of-state and international visitors who come for the art but stay for the rich cultural expression being forged over a packed three-day program. Diverse art practices came from remote Cape York communities and the Torres Straits to the city streets of Brisbane, and just about everywhere in between.

It was a visual feast of colour and culture for the 1000-plus crowd that gathered last Thursday on the waterfront of the Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal for the opening night party.

Jazz singer Wilma Reading headlined the night, with other stand-out performances by the Mornington Island Dancers who mesmerised the crowd, and, livening thing up a little, the Arpaka Dancers from Moa Island.

But amidst the celebrations, there were also some sombre notes.



Arukun artist Jean Walmbeng shows her colourful ghost net designs. This is her first year at the art fair.

Many remembered the extraordinary life of one of Australia's leading Indigenous ceramic artist, Thapich Dr Gloria Fletcher, a respected Thaynakwith

Elder and a pioneer in the arts.

A special memorial ceremony was held in her honour last week.

Qld Arts Minister Rachel

Nolan opened CIAF by saying that it had built up a reputation as Australia's leading Indigenous art fair.

It's estimated that since its inception in 2009, CIAF has brought more than \$2.42 million to the Cairns economy, selling more than \$1.2 million in art alone.

"CIAF provides an ethical environment for Indigenous artists to sell their work, and in the past two years has proven its worth as a driver of economic and social reform in the arts industry," Ms Nolan said.

"This event provides Indigenous artists with a chance to show their work in a professional context, some for the first time, but also for others to win national recognition and in some cases international sales."

Artistic director Avril Quail said she welcomed the opportunity to lead the fair in its year of firsts – the first year with an Indigenous person at the helm as well as a brand new location.

"Indigenous arts centres are really shining from the Federal and State Government support, it has really recharged the batteries of Indigenous artists and cultures and these are exciting times for us," Ms Quail said.

● See the next edition of the *Koori Mail* for more on CIAF 2011

Applicants wanted



APPLICATIONS are open for the Wesfarmers Indigenous Arts Leadership program.

Under the program, up to 10 Indigenous people will go to the National Gallery of Australia in Canberra to learn about the visual arts and museum sector over 10 days.

The program also allows for ongoing connection with the gallery and the Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Fellowship network.

For more information or to apply, visit www.nga.gov.au/wesfarmersfellowship/Default.cfm?MNUID=3 Applications close on 9 September.

TRACT

Fri 2 & Sat 3 September, 7pm

Realised by composer-violinist Erkki Veltheim, *Tract* is an inspired collaboration between the members of the young Wägilak Group from South East Arnhem Land, the Australian Art Orchestra and performed for the very first time in Melbourne with the Musicians of the Academy.

This concert also features the trumpet mastery of Scott Tinkler in John Rodger's *Glass* and the world premiere of Paul Grabowsky's *Smoke*, specially commissioned by ANAM.

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GRABOWSKY *Smoke* world premiere
RODGERS *Glass*

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The Mornington Island Dancers gave a haunting performance at the CIAF opening party on Thursday night.



One Mob Different Country, a dance troupe made up of men from all over the Top End, performed at the official opening of the art fair.



Jennifer Dickens, who works full-time at Mangkaja Arts in the Kimberley township of Fitzroy Crossing, said it was her second year at DAAF. She said it was mostly 'the old people' making art at Mangkaja and her job was to record the stories of the paintings, as told by the artists in Walmajarri language and generally assist them.

Darwin hosts major art fair

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



FOR event manager Tony Collins, one of the highlights of this year's Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair (DAAF), which ran from 12-14 August, was when the Lajamanu women from the Warnayaka Art Centre put on an unscheduled dance performance.

"It was quite a significant occasion," he said. "They were all painted up... one woman was explaining the dances in reference to the paintings that were on display at their booth. It was quite a cultural experience."

"It's really what we are trying to do with the art fair. Instead of just people coming and looking for bargains, it's about sharing culture as well."

"It really does have that community education function. Tourists as well as Darwin residents can talk to Aboriginal people, they can find out about where the art comes from and find out about the traditions. You don't really get that in an art gallery. That's what we think makes the art fair unique."

For those who missed the performance, Mr Collins said there was a video recording of it under the 'news' section on the DAAF web-site, where there were also interviews with artists.

He said they had tried to put an emphasis on their on-line coverage of the event this year,



Artists from Warlpiri-owned and operated Warnayaka Art Centre, based in Lajamanu in the northern Tanami region, Biddy Nungarrayi Long, left, and Judy Napangardi Martin. The Warnayaka women put on an unscheduled dance performance in front of their booth on the Saturday.

including on FaceBook and Twitter. For the first time, DAAF also had a mobile phone-friendly website, so that people could check out information on their phone while visiting the fair.

"We put a bit of effort into the on-line coverage, with interviews and photos going up on to the website while the fair was on," he said.

"We're trying to broaden the audience with an electronic presence."

Another first for DAAF this year was the diversity of workshops being held. In a first-time collaboration, fibre artists from across Arnhem Land – Gapuwiak, Elcho

Island, Gunbalayna and Numbulwar – jointly presented a series of workshops and demonstrations.

Now in its fifth year, the three-day art fair featured a record number of stalls from Western Australia, the Northern Territory and South Australia, showcasing the work of established and emerging artists.

While there were mixed reports on sales, Mr Collins said some art centres had told him their sales were up on last year.

A survey was being done and an exact sales figure would be known in a couple of weeks, he said.

"If we matched the sales figures from last year we would count that as growth in the current climate," he said.

"Art sales are going backwards, so if we hold our own that would be the equivalent to expansion."

In her speech at the official opening of DAAF 2011, senior curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art at the National Gallery of Australia Franchesca Cubillo paid tribute to the artists present whose work was 'so rich' and 'so dynamic', their ancestors who were 'still teaching' and the cultural traditions and stories which were 'still strong'. She also praised the art centres.

"All the wonderful art centres that are represented here – some 43 – are the facilities that have made this appreciation (of Aboriginal artwork) possible," she said.

"They are the intermediaries, they are the ones that say to the art sector, 'stand back a bit and let our people do what they need to do'."

"They are the ones who say 'no, you should be paying more for that, because that's a good painting, and that's a strong Dreaming'."

"They are the ones who help the artists fill out those government forms. They are the ones who provide that safe place to create and do what they do best – and that is, teach their art and culture to the wider world."



Senior curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art at the National Gallery of Australia Franchesca Cubillo, who is from the Larrakia/Bardi/Wadaman and Yanuwa peoples, spoke at the official opening of the 2011 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair. She is pictured here with Diat Alferink.



Selina Nadjowh during one of the weaving workshops held during DAAF 2011.

Focus on the Telstra Art Award



Members of Ngarukuruwala – The Tiwi Strong Women Choir group performed at the awards presentation evening in Darwin.



Awards finalist Alison Riley with her work *Seven Sisters* on opening night.



Artist Patsy Marfura with Clara Kunudu at the artists' preview.



Larrakia woman Ali Mills gave the welcome to country at the awards presentation, performing the song *Arafura Pearl*, which was written by her mother Kathy Mills.

NATSIAA winners awarded

AN expectant crowd enjoyed the sunset and the desert reggae sounds of Tjupi Band on the front lawns of the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT), waiting for the announcement of the 28th National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award (NATSIAA) winners.

Top honour went to 96-year-old South Australian artist Dickie Minyintiri, who began painting at Ernabella Arts in 2005.

Speakers at the 11 August event included Art Gallery of NSW senior curator Hetti Perkins, who said mainstreaming Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts had failed, and what was missing was 'our own properly resourced national cultural centre'.

Artworks in this year's Telstra Art Award exhibition (which runs at MAGNT until 30 October) are also featured on an interactive website www.nt.gov.au/natsiaa



Winner of the Wandjuk Marika Memorial Three-Dimensional Award Gali Yalkarriwuy Gurruwiwi with his wife Jane Garrutju at an artists' preview before the presentation.



Awards finalist Hector Burton with his work *Arumara Tjukurpa*. The painting tells a story about kinship groups represented in the Central Desert region of Australia. Arumara means caterpillar and Tjukurpa refers to the creation period. "The caterpillars travelled far and wide and all met up in one resting place and the women danced in the fire and gave the men a ceremonial stick," Burton said. "This was a beautiful ceremony I experienced a long time ago."



A scene from the NATSIAA exhibition opening night at the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT on August 11.



Tangentyere artist and finalist Margaret Boko with her artwork *Looking for Kampurarrpa* at the Telstra Art Award exhibition opening night in Darwin.



Lena Nyadbi was there with a cohort of artists from Warmun.



Mawalan Marika II presented the Wandjuk Marika Memorial Three-Dimensional Award, which is named after his father.

Brisbane gets festive



Mirdidingkingathi Juwarnda Sally Gabori, whose art inspired an intricate installation that will be suspended above QPAC for the duration of the festival. Photo courtesy of the Brisbane Festival



INDIGENOUS artists – visual, musical and theatrical – feature in the program for the 2011 Brisbane Festival, which starts early next month.

Mirdidingkingathi Juwarnda Sally Gabori's art inspired an installation that will be suspended above Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) at South Bank for the duration of the festival (3-24 September).

The installation will be between the towers at QPAC and is made from parachute silk, which will glow as light reflects off and travels through its surface.

Renowned Aboriginal theatre company Ilbijerri is bringing Aboriginal icon Jack Charles and his performance *Jack Charles v The Crown* to the Brisbane Powerhouse for its Queensland premiere from 7-10 September.

The founder of the first Aboriginal theatre company in Australia, Charles is an actor, musician, potter and performer, but in his nearly 70 years he has also been homeless, a heroin addict, a thief and a regular in Victoria's prisons.

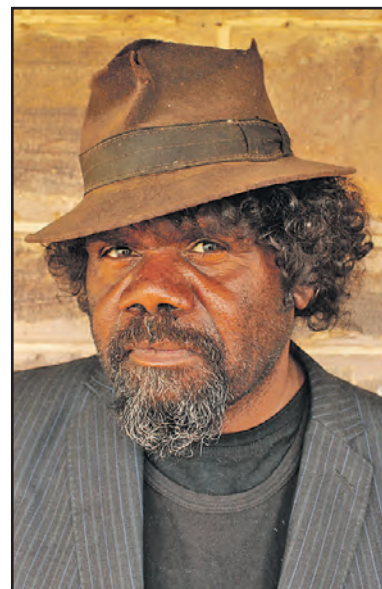
In 2008, the award-winning documentary based on Jack's life, *Bastardy*, was released and Jack was inspired to turn his life around.

Brisbane Festival artistic director Noel Staunton said it was a privilege for the festival to bring the 'living legend' to a local stage where he will share his colourful past for the first time in Queensland.

"Jack's story is inspiring, and at times confronting, but the audience



JACK CHARLES
Photo by Bindi Cole



FRANK YAMMA
Photo by Murray Lui

will certainly leave with a deeper world perspective and greater goodwill towards humanity," Staunton said.

Pitjantjatjara musician Frank Yamma is also expected to strike a chord with audiences when he performs at *The Courier-Mail* Spiegeltent on 22 September.

Five-star reviews

Regarded as one of Australia's most important Indigenous songwriters, Yamma's recent album *Countrypman* received five-star reviews in Australia and Britain.

Noel Staunton said he was looking forward to Yamma's performance, which follows on from his highly anticipated tour of Britain and Europe.

A play titled *If I Drown I Can Swim*, a performance which is part

of Under the Radar, Brisbane Festival's experimental art program, is also on the program.

If I Drown I Can Swim is the first full-length play by Maitland Schnaars, co-founder of Corazon de Vaca, former artist in residence at Rorelsen Choreographic Centre in Sweden and current artistic project director of the Western Australian Aboriginal Contemporary Dance Company.

The performance explores mixed-race identity through father-son relationships and a series of relationships with women. It will be performed at the Sue Benner Theatre, Metro Arts on Monday 5, Tuesday 6, Thursday 8 and Friday 9 September.

Visit www.brisbanefestival.com.au for the festival program and ticketing information.

Daphne's art prize win an early birthday present



DAPHNE (Kal-Ma-Kuta) Dux had several reasons to celebrate earlier

this month. Her painting *Summer Magic* took out first prize in the Aboriginal Painting section at the 27th Bentley Art Prize, in the northern rivers region of NSW.

Daphne, who started painting at age 77, said she had entered and won a few prizes in previous years, but the \$500 first prizemoney, sponsored by the *Koori Mail*, was her biggest win yet – an early birthday present as the following day she turned 83.

Meanwhile, an ink portrait of Daphne by Lismore artist Clare Twomey called *Daphne 'Kal-Ma-Kuta' Dux*, took out first prize in the Art Other Than Painting section.

A Joondobarri woman originally from Bribie Island, but now living in northern NSW, Daphne said details surrounding the portrait told the story of her great grandmother Kal-Ma-Kuta, whose name she carries.

Pointing to a boat and a figure swimming through the



waves, which forms part of the portrait's background, Daphne said her great grandmother had saved a lot of people who were ship-wrecked around Bribie Island. "That's how she met her husband," she said. "Because his boat capsized and she went out into the water and saved him."

● Above: *Koori Mail* director Ron Randall with Daphne (Kal-Ma-Kuta) Dux and her winning painting *Summer Magic*.

● Right: Clare Twomey's ink portrait of Daphne Dux.



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Purcell's role a labour of love

By MARGARET SMITH

ENTERING the Sydney Theatre Company performance of *Blood Wedding*, the first thing audiences see is Leah Purcell sitting in the middle of the stage.

She looks magnificent as, dressed in black, she stares out into the dark. Beside her, a guitarist plays a Spanish melody – his notes setting the scene for this work of Spanish playwright Federico Garcia Lorca.

The late Lorca – he died in 1936 at the age of 38 – wrote boldly radical poems and plays about his country's farming poor, subject matter he described as 'this mysterious force that everyone feels and no philosopher has explained ... the spirit of the earth'.

Blood Wedding is part of a trilogy and tells the story of a mother's love for her son. The mother, Purcell's character, is passionate about the need to keep him from harm. She has already lost her husband and another son to the region's violence, and warns that men's love of knives and guns brings them all undone.

They are a proud family who've farmed their property for generations. Their blood ties mean more than anything.

But her son has fallen in love and begs his mother to let him marry the girl from a farm way out in the dry country. He is exhausted by all his hard work and wants a family of his own.

The mother knows that the girl is wrong for her son, and her friend confirms this with news of the girl's previous love. Despite her fears, the mother gives her son her blessing for the wedding.

And, so, the stage is set for a Romeo and Juliet-like love story, with musical interludes of fast Spanish music, dancing and clapping. The audience is also introduced to some mythical creatures that add to the tragic dimension.

In an interview after the play, Leah Purcell described the play as being 'about passion and front-footedness'.

"This is just natural to me. I grew up like that – the importance of land and a big family," she said.

Purcell's award-winning *Box the Pony* and, later, *Seven Stages of Grieving* told some of her own dramatic story growing up in Queensland's Murgon, the youngest of seven children.

She said the six-week rehearsal period for *Blood Wedding* had helped her understand Lorca's text and rhythms.

"It's been full-on getting the emotional journey. I'm always learning stuff... it's like training, you become strong," she said.

"...You have to dig deep and come back with more knowledge and will power."

Lately, Purcell has been working on her feature film script about a netball team. After the STC season, she'll return to her last year as artistic director at the Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts (ACPA) in Brisbane, which will soon stage Jane Harrison's play *Stolen*.

Blood Wedding plays at Wharf 1, Sydney Theatre Company, until 10 September. Tel (02) 9250 1777.

Jandamarra stars

Kimberley tour hailed a success



JANDAMARRA'S highly anticipated tour of Western Australia's Kimberley region came to a close last week, with highlights

including performances in the spectacular Windjana Gorge, in the heart of Bunuba country.

More than 5000 people attended the 13-night season from 13 July to 6 August, encompassing Broome, Windjana Gorge, Halls Creek and Kununurra.

Not even freezing cold nights or a dog walking on stage mid-show could hinder the performances.

On the closing night at Windjana Gorge, most of the Bunuba community joined the cast on stage for the final song and dance.

Bunuba woman Patsy Bedford's stage debut as Jandamarra's mother Jini won her fans. And Damion Hunter, who played Jandamarra, impressed many by mastering the Bunuba language in a



Jandamarra tells Georgie, played by Mark Coles, the Bunuba people are reclaiming their country.

Photo: Matthew Scurfield

short time for the production.

Bedford said the play had been a 'real eye-opener' for many locals.

"They never experienced a theatre play, from the little kids, right up to the adults," she said.

"And when they did, at the end

of the night, they just said 'Wow!'

"At Windjana, all the little kids were talking Bunuba, surprising us all. For us, it was really spiritual, it was sad leaving the place, but we knew the place had come alive. We had brought the place alive.

"Although *Jandamarra* is gone,

we think Jandamarra is still alive, more alive in a different way."

Bunuba Films company director June Oscar, from Fitzoy Crossing, said people felt moved and connected by the play.

"People were brought to tears with this. Some people for the first

time had heard this story told by Aboriginal people," Ms Oscar said.

"It's been fantastic encouragement and admiration and pride for all the cast members. It is something that I've been very, very proud to be a part of."

National tour planned



AN Australia Council for the Arts initiative will incorporate a yearly national tour of Indigenous theatre and dance productions for the next three years.

The National Indigenous Touring Consortium (NITC) is one of three new Australia Council projects announced recently in the Indigenous performing arts sector.

Touring organisation Performing Lines has been selected to establish and manage the NITC project, while at the same time mentoring a full-time Indigenous producer.

Australia Council Indigenous program officer Merindah Donnelly said the NITC was a key recommendation from the 2010 National Indigenous Theatre Forum.

"Seeing this initiative transform into a reality is a moment of deep fulfillment," she said.

"For more than 50 years the sector has been aiming to develop a national Indigenous touring consortium and finally, in 2011, this dream has been realised."

Work on the NITC was due to start during the National Indigenous Theatre Forum (20-21 August) in Cairns as the *Koori Mail* went to print.

The second new project is the Emerging Indigenous Producer Mentorships (EIPM), under which four emerging Indigenous producers will be teamed with leading arts organisations for 18 months of full-time employment and mentoring.

Mentoring

National Institute Circus Arts (NICA) graduate Joshua Bond will work with Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC), director and stage manager Lara Croydon will work with the Queensland Theatre Company, trained dancer Rosealee Pearson will work with Belvoir in partnership with Urban Theatre Projects, and production

assistant/project manager Alison Murphy-Oates will work with Performance Space.

The NITC and EIPM are key outcomes of the Australia Council's Indigenous Market Development Strategy, designed to strengthen Indigenous arts.

The Australia Council is also implementing another key recommendation from the 2010 National Indigenous Theatre Forum – an Indigenous Playwrights' Conference. The council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts (ATSIA) Board has committed about \$50,000 for a national Indigenous playwrights' conference in 2012, and a proposal is currently being

developed with the Indigenous theatre sector.

A Wiradjuri woman from the Gamillaroi community of Tingha NSW, Merindah Donnelly said she was excited by the 'groundswell of activity in and current support for the Indigenous performing arts sector'.

"The Sydney Opera House is employing an Indigenous producer, and (festival director) Lindy Hume is committed to programming 50 per cent Indigenous content in the 2012 Sydney Festival," she said.

"Not to mention the increase in the breadth of activity and funding through local, state and federal arts organisations."

Artwork tells of a great leader

By MARGARET SMITH



POLITICIAN, diplomat, healer, journey man...

Hearing Brisbane artist Vernon Ah Kee describe William Barak, it's clear he was an inspired choice to create an artwork about the late Aboriginal leader.

Barak was born in 1824 into the Warundjiri clan on the banks of the Yarra River at Brushy Creek. Until his death in 1903, he lived in or near Melbourne.

Barak's marvellous artwork of early ceremonies and corroborees were painted when they were disappearing forever, after the invasion by white colonialists. He also took photographs of events in his life.

Barak is said to have witnessed John Batman 'purchase' Melbourne in 1835. Or, as John McDonald put it in his *Art in Australia* book, Batman's 'opportunistic attempts to buy Port Phillip Bay from its traditional owners'.

In 1863, Barak and his family moved to Coranderrk near Healesville, north-east of Melbourne. Eleven years later, his cousin died and Barak assumed the position of leader of his community.

"Over the years he met and spoke with



Figures in possum skin cloaks (1898), by William Barak. Image courtesy National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne.

politicians such as Prime Minister Alfred Deakin and Graham Berry, outlining a scheme for self-managed communities that never came to pass," writes McDonald.

Vernon Ah Kee describes Barak's life

as 'the story of a hero'.

"The more you read about this man, the more powerful he gets," Ah Kee says.

"From the most humble of dire beginnings at Brushy Creek, and even more dire conditions at Coranderrk, he

worked for his people. He had incredible drive and persistence."

Earlier this year, Ah Kee accepted a commission by the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) to create an artwork about Barak.

The artist says Barak's two-day walk from Coranderrk to Melbourne, where he led a contingent of his people to negotiate with the government of the day, showed the kind of leadership people wanted.

"As a politician, he must have been very strategic... the responsibility he had seemed to rejuvenate this life," he said.

The new artwork is called *Ideas of Barak* and contains a video of Ah Kee's drawings of Barak, and a video which is a conversation between seven artists and two curators on Barak's legacy.

Ah Kee says it's surprising how much of Barak's art and photographic work survived.

"(But) it's all there in the public records," he says.

Vernon Ah Kee is now working on a project which tells the story of the 2004 riots on Palm Island, where his mother was born, and death in custody.

His William Barak installation can be viewed at the Ian Potter Gallery (NGV) in Melbourne until next month.



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Eight set to accelerate



THE eight Indigenous Australians chosen as finalists in the 2011 international ACCELERATE program have been announced. Now in its second year, ACCELERATE, is a leadership program for Indigenous people working in creative industries such as the visual arts, museum and gallery curation, music and the performing arts. Selected from more than 40 entries, the finalists are Kevin O'Brien (Qld), Marilyn Miller (Qld), Barbara Matters (WA), Frances Rings (NSW), Alick Tipoti (Qld), Sharon Paten (Vic), Jason Tamiru (Vic) and Kyle Morrison (WA).

Kevin O'Brien is a mid-career architect and an emerging curator who is a descendent of the Meriam Mir and Kaurereg peoples of the Torres Strait.

Marilyn Miller has worked as an actor, dancer, dance teacher, choreographer, artistic director and arts administrator, and directed the welcome to country for the opening of the 42nd Parliament in 2008.

Frances Rings is a descendant of the Kokatha people, and has danced with Bangarra Dance Theatre, studied dance in New York with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Centre, worked in film and television and most recently she presented ABC's *Dance 4 Film* collaboration with Channel 4 in Britain.

Alick Tipoti is a visual artist who has exhibited widely and is a member of the Argan and Wakaydh Tribes of Badu. He speaks both dialects of his mother's and father's language.



ACCELERATE finalists and officials, from left, Marilyn Miller (Qld), Kirsten Freeman (British Council), Sharon Paten (Vic), Peter White (2010 Accelerate recipient), Jason Tamiru (Vic), Kevin O'Brien (Qld), Mark Wright (Accelerate UK mentor), Alick Tipoti (Qld), Kyle Morrison (WA), Frances Rings (NSW), Barbara Matters (WA) and Nick Marchand (British Council).

Sharon Paten is a Gonnai woman from far east Gippsland who has spent five years as CEO at Aboriginal Housing Victoria and has spent 20 years working with the Indigenous community in capacity and economic development. She was recently appointed CEO of the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne.

Jason Tamiru is a Yorta Yorta man from Melbourne who produces the Deadly Funny show for the Melbourne International Comedy Festival and aims to produce a national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander comedy festival, followed by an international festival.

Kyle Morrison is a performer and director

who has been involved in the theatre and film industries for 17 years. He is now artistic director at Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company.

Barbara Matters, from the Bynder and Pickett families, is deputy curatorial director/assistant curator at the Berndt Museum of Anthropology at the University of WA where she recently started a PhD in anthropology and sociology.

The ACCELERATE program is presented by the British Council and the Australia Council, in association with the NSW, Qld and Victorian governments and Virgin Atlantic Airways.

British Council deputy director Kirsten Freeman said the program aimed to address

the 'lack of representation of Indigenous Australians in positions of influence within the creative sector and mainstream media'.

"It aims to empower participants to drive positive cultural change through their own careers, and in their industry sector or community," she said.

The eight finalists were due to attend a cultural leadership workshop at artist Arthur Boyd's historic NSW property Bundanon as the *Koori Mail* went to press.

Following the workshop, four candidates will be awarded a trip to the United Kingdom and tailored residencies with British cultural organisations and mentors. The successful candidates will be announced in October.



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winner Telstra Work on Paper Award Dennis Nona Zuga Zug

winner Wandjuk Marika Memorial 3D Award (sponsored by Telstra)
Ricardo Idagi *Upi mop le – Tail end man*

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SCU honours outstanding former student



AN Aboriginal healing consultant who works with Aboriginal women in the Western Australian prison system and the wider community has been named Southern Cross University's 2011 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year.

Kathy Mokaraka, who graduated with a Master of Indigenous Studies in 2008, received her award from SCU Chancellor John Dowd and Vice-Chancellor Peter Lee.

Nine nominees were in the running for the Outstanding Alumnus of the Year award. Also presented were School Alumnus of the Year awards.

Ms Mokaraka is working with Ruah Community Services in Western Australia's Department of Health. She said she came to Southern Cross University because of the work of Professor Judy Atkinson (who has since retired).

Ms Mokaraka develops and facilitates healing therapies for Aboriginal women, in prison and in the wider community.

Her first job was as a receptionist in an Aboriginal mental health service in Western

Australia's Kimberley district where she noticed most patients were either medicated or flown to a Perth hospital 2000kms away – often institutionalised for years. She found herself unexpectedly in the role of unofficial counsellor and realised that healing and recovery for Aboriginal people needed to relate to having their story heard and acknowledged.

Applied herself

Ms Mokaraka applied herself to studying Aboriginal mental health and welfare, while working in remote Aboriginal communities over many years, and writing courses for Aboriginal health workers before undertaking her Master of Indigenous Studies at SCU.

"Professor Atkinson validates the trauma of Aboriginal people. Thank you for this award I am very honoured," Ms Mokaraka said.

Another nominee for the SCU Outstanding Alumnus of the Year was Darmin (John) Cameron, who graduated with a Master of Indigenous Studies in 2005 and is now Youth Connections co-ordinator for the NSW North Coast.



Southern Cross University Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Kathy Mokaraka.

Book backs two ways



TEACHING Indigenous students needs to be a two-way and equal conversation, authors of a new

book say. In particular, schools need to integrate and foster Indigenous culture to help students feel comfortable being who they are.

Several of the authors noted

this was vital to improving education outcomes.

The book, *Two Way Teaching and Learning*, is published by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) in conjunction with a recent conference on Indigenous education.

Editors Hannah Rachel Bell, ACER principal research fellow Nola Purdie and Indigenous liaison officer Gina Milgate says

Australian people and educational systems need to better engage with communities and Elders in order to address underlying issues that face Indigenous people.

Difficulties

One theme that runs through the book's 14 chapters is the difficulties Indigenous students face when they are expected to abandon their cultural and

social realities when at school.

Ms Bell said the book examined the places where the two cultures met – in the classroom, schools and community – and how these could be improved to better serve Indigenous students. It focuses on policy issues, strategies to improve outcomes for students, and ways the different cultures can learn from each other.

"To change the standard of education for Indigenous students we need to overhaul curricula and teaching from whoa to go with an approach built on the premise that two cultural knowledge systems can and do co-exist," Ms Bell said.

Each of the chapters is written by different authors, drawn from experienced Indigenous and other educators, academics and community members. – AAP

'Big dreaming, no shame!'



Tiana Culbong is a Noongar Woman from Perth, Western Australia. Tiana is in the third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Extended) at the University of Melbourne and lives at Trinity College.

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Kempsey school celebrates culture



KEMPSEY Adventist School on the NSW north coast has held a day to celebrate its Indigenous students and the local Aboriginal culture.

The school has 59 Aboriginal students, mainly from the local Dunghutti people, comprising about 20 per cent of the student population.

Events on the day included campfire storytelling presented by Elders Claude and Lana Roberts, didgeridoo playing, face painting, boomerang throwing and rock art and a high school film presentation.

More than 600 individually decorated reconciliation hand prints were placed at the front of the school, and a special banner was made.

A highlight of the day was a flag-raising ceremony attended by more than 400 staff and students along with more than 50 Indigenous family members and local people.

Local Elder and Dunghutti language specialist Aunty Esther Quinlan gave the welcome to country.



Students and staff with signed reconciliation hands at the Kempsey school's celebration.

The event was organised by the school's Indigenous student support officer, Margo Clarke, in conjunction with the school administration.

A school student leader, Kristy, spoke on the

significance of the Aboriginal flag.

"This flag has combined and brought unity to the Aboriginal people as a whole," the Year 12 student said.

"On behalf of the Aboriginal

students and community we would like to thank Kempsey Adventist School for acknowledging the significance and importance of the Aboriginal flag and what it means to us."

Students' Poem

My culture is my identify.
Dreamtime stories tell the
life of my people.
Growing older.
Hearing stories of my
ancestors living off the
land
Becoming one with the
creatures.

Even though I haven't met
them
I feel this unbreakable
connection
Through the stories I have
heard.
The stories that have been
passed down through
generations.

These stories are living
through us.
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Learning in a league of its own



THE Tarong Power Station's National Rugby League (NRL) Readers program is proving popular at Cherbourg State School, where it was launched.

It involves a fun reading program that divides each classroom into four NRL teams. Student gain 'metres' on a virtual field for their attendance, work ethic and behaviour.

"If your team has 100 per cent attendance for that day it will automatically make 10 metres," Australian Rugby League (ARL) development officer Steve Belsham said.

"Further metres can be made if the children read their NRL Readers magazines or do their puzzles of a night at home.

"There are also physical activities played outside which can gain students extra metres on their virtual field if they try hard.

"It's all about making learning fun and engaging mums and dads in their children's reading and school work."



Cherbourg State School's Year 2 class with ARL development officer Steve Belsham and, centre, deputy principal and community liaison officer Bevan Costello.

Mr Belsham thought of the game concept after introducing NRL Readers to South Burnett school staff and listening to them.

"The aim is to raise as much enthusiasm within the children and engage as many parents as possible with learning," he said.

"It's about boosting numeracy, literacy, behaviour and the idea of team building to reach an end goal.

"These are all things we need

to get through life."

Cherbourg State School principal Peter Sansby said the readers program would help make his school 'the deadliest show in town'.

"That's what we have to do to ensure our children would rather be here learning than anywhere else," he said.

"It will help every day at our school count towards our children's happier future."

Screening funds for Victorian women



SEVEN community health providers for Indigenous women in Victoria have secured funding for cervical screening initiatives as part of PapScreen Victoria's Community Development Grants program.

The scheme, which has awarded grants of up to \$2000 to 19 community-based organisations across Victoria, provides an opportunity for these groups to deliver a project that encourages women to have regular Pap tests.

Indigenous women aged 20-69

are more than twice as likely to be diagnosed with cervical cancer and are five times more likely to die from the disease than other women.

Health organisations working directly with Indigenous women can have a significant impact on cervical screening behaviour in these communities.

Three of the Indigenous projects to receive funding are based in East Gippsland – Nowa Nowa Community Health, Lakes Entrance Aboriginal Health Association and Moogii Aboriginal Council. The other organisations are Gunditjmarra Aboriginal

Cooperative and Winda Mara Aboriginal Corporation in the Barwon South West region, Goranwarrabul House in Hume and Plenty Valley Community Health, just north of Melbourne.

Many of the recipients says they will use the grant funds to host educational seminars on the importance of cervical screening in preventing cervical cancer and other women's health issues.

Paula Morgan, from Lakes Entrance Aboriginal Health Association (LEAHA), says providing the right information in an informal and welcoming environment is imperative to

encouraging more Indigenous women to have Pap tests every two years.

"Part of our initiative is to ensure the local Aboriginal community can make informed choices when it comes to their health," she said.

"By increasing their knowledge and understanding of the issues, thereby familiarising them with the cervical screening process, we are empowering women to make the right decisions and start having regular Pap tests."

PapScreen Victoria's Hiranthi Perera believes the Community Development Grants program is

fundamental to reaching Indigenous women in communities around Victoria.

"One-third of Victorian women are still not taking part in regular Pap tests. With the cervical cancer incidence and mortality rates being so much higher among the A&TSI community, we believe the proportion of these women who are regularly screening is much lower still," she said.

"The work undertaken by community-based organisations is imperative in successfully communicating the health benefits of regular Pap tests to women at a grassroots level."

Pormpuraaw youth give thumbs up to good food

Visit is a first



YOUNG people from Pormpuraaw in far north Queensland have created their own healthy food anthem to promote healthy eating for a long life.

Country music star and Queenslander Adam James headed north to be part of the Jimmy Little Foundation's Thumbs Up! school workshop at Pormpuraaw State School this month.

Joined by Indigenous hip hop artist and Thumbs Up! program manager Ebony 'Ebsta' Williams and Australian music veteran Graham 'Buzz' Bidstrup, the trio promoted Uncle Jimmy Little's message of good food for a long life.

Mr Bidstrup, the original drummer with The Angels and GANGgajang and now CEO of the Jimmy Little Foundation, said the visit to far north Queensland was a first for the team.

Communities

"Since the foundation was established by Uncle Jimmy in 2006, we have visited more than 20 communities, mainly in the Northern Territory," he said.

"We plan to visit five other remote communities in Queensland over the next 12 months, giving kids the opportunity to have their voice heard by creating their own healthy food anthem."

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live, on average, 17 years less than non-Indigenous Australians and are eight times more likely to die of diabetes than other Australians, and we are working hard with others to reverse this alarming statistic."

Pormpuraaw students were mentored by Wiradjuri woman Ebony Williams and Noonukul and Goempul man Adam James over the two days, writing their own song, sharing their favourite foods, recording their song and videoing their music film clip.



Rozonda Kendall putting her thumbs up for the good tucker at Pormpuraaw Thumbs Up! nutrition education workshop.

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Pormpuraaw kids working on actions for their Good Tucker – Long Life healthy food anthem and, right, Adam James giving a thumbs up to Uncle Jimmy Little's program.



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Resource to help in closing the gap



AN Indigenous online teaching resource featuring

Aboriginal actors aims to help close the gap between Indigenous and other people through improving communication.

The Byalawa project (www.byalawa.com), launched last week, comprises a website and a set of six online videos designed to assist health sciences students learn to effectively communicate with Indigenous patients and clients.

Health professionals such as lead researcher Dr Tricia McCabe, from the University of Sydney's Faculty of Health Sciences, say cultural misunderstandings can be a barrier to communication. Factors that can limit effective communication between Aboriginal patients and health-care workers include a lack of patient control over language, timing, content and circumstances of the interactions and a lack of staff training in intercultural communication.

Focus groups

To create the videos, Dr McCabe conducted research through focus groups with Aboriginal people.

"We asked our groups to tell us their stories of when they had seen health professionals. When it had gone well, and when it had gone badly," she said.

"From these insights we scripted six vignettes that feature Aboriginal actors talking to, or sometimes clashing with, real-world health professionals, including a pharmacist, a physiotherapist, an occupational therapist, a psychologist and a speech pathologist.

"As teaching materials, the videos offer authenticity in interaction because the Aboriginal actors' roles are partially scripted, but the health professionals offer real and impromptu responses to the situation."

Dr McCabe says the finished video vignettes are accompanied by talking points for students and teachers. This combination of video and learning guide can be used to direct students in developing insights linked to Dr McCabe's research.

The Byalawa resources were designed by the Byalawa Project Team as part of Australian Learning and Teaching Council Competitive Research Grant.

New members for equality council



PROFESSOR Ian Anderson has been reappointed as chair and Tanya Hosch as deputy chair of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Equality Council, formerly called the National Indigenous Health Equality Council.

Seven new members have been appointed for three years, including four Indigenous members, and six members have been reappointed to the council for two years.

Re-appointed members are:

- Dr Alex Brown, head of the Centre for Indigenous Vascular and Diabetes Research at the Baker IDI Heart and Diabetes Institute
- Romlie Mokak, an Indigenous policy maker and CEO of the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association
- Professor Paul Torzillo, a senior respiratory physician with expertise in child health and health service development for remote Aboriginal communities and medical director of Nganampa Health Council in the APY Lands
- Dr Ian Cameron, CEO of the NSW Rural Doctors Network
- Professor Peter O'Mara, a general practitioner in an Aboriginal community-controlled health service for many years and now head of discipline – Indigenous health at Newcastle University and President of the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association



IAN ANDERSON

- Adrian Carson, currently strategic adviser to the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health.

The New Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members of the council (for three years) are:

- Belinda Duarte (Jakiel), the inaugural director of the Korin Gamadji Institute. Ms Duarte is also the Chair of the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy
- Professor Pat Dudgeon, acknowledged as the first Indigenous psychologist in Australia and the first Indigenous Fellow of the Australian Psychological Society
- Dr Sanchia Shinaski, an epidemiologist with clinical experience as a physiotherapist.
- Patrick Ah Kit, an Aboriginal

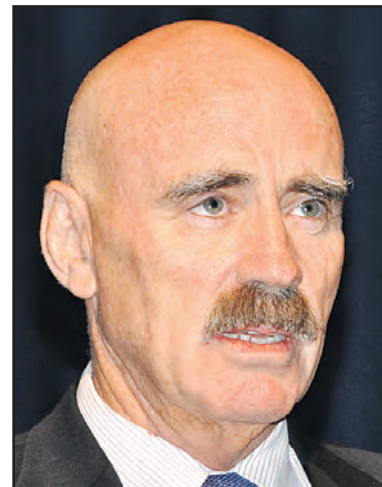


TANYA HOSCH

health worker in public health areas, specifically in men's health including education and health promotion about heart disease and diabetes in men.

New non-Indigenous experts on the council (for three years) are: Dr Christine Connors, a general practitioner and public health physician providing clinical and public health services to remote Aboriginal communities; Dr James Fitzpatrick, founding director of True Blue Dreaming, an outback youth mentoring program; and Professor Robyn McDermott, a medical epidemiologist with experience as a primary care doctor in remote areas.

Federal Indigenous Health



WARREN SNOWDON

Minister Warren Snowdon has also reappointed as ex-officio members Linda Powell, First Assistant Secretary, Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, Department of Health and Ageing, and Justin Mohamed, Chairperson, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO).

"The council will continue to advise the Australian Government on the development and monitoring of health-related goals and targets to support our commitments to closing the life-expectancy gap and reducing the unacceptably high rates of child mortality among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," Mr Snowdon said.

Outreach clinic on the road in WA Goldfields



ABORIGINAL people in 10 West Australian Goldfields communities are set to benefit from a mobile outreach

clinic being run by the Bega Gambirringu Health Service.

The WA Government says a multi-disciplinary team will use a specially fitted vehicle to visit the communities to deliver primary health care and intervention strategies including checks, screening for diabetes, conducting hearing tests, managing chronic diseases and providing obstetric care.

WA Country Health Services acting chief operating officer Shane Matthews handed over the keys of the mobile clinic to Bega Gambirringu chairman Fabien Tucker and presented certificates to acknowledge people who contributed to the project.

Bega Gambirringu received \$2.7 million for the clinic under the COAG National Partnership

Agreements which provided \$13.8 million to improve the health of Aboriginal people in the Goldfields region.

Mr Matthews said the mobile clinic was staffed by a general practitioner, a registered nurse and two Aboriginal health workers, and a consultant paediatrician would take part in some clinics. "The clinic will visit Coolgardie, Norseman, Coonana, Tjuntjuntjara, Menzies, Leonora and Laverton," he said.

"This will include the communities of Morapoi, Mulga Queen and where possible the clinic will visit other places where there is a demand for services.

"Primary health care services will be provided to Aboriginal people and it will overcome the cultural and geographical barriers people experience in obtaining health services.

"Bega Gambirringu will be supported by the Goldfields Esperance GP Network, Nganytju Tjitji (NTP) and the WA Country Health Service – Goldfields."

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National

Until 9 September: 2011 Human Rights Awards – calling for nominations. Categories will include Young People's Human Rights Medal, Law Award, Tony Fitzgerald Memorial Award, Community Award, Media Awards and more. All welcome. Details: (02) 9284 9600 or visit www.humanrights.gov.au

Until 14 October: Charlie Perkins Indigenous Scholarships – calling for applications. The scholarships are directed at Indigenous Australians who have the potential to become leaders in their field of study and in their communities. All welcome to apply. Details: (02) 9469 8100 or visit www.perkinstrust.com.au

Until 30 October: 28th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award exhibition. The award is one of the premier national events in the Australian Indigenous arts calendar. All welcome. Held at the Museum and Art Gallery, Conacher St, Fannie Bay, Darwin. Details: (08) 8999 8203 or (08) 8999 8264 or visit www.magnt.nt.gov.au/natsiaa

7 September: Indigenous Literacy Day aims to help raise funds to raise literacy levels and improve the lives and opportunities of Indigenous Australians in remote and isolated regions through funding books and literacy resources. Events and fundraisers are held across Australia. All welcome to register their event. Details: (02) 9319 2883 or email info@indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au

Until 9 September: Coloured Stone, national Black Boy tour featuring Indigenous hip-hop artists Young Warriors, Impossible Odds, Karnage & Darknis, Johnny Mac, Mr Morgz, Miss Hood. Cost for tickets involved, all welcome. Dates and locations: 26 August, Step Inn, 186 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley Brisbane; 2 September, Fowlers 68/70 North Tce, Adelaide; 3 September, The Evelyn Hotel, 351 Brunswick St, Fitzroy; 6 September, Tone Bar, 16 Wentworth Ave, Surry Hills, Sydney; 9 September, The Gap Hotel, Alice Springs. Details: (03) 9471 3524 or visit www.paybackrecords.com.au

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Until 12 September: Life and Relations for Women is a small confidential group held for women who want to move from surviving to thriving in their relationships, also to learn new skills and discuss new ideas and have fun. Eight sessions. Free and all welcome. Held at the Family Centre, Market St, Lismore. Details: (02) 6620 2999

Until 18 September: Gumbainggir art exhibition, showcasing Indigenous artworks from Nambucca Valley. Free and all welcome. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Art Gallery, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt, Sydney. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

Until 20 September: 'Circle of Security' Goori Parenting Group. Helping build stronger relationships with jarjums. Teaching new ways to understand jarjums' needs and behaviour. Free and all welcome. Child minding available and light lunch provided. Held at Jumbunna Community Pre-school, 60 High St, Casino. Details: (02) 6662 2866 or email Doris@jumbunna.com.au

Vibe Alive coming to Moree

HIP-HOP stars Street Warriors will headline the Vibe Alive festival in Moree next week, from 31 August to 1 September.

With a special health focus, the two-day festival of dancing, rapping, singing, painting and sport will be held at the town's Taylor Oval.

During the community concert on the first evening of the festival (Wednesday, 31 August), children chosen for their performances from the day's activities will join the Street Warriors and other role models on stage.

Singer/songwriter Nathan Foley and actor Luke Carroll will co-host the event.

Other role models attending include dancers Medika Thorpe and Steven



Street Warriors

Smith-Ince, stand-up comedian and artist Kevin Kropinyeri, surfing champion Lucas Proudfoot, former Geelong footballer Ronnie Burns and actor and filmmaker Nathan Ramsay.

Performer and choreographer Gail Mabo and Courtney Walter will host Little Vibe – a special program to give young people in early primary school the full festival experience.

To register for Little Vibe, visit the website at www.vibealive.com.au or call the free-call line 1800 623 430.

Vibe Alive is also looking for volunteers to be part of the event. If you can help, contact meredith@outhereproductions.com.au or call 1800 623 430.

or visit www.aiatsis.gov.au

Until 20 November: Yellomundee Aboriginal Bushcare Group tree planting and weed pulling, also a fishing competition and more. Free BBQ lunch. Bring a coffee mug, bottle of water and fold-up chair, wear comfortable clothing and shoes. All welcome. Yellomundee Regional Park, Springwood Rd, Yarramundi. Details: (02) 4588 2400 or (02) 4588 5144.

24 August: Business workshops. A series of three one-day workshop programs for Indigenous people starting a business, buying a business, or thinking about it. Free and all welcome. Held at Enterprise Training Company, 80 Grafton St, Coffs Harbour. Details: (02) 6643 2422 or email narelle.webb@iba.gov.au or visit www.iba.gov.au

27 August: Family and culture day, including live entertainment by Indigenous artists, dollar donation, bush tucker feed, children's activities, jumping castle and more. Free and all welcome. Held at The Block, Redfern. Details: (02) 9699 3491 or email shane@tribalwarrior.org

1 September: *Walk With Us* – a book launch about Aboriginal Elders calling for Australian people to walk with them in their quest for justice. Free and all welcome. Held at Held at Gleebooks, 49 Glebe Point Rd, Glebe. Details: (02) 9660 2333 or visit www.gleebooks.com.au

4 September: The Big Scrub Rainforest day 2011, a community event featuring rainforest restoration walks, workshops rainforest flora walk, weed ID workshop, bird walk and talk, community organisation stalls, welcome to country, exhibits, children's activities and more. All welcome, entry by gold coin donation. Held Rocky Creek Dam, Gibbergunyah Range Rd, Dunoon. Details: (02) 6625 0572 or visit www.bigscrubrainforest.org.au

10-11 September: Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival, capped up to 16 teams from the Bundjalung Nation. Up to \$6000 prizemoney. All welcome. \$7 admission, children under 12 years free. Held Red Devil Park, Byron Bay. Details: 0402 309 582 or email creighton@dhs.nsw.gov.au

19-22 September: AIATSIS National Indigenous Studies Conference 2011. Theme: 'Young and old – Connecting Generations'. Bringing together multi-disciplinary expertise from across the Indigenous studies sector. Discussing demographics, society, policy and economy; education and employment; leadership; inter-generational connections; the digital generation; health and wellbeing; representation, culture and identity. Held at AIATSIS, Canberra. Details: (02) 6261 4221

Victoria

Until 30 October: 'Ritual and Ceremony' Aboriginal art exhibition. Works by Indigenous artist Maree Clarke, showcasing mourning experienced by Victorian Koori communities due to their loss of family, land, language and cultural practices. Held at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum. Details: 13 11 02 or visit www.museumvictoria.com.au

31 August-24 September: A Decade of Paper – an exhibition of paintings spanning the last decade of Shane Pickett's career, Mossenson Galleries, 41 Derby St, Collingwood. Details: Email collingwood@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au or phone (03) 9417 6694.

3-23 September: Masterpieces – Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing a collection of Indigenous artworks of paintings on paper and canvas created between 2000 and 2005 from Aboriginal artists Janangoo – Butcher Cherele. Free and all welcome. Held at Brigitte Braun Gallery, 4 White St, Windsor. Details: (03) 9521 2324 or email artplace@inet.net.au or visit www.artplace.com.au

2-4 November: Yulkuum-Jerrang third Victorian Indigenous Economic Development Conference. Focusing on Indigenous economic development issues and opportunities. Featuring keynote speakers, innovative workshops, a showcase of Indigenous talent and more. All welcome, cost for registration apply. Held at The Sebel Albert Park, Melbourne. Details: (03) 9870 2611 or visit www.yulkuumjerrang.com.au

Queensland

Until 23 October: Celebration showcasing the diverse arts and vibrant culture of Torres Strait Islanders, include workshops, talks, food, dancing and music, with performances by artists and groups from the Torres Strait Islands and local community groups. Free and all welcome. Held Maiwar Green (between GoMA and

the State Library) Cultural Centre, South Bank, Brisbane. Details: (07) 3842 9706 or email tsirsvp@qpac.com.au

28-30 October: Island Vibe Festival 2011. Three-day music festival showcasing the finest of reggae, soul and dub with a extensive line-up from artists, bands and Dj's. All welcome, costs involved. Held at Point Lookout, Stradbroke Island. Details: (07) 3876 5596 or email admin@heapsaflash.com.au or visit www.heapsaflash.com.au

12-13 November: Bush tucker day 2011 – two fun days of bush tucker and cooking demonstration workshops, food sampling and more. Featuring guest chefs live entertainment and more. Free and all welcome. Held at Scarborough Rd, Redcliffe. Details: (07) 3880 1320 or email Kullilla@dreamtime.auz.net or visit www.dreamtime.auz.net

Northern Territory

26-28 August: 45th anniversary of the Walk-off Wave Hill Station that led to the national land rights movement on 26 August 1975. Entertainment and activities. Free and all welcome. Held at Kalkaringi, 490km south-west of Katherine, on the edge of the Tamami Desert. Details: 0420 719 166 or visit www.gurindjifreedomday.com

26 August-4 September: Desert Harmony, Art and Culture Festival 2011. Anyinginyi Manu (Our Place) street parade. The art and culture festival is held across ten days and features dance performances, photography, children's activities and more. All welcome. Held at Tennant Creek, 525km south of Alice Springs. Details: (08) 8962 2799 or email karin.riederer@barklyarts.com.au or visit www.barklyarts.com.au/newsevents.php

28 August: Culture carnival, a great day for the family featuring poetry readings, live music and performances, smoking ceremony, bush tucker and more. Free and all welcome. Held at Nyininka Nyunyu Art and Culture Centre, Tennant Creek. Details: (08) 8962 2699 or email info@nyinkkanyunyu.com.au or visit www.nyinkkanyunyu.com.au

Western Australia

27 August: Yuyuya Nampitjinpa and Josephine Napurrula, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous artworks that tell the story of strong leaders in the community cultural life of Kintore. Free and all welcome. Held at Mossenson Galleries, 115 Hay Street, Subiaco. Details: (08) 9388 2899 or email art@mossensongalleries.com.au or visit www.mossensongalleries.com.au

16 September-31 January 2012: Yarns of the Heart, an Aboriginal exhibition showcasing Noongar dolls, exquisitely crafted, hand made dolls, which tell the traditional dreamtime and contemporary stories for the women who made them from the Southern Wheatbelt. Featuring a documentary film screening, and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the West Australian Museum, Perth Cultural Centre, James St Mall, Perth. Details: (08) 9226 2422 or email emma@canwa.com.au

South Australia

4 November: Nunga touch football carnival, bringing together the community to embrace and support youth development through healthy active sports participation of 16 schools competing. Free and all welcome. Held at Henley Beach High School, Cudmore Tce, Henley Beach. Details: (0437) 919 957 or email rtanimu@centacare.org.au

Aboriginal officer joins Health ranks

A NEW Aboriginal environmental health officer has officially joined the staff of Hunter New England Health in New South Wales.

NSW Health Aboriginal Environmental Health Unit manager Jeff Standen congratulated Nichole Ansell (formerly Griffen), a Kamilaroi and Wonnarua woman, following her graduation from the University of Western Sydney.

"Environmental health issues include the provision of safe drinking water supplies, public swimming pools, toxicology, air quality, waste management, polluted sites, climate change adaptation, food and consumer product contamination and basic hygiene," Mr Standen said.

"Nichole has consistently achieved high marks in her academic studies and undertaken her work within the Hunter New England Population Health Service in Newcastle diligently and professionally.

"Eleven trainees have graduated to become fully qualified environmental health officers – some have gone on to work for local government and some have entered health service management."

Ms Ansell, the fourth woman to graduate from the training program, is now based in the Hunter New England Population Health Service in Newcastle.

Currently there are seven trainees working and studying throughout NSW – in Albury, Lismore, Sydney, Ourimbah, Tamworth and Taree.

Mr Standen said that before the launch of the Aboriginal Trainee Environmental Health Officer Program there were no Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people working as



New Aboriginal environmental health officer Nichole Ansell at her graduation with, from left, UWS Head of School, Natural Sciences, Professor John Bartlett, UWS Training Program adviser Rosemary Nicholson and NSW Health Aboriginal Environmental Health Unit manager Jeff Standen.

environmental health officers.

"Indigenous people now make up 20 per cent of NSW Health's environmental health workforce," he said.

"This training program is still the only one of its type operating in Australia, and its success demonstrates NSW Health's commitment to improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representation in the

workforce and Aboriginal health more broadly."

Trainees are employed full-time by public health units and are given study leave and support to help them balance their work and study commitments. Two years of post-graduate work is also offered to enable trainees to further consolidate their skills.

Ms Ansell said the traineeship

had put her in good stead to pursue a long and rewarding career in the NSW public health service.

"The traineeship allowed me to apply my knowledge gained from university with my daily on-the-job training," she said.

"I feel that this type of training combined with the support I received played a huge role in my academic achievements.

"The traineeship is a great initiative from NSW Health and I would recommend it to any Indigenous person wanting a career in health."

● **For more information on the Aboriginal Trainee Environmental Health Officer Program, contact the Aboriginal Environmental Health Unit at NSW Health on (02) 9859 5151.**

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General Administrative Support Officer - Aboriginal targeted position

Newtown Local Area Command, Central Metropolitan Region, Field Operations

Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-Time
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NSWPF 11/242

Salary Package: \$62,507. **Salary:** \$52,104 - \$56,644. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Supports front line policing within the Local Area Command by providing quality administrative services and high level customer service to the public and NSW Police Force.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with flexible rostering guidelines.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have further queries, after reading the information package, please contact the enquiries officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated computer keyboard, data entry and word processing skills.
- Ability to prepare routine/minor correspondence.
- Ability to operate the corporate records management system.
- Effective communication and customer service skills.
- Broad knowledge of systems and administrative practices/procedures, including workings of the local court system.

Enquiries/Information Pack: Michelle Veitch on (02) 9550 8133 or veit1mic@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The Local Area Manager, Newtown Local Area Command, 222 Australia Street, Newtown NSW 2042

CLOSING DATE: Thursday 1 September 2011

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00000K10

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For further information visit www.linkupnsw.org.au or contact: Scott Price phone 02 4759 1911 or forward applications addressing the selection criteria in their application to employment@nsw.link-up.org.au before **5pm Friday 2nd September 2011**



Health
South Eastern Sydney
Local Health District

Closing Date: 4 September 2011

Male Aboriginal Sexual Health Education Officer

Permanent Full Time

Population Health, Randwick

Ref No: 42812

Enquiries: Julia Purchas 02 9382 8123

Apply online at:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

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The South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation is a "not-for-profit organisation" providing Health and Wellbeing services to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Shoalhaven area.

Regional Information Technology Officer

Temporary Full Time 12 month contract – Salary starting \$60K

The Regional IT Officer will be responsible for providing computer systems training and support to staff and management of Community Controlled Aboriginal Health Services (AMS) that belong to the Far South Coast CEO Forum on a rotation basis. The successful applicant will assist the staff at each service to become autonomous in the use of their computer systems and Patient Information systems. The position will be based in Nowra, but will require regular travel to Narooma.

The successful applicant will have:

- qualifications in a relevant field, or working experience and knowledge in Information Technology, Patient Information Management systems or the like,
- previous experience in the provision of training audits and developing structured training programs for clients,
- experience in the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of programs/projects,
- ability to write reports and meet deadlines,
- a current drivers license and ability to undertake extensive travel for periods of up to two weeks.

Aboriginality is not an essential criteria for the position, however applicants from an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

Male Early Family Support Worker

Part time

(Aboriginal Designated Position)

The Male Early Family Support Worker will provide support to Aboriginal families who have children under the age of 13 years and first time parents. The position supports Aboriginal families who need assistance in developing parenting skills.

The successful applicant will have:

- a certificate in Health or Community Services and or knowledge and experience in the provision of Family Support services,
- an ability to work with local Shoalhaven Aboriginal Communities, and build relationships with stakeholders and other service providers,
- experience in the handling of sensitive confidential client and service information,
- a current Drivers License.

** Aboriginal Designated Positions. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act. Proof of Aboriginality must be provided at interview.*

Applications Must Address the Selection Criteria: For an Information Package containing position description, selection criteria and an employment application contact Marie Wilson on 4428 6666 or by email marni@southcoastams.org.au

Applications close: COB Wednesday 7th September 2011



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Service

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Executive Officer Legal Practice
Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service
P.O. Box 218
Fitzroy Vic 3065

Applications close Friday 2ND September 2011



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Contact: Patricia Valery on 07 3309 3418 or email Patricia.Valery@menzies.edu.au

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**Medical Receptionist (Fixed term) and
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Medical Receptionist (Fixed term)

This is a full time fixed term position, however, job sharing is a possibility. We require an experienced and professional person. The duties include reception and admin work at Bunurong Health Service. Experience in reception / admin duties in GP practice is essential. Experience working with Koori community would be advantageous.

Aboriginal Health Worker - Male (Full time / part time)

This role requires working closely with the GPs and other members of the health team at Bunurong Health Service. The duties include screening patients and participating in other activities focusing on preventative and health education. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III, and have experience in working in Aboriginal health. Knowledge of the local community is desirable.

Aboriginal Health Worker - Female (Full time / part time)

This role requires working closely with midwife and other members of the health team at Bunurong Health Service focusing on antenatal care, preventative and health education activities. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III, and have experience in working in Aboriginal health. Knowledge of the local community is desirable.

For more information about these positions and a copy of position description please contact Practice Manager, Dandenong and District Aborigines Cooperative on (03) 9794 5933 or email practicemanager@ddacl.org.au.

Applications addressing key selection criteria given in the position description, must reach Practice Manager Bunurong Health Service by COB Friday 3rd September 2011.

Indigenous Adviser *(Identified)

\$71 464 to \$77 674 (A05)

- Reference: CMC 51/11**
- Closing date: 8 September 2011**

The Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) is an independent Queensland law enforcement agency that works to combat major crime and promote a trustworthy public sector. The CMC conducts investigations, initiates research, deals with complaints of official misconduct, and offers the state's witness protection service.

It is a genuine occupational requirement that this position be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person under sections 25, 104 and 105 of the *Anti-discrimination Act 1991* (Qld). *(Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community.)

The Indigenous Adviser will be working in all areas of the CMC, and will have opportunities to help the organisation effectively address important issues for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The successful applicant will have:

- sound knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, issues and protocols relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, in both urban and rural areas
- demonstrated skills in communicating, consulting and negotiating on complex and sensitive issues with individuals and groups within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and government agencies
- sound communication skills, including writing and presentation skills appropriate to culture, and the ability to adapt to a variety of audiences
- a good working knowledge (or the ability to quickly acquire such knowledge) of the Queensland public sector environment, including local government and the Queensland Police Service, and relevant policy and legislative frameworks
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- experience in undertaking project work.

For more detailed information, see the position description for vacancy CMC 51/11, available on <www.jobs.qld.gov.au> or our website <www.cmc.qld.gov.au>.

For any inquiries, please contact Elsjia Dewis on telephone (07) 3360 6361 or email <hr@cmc.qld.gov.au>.

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The Community Restorative Centre (CRC) is a community based agency providing assistance to people affected by the criminal justice system.

We are seeking 2 x Support Workers to work from our Parramatta office. (38 hours per week, SACS Award G4 Yr4+salary packaging).

These workers will provide a broad range of casework services to women with complex needs, exiting NSW Correctional Centres who are at risk of homelessness.

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander persons, especially women, are strongly encouraged to apply.

For selection criteria and information package contact CRC on 9288 8700 or email info@crcnsw.org.au or visit CRC at www.crcnsw.org.au.

Applications close on Friday 2 September, 2011

For application package, including essential criteria Email: info@crcnsw.org.au or Phone 02 9288 8700

Community Health Nurse
P/T (16h/w), Perm, Dandenong, Melbourne

This is an opportunity to join the Population Health Team in Community Services to deliver the Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Care program. The program is based on a partnership between Southern Health and Dandenong District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd and aims to improve the health outcomes of Aboriginals through the prevention and better management of chronic disease. The nursing role requires excellent engagement, assessment and care planning skills and is pivotal in providing advice and guidance to staff on clinical issues. The program is delivered from a number of settings and includes outreach.

Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply. You should have experience of working with, and a well developed knowledge of, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, kinship and health issues.

ENQUIRIES/APPLICATIONS (Ref No 107984): Michelle Ravesi, Population Health Manager on 0405 180 406. For more information & to apply please visit the 'Careers' link on our website www.southernhealth.org.au

Applications close: 5 September 2011.

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Thiyama-li Family Violence Service Inc.

Practice Manager-Bourke
Position: Permanent

The Thiyama-li Family Violence Service Inc is a community not for profit organisation that provides support and assistance to victims of domestic/family violence and sexual assault.

The service wishes to employ a full time Practice Manager to be based in our Bourke Unit. Applicants are required to be highly motivated with confidence in providing Management to a multi-disciplinary team within Thiyama-li, and undertake a wide range of duties to support the functions and activities of Thiyama-li Family Violence Service. Applicants must have some experience or formal qualifications in the field of Management and or Human Resources.

For an information kit containing a complete job description and selection criteria please contact Thomessa Swan on (02) 6751 1400 or email thomessa.duke@thiyamali.com.au

Applicants must address the selection criteria.

Please post applications marked **"Confidential"** to:

Noeline Carr
Manager
Thiyama-li Family Violence Service Inc.
PO Box 928
Moree NSW 2400

Applications must be received by close of business:
Friday 9 September 2011.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Aboriginality is a genuine requirement and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1997.

Lecturer in Accounting and Finance

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Position Number: 28947

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For further information on how to apply visit our website where you will find the position description. Applications must address the selection criteria found in the position description and close on **Friday 26th August 2011.**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

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Position No: 31788

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Applications close: Friday 2nd September 2011

For further information, the Role Profile, Selection Criteria and 'Information for Applicants' are available from the Institute's website www.batchelor.edu.au (recruitment link); the Human Resources Unit on (08) 8939 7272 or (08) 8939 7393; fax (08) 8939 7432; or email recruitment@batchelor.edu.au

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Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Position No: 40546

Salary: \$835.80–\$1,231 pw

Enquiries: Janene Chitts, (02) 6966 9911

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

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(Full Time – 2 year contract)

This role is to help build the capacity of non - government organisations (NGO) to employ Aboriginal people and to assist Aboriginal people to meet the skills requirements of NGO's. The aim is to increase Aboriginal employment in the community services NGO sector. A current NSW driver's licence is required and the ability to undertake extensive travel throughout NSW is a genuine requirement.

Over award and competitive salary packages (including salary sacrificing) are available for this position. Before applying for this position, applicants will need to request an information package containing the selection criteria and other relevant information from reception@absec.org.au or by phoning (02) 9559 5299 and speaking to June.

Applications close 9 September 2011.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification of these positions and is authorised under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.



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Student Management Officer

Indigenous Australian Student Services

Student Services

Vacancy ID 11103

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The NSW Aboriginal Land Council has vacancies for a LALC Support Officer & Finance Officer at our Eastern Zone Office located at Gosford.

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Position responsibilities include the development and maintenance of comprehensive financial systems and procedures; evaluating and monitoring the financial performance of Local Aboriginal Land Councils and the timely preparation of concise and accurate financial reports. You will need to have appropriate tertiary qualifications and or experience.

The successful applicants will need the capacity to interpret and implement legislation; effective communication skills. A sound understanding of Aboriginal issues and a willingness to travel are also required.

For detailed information about the positions, the benefits and conditions and how to apply please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting Diane Lee via email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4499.

Applications can be forwarded to diane.lee@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Human Resources Coordinator
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
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PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

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Applications close: Monday 5 September 2011

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Infrastructure Communication Coordinator

Pacific Highway Location (Port Macquarie to Ballina)

Position No. 50015285

Temporary Full Time (9 months)

\$89,930 - \$96,676 pa

The Infrastructure Communication Coordinator provides high level communication advice and support to the Infrastructure Communication Manager, General Manager Pacific Highway and other key business partners to achieve a high standard of community involvement and public awareness on the Pacific Highway.

Contact

Teneale Boyle on 02 6640 2857

Infrastructure Communications Officer

Pacific Highway Location (Port Macquarie to Ballina)

Position No. 50079607

Full Time

\$80,118 - \$85,975 pa

Responsible for liaising with businesses and residential groups along the Pacific Highway, to foster positive and effective working relationships between the RTA and local communities. Work closely with RTA project teams to develop and deliver communications and community involvement programs.

Contact

Teneale Boyle on 02 6640 2857

Surveillance Officer

Grafton Location

Position No. 50010353

Full Time

\$62,451 - \$71,369 pa

The Surveillance Officer is responsible for carrying out surveillance on nominated contract works to assist the Contract/Project Manager in the administration of road and bridge maintenance and construction works to ensure delivery in accordance with client time, quality and scope requirements.

Contact

Monica Sirol on 02 6640 1013

Communications Support Officer

Grafton Location

Position No. 50010442

Temporary Full Time (12 months)

\$62,451 - \$65,631 pa

The Communications Support Officer provides support to the Regional Communications Officer in the delivery of Communications activities, including community and Parliamentary communication and customer service.

Contact

Sonia George on 02 6640 1327

Project Officer

Grafton Location

Position No. 50017524

Temporary Full Time (36 months)

\$32,518 - \$65,631 pa

The Project Officer is responsible for technical and project management support to the Project Manager in the development and implementation of various road projects efficiently and effectively to meet time, cost, quality and scope in accordance with client requirements.

Contact

Damien Sartori on 02 6640 1328

Closing Date: 26 August 2011

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Strategic Aboriginal Development Officer

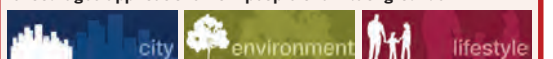
Position No: CSD010

This position is responsible for the development and implementation of Council's Aboriginal Community Plan; working with local indigenous organisations and other service providers to develop programs and resources for Aboriginal people in Campbelltown; developing and promoting effective means of communicating with the local indigenous community; and support and resourcing of Council's Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee. Reports to the Coordinator Community Development. Essential criteria include: Aboriginality (authorised under Section 14 – *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*); relevant tertiary qualifications and/or equivalent work experience in Social Sciences/Social Welfare; demonstrated experience in community development; ability to plan, implement and evaluate community programs; extensive knowledge of Aboriginal issues in Campbelltown. Some weekend and evening work may be required.

Salary: From \$1,257 per week.

Closing Date: 12 September 2011.

Applications must address all essential and desirable criteria, as outlined in the job description. Two current referees must be included. The job descriptions, organisational charts and other relevant information can be obtained from Council's website at www.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au For general enquiries call (02) 4645 4000. Address applications to The General Manager, PO Box 57, Campbelltown NSW 2560 or you can apply online. Campbelltown City Council values a diverse workforce, and encourages applications from people of all backgrounds.



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Coordinator: Get a career that matters.

Coordinator of New Intensive Program and Reconnect - Dubbo

Intensive Services - provides culturally inclusive casework services to families whose children are at risk of removal for protective concerns.
Reconnect - provides early intervention support to young people at risk of homelessness. This position is responsible for the day to day coordination and on call support to staff by phone. Required: Previous experience in a similar role.

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Health
South Western Sydney
Local Health District



Dental Assistant (Grade 2) – Aboriginal Oral Health

Ref: 40466

Salary: \$969.20–\$1,067.10 pw. Temp P/T up to September 2012 at Sydney Dental Hospital

Enq: Yolima Ramirez

Ph: (02) 9293 3345

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 9 September 2011

Please apply online by visiting:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



SPECIAL CONSTABLE (SECURITY) (various positions)

Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics
Specialist Operations

Job Classification: Special Constable
Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time
Suburb: Sydney Metropolitan area
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/238

Salary Package: \$62,178. **Salary:** \$54,934 - \$56,541. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and shift, weekend and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Special Constables provide a quality protective security service to selected NSW Police Force and State Government complexes, ensuring an overall safe and secure working environment for personnel, property and information.

Job Notes:

• **Applications will NOT be accepted electronically, as original documentation is required.**

• A "Ministerial Employee" application form MUST be obtained from the Police Recruitment Branch prior to applying.

• The completed "Ministerial Employee" application form must be returned with all requested original documentation. **Documents with photocopied signatures will NOT be accepted.**

• Applicants, post aptitude, may be called for interview and medical assessment.

• Applicants should hold a current First Aid Certificate.

• **Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement.**

• Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Knowledge of safety and security procedures.
- Knowledge of security systems and access control procedures.
- Ability to perform the full range of security duties within large establishments.
- Sound oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to foster a team environment and contribute to team building.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision.

Enquiries/Information Package: Bridget or Josie on (02) 8835 9872

Applications marked "Confidential" to: NSW Police Force, Recruitment Branch, Level 7A, Police Headquarters, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124

CLOSING DATE: Thursday 1 September 2011

Caseworkers: Get a career that matters.

New Program - 2 Caseworkers Dubbo (1 Aboriginal Identified)

These positions will provide culturally inclusive casework services to families whose children are at risk of removal for protective concerns. They will also provide on call support to families by phone on a 24 - hour / 7 day per week basis with an on call rotating roster. Required: Previous experience in a similar role. Applications Close: 5 September 2011

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PaCE Project Coordinator Coffs Harbour

AFL (NSW/ACT) is expanding its Indigenous programs with the delivery of the Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) program. An exciting opportunity has arisen for motivated and dedicated individuals to join the team in the role of PaCE Program Coordinator.

The AFL PaCE program is a community driven program. It focuses on the development and implementation of innovative approaches to improve the educational outcomes of Indigenous school students through enhancing Indigenous parental engagement with schools and education providers.

The PaCE Project Coordinator position is responsible for direct program delivery and development for Indigenous parents, communities and school children.

To view the position description and apply please visit www.afl.com.au/careers

Please direct any enquiries to
Kylie Storer on (03) 9643 1896.

Closing date: 7 September 2011



NATIONAL CENTRE OF INDIGENOUS EXCELLENCE

We need an innovative, motivated and community orientated Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander team to get on board! Are you inspired to join us?

Learning & Development Coordinator

- Supportive and Initiative. This person will be facilitating learning and development opportunities including accredited training. Career guidance and planning. Assistance within the workplace.

The NCIE is assembling a 'Tackling Smoking and Healthy Lifestyle Workforce'!
You will be working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to support and create healthy living. Which of these is your new job?...

Regional Tobacco Coordinator

- Social butterfly. In this job you will be developing community networks to promote smoking prevention and cessation. Creating organisational networks and partners to work with. Social Marketing and Event Planning.

2 x Tobacco Action Worker

- Committed and pro-active. In the job you will be focusing on smoking cessation and support programs and events. Working alongside individuals and communities. Assisting Regional Tobacco Coordinator to meet objectives.

Healthy Lifestyle Worker

- Confident and energetic. This role has a focus on health awareness information sessions and events. Referring people to further health services.

Employees must understand the holistic health needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, respecting culture, values and ways of doing business. These are identified Indigenous positions. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders may apply. Training will be provided where necessary.

Please email resume to jobs@ncie.org.au. Applications close: August 31, 2011.

Team Leader - Inner City Aboriginal Tenancy Support Service

- Marrickville location
- Fixed term full time contract until June 2013
- Attractive salary package + benefits

Mission Australia acknowledges the traditional custodians past and present upon whose ancestral lands we are gathered today. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing relationship with the land.

In a new initiative to support Aboriginal people who are at risk of homelessness, Mission Australia is setting up an Inner City Aboriginal Tenancy Support Service. The purpose of this service is to lay the foundations for Aboriginal people to help Aboriginal people through early intervention rather than at the point of crisis. Mission Australia will help and support the establishment of the service for the next 2 years, linking it in with an alliance of services already in existence to support Aboriginal people.

We are looking for a Team Leader for this brand new project to provide a Tenancy Support Service to Aboriginal people that is effective and culturally appropriate. This position is therefore, specifically for someone who identifies as "Aboriginal". *

The main responsibilities of this new position is the provision of supervision and support to the service staff and the management of the delivery of the service to clients. You are also responsible for overseeing the funding guidelines and the reporting requirements for the service.

You have a background that demonstrates your ability to support and develop your staff through a range of different and challenging issues whilst carrying your own case load and managing the effective delivery of a service. Building and maintaining effective relationships and networks is second nature to you. Your communication skills are well developed and you have a strong belief in social justice.

Applications close on 31st August 2011. For more information about the position please visit www.transformlives.com.au and apply online. Enquiries can be directed to Cara Dobinson on 02 9219 2020.

"We support closing the gap in living standards and opportunities between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Full details of Mission Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan can be located on our Mission Australia website at <http://www.missionaustralia.com.au/community-services/aboriginal-torres-strait-island>

* In order to perform this role you must be of Aboriginal Descent (An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977, NSW).

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Education & Communities

Aboriginal Employment Mentor

Clerk Grade 5/6

Temporary - Wollongong

Position number - 162693

Total remuneration package valued up to \$83,723 pa (salary \$68,761 to \$75,870 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing Employment mentoring, cultural awareness and on-the-job support to organisations employing Aboriginal employees to achieve increased vocational training, employment and economic development outcomes for Aboriginal people in NSW.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Demonstrated ability to provide mentoring, coaching and support services to Aboriginal people and employers. Demonstrated ability to engage industry, government, training organisations, Aboriginal community agencies and other stakeholder groups in the implementation of programs and services. Demonstrated knowledge of employment and vocational training issues for Aboriginal people. Good organisational and project coordination skills. Good communication, negotiation and presentation skills. Current drivers licence and a willingness to travel. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: This is a temporary position for a period up to 31 March 2013.

It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Inquiries and Information packages: Neil Davies (02) 6627 8419

Email: tony.aumuller@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Mr Neil Davies, Senior Aboriginal Employment Advisor, State Training Services, Level 4, Suite 3, 29 Molesworth Street, LISMORE or email applications to: neil.davies5@det.nsw.edu.au

You may also apply for these positions online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 162693.

Closing Date: 9 September 2011

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

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Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Project Officer (ATSI Identified)

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)

Home Care Service of NSW

Western Region, Ngangana Branch

Location: Negotiable (Dubbo, Coonabarabran or Coonamble)

Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 00000J81

Total remuneration package valued up to \$70,899 per annum (Salary: \$58,249 pa - \$64,249 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Provide case management support to Aboriginal people who are frail aged, younger with a disability and their carers who are eligible for a Community Options Package or a Compacts package.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Nursing and/or Social Science qualifications or demonstrated relevant experience, case management (including comprehensive assessment) and brokerage experience in a community-based organisation.
- Facilitation skills, including coordination, training and development of staff, contract management and liaising with brokeraged service providers.
- Strong written and oral communication skills, including negotiation skills and the ability to prepare reports and submissions.
- Sound conflict-resolution and problem-solving skills.
- A basic knowledge of accounting practices and the ability to acquire a good working knowledge of ADHC, Compacts, HACC and Community Options policies and procedures.
- Knowledge of current community care issues, access, equity and multicultural issues, community services and their availability to ensure clients receive appropriate services.
- Current NSW Class C Drivers Licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position which can be located at either Dubbo, Coonabarabran or Coonamble. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. The successful applicant will be required to travel extensively in this role. Applicants must obtain an Information package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about Home Care Service of NSW. Applicants must address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to Criminal Records Checks.

Enquiries & Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact Pam Wells - Ph (02) 6841 1570

Closing date: 9 September 2011

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Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Project Officer (ATSI Identified)

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)

Home Care Service of NSW

Western Region, Ngangana Branch

Location: Negotiable (Condobolin, Parkes or Cowra)

Permanent Part-Time

Position No: 00000JGC

Total remuneration package valued up to \$70,899 per annum (Salary: \$58,249 pa - \$64,249 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. (Hourly Rate: \$31.89 - \$35.18)

Job Description:

Provide Case Coordination / management to frail older people who meet the eligibility criteria as assessed by the Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT) for a Community Aged Care Package.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Nursing and/or Social Science qualifications or demonstrated relevant experience, case management (including comprehensive assessment) and brokerage experience in a community-based organisation.
- Facilitation skills, including coordination, training and development of staff, contract management and liaising with brokeraged service providers.
- Strong written and oral communication skills, including negotiation skills and the ability to prepare reports and submissions.
- Sound conflict-resolution and problem-solving skills.
- A basic knowledge of accounting practices and the ability to acquire a good working knowledge of ADHC, Compacts, HACC and Community Options policies and procedures.
- Knowledge of current community care issues, access, equity and multicultural issues, community services and their availability to ensure clients receive appropriate services.
- Ability to travel and a current driver's licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Part-Time** position for 30 hours per week. It is preferable that this position is located in Condobolin but will negotiate for Parkes and Cowra. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. The successful applicant will be required to travel extensively in this role. Applicants must obtain an Information package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about Home Care Service of NSW. Applicants must address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to Criminal Records Checks.

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Closing Date: 9 September 2011

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General Practitioner Orange, NSW

*** Make a difference in Aboriginal health!**
*** Professional development opportunities!**
Orange Aboriginal Medical Service (OAMS) is seeking a **General Practitioner** to join their welcoming team in Orange on a contract basis. **You'll be responsible for providing holistic, comprehensive and culturally significant medical care for individuals, families & communities within the OAMS area.** In return for your dedication, you'll be rewarded with a **competitive hourly rate plus 10% of profits**, as well as negotiable **relocation assistance & a 4 day working week!**

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Resource Network for Linguistic Diversity

Advancing the sustainability of
Indigenous languages &
increasing the participation of
Indigenous peoples in all aspects of
language documentation & revitalization

Administrative officer

The Resource Network for Linguistic Diversity (RNLD) is looking for a part-time administrative officer. RNLD is a Melbourne-based non-profit organisation committed to advancing the sustainability of indigenous languages. Previous experience with administrative duties is required, along with computer proficiency. Duties will include basic office tasks, making travel and accommodation arrangements, communication with relevant organisations and managing the RNLD's online profile. Police clearance is required. *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.*

Hours: 0.4 FTE

Salary: \$47,326 - \$51,222 FTE p.a. + 9% superannuation

The successful applicant will be offered a contract to June 30 2014, with an initial three month probationary period.

Position description can be downloaded at <www.rnld.org/employment>

Contact Margaret Florey for further details: email <contact.rnld@gmail.com>, phone 0488 086 031.

Applications close Monday 29 August

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Project Officer

NovaSkill is currently seeking applications from results driven individuals to assist Indigenous Australians access employment & training opportunities.

This newly created Full Time position will be based in Singleton and focused on delivering the outcomes of an exciting and unique NovaSkill and Coal & Allied partnership.

To be Successful in the role you will need:

- Experience in implementing & supervising projects
- Supervisory experience with indigenous employment &/or training programs
- Superior communication skills
- Knowledge of the VET sector
- A current NSW drivers licence

Highly desirable:

- Experience in Natural Resource or Asset Management Industries

NovaSkill and Coal & Allied actively promote equal opportunity in the workplace. Indigenous Australians are strongly encouraged to apply.

This position will require a Working with Children & AFP Check.

To be considered please send a cover letter & resume to:

NovaSkill Recruitment
careers@novaskill.com.au

Applications Close: 3rd September 2011

Holroyd City Council is
committed to business excellence,
principles, safety and diversity.

ATSI Social Support Coordinator

- 9-day fortnight
- Generous salary package

You will be in charge of developing a new Home and Community Care funded, Social Support service for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents residing in the Holroyd, Parramatta and Auburn LGAs. You will be an experienced and enthusiastic worker looking to join the Aged and Disability Services Team within the Community Services Section. You must be of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander background, possess relevant qualifications or experience, have an understanding of the needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and practical experience in a community services setting. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 for this position.

Further Enquiries: after receiving the job application kit telephone Kylie Marsden, Council's Aged/Disability Team Leader on (02) 9840 9977.

Salary Range: \$1,112.17 to \$1,279 pw (Grade 13).

Closing Date: 31 August 2011.

How To Apply: Obtain a job application kit by visiting Council's website at www.holroyd.nsw.gov.au, or by phoning Customer Services on (02) 9840 9840 and quoting the position number (SP-LC-122).



Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service Inc.

Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service is a community controlled health service providing holistic health care to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of the ACT and surrounding areas. The Service manages approximately 30 programs through various funding agreements and employs more than 60 staff offering salary sacrifice pursuant to tax department regulations and organisational policy.

Senior Medical Officer

The position of Senior Medical Officer is a newly created position. It is a fulltime position responsible to the CEO and Medical Director. The position involves managing the clinical services team of including approximately 8 GPs, registered nurses, midwives, Aboriginal health workers. The role includes the provision of clinical supervision of all clinical staff and medical students and registrars. As a not-for-profit organisation a significant component of this position is the capacity to provide leadership and direction in the optimisation of Medicare billing. It is expected that the successful applicant will have excellent clinical skills, with particular skills in preventative and primary health care and management experience.

Enquiries for this position may be directed to the CEO, Julie Tongs on 62846222 or email Julie.Tongs@winnunga.org.au

A copy of the position description and selection criteria may be obtained by calling 62846215 or email to Rae.Lacey@winnunga.org.au applications should be addressed and mailed to Julie Tongs, CEO, Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service 63 Boolimba Cres Narrabundah ACT 2604 or by email to Julie.Tongs@winnunga.org.au

Applications close Wednesday 31/08/2011.



Government of Western Australia
Department for Child Protection

Field Worker

Country Services

Web Search No: CP2467 (Pool Recruitment)

Level/Salary: Level 2/4, \$50,557 - \$69,033 pa

The Field Worker will work in the areas of child protection and children in care and is responsible for engaging, building and maintaining relationships with families and their children and communities whilst working alongside families to strengthen their capacity to provide care and safety to their members.

To Access Detailed Information: Visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Alison Braid on 9881 0123.

Special Notice: Regional Incentives may be available depending on location.

Location: Northam, Moora, Merredin, Narrogin.

Closing Date: Monday, 29 August 2011 at 5.00pm.



Government of South Australia
Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources
Management Board

Your chance to make a difference Project Officer, Buffel Grass Control

\$50,538 – \$54,112 p.a. (OPS-3)

\$57,757 – \$60,426 p.a. (OPS-4)

Vac No: C5207/2011

The Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board region encompasses the far west of South Australia. Buffel Grass is one of the major threats to the ecology of this region. The Project Officer, Buffel Grass Control has the challenging role to help the Aboriginal Communities and the National Parks stop Buffel Grass from becoming established in Yalata and Maralinga Tjarutja Lands and surrounding parks. There will be substantial travel and camping out in some of the remotest parts of South Australia.

We are seeking someone who can work reliably and independently with the Aboriginal communities in this part of Australia to control this weed and help develop long term control programs. Your role will make a difference and help keep a beautiful part of the world in the best condition possible. You will be a part of a small team with experience and training in controlling weeds on other people's land and have in interest in supporting landholders to look after their lands.

Special Conditions:

- This is a contract position based in Ceduna and is available for one year initially.
- You will require a current driver's licence.
- Some out of hours work and travel within the region necessitating overnight stays in remote areas and camping will be required.

Job and Person Specification and information on how to apply at www.awnrm.sa.gov.au

Enquiries to: Ms Teresa Gurney on 0428 260 027 or Ms Karan Coombe-Smith on 8357 3880.

People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications Close: 5.00pm 2nd September, 2011

www.awnrm.sa.gov.au

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NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Government of South Australia
Department of Environment
and Natural Resources

Natural resources such as land, water and biodiversity are fundamental to our society, economy and environment. The State Government is working to further improve support for communities, landholders and industries who actively manage these natural resources by integrating the programs and resources of South Australia's Natural Resources Management Boards (NRMB) and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Be part of this exciting new approach, working with a dedicated team and a community-based Board across some of the State's most diverse and interesting landscapes. Opportunities exist within the Alinytjara Wilurara Region.

MANAGER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Alinytjara Wilurara Region
Reference Number 14421
(Salary up to \$89K pa + super)

With the option of being based in the Adelaide, Ceduna or Pt Augusta office, this position is primarily responsible for delivery of NRM projects and programs across the Region in accordance with agreed milestones, timelines and budgets. This position is also responsible for developing, monitoring and evaluating a Community Engagement Framework that fosters and maintains positive community and stakeholder partnerships, with the aim of raising community capacity and allowing for meaningful engagement in natural resource management. Other responsibilities include evaluating and supporting community initiatives, projects and programs that have environmental, social and economic benefits.

The Alinytjara Wilurara opportunities provide a unique opportunity to work with Aboriginal custodians in conserving one of the great natural areas of South Australia and both roles give the successful candidates the knowledge of working in a dynamic organisation where an individual can make a difference – work with a dedicated team and a community based Board across some of the State's most diverse and interesting landscapes. Being a part of this new approach opens up links into numerous organisations which provide opportunities for professional growth. Individuals of Aboriginal descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

For job and person specifications and applicant guidelines, please visit www.hender.com.au and for further information on our client, please visit www.denr.sa.gov.au

Applications in Word format only should be forwarded to Justin Hinora by email to 14421@hender.com.au or 14422@hender.com.au as applicable. Telephone enquiries are welcome and may be directed to Bernie Dyer on (08) 8100 8867. Applications close Friday 2 September 2011.

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The Voice of Indigenous Australia

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We want our people to know they make a difference...because after all every single one does

Indigenous Engagement Manager

APS LEVEL 6

\$69,389 - \$76,328 (PLUS SUPERANNUATION)

VICTORIAN STATISTICS LEADERSHIP BRANCH

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Can you create and foster relationships that deliver improved business outcomes?

To support the Government's Closing the Gap initiatives, the ABS provides data and other statistical support in relation to Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander community. A key part of this support is to engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people through their communities and organisations. The Indigenous Engagement Manager (IEM) in the ABS Victorian Office is responsible for making connections with Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander communities in Victoria and to build partnerships for the promotion of statistical initiatives and the building of statistical knowledge.

The IEM will work as part of the Victorian Statistical Leadership Branch. Prior statistical knowledge is desirable but not essential. Most importantly, the EMI will need good communication skills and knowledge of issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people. An existing connection with the community will be considered favourably.

Persons of Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander origin are encouraged to apply.

If this opportunity appeals to you then find out more by first obtaining an applicant information kit at www.abs.gov.au/careers or contact **Linda Bencic** on **03 9615 7075**

Please quote reference no. 11/0580 in all correspondence.

Applications must be received by
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**Family &
Community Services**
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Administrative Assistant (Identified)

Aboriginal Service Development & Delivery

Clerk Grade 3/4

Parramatta

Temporary Full-Time

Job Reference No. 00000HEE

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:

Provide a range of administration, office management and customer services to support the Branch. Assist the Executive Director in monitoring, analysing and reporting on budget performance of the Branch.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and understanding of contemporary issues for Aboriginal people including an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal people.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Excellent administration skills including organising and priority setting skills.
- Experience in purchasing, payment of accounts and maintaining office equipment including vehicles.
- Experience in preparing agendas, meeting minutes, correspondence, briefing notes and background papers.
- Good computer and word processing skills including spreadsheets and databases.
- Knowledge of records management and the ability to efficiently track correspondence and submissions using information technology.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period of up to 2 years under the terms of the *Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002*. Applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Annette Houston (02) 9407 7730

Information Packages and to apply: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Position Number: 00000HEE

Closing Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2011

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**Justice &
Attorney General**

NSW TRUSTEE & GUARDIAN CADETSHIP TRUST CLERK Aboriginal Targeted

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Clerk General Scale

Salary range: \$25,229 - \$49,384

Total Remuneration package valued up to: \$54,495

You are eligible to apply for a cadetship if you:

- Are under 25 years at time of application
- Have your HSC or a relevant Certificate IV qualification or (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates applying are exempt from this criteria)
- Are a Permanent resident in Australia.

The primary role of the Trust Clerk is to administer estates, trusts and powers of attorney of low complexity and liaise with clients and staff to facilitate the process. NSW TG provide an in house training program for the successful applicants.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Good interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills;
- Experience using Microsoft Office applications;
- Good organisational and file management skills;
- Good investigative and analytical skills;
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.

Job Notes

The definition of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (as defined by the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*) is a person

- of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- who identifies as being Aboriginal;
- and is accepted by the Aboriginal community in which you live or have lived.

There are currently two permanent Aboriginal targeted positions. These positions would be based either in the Trust Service Centres or branches within the Sydney metropolitan area and would be expected to move between branches as part of their training and development.

An eligibility list may be created to fill future permanent, temporary, full time and part time vacancies as they arise in the Sydney metropolitan area.

Applicants must obtain an information package and address **all** criteria in the advertisement. To apply visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: Peter Howard (02) 9240 0752 peter.j.howard@tag.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 7 September 2011

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**Family &
Community Services**
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Project Officer (ATSI Identified)

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)

Home Care Service of NSW

Western Region, Ngangana Branch

Location: Negotiable (Dubbo, Coonabarabran or Coonamble)

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Provide case management support to Aboriginal people who are frail aged, younger with a disability and their carers who are eligible for a Community Options Package or a Compacts package.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Nursing and/or Social Science qualifications or demonstrated relevant experience, case management (including comprehensive assessment) and brokerage experience in a community-based organisation.
- Facilitation skills, including coordination, training and development of staff, contract management and liaising with brokeraged service providers.
- Strong written and oral communication skills, including negotiation skills and the ability to prepare reports and submissions.
- Sound conflict-resolution and problem-solving skills.
- A basic knowledge of accounting practices and the ability to acquire a good working knowledge of ADHC, Compacts, HACC and Community Options policies and procedures.
- Knowledge of current community care issues, access, equity and multicultural issues, community services and their availability to ensure clients receive appropriate services.
- Current NSW Class C Drivers Licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position which can be located at either Dubbo, Coonabarabran or Coonamble. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. The successful applicant will be required to travel extensively in this role. Applicants must obtain an Information package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about Home Care Service of NSW. Applicants must address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to Criminal Records Checks.

Enquiries & Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact Pam Wells - Ph (02) 6841 1570

Closing date: 9 September 2011

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KOORI COURT OFFICER

Grade 3, MC2080

Ongoing, full or part-time
\$53,502 to \$64,962 (pro rata)
Bairnsdale Magistrates' Court

The Koori Court is established as a division of the Magistrates Court in Victoria.

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Applicants seeking part-time employment are encouraged to apply.

This is a designated Indigenous Position which has been granted exemption status by VCAT (Ex No. 183/2002 and extended by application No A289/2008).

All successful candidates must undergo and satisfy police and other security checks.

Position descriptions are available from www.careers@vic.gov.au, or by telephoning **Mr Mason Atkinson, Manager of Koori Courts, Telephone: (03) 96039415.**

Applications are to be forwarded to:
Human Resources
Melbourne Magistrates' Court
GPO 882G
Melbourne, 3001

Or email to: mason.atkinson@justice.vic.gov.au
Applications close at 5pm on 31 August 2011

Fast-Act 138239 v3



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Position closes: 31 August 2011

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This is a new position that will provide case management support to young people in Burnside's aftercare program and to a group of children & their carers residing in one of Burnside's Supported Family Group Homes. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applications Close: 29 August 2011.

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Case Manager, HomeStay

- Based in Townsville
- Full time, maximum term to 30 August 2013
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Are you passionate about helping the most vulnerable?

The HomeStay Service supports families and individuals who are at risk of homelessness to maintain housing or access long term sustainable housing. By working as an early intervention service with those at risk of homelessness, we can address the drivers of homelessness and prevent people from becoming homeless.

As a Case Manager you will provide individualised support to engage with people at risk of homelessness, together with assisting them to stabilise their situation. You will support people to address the underlying causes such as low income, household management, budgeting, interpersonal relationships and connecting with local community support networks.

For further information or a position description please contact Kerry Marganelli on (07) 4759 6184.

Applications including a resume and cover letter should be forwarded to

qldjobs@redcross.org.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are encouraged to apply.

Applications close 12pm Monday 29 August 2011.



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For more information and to apply, visit essentialenergy.com.au/apprenticeships
Applications open from 20 August until 2 September 2011.

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Jobs that make a difference

Disability Aboriginal Pathways Coordinator VPSG-4

North and West Metropolitan Region
Disability Services
\$66,235 - \$75,151 + Super

The position will have a key role in improving access and referral pathways for Aboriginal people with a disability and their carers in the North and West Metropolitan Region.

The person will work closely with staff of Disability Services, Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations and generic service providers to establish links and working relationships with the Aboriginal Community to help overcome existing barriers to service access.

This role has been exempted for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders people only to apply. VCAT exemption number: A067/A068/2010/0055

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for this role please contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on: 1300 092 406 or email: aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

View the job description and complete the online application at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers and follow the links.

Reference number: **DHS/NWR/332428**

For further information regarding this position please contact Tiffany Carroll on (03) 9412 5405.

Applications close 12 September 2011

www.careers.vic.gov.au



Department of
Human Services



Administrative Support Officer

ADELAIDE METROPOLITAN
Contract initially until
January 2012

Vacancy No: 5208/2011

\$43,394 - \$46,969 per annum
(ASO-2)

The Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board region encompasses the far west of South Australia and has a Regional Office in Ceduna and a Head Office based in metropolitan Adelaide (currently situated at Kings Park).

We are seeking someone who can be relied upon to provide telephone and visitor reception services at our Head Office.

The Administrative Support Officer reports to the Manager Business Development and is responsible for providing high level reception and administrative support to the Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board, staff and stakeholders.

Location: Kings Park, South Australia.

Special Conditions: This is a reception position which requires office attendance from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday. Some out of normal hours and travel within the State may be required.

Note: To be eligible to apply, you must be an Australian Citizen or have a Permanent Resident Visa or have an Australian Work Visa which allows you to work in Australia for the period of the employment contract.

Enquiries to: Ms Thuy (Twee) Phan on 8357 3880 or via email: cbm@aboriginalnrm.com.au

Application Information: www.awnrm.sa.gov.au

Application Guidelines are available at www.awnrm.sa.gov.au Include your Curriculum Vitae with the names and contact details of 3 referees. Please quote Vacancy Number, state where you saw the vacancy advertised and email your application to hr@aboriginalnrm.com.au

Applications Close:
5pm Friday 2nd September, 2011

Persons of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage are strongly encouraged to apply.

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**Aboriginal
Employment
Strategy Ltd**



Aboriginal Home and Community Care (HACC) Support Worker (Aged and Disability)

This position is funded by the NSW Department of Family and Community Services and auspiced by Wagga Wagga City Council.

Reporting to the HACC Development Officer, the key responsibilities for this position are the provision of quality strategies, programs and services which facilitate and promote awareness, understanding and support for the Aboriginal community to access the Home and Community Care (HACC) services across the Riverina and Murray regions. Also to further develop best practice rural models in delivering services and programs to meet the needs of older people, younger people with disabilities and their carers.

You will require the ability to work independently, have an understanding of Aboriginal Communities and be willing to travel regionally with occasional overnight stays. Certificate IV in Community Services or an ability to work towards formal qualifications is essential.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

This position is subject to NSW Child Protection Legislation.

Interviews will be held in the week commencing Monday, 12 September 2011.

Remuneration: Min \$1,108.84 gpw + super

Enquiries: Cheryl Wilson - 0428 615 842

Closing Date: Monday, 5 September 2011

Applications must be made via Council's online application system. Applicants must address the selection criteria contained within the relevant position description available on our website.



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Aboriginal Identified Community & Welfare Roles!

BRC are a specialist Recruitment Agency who work in the Community & Welfare Sector. We are always on the lookout for Aboriginal identified candidates, to work with a range of Community & Welfare organisations that we presently represent.

Some of the roles that we are working on right now include:-

- **Aboriginal Health Coordinator** - \$70k + Super
- **Senior Health Project Worker** - \$80k+Super
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- **Outreach Worker** - \$46k - \$49k + Super

Please contact Ian or Michelle at BRC Recruitment on 02 9299 2399 or email m.moloney@brcrecruitment.com.au



Police Liaison Officer

Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$25 598 - \$47 020 p.a.

Location: Rockhampton

REF: QLD/PO3537/11

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 Murray Shields (07) 4932 6201

Closing Date: Monday, 29 August 2011

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



Community Translation Officer

60% FTE Contract until 31st December 2012

\$78,122 - \$83,634, this includes salary, superannuation and salary sacrifice package

Based in Brisbane CBD Office

Menzies is seeking a Community Translation Officer to support our work in Cancer in Indigenous people. The primary role of this position is to engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and relevant stakeholders regarding research and other projects conducted by the team. You will also be required to provide research support to researchers and other team members. The position provides the opportunity to develop and enhance research and community translation skills.

Contact: Patricia Valery on 07 3309 3418 or email Patricia.Valery@menzies.edu.au

Vacancy closes 5th September 2011

Menzies is a Health Promotion Charity (HPC). HPC salary packaging arrangements can significantly increase your effective salary. Menzies also provides generous superannuation benefits, 6 weeks annual leave, and flexible working arrangements.

For information on how to apply for this position and to obtain the Position Description and Selection Criteria please visit www.menzies.edu.au or phone 08 8943 5052 / 5081

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Mid North Coast
Local Health District

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker Trainee

Coffs Harbour

Temporary Full Time (up to 30/06/2014)

Enquiries: Fiona Beston 02 6656 7900

Ref ID: 41106

Closing Date: 11 September 2011

Aboriginal Mental Health Family Case Manager

Coffs Harbour, Macksville

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Enquiries: Fiona Beston 02 6656 7900

Ref ID: 41012

Closing Date: 11 September 2011

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Health

ABORIGINAL HEALTH EDUCATION OFFICER NON-GRADUATE/GRADUATE

PFT; Salary: \$43,591-\$71,289 pa, Enquiries: Patricia Heal, (02) 9881 1670 or patricia.heal@wsahs.nsw.gov.au; Mt Druitt, Ad No: 43842, Close: 23/09/11.

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=43842>

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).

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Child and Family Team Dubbo

This full time Aboriginal Identified position provides office administration support for our Aboriginal Programs. It will also provide a warm and welcoming reception service, answer the telephone and sensitively respond to telephone enquires. Required: Experience in administrative office skills and sound knowledge of Microsoft office.

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Applications Close: 5 September 2011.

Apply online at our website

Starting Salary \$43,709 per annum. In accordance with Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for this position.



Life Without Barriers

Life Without Barriers is a not-for-profit organisation operating throughout Australia and New Zealand. Our innovative care and support services deliver meaningful outcomes for children, young people, families and communities, promoting rights and valuing relationships.



There is currently an opportunity for a Manager, Carer Support -Aboriginal to join our Rockdale based Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Team. Responsibilities of this position include:

- Coordinate and manage the daily operations of a team of Supporters of Carers (SOC) including allocation of SOC caseloads,
- Coordinate and monitor the delivery of Carer Assessments, Carer Reviews, Carer Recruitment, carer Training and Carer Support.
- Provide regular supervision and support to SOC's.
- Promote and develop a cohesive team which contributes to the overall care of clients.
- Participate directly in soc functions, such as recruitment, assessment, training and support when required.

LWB offers an attractive remuneration package that includes salary sacrifice, a fully maintained motor vehicle with private use, laptop and mobile phone. For all enquiries, please contact Adrienne Nally on (02) 9508 4077.

Applications close Wednesday, 31 August 2011.

The successful applicant 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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EARTHMOVING PLANT OPERATORS (FIFO)

Ochre Personnel is an Indigenous Labour Hire and Recruitment Company based in Perth. We specialise in the Labour Hire and Recruitment of suitable and safety minded Indigenous personnel to Companies within the Mining and Resources sector. Being an Indigenous owned and operated company, the management and staff of Ochre Personnel understand our workforce. With this understanding we achieve success for our workforce and our clients.

We have a number of Clients in the Mining Industry currently looking for Indigenous Mobile plant / Earthmoving operators to fill roles in the Pilbara Region of WA on various FIFO rosters flying in and out of Perth.

You will need experience on –

- Excavators – EX 1900 / EX 2500 / PC 3000
- Dozers – CAT D10 / D11
- Loader – CAT 992
- Grader – CAT 16H & 16M
- Truck – CAT 777 & 785

Essential Criteria for these roles must include:

- Minimum 2 years of experience in a Mining Production environment
- Australian HR driver's license or better
- 5 years employment history with contactable referees
- must be able to pass a medical exam and drug test

These roles will become permanent after a 3 month trial period. To apply for these roles please forward a copy of your CV to recruitment@ochrepersonnel.com.au or call Craig or Cheyne (08) 9472 4001 for more details.

Aboriginal Trainee Positions Parks and Wildlife Group

Have you a passion for caring and promoting Country?

Do you want to earn while you learn?

The following Traineeships are available:

- Aboriginal Trainee Interpretive Assistant in the Tumut Visitors Services Team.
- Aboriginal Trainee Field Officer positions located in Botany Bay area, Cobar, Mutawintji National Park, Kinchega National Park, Bourke (information session will be held) Glen Innes, Nelson Bay and Mathoura.



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Are you interested in:

- Working in conservation of natural, Aboriginal and cultural heritage and resources within the NSW National Parks?
- Protecting the environment and motivating people to be environmentally responsible?
- Assisting with nature and cultural activities?
- Undertaking a Conservation and Land Management Certificate II?

Our one-year Aboriginal Traineeship Program offers you these opportunities!

Check out www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for more details including the selection criteria or contact Hala Daher on hala.daher@environment.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9585 6780.

Applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package to apply.

Applications close: 9 September 2011



**The Rations Exchange Technical Resource Unit
Incorporated**
(a Social Business of the NSWALC Northern Region Local
Aboriginal Land Councils)

BUSINESS MANAGER

In this position, an applicant's Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

We are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Business Manager to take the lead role in our newly established social business. This innovative and challenging senior position is created to lay the foundation for, and assertively grow, long term sustainable operations of TRETRU as an Aboriginal-owned professional consultancy with a practice focus on economic development. The position is based in Armidale.

Salary is in the range \$102,382 - \$114,100 per annum, excluding employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Selection criteria

- Demonstrated experience at senior level in managing and growing the business of a commercial enterprise;
- Demonstrated understanding and experience of contemporary economic issues, including barriers, facing Aboriginal people and communities, preferably within NSWALC Northern Region;
- Demonstrated ability to build and maintain effective working relationships with a range of private and public sector partners with diverse needs, with the Land Councils and with their communities;
- High level of initiative and ability to innovate, manage and deliver work on time and budget, and to a high standard;
- Ability to lead and facilitate solution-brokering in a climate of complexity, ambiguity and competing interests;
- Knowledge and understanding of Federal Government, NSW Government and NSWALC legislative, policy and programme objectives and service delivery in relation to services to Aboriginal people; and
- Relevant tertiary qualifications and experience in economic development at regional scale.

Enquiries: Cliff Chenery (02 6772 0863)
Closing Date: 26th August 2011



Executive Manager Health Services

**Full-time position
Executive Leadership Role**

This position is responsible for operational control of the Health Services at the Co-operative.

The successful applicant will have:

- Tertiary qualifications in a relevant discipline and/or extensive experience.
- Successful management of a health services organisation and demonstrated experience in the supervision of staff and management reporting.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Aboriginal culture and an understanding of the Social Determinant factors that influence Aboriginal Health.
- Ability to provide leadership, support and encouragement to the organisation and community.

Salary Packaging is available.

The successful applicant will be required to undergo a Victorian Police check.

For a Position Description please contact Scherie Moulton on (03) 5820 0000 or email: scherie@racilimited.com.au

Applicants that fail to address the key selection criteria in the position description will not be considered.

Applications close 4.00pm 31 August 2011 and are to be addressed to:

Human Resources Dept
Rumbalara Aboriginal Co-Operative
PO Box 614
Mooroopna Vic 3629

Members of the Aboriginal Community are encouraged to apply



Alzheimer's Australia NSW (AlzNSW) provides support to people with dementia, their families, health professionals and the general public. Our services include the National Dementia Helpline, day activity programs, counselling, early intervention programs and education.

Project Officer, Indigenous Dementia Awareness

• Two year fixed term contract • 38 hours per week

Alzheimer's Australia NSW are currently seeking to recruit an experienced health professional with project management experience for the position of Project Officer, Indigenous Dementia Awareness.

Reporting to the General Manager, Services this role has been newly created to assist in the development, implementation, support and monitoring of projects that address dementia awareness, dementia risk reduction and lead to an increase in the uptake of dementia and mainstream services by Aboriginal people

The successful candidate for this role will possess:

- Demonstrated experience in health promotion projects and community engagement
- Proven ability to negotiate/mediate with Aboriginal communities, government agencies and other organizations
- Demonstrated ability to develop and foster relationships with a wide range of key stakeholder
- Knowledge and understanding of dementia and ageing issues and health and community services and programs
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills

This is an identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and accepted in the community as such. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1997.

AlzNSW offers flexibility in working arrangements and a range of other employee benefits.

Please contact Robyn Fame on 02 8875 4674 for more information, or follow this link <http://www.alzheimers.org.au/about-us/nsw-career-opportunities.aspx> for a copy of the position description and further instructions.

Applications close September 12, 2011.

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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

REMOTE SEXUAL HEALTH COORDINATOR

Nurse 4 (\$80,969 - \$86,988) salary range
(Employment package valued in the vicinity of \$98,000)

This includes qualification allowance, professional development allowance, superannuation, 6 weeks recreation leave and annual leave bonus
Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus Unit – Alice Springs
Permanent

Do you want a challenging and rewarding experience as a Remote Sexual Health Coordinator in Central Australia?

The Northern Territory has Australia's highest rate of Sexually Transmitted Infections, and you can make a positive difference!

As part of a team of Remote Sexual Health Coordinators in Central Australia based at the Centre of Disease Control, you will be responsible for working with remote Primary Health Care Providers coordinating a comprehensive Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus Program in Central Australia.

You must be eligible for registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency as a Registered Nurse.

Quote vacancy number: 4231

For further information please contact Belinda Davis on 08 8951 7551 or email belinda.davis@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 2 September 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 recruitmentjobvacancies.dbe@nt.gov.au

Information on the 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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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ranger Cadetships

Do you have a passion for caring and promoting Country?

Do you want to earn while you learn?

Are you interested in undertaking a degree?

**The Parks and Wildlife Group have three
Aboriginal Cadet Ranger positions available in
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Each year you will receive an allowance for studying and undertake 12 weeks paid work placement. On successful completion of the Cadetship, a permanent Ranger position will be offered.



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Check out www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for more details including the selection criteria or contact Lisa May on lisa.may@environment.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9585 6994. Applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package to apply. **Applications close: 9 September 2011**

An information session will be held for the Cadetship located in Bourke, further information is available in the recruitment package.



This Project is supported by funding from the Commonwealth Government under its Indigenous Cadetship Support, administered by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations



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**Youth Development
Officers:
Get a career that
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**2 Full time positions (1 Aboriginal Identified)
Bridges for Youth Program - Campbelltown**

These positions have a strong focus on building the profile and engaging in collaborative relationships and partnerships with communities and service providers. These positions will also have a hands on role in delivering innovative recreation and resilience building programs for young people in the Campbelltown area. The Aboriginal Identified position will focus on delivering culturally appropriate services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth.

Applicants will require:

- Relevant tertiary qualifications in the human services sector or recognised prior learning and/or 2 years experience working with young people with complex needs and experiencing disadvantage.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE
5 September 2011**

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SCREEN
AUSTRALIA

Screen Australia is the Commonwealth Government screen agency providing support to Australia film, television, documentary and digital media makers.

Screen Australia is seeking applicants for the following employment opportunity:-

Investment Development Manager, Indigenous Full-time, 1 year fixed-term contract

The Indigenous team actively identifies and nurtures talented Indigenous Australian filmmakers and provides funding opportunities for them to participate in the film, television and interactive media production industry and promotes their unique perspectives as central to Australian culture and pivotal to the wider success of the Australian screen industry.

The successful candidate will be responsible for:

- Assessing applications across various funding programs including Development and Production of Drama, Documentary, Digital Media and preparing funding recommendations as appropriate
- Overseeing the development and production of funded projects and managing these through to completion.
- Working with other Screen Australia internal departments to assess applications with Indigenous content.
- Undertaking research, administrative and financial reporting/budgeting tasks, as required.
- Liaising with and actively communicating information with our client base and responding to complex enquiries.
- Maintaining effective working relationships with other Federal and State film agencies.

To be successful in the role, you will require:

- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Indigenous society and culture and the issues affecting Indigenous people in contemporary Australian society, including the diversity of circumstances in Indigenous communities.
- Recent experience in Australian film and television at a creative level in feature film, short film documentary, animation or interactive media.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, including undertaking proper negotiation and consultation with Indigenous people on matters relevant to the delivery of the Government's Indigenous development policies.
- Proven ability to evaluate ideas, scripts and other proposals against development, production and marketing guidelines, and apply good creative judgment to make objective decisions to achieve successful and fair results.
- Experience assessing production and budget implications of scripts and project proposals.
- Proven experience managing multiple projects and working constructively in a team environment to accomplish common goals.

Please note that this is an indigenous identified position. The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act.

Applicants must be of Indigenous Australian or Torres Strait Islander descent, identify as an Indigenous Australian or Torres Strait Islander, and be accepted as such by the community with which he/she is associated.

Job Notes: Further information is available on the Screen Australia website and applicants must address the selection criteria.

Job Information: http://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/about_us/Jobs-With-Screen-Australia.aspx

Closing Date: Wednesday 31 August 2011



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Project Development Officer

Grafton Location, Position No. 50015301

Permanent Full-Time, \$80,118 - \$85,975 pa

The Project Development Officer provides efficient and effective technical, environmental, contract and project management support to the Project Development Manager in the development and implementation of various Pacific Highway projects to meet time, cost, quality and scope in accordance with client requirements.

Contact

Mark Eastwood on 02 6640 1333

Project Officer

Grafton Location, Position No. 50160263

Permanent Full-Time, \$72,922 - \$76,961 pa

The Project Officer provides technical, environmental, contract and project management support to the Project Manager in the development and implementation of road and bridge construction and maintenance projects to meet time, cost, quality and scope in accordance with client requirements.

Contact

Lindsay Nash on 02 6640 1012

At the RTA, you will have the chance to make a real difference to the community. With high profile projects and a wide range of opportunities, the RTA offers the flexibility and challenge you have been looking for.

The RTA is an equal opportunity employer.

Closing Date: 2 September 2011

For further information, applicants must obtain an information package

Applicants can apply online at
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**Transport
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Film Trainer / Coordinator Ngaanyatjarra Lands, WA

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Careers with Queensland Health

Advanced Health Worker (Indigenous Women's Health)

Joyce Palmer Health Service, Institute of Primary Health and Ambulatory Care, Palm Island, Townsville Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$51 900 p.a., comprising salary rates: \$24.76 - \$27.24 p.h., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Part time position, 64 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) JAR: H11TV0895.

Duties/Abilities: Provide an advanced level of contemporary primary health care skills (with minimal supervision), aimed at supporting the health and wellbeing of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, with particular reference to health priorities of Indigenous women and healthy lifestyle issues including cervical screening. 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: Jan Gale on 0427 894 481.

Application Kit: (07) 4750 6778 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 5 September 2011.

Advanced Health Worker (Child and Youth Health)

Young Peoples Health, Child and Family Health Service, Ipswich, West Moreton Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$61 632 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JAR: H11WM08441.

Duties/Abilities: Assist in providing community based, culturally appropriate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child and youth health services in rural and urban environments in conjunction with child and youth health nurses. Support young, pregnant or parenting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people (aged 18 years and under) to make healthy lifestyle and health care choices and reduce risky behaviours during pregnancy and the child's early years. 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: Ann Helen Walker (07) 3817 2347.

Application Kit: (07) 3136 5616 or (07) 3121 1411 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 12 September 2011.

You can apply online at
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job.
A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

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Case Manager Housing Accommodation Support Initiative - Miller

New Horizons is a not for profit organisation that provides support services for people with mental and intellectual disabilities.

We have an opportunity for a Full Time Aboriginal Case Manager to join our new Aboriginal Housing & Accommodation Support Initiative (HASI) team. The role will be based in Miller (near Liverpool) and it will provide you the opportunity to manage a case load, coordinate professional services and supervise a small team of staff.

Essential Criteria:

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identity (In this position an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997, as amended)
- Knowledge of relevant local aboriginal community services and mainstream facilities
- Knowledge of local community issues faced by aboriginal communities
- Experience in case management and coordination of services for people with mental illness and/or intellectual disabilities
- Qualifications in Social Sciences, Social Work, Psychology, Mental Health, Disability or related field.
- Current NSW drivers licence and own vehicle

New Horizons will be happy to train and support the successful person in this role.

Applications to: Marianne Klobuchar – HR Officer

Phone: (02) 9490 0027 Email: recruit@newhorizons.net.au

Enquiries: Natalie Ellis – HASI Regional Coordinator

Phone: 0410 082 574 Email: nellis@newhorizons.net.au

**All applications to be received by close of business
2nd September 2011.**



Family & Community Services Housing NSW

Client Service Officer

**Clerk Grade 2/4
Housing Services Division
Western Area, Dubbo
Permanent Full-Time**

Position No: 00000JAX

Total remuneration package valued up to \$70,382 per annum (Salary: \$55,131 pa - \$63,781 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Client Service staff are the public face of our business, providing critical services and quality housing advice to applicants, tenants and stakeholders, including those with complex needs.

Selection Criteria:

- Understanding of and capacity to relate to people from a diverse range of social and cultural backgrounds including those with complex needs.
- Strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated capacity to use sensitivity in interviewing, problem-solving and decision-making.
- Demonstrated ability to prioritise and carry out a range of tasks under competing demands, in a high volume client focused environment.
- Written communication skills, computer literacy and capacity to interpret policy and guidelines.
- Ability to work autonomously and in teams and partnerships.
- Willingness to work with tenants in their homes.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. An Eligibility List will be created to fill future vacancies. Please note that the successful applicant must be willing to work with clients in their homes.

Enquiries: Sonja Sharp, Ph (02) 6363 6012

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.com.au

Position Number: 00000JAX

Closing Date: 9 September 2011

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Department of
Sustainability
and Environment

Seasonal Firefighters Indigenous Employment Opportunities



Healthy Parks
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The Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) and Parks Victoria have seasonal firefighter positions open to Indigenous applicants.

An exciting opportunity awaits!

DSE and Parks Victoria employ field staff across metropolitan and regional Victoria to assist with the prevention and suppression of bushfires in parks and forests. 20 positions are available for Indigenous applicants at a variety of locations.

All training will be provided and positions are open to any applicant who:

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- Is of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background

Salaries range from \$765.32 - \$1084.81 per week plus 9% superannuation.

Successful candidates located at Parks Victoria work centres with Parks Victoria supervisors will be employed by Parks Victoria. All other successful candidates will be employed by DSE.

Apply online at www.dse.vic.gov.au/firejobs

For more information contact DSE on 136 186 or Parks Victoria on 131 963

Applications close Sunday 4 September 2011

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunities Act 1995 (No. A147/2011 and A126/2010).
Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply under this exemption.



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Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Care Worker

Grade 1
Wiradjuri Branch
Albury
Casual

Job Reference No. 00000ISL

Rate of pay commences at \$22.54 per hour, plus loadings for out of hours work, non-contributory superannuation and car allowance.

Job Description:

Aboriginal Home Care Service of NSW is a state-wide service providing household support to Aboriginal people who are frail aged people, people with disabilities and their carers to enable them to live independently in their own homes.

We are seeking to employ a **Casual** Grade 1 Care Worker to provide domestic assistance (housekeeping) services to our clients in their homes. Flexible days and hours of work Monday to Friday available.

Are You

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Caring and understanding
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- Able to engage with the aged, people with disabilities and people from all backgrounds

In Return We Will Offer You

- Good rates of pay and kilometre allowance
- Ongoing paid training
- Flexible working hours
- Supportive work environment
- No weekend work

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants must obtain the Information Package, which contains complete details about the position and information about the department. Successful applicant will be subject to a Criminal Records Check and a pre-employment Functional Assessment.

Enquiries & Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact Kymbal McGrath on (02) 6041 7700

Job Reference Number: 00000ISL

Closing Date: 9 September 2011

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Who are we?

Airservices Australia provides the nation's air navigation and surveillance services.

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You'll be paid \$31,719 + 12.5% super per annum. You'll also be guaranteed a job once you have graduated!

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How do you apply?

Applications can be submitted online until 11pm on Monday 12th September 2011.

Want to know more?

Visit www.airservicesaustralia.com/careers/trainees or contact avrecruit@airservicesaustralia.com

To apply, please click the apply button.

Airservices Australia values social and cultural diversity and is committed to the principles of equal employment opportunity and the provision of a safe and healthy work environment. We encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to apply.

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Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 7 September 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



QI2011/041 Juru (Cape Upstart) People Protected Area ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 86 square kilometres and is located over Cape Upstart National Park, approximately 40 kilometres north-west of Bowen as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Whitsunday Regional Council.



QI2011/042 Juru (Cape Upstart) People (formerly known as the Birri Gubba (Cape Upstart) People) and Ergon Energy ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 86 square kilometres and is located over Cape Upstart National Park, approximately 40 kilometres north-west of Bowen as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Whitsunday Regional Council.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Margaret Smallwood, Jeffrey Lenoy, Carol Prior-Patterson and Renarta Prior on their own behalf and on behalf of the Juru (Cape Upstart) People c/- North Queensland Land Council PO Box 1717 Aitkenvale BC QLD 4814	State of Queensland (<i>party to QI2011/041 only</i>) c/- Crown Law State Law Building 50 Ann Street Brisbane QLD 4000
Kyburra Munda Yalga Aboriginal Corporation (<i>party to QI2011/041 only</i>) 11 Golflinks Road Queens Beach Bowen QLD 4805	Ergon Energy Corporation Ltd (<i>party to QI2011/042 only</i>) c/- MacDonnells Law Level 9, 120 Edward St Brisbane QLD 4001

The agreements contain the following statements: [Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

QI2011/041

8.1 The Parties consent to any grant of an authority under section 35 of the NCA to Ergon Energy Corporation Limited (or its subsidiaries or successors) over land within the ILUA Area.

'NCA' means the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (Qld)

[the agreement between the parties is about the exercise of Native Title Rights and Interests in the ILUA Area]

QI2011/042

5.1 The Parties consent to the doing of any particular future act and any class of future acts specified in this Agreement.

5.2 The Parties consent to Ergon Energy performing any of the following acts:

- Minor Works [as described in Schedule 2 of the agreement which can be obtained from the NNTT on request];
- Access to the Agreement Area for the purposes of the activities in clause 5.2(a);
- Use of all land siting electricity infrastructure in existence at the execution date ('relevant Electricity Infrastructure') and of any adjacent land required for operational use and maintenance of relevant Electricity Infrastructure;
- Access to all land referred to in clause 5.2(c) by way of access tracks in existence at the execution date ('relevant access tracks');
- Any future acts on Aboriginal land subject to the prior written consent of the entity holding the Aboriginal Land having been obtained; and
- Subject to Cultural Heritage Management Plan Processes stipulated in the Agreement, the grant of any easement, licence or permit over relevant Electricity Infrastructure.

5.10 The Parties agree that Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to any future act, to which the Parties have consented, within this agreement.

6.1 The Native Title Party consents to the State of Queensland granting Ergon Energy any tenure or other interest over land within the Agreement Area on which Electricity Infrastructure is located without prejudice to any rights which the Native Title Party may have to compensation from the State of Queensland.

20.2 Subject to *subclause 20.3*, the parties authorise and consent to the doing of any future act after the Registration Date [of the ILUA] (other than the surrender of native title rights and interests) in relation to any part of the Agreement Area that is Aboriginal Land.

"Electricity Infrastructure" means "Works" as defined in section 12(1) of the *Electricity Act, 1994* and includes "Operating works" as defined in section 12(3) of that Act.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

These two applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by the North Queensland Land Council, the representative body for the area concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the respective maps. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have 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, CAIRNS, QLD, 4870 by 7 December 2011.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment & Resource Management (QLD). 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 Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION MEETING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (AREA AGREEMENT) UNDER THE *NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993* (CTH) FOR PART OF THE AUSTRALIA PACIFIC LNG PROJECT AND FOR THE RUBY PIPELINE PROJECT

Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited (**APLNG**) proposes to develop a world scale, long-term coal seam gas (CSG) to liquefied natural gas (LNG) project in Queensland (**APLNG Project**). The APLNG Project comprises 3 principal components: the further development of APLNG's Queensland-based CSG fields in South Central Queensland; the construction and operation of a high pressure underground gas transmission pipeline system from the gas fields to a LNG facility on Curtis Island near Gladstone where the CSG will be liquefied (**LNG Pipeline Project**); and the construction and operation of the LNG facility and of ancillary onshore and marine facilities including a marine offloading facility and an export terminal containing specialised LNG loading facilities and berths so that the LNG can be exported to international markets.

In addition, APLNG plans to construct and operate a high pressure gas transmission pipeline running from a meter station at the Ruby Plant either to a meter station on the Darling Downs Power Station Pipeline or to an alternative connection point located on the Condabri Lateral Pipeline (**Ruby Pipeline Project**).

APLNG proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (ILUA), pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (NTA), with the Native Title Parties referred to below. The ILUA will relate to:

- part of the LNG Pipeline Project; and
- the Ruby Pipeline Project, (together, **ILUA Project**).

The land and waters affected by the ILUA Project (ILUA Area) are depicted on the map in this notice. The ILUA Area is located wholly within an area in respect of which there is currently no registered native title claim.

In order to ensure that all persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area were identified, APLNG published notice of its intention to commence negotiations for the proposed ILUA in The Koori Mail and in a number of other newspapers circulating in the ILUA Area in (for the APLNG Project, including for the LNG Pipeline Project) September 2010 and in February 2011 and (for the Ruby Pipeline Project) in March/April 2011. APLNG also conducted inquiries with Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd (QSNTS), the representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander body for the ILUA Area.

As a result of these and other efforts, the people who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area were identified as those members of the following Peoples who claim to hold Native Title Rights and Interests in respect of the ILUA Area:

- the Barunggam People, as represented in negotiations by Warry John Stanley and Dorothy Daylight;
- the Cobble Cobble People, as represented in negotiations by Marree Bartlem and Greg Emmerson;
- the man People, as represented in negotiations by Arwa Waterton and Graham Anderson;*
- the Jarowair People, as represented in negotiations by Phyllis Colonel Mills and Lillian F Colonel;
- the Mandandanji People, as represented in negotiations by Erica D Walker and Charmain Anderson;*
- the Western Wakka Wakka People, as represented in negotiations by Margaret McLeod and Patricia Conlon;
- the Yarowair People, as represented in negotiations by Dave Tobane and Brian McKean; and
- the Yeeman People, as represented in negotiations by Elizabeth Johnston and Jean Johnston, (together, **Native Title Parties**).

* Please note that while, based on the results of inquiries made, members of the Iman People and the Mandandanji People have been identified as people who hold or may hold native title in

relation to the ILUA Area, the ILUA does not extend to the area of either the Iman People #2 native title determination application (NNTT No. QC97/55, Federal Court No. QUD61 62/98) or the Mandandanji People native title determination application (NNTT No. QC08/10, Federal Court No. QUD366/08).

The ILUA will provide for the consent of the Native Title Parties to certain Agreed Acts to be set out in the ILUA, including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for the ILUA Project and the undertaking of the ILUA Project. APLNG will be seeking that the non-extinguishment principle apply to the proposed Agreed Acts.

Authorisation of the ILUA by the persons who hold or may hold native title in the ILUA Area is sought in accordance with the NTA.

Details of ILUA Authorisation Meeting

An Authorisation Meeting for the proposed ILUA will be held as follows:

Date and Time: Saturday, 10 September 2011, 8:00 am registration and a meeting start time of 9:00 am (breakfast will be provided during registration, from 8:00 am to 9:00 am).

Place: Ipswich Civic Centre, Cnr Limestone Street and Nicholas Street, Ipswich, Qld, 4305.

Purpose of the Meeting: To authorise the ILUA between APLNG and the Native Title Parties.

You are invited to attend the Meeting if you consider that you are a person, including a member of any of the Peoples comprising the Native Title Parties, who holds or may hold native title in relation to land or waters within the ILUA Area.

However, if you intend to attend the Authorisation Meeting, **you must** contact Ms Charlotte Bigge of APLNG **by no later than 4:00 pm on Wednesday 31 August 2011**. Ms Bigge's details are as follows:

Ms Charlotte Bigge,
Native Title and Cultural Heritage Co-ordinator
Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited
GPO Box 148, BRISBANE QLD 4001
Telephone: (07) 3867 0907 Facsimile: (07) 3369 7840

Please ensure that your response is provided to Ms Bigge by no later than 31 August 2011 and clearly sets out:

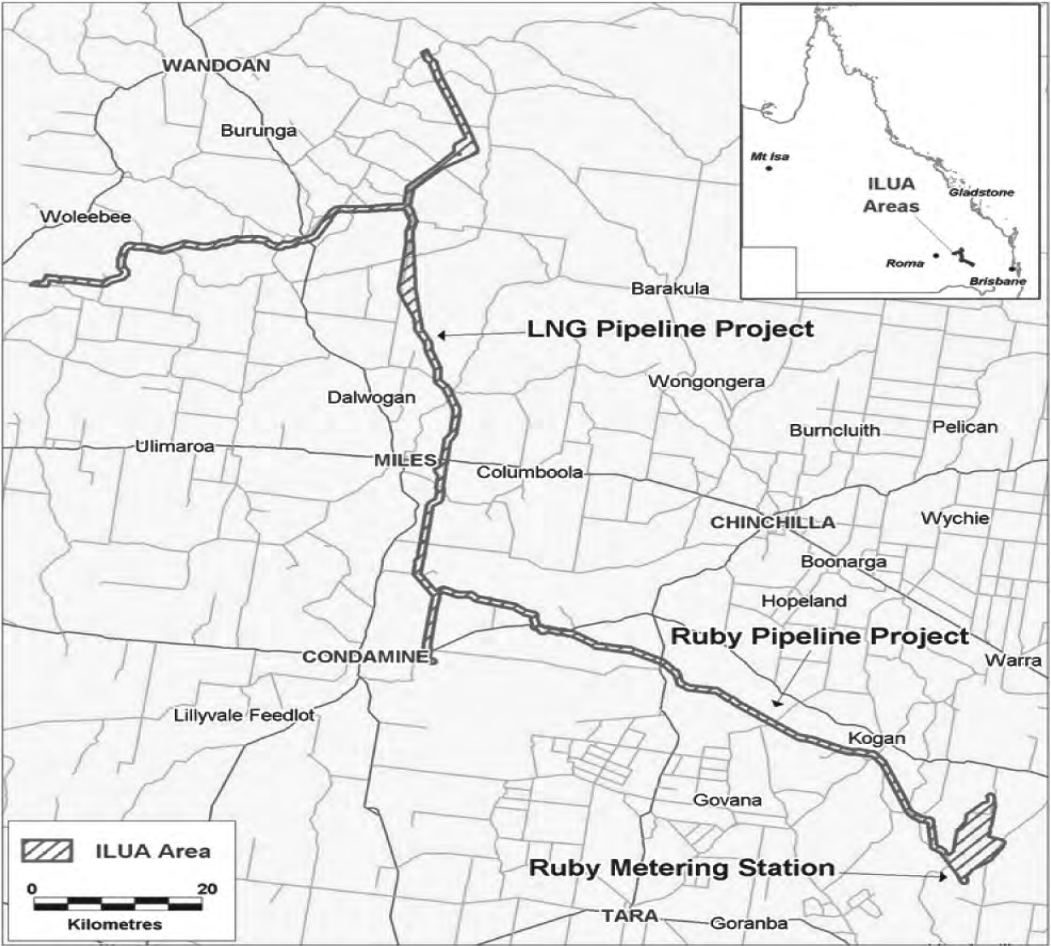
- your name and contact details;
- details of the apical ancestor through whom you claim to hold native title in the ILUA Area; and
- any additional material that you consider necessary to support your claim (any material provided will be treated with utmost confidentiality and will be returned to you following registration of the ILUA).

Based on the information provided, APLNG will seek verification of your claim that you hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area, including as a member of any of the Peoples comprising the Native Title Parties. You will be provided with written advice as to whether your claim that you hold or that you may hold native title has been verified (and therefore whether you are permitted to attend the Authorisation Meeting) by Ms Charlotte Bigge by Tuesday, 6 September 2011.

Proposed attendees will not be admitted to the Authorisation Meeting unless they have provided a response to Ms Bigge and had their claim verified in accordance with the above process.

Attendees at the meeting will also be required to register with their name, contact details and the identity of the apical ancestor through whom they claim to hold native title in the ILUA Area.

Your early response to Ms Bigge is also required so that arrangements can be made for the purposes of catering at the Authorisation Meeting. In addition, reasonable travel assistance will be made available upon satisfying eligibility criteria.



Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service Victoria (FVPLS Victoria)

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**Barwon South West regional office
(based in Warrnambool)**

Experience in areas of family law, child protection and victims' compensation.

Salary package up to \$73,000 p.a.

Email solicitor@fvpls.org for position description

Position closes: 31 August 2011

Phone 1800 105 303

www.fvpls.org



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

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.

Assistant in Nursing

Muswellbrook District Health Service

Casual

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

Enquiries: Hilary Walker/Fenny Thompson
02 6542 2022

Reference ID: 43191

Closing Date: 4 September 2011

Emergency Administration

Clerk Grade 2

Permanent Part Time (Various positions available)

Belmont District 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: Leanne Cooper 02 4923 2154

Reference ID: 42306

Closing Date: 4 September 2011

Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Drug and Alcohol Services, Cessnock

Permanent Full Time

Creation of an 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: Martin Nean 0428 540 390

Reference ID: 41959

Closing Date: 11 September 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.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Registered Nurse

Werris Creek Community Hospital

Permanent Full Time/Permanent Part Time

Creation of an eligibility list for future perm/temp, full/part time and casual vacancies.

Enquiries: Kylie Marquart 02 6768 6606

Reference ID: 43329

Closing Date: 4 September 2011

Clinical Support Officer

The Maitland Hospital

Temporary Full time

Creation of eligibility list for future Perm/Temp, Full/Part time and Casual positions.

This position has been advertised for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to apply. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

In the event that there are no Aboriginal applicants, then the mainstream internal applications from this advertisement will be utilised. Mainstream internal applicants eligible to apply must be a current employee of NSW Health and be employed in a permanent capacity or have been continuously employed for more than 12 months on a temporary full or part-time employment contract/s and have been through a merit selection process.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person the following maybe requested:

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: Karin Ravazdy 02 493 92479

Reference ID: 42453

Closing Date: 4 September, 2011

Aboriginal Maternal & Infant Health Strategy Registered Midwife

Muswellbrook District Health Service

Permanent Part Time (24 hpw)

Creation of an 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)

Applicants must be female - exemption is claimed under Section 31(2)(h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

Enquiries: Wendy Horden 02 6542 2013 or Helen Scott 02 6542 2023

Reference ID: 40414

Closing Date: 11 September 2011



AEC
Australian Electoral Commission

Field Officer

Victorian State Office, Melbourne

APS Level 5 – \$62,530–\$68,528 Job ref no. V360

The AEC is seeking a Field Officer to conduct visits to Indigenous communities in urban, and regional areas in Victoria to provide information to electors about the importance and process of participation in electoral events.

Field Officers also undertake a wide range of other electoral support tasks, including working on the next Federal Election, enrolment and election support, and are expected to have sound administrative abilities, including report writing.

Selection documentation may be obtained from the AEC website www.aec.gov.au/employment

Contact officer: Irene Lambiris, 03 92857171

Closing date: Thursday, 8th September 2011

The AEC is responsible for conducting federal elections and referendums, and maintaining the Commonwealth electoral roll. The AEC also provides a range of electoral information and education programs and activities.



NOTICE TO GRANT GENERAL PURPOSE LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following general purpose lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
16/16	Michael John Photios	3.25ha	51km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°30' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie
16/17	Michael John Photios	9.77ha	51km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°29' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie

The purposes for G16/16 & G16/17 are treatment of ore and storage of mullock.

Nature of the act: Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 24 August 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 **24 November 2011**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 24 December 2011**), there is no native title party in relation to the area of the leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 7 September 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



Q12011/037 Cairns Regional Council – Wanyurr Majay ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 200 square kilometres, located approximately 25 kilometres south of Cairns over part of Wooroonooran National Park as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority area of Cairns Regional Council.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Cairns Regional Council
C/- Preston Law
PO Box 707N
North Cairns QLD 4870

Andrew Victor Miller, Adrian Clive Murray, Lillian Mavis Willis, Mark Raymond Wilson and Annie Wonga on their own behalf and on behalf of the Wanyurr Majay People
C/- North Queensland Land Council
PO Box 679N
Cairns North QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

4.4 Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act is not intended to apply to any Future Acts for which the Native Title Parties have given consent under this Deed.

7.2 The Native Title Parties consent to the continued operation, use and maintenance of:-

- the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure;
- the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located; and
- any land or water which is adjacent to the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located which is necessary for, or incidental to, the operation of the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure.

8.1 In the event the Council wishes to construct or carry out Works or Activities in the ILUA Area in respect of which it has not already received consent under this Deed, it may seek to obtain such consent by having the act become an Approved Future Act by following the process set out in Schedule 2 *[a copy of Schedule 2 can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below]*.

8.4 The Parties consent to the doing of Approved Future Acts.

9.1 The Parties consent to the construction or carrying out of Minor Works or Activities on the conditions described in Schedule 3 *[a copy of Schedule 3 can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below]*.

Definitions

‘Extinguishing Infrastructure’ means Council Infrastructure that:-

- was validly constructed or established within the ILUA Area on or before 23 December 1996; and
- constitutes a Public Work

‘Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure’ means Council infrastructure that is:-

- not Extinguishing Infrastructure; and
- was constructed or established within the ILUA Area on or before the Commencement Date.

‘Works or Activities’ means any Council Infrastructure or the grant of an Occupancy Interest that Council may provide or undertake as a local government after the Commencement Date other than Minor Works or Activities.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, PO Box 9973, Cairns, QLD 4870 by 7 December 2011.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment & Resource Management (QLD).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Case Manager Lisa Serpa on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Family & Community Services
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Executive Assistant

Clerk Grade 5/6
Housing (Policy and Services)
Ashfield
Permanent Full-Time
Job Reference No: 00000JE6

Total remuneration package valued up to \$83,724 per annum (Salary: \$68,761 pa - \$75,870 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

To provide high level secretarial and administrative support to the Executive Director including telephone, email and diary management, together with the preparation of daily folders and meeting papers and general administrative support to the Executive Support Unit to assist with the overall function of the Policy & Strategy Division.

Selection Criteria:

- High level oral and written communication skills.
- Capacity to manage highly confidential and sensitive information.
- Excellent organisational and negotiation skills including executive diary management experience.
- Sound networking, relationship management and liaison skills.
- Extensive experience in the use of Microsoft Software including, Word, Excel and PowerPoint.
- Demonstrated experience in records management systems and knowledge of TRIM.

Job Notes:

Further information about this position is available online and you must address the full selection criteria.

For enquiries: Diana Kapera (02) 8753 8825.

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

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Thank you for your interest in this position. (Job Reference No: 00000JE6)

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The Advancing Country Towns Program will focus on achieving better economic outcomes by building on the strengths of the Lakes Entrance community. The Project Manager will work with local people, business and government to develop local funding proposals for grassroots projects that address identified needs in the community by building on work and knowledge to address priorities. Details about the program can be found on the Department of Planning and Community Development website.

Reporting to the Director, Planning and Community this role will lead the development of the project locally, establish strategic partnerships across government, private and community sectors, implement key activities and monitor and evaluate outcomes as agreed by the strategic Steering Group.

Specialist knowledge in the delivery of place based community programs will be assumed in order for you to be successful in this role. You will have strong leadership, negotiation and resource management skills as well as proven problem solving abilities, strategic thinking and sound judgement. Experience working with Indigenous communities would be desirable. An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful applicant depending on skills and experience.

Intending applicants should first obtain a position description by telephoning 5153 9500 or by downloading a copy from the Shire's website www.egipps.vic.gov.au

Written applications addressing the Key Selection Criteria and marked Confidential should be forwarded to the address below or emailed to hr@egipps.vic.gov.au no later than **Sunday, 28 August 2011**.

Human Resources Co-ordinator, East Gippsland Shire Council,
PO Box 1618, Bairnsdale VIC 3875



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
20/521	Carlo Gonella	72.41ha	32km N'ly of Cue	Lat 27°09' Long 117°45'	Cue
20/522	Western Mining Pty Ltd	30.18ha	2km NE'ly of Cue	Lat 27°25' Long 117°53'	Cue
39/1082	Peter Romeo Gianni	49.61ha	69km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°12' Long 122°10'	Leonora
45/1217	Cameco Australia Pty Ltd	2330.27ha	72km S'ly of Telfer	Lat 22°20' Long 122°04'	East Pilbara
	MDP Uranium Pty Ltd				
52/1057	Montezuma Mining Co. Ltd	881.53ha	116km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 24°24' Long 119°41'	Meekatharra

Nature Of The Act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification Day: 24 August 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 **24 November 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. 24 December 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 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
28/1746	Pioneer Resources Limited Xstrata Nickel Australasia Operations Pty Ltd	374133	46.3ha	64km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°32' Long 122°07'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
74/368	Uran Ltd Jindalee Resources Ltd	374835	45.66ha	84km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°49' Long 119°58'	Lake Grace
74/428	Great Western Exploration Limited	374836	2.52ha	84km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°49' Long 119°59'	Lake Grace

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 24 August 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 **24 November 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. 24 December 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 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
04/2101	Canning Coal Pty Ltd	29.22km ²	125km S'ly of Derby	Lat 18°23' Long 123°57'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2102	Canning Coal Pty Ltd	35.79km ²	67km W'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°09' Long 124°57'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2104	Canning Coal Pty Ltd	647.74km ²	124km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°56' Long 124°44'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2105	Canning Coal Pty Ltd	301.63km ²	128km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°40' Long 124°29'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2106	Canning Coal Pty Ltd	55.35km ²	88km W'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°00' Long 124°47'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2118	Jian Zhao Jinjun Jiang Jane Jianqin Gao	648.18km ²	104km S'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°04' Long 125°52'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2119	Boral Resources (WA) Ltd	3.25km ²	70km SW'ly of Derby	Lat 17°40' Long 123°05'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2120	Boral Resources (WA) Ltd	9.8km ²	124km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°18' Long 124°51'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2121	Kimberley Quarry Pty Ltd	9.81km ²	124km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°14' Long 124°56'	Derby-West Kimberley
04/2122	Kimberley Quarry Pty Ltd	6.53km ²	118km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°16' Long 124°59'	Derby-West Kimberley
08/2067	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	47.96km ²	111km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°38' Long 116°14'	Ashburton
09/1823	Coventry Enterprises Pty Ltd	18.6km ²	126km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 25°09' Long 116°27'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1884	Kenneth Frank Watson	136.52km ²	53km SE'ly of Carnarvon	Lat 25°18' Long 113°54'	Carnarvon
15/1299	TJ & IM Leahy Pty Ltd	5.89km ²	18km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°50' Long 121°02'	Coolgardie
16/433	Meteoric Resources NL	23.68km ²	81km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 30°27' Long 120°15'	Coolgardie
24/178	Ora Banda Gold Pty Ltd	20.71km ²	49km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°22' Long 121°11'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/464	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	8.82km ²	56km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 30°55' Long 122°09'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/384	Hemisphere Resources Ltd	35.49km ²	45km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°24' Long 121°42'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
37/1116	Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	24.34km ²	53km E'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°48' Long 121°13'	Leonora
37/1117	Enterprise Metals Limited	85.24km ²	74km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°24' Long 121°11'	Leonora
37/1118	Resource Exploration Ltd	12.04km ²	38km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°33' Long 121°14'	Leonora
38/2398	South Boulder Mines Ltd	201.46km ²	93km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°39' Long 122°02'	Laverton/Leonora
38/2503	White Cliff Nickel Ltd	15.02km ²	21km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°44' Long 122°14'	Laverton
38/2531	Breaker Resources NL	576.74km ²	141km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°24' Long 124°15'	Laverton
38/2537	Breaker Resources NL	163.54km ²	111km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°55' Long 124°01'	Laverton
38/2557	Sasak Resources Australia Pty Ltd	470.52km ²	199km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 26°59' Long 124°24'	Wiluna/Laverton
38/2602	Goldphyre WA Pty Ltd	12.21km ²	82km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°07' Long 123°43'	Laverton
39/1628	Landtec Pty Ltd	2.99km ²	60km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°07' Long 122°10'	Leonora
45/3884	Bushwin Pty Ltd	6.39km ²	12km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°17' Long 119°45'	East Pilbara
45/3885	Bushwin Pty Ltd	89.37km ²	43km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°22' Long 119°23'	East Pilbara
45/3886	Bushwin Pty Ltd	35.1km ²	33km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°43'	East Pilbara
46/926	Cazaly Iron Pty Ltd	6.32km ²	83km NE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°45' Long 120°12'	East Pilbara
51/1494	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	9.16km ²	51km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°58' Long 118°12'	Cue/Meekatharra
52/2675	Mincor Resources NL	363.64km ²	128km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°54' Long 117°28'	Meekatharra/Murchison
52/2681	Ventnor Pilbara Pty Ltd	6.28km ²	41km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°43' Long 119°42'	Meekatharra
57/874	Gateway Mining Limited	3.04km ²	68km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°24' Long 119°30'	Sandstone
57/875	Gateway Mining Limited	3.05km ²	66km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°25' Long 119°31'	Sandstone
57/884	Orrex Resources Ltd	15.05km ²	114km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 28°59' Long 118°48'	Sandstone
63/1497	Scaddan Energy Pty Ltd	226.5km ²	40km S'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 33°19' Long 121°46'	Esperance
63/1498	Scaddan Energy Pty Ltd	51.87km ²	12km N'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 32°52' Long 121°38'	Esperance
80/4600	Ngalia Resources Pty Ltd	65.45km ²	126km NE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°34' Long 126°35'	Derby-West Kimberley/Halls Creek
80/4605	Central Australian Rare Earths Pty Ltd	138.97km ²	123km NW'ly of Balgo	Lat 19°16' Long 127°13'	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: 24 August 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 **24 November 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. 24 December 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.

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With the support of the Australian Government's Office for the Arts (OFTA) as part of the National Arts and Craft Industry Support (NACIS) Professional Development Fund and the NSW Government through Arts NSW, an opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Emerging Arts Administrator to work with an internationally recognised arts organisation to assist in the development and delivery of the 18th Biennale of Sydney (2012).

The Biennale of Sydney (BoS) is a not-for-profit arts organisation that presents an international festival of contemporary art (and Australia's largest contemporary art exhibition) every two years in Sydney's major art museums and galleries, and locations throughout the city.

The NSW Aboriginal Professional Development Program (NSW APDP) Aboriginal Emerging Arts Administrator will be part of a team of highly motivated, specialist staff and plays a key role in the organisation, reporting to the Head of Marketing and Sponsorship. The position offers the rare opportunity to work in a small team and be involved with Australian and international artists and visitors in the delivery of one of the largest exhibitions of contemporary art in the Asia-Pacific region.

The Aboriginal Emerging Arts Administrator will assist in the marketing and sponsorship areas of the organisation, also gaining insight into exhibitions, programming and publications, under the direction of the Head of Marketing and Sponsorship. The BoS's marketing and communication activities are designed to optimise visitor attendance, maximise awareness of BoS activities and brand, and achieve appropriate publicity for all BoS activities locally, nationally and internationally. The position will also assist with the identification and approach of sponsors, as well as developing and maintaining organisational relationships.

Good writing, presentation and research skills are required, as well as the ability to work cooperatively in a team environment. This is a 16-month contract position with a salary of \$45,000 per annum (plus 9% employer's superannuation contribution), commencing September 2011.

For an information package, please contact **Lena Peacock**, Administration Assistant, by email on art@biennaleofsydney.com.au. Applications marked **Confidential** and addressing the selection criteria must be received by **5 pm on Friday, 2 September 2011**.

Applications that do not address the selection criteria will not be considered.

Tehmi Sukhla, Head of Marketing and Sponsorship, Biennale of Sydney
43-51 Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo NSW 2011



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Community Services

Office for Children, Youth and Family Support

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services

Narrabundah House Indigenous Supported Accommodation

Youth Worker

Administrative Services Officer Class 3

Salary Range: \$49,306 - \$53,214 (PN: 09103, several)

The position of Youth Worker provides direct supervision and support to young residents, assisting residents with their living skills, social and community interaction and linkages to suitable support programs and services. In conjunction with other areas of the Directorate and community partners, the Youth Worker is responsible for providing direct case work support to residents in relation to the development and implementation of case management plans, and is responsible for engaging with the young residents in a culturally appropriate, sensitive and supportive manner. The Youth Worker position also plays a pivotal role in providing a safe and caring environment for residents and for the professional administration of NHISA in line with the standards and expectations of the ACT Public Service.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Current driver's licence, First Aid certificate or capacity to quickly acquire First Aid certification. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Note: These positions will involve shiftwork. An order of merit will be formed from this selection process and maybe utilised to fill any casual or permanent positions (at level), which may occur within the following 12 months.

Contact Officer: Craig Cuttance (02) 6205 0529 craig.cuttance@act.gov.au

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SENIOR REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OFFICER

Working with Children Check Unit, Box Hill

\$66,235 - \$75,121 + super

Position No : DJ6245

The Working with Children Check Unit assists in protecting children from sexual or physical harm by ensuring that people who engage in "child-related work" have their suitability to do so checked by a government body.

The review and assessment team within the unit assesses Working with Children Check applications with the primary focus being on those applications, which have relevant offences or findings, as legislated under the *Working with Children Act 2005*.

The role of the Senior Review and Assessment Officer is to undertake the review and assessment of complex Working with Children Check applications and produce comprehensive and accurate assessments in a timely manner.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 7 September 2011

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DEPARTMENT
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PROGRAM MANAGER

Mildura Community Partnership Project

VPS Grade 5: \$76,424 - \$92,467 plus superannuation

Position No DJ6403 Ongoing, Full-Time

The Mildura Community Partnership Project is part of a state-wide initiative in Koori communities which addresses the three priority areas for action under the Victorian Indigenous Affairs Framework.

The Program Manager will have a critical role in liaising with senior and executive departmental officers at all levels of government and with the Koori community in the development, implementation, coordination and monitoring of the project, as well as providing a policy and secretariat service for the Interdepartmental Committee (IDC).

You will be responsible for proactively building positive partnerships with community stakeholders, in order to identify and develop options for implementing community development programs.

This position is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of Queensland



National
Native Title
Tribunal

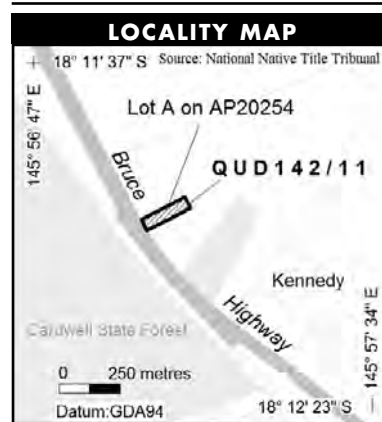
Notification day: 7 September 2011

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 Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 **on or before 6 December 2011**. After 6 December 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 6 December 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.



Applicant's name: Paul and Karen Savy

Federal Court File No: QUD142/11

Non-native title interest: Permit to Occupy number 234793

Description:

The area subject to this application is Lot A on AP20254, Permit to Occupy covering approximately 1 hectare located east of the Bruce Highway in the vicinity of Kennedy as shown on the locality map.

This application falls within the Local Government Authority of Cassowary Coast Regional Council.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment & Resource Management (QLD). 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 Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntf.gov.au.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ARROW LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT

Information session for proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the *Native Title Act 1993*

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ACN 078 521 936 (**Arrow**) proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (**LNG**) project involving the development of gas fields and the construction and operation of a pipeline and associated infrastructure for Arrow to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone. This project is known as the Arrow LNG Project (**Arrow LNG Project**).

Arrow seeks to negotiate one or more Indigenous Land Use Agreements (Area Agreement) (**ILUA**) pursuant to Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision C of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) in relation to the land or waters that are subject to the Arrow LNG Project shown on the map below (**ILUA Area**) and for any such ILUA/s to be authorised by all persons who hold or may hold native title in the **ILUA Area**.

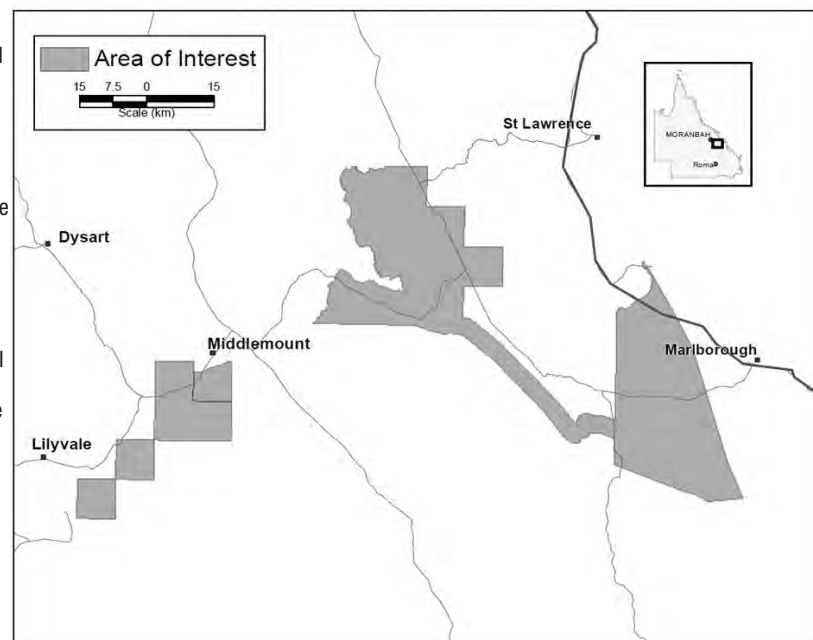
A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that the Darumbal People Native Title Determination Applications (**QUD6131/98** and **QUD6001/99**) cover part of the proposed **ILUA Area**. A separate ILUA specifically for members of the Darumbal native title claim groups is proposed. Darumbal native title claim group members will be separately informed about the Arrow LNG Project and the ILUA proposed for them.

An information session regarding the Arrow LNG Project and proposed ILUA for any other people will be held as follows:-

Date: 10 September 2011

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Dreamtime Cultural Centre Bruce Highway, Rockhampton, 4700



The purpose of the information session is to identify and to provide information on the proposed ILUA/s and **Arrow LNG Project** to all persons who hold or may hold native title in the proposed **ILUA Area** who are not members of the Darumbal native title claim groups.

All persons other than Darumbal native title claim group members who consider that they hold or may hold native title in the proposed **ILUA Area** should identify themselves to Arrow Energy now and are invited to attend the information session for that purpose.

No sitting fees will be paid for the information session. Fuel expenses, to a maximum of \$150 will be reimbursed, where receipts are provided after the meeting. Other travel expenses may be reimbursed but only on prior approval.

Attendees should register their intention to attend with **Tahnee Grocock** on (07) 3009 5400.



NSW Aboriginal Professional Development Program Aboriginal Emerging Curator

With the support of the Australian Government's Office for the Arts (OFTA) as part of the National Arts and Craft Industry Support (NACIS) Professional Development Fund and the NSW Government through Arts NSW, an opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Emerging Curator to work with an internationally recognised arts organisation to assist in the development and delivery of the 18th Biennale of Sydney (2012).

The Biennale of Sydney (BoS) is a not-for-profit arts organisation that presents an international festival of contemporary art (and Australia's largest contemporary art exhibition) every two years in Sydney's major art museums and galleries, and locations throughout the city.

The Aboriginal Emerging Curator is responsible for assisting in the curatorial research of the artistic program which includes research and development of the content (including writing of artists' texts) for the catalogue and guide. The position is also a part of the exhibition team in the development and delivery of the 18th Biennale of Sydney.

The process includes the establishment of curatorial research and artist files, preparation of travel itineraries and appointments as well as catalogue and guide preparation (including writing of artists' texts and procuring copyright of images as required) and working with artists on their projects.

Good writing, presentation and research skills are required, as well as the ability to work cooperatively in a team environment.

This is a 16-month contract position with a salary of \$45,000 per annum (plus 9% employer's superannuation contribution), commencing September 2011.

For an information package, please contact **Lena Peacock**, Administration Assistant, by email on art@biennaleofsydney.com.au. Applications marked **Confidential** and addressing the selection criteria must be received by **5 pm on Friday, 2 September 2011**.

Applications that do not address the selection criteria will not be considered.

**Gina Hall, Head of Exhibition, Biennale of Sydney
43-51 Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo NSW 2011**

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 7 September 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



QI2011/038 Quandamooka State ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 569 square kilometres, and covers North Stradbroke Island, Peel Island, Bird Island, Goat Island, Crab Island, Stingaree Island and surrounding waters as shown on the locality map.



QI2011/039 Quandamooka Redland City Council ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 429 square kilometres, and covers North Stradbroke Island, Peel Island, Bird Island, Goat Island, Stingaree Island and surrounding waters as shown on the locality map.

Both agreements fall within the Local Government Authority of Redland City Council.

Parties to the agreement and their contact address:

Ian Delaney on his own behalf and on behalf of the Quandamooka People; and
Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation
C/- Queensland South Native Title Services
Level 4, 370 Queen Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

State of Queensland (party to QI2011/038)
C/- Crown Law
Level 11 State Law Building
GPO Box 5221
Brisbane QLD 4001

Redland City Council (party to QI2011/039)
C/- Gilkerson Legal
PO Box 21
Cleveland QLD 4163

The agreements contains the following edited statements: [Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT)]
QI2011/038 Quandamooka State ILUA

6.1 Subject to [particular conditions], the Native Title Party [consents to the doing of (a) the Agreed Acts and (b) the extinguishment of any Native Title Rights and Interests on the Surrender taking effect and agrees to (c) the validation of any acts done by the State in the Agreement Area prior to the Date of this Agreement to extent that they were invalidly done for native title purposes and can be validated by this Agreement and (d) the validating of any invalid Agreed Acts (to the extent they are Future Acts) done on the Agreement Area prior to Registration of this ILUA].

7. [Part 2 Division 3 of Subdivision P of the NTA (which deals with the right to negotiate) does not apply to the doing of Agreed Acts.]

"Agreed Acts" means those acts specified in Schedule 2. [The Agreed Acts include various grants of land, permits and leases and the Surrender. A copy of Schedule 2 can be obtained from the NNTT on request.]

"Future Act" has the meaning given in the NTA.

"Surrender" means the permanent surrender and extinguishment of all Native Title Rights and Interests. [The Native Title Party consents to the State applying for the grant of deeds in fee simple over the Surrender Area in favour of the adjoining owners (clause 28.2) and to Surrender over approved areas including: areas to be granted in fee simple (20.16); residential areas (21.9); Point Lookout Town Expansion parcels (22.8); and development and sale sites in Dunwich, Amity Point and Point Lookout Town Expansion Areas (23.3).]

"Surrender Area" means lots 1 to 14 of DP226307 as shown on the plan in Schedule 19 [of the agreement].

QI2011/039 Quandamooka Redland City Council ILUA

38.2 [The right to negotiate provisions] under Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the [NTA] do not apply to any Future Acts covered by the Agreement, except in relation to acts that pass the freehold test under s. 24MD of the [NTA], and extractive industry Activities including Future Acts on quarry reserves or natural resource management reserves.

43.1 and 43.3 The Parties consent to any Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact [or, subject to conditions] a High Native Title Impact [described in Schedules 9 and 10 respectively – copies are available from NNTT on request. Low Impact Activities may include maintenance, Low Impact Infrastructure/Works and Tenure Grants, Statutory Approvals, Pest Control, Contractual Interests including with Third Parties, Operational Activities, Access and Site Investigation, Emergencies, Holiday/Camping Grounds and Land Fill Sites. High Impact Activities may include High Impact Infrastructure/Works and Tenure Grants, Preventing the Exercise of Native Title and Invalid Past Acts].

44.1 Where a condition applicable to a Particular Future Act is satisfied, the Parties consent to the Particular Future Act [described in Schedule 11 – available from NNTT on request] proceeding.

45.1 The Parties agree that Acts Already Done in the classes described in Schedule 12:- (a) have been done validly and are valid for Native Title purposes; and (b) have not Extinguished any Native Title.

45.2 A Future Act which was invalidly done before the Execution Date and which is not an Intermediate Period Act under the NTA, is validated.

[Future Acts, Intermediate Period Acts and Past Acts have the meaning given in the NTA.]

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

These applications for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) have been certified by the Queensland South Native Title Services, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by either ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the 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 either agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreements) 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, BRISBANE, QLD, 4001 by 7 December 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 NNTT based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment and Resources Management, Queensland. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the NNTT.

For assistance and further information about this application, call the case manager, Ann Stokes, on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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NEW HORIZONS
enterprises limited

Case Manager

New Horizons is seeking a F/T Aboriginal Case Manager to join our new Aboriginal Housing & Accommodation Support Initiative (HASI) team in Miller, NSW. The program aims to **increase opportunities for people**, by being involved in the community, maintaining their accommodation, & supporting & encouraging independence. New Horizons offers a **competitive remuneration package, salary sacrificing, RDOs** + more benefits!

Apply online: www.newhorizons.applynow.com.au

If you have any further questions phone 1300 366 573.

Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd.



Medical Receptionist (Fixed term) and Aboriginal Health Workers (Full time / part time)

If you are motivated and want to help improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Victoria, here is a great opportunity to join the team at Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd (DDACL).

Medical Receptionist (Fixed term)

This is a full time fixed term position, however, job sharing is a possibility. We require an experienced and professional person. The duties include reception and admin work at Bunurong Health Service. Experience in reception / admin duties in GP practice is essential. Experience working with Koori community would be advantageous.

Aboriginal Health Worker - Male (Full time / part time)

This role requires working closely with the GPs and other members of the health team at Bunurong Health Service. The duties include screening patients and participating in other activities focusing on preventative and health education. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III, and have experience in working in Aboriginal health. Knowledge of the local community is desirable.

Aboriginal Health Worker - Female (Full time / part time)

This role requires working closely with midwife and other members of the health team at Bunurong Health Service focusing on antenatal care, preventative and health education activities. The ideal candidate will have Aboriginal Health Worker qualification Cert III, and have experience in working in Aboriginal health. Knowledge of the local community is desirable.

For more information about these positions and a copy of position description please contact Practice Manager, Dandenong and District Aborigines Cooperative on (03) 9794 5933 or email practicemanager@ddacl.org.au.

Applications addressing key selection criteria given in the position description, must reach Practice Manager Bunurong Health Service by COB Friday 3rd September 2011.



Health

Hunter New England
Local Health District

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.

Customer Service

Administration Officer

HAPS New Lambton

2 x Permanent Full Time

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 confirmation with a common seal on it from an Aboriginal organisation; or
- a reference letter stating that the person is Aboriginal and accepted by community. (The letter must be supplied by an Aboriginal organisation).

Enquiries: Irene White 4921 4980

Reference ID: 39841

Closing Date: 4 September 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.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Child Protection Worker

Country Services

Web Search No: CP2466 (Pool Recruitment)

Level/Salary: Level 1, Specified Callings \$55,677 – \$76,337 pa

The Child Protection Worker works in the areas of child protection, children in care and family support is responsible for responding to concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of children, taking legal action to promote the safety and wellbeing of children where necessary.

To Access Detailed Information: Visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. or Ph: 9222 2901 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Alison Braid on 9881 0123.

Special Notice: Regional Incentives may apply depending on location.

Location: Northam, Moora, Merredin, Narrogin.

Closing Date: Monday, 29 August 2011 at 5.00pm.



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
36/1765	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	20.01ha	62km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°24' Long 120°58'	Leonora
36/1766	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	181.55ha	63km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°24' Long 120°58'	Leonora
36/1767	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	119.43ha	62km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°26' Long 120°59'	Leonora
36/1768	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	158.94ha	64km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°24' Long 121°01'	Leonora
37/8080	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	26.48ha	11km N'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°47' Long 121°18'	Leonora
37/8081	Gold & Mineral Resources Pty Ltd	200ha	30km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°50' Long 121°38'	Leonora
38/3930	Glenn William Baker	172.33ha	26km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°50' Long 122°29'	Laverton
38/3958	Glenmurrin pty Ltd	3.04ha	20km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°46' Long 122°31'	Laverton
	Murrin Murrin Holdings Pty Ltd				
40/1279	John Raymond Morgan	35.99ha	49km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°19' Long 121°25'	Menzies
40/1280	John Henry Edwards	56.48ha	51km S'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°20' Long 121°25'	Menzies
52/1392	Maximus Pedri	10ha	131km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 25°37' Long 119°16'	Meekatharra
	Keith James Scudds				

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: 24 August 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 **24 November 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. 24 December 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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Northern Sydney Aboriginal Social Plan

Expressions of Interest - Experienced Consultant

Northern Sydney Aboriginal Social Plan - Funding Group (made up of representatives from 11 northern Sydney Councils) are seeking Expressions of Interest to conduct an evaluation on the **Northern Sydney Aboriginal Social Plan 2007-2011**.

The study is to be undertaken by a competent and experienced consultant who has the required experience, understanding and expertise to complete the task in an appropriate manner within the timeframe specified.

This includes:

- Demonstrated ability to meet the specific requirements outlined in the project brief;
- Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal issues;
- Demonstrated cultural competency with the Aboriginal Community;
- Experience in working with and consulting Council officers, Aboriginal community and representatives of community organisations;
- Where undertaking the consultations with the Aboriginal Community, Aboriginality for the person conducting them;
- Ability to undertake the required work within the time frame specified;
- Value for money;
- Reputation within the industry.

The successful applicant will need to be available to start on Monday 12 September and complete the project by 12 December.

For further information phone Mr Danny Houseas on (02) 9424 0829. Please apply addressing the above selection criteria and provide a copy of your current CV to houseas@kmc.nsw.gov.au

Applications close: Friday 2nd September 2011



SPECIAL CONSTABLE (SECURITY) (various positions)

Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics
Specialist Operations

Job Classification: Special Constable
Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time
Suburb: Sydney Metropolitan area
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/238

Salary Package: \$62,178. **Salary:** \$54,934 - \$56,541. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and shift, weekend and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Special Constables provide a quality protective security service to selected NSW Police Force and State Government complexes, ensuring an overall safe and secure working environment for personnel, property and information.

Job Notes:

- **Applications will NOT be accepted electronically, as original documentation is required.**
- A "Ministerial Employee" application form MUST be obtained from the Police Recruitment Branch prior to applying.
- The completed "Ministerial Employee" application form must be returned with all requested original documentation. **Documents with photocopied signatures will NOT be accepted.**
- Applicants, post aptitude, may be called for interview and medical assessment.
- Applicants should hold a current First Aid Certificate.
- **Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement.**
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

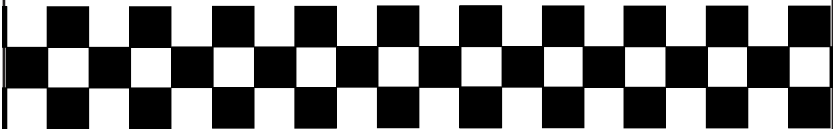
- Knowledge of safety and security procedures.
- Knowledge of security systems and access control procedures.
- Ability to perform the full range of security duties within large establishments.
- Sound oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to foster a team environment and contribute to team building.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision.

Enquiries/Information Package: Bridget or Josie on (02) 8835 9872

Applications marked "Confidential" to: NSW Police Force, Recruitment Branch, Level 7A, Police Headquarters, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124

CLOSING DATE: Thursday 1 September 2011

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WARATAH COAL - PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTHERN PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AREA CULTURAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*

Waratah Coal intends to develop one or more Cultural Heritage Management Plans (**CHMPs**), pursuant to Part 7 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, for the China First Coal Project (**the Project**).

Waratah Coal

The Project is being developed by Waratah Coal, which is a private Australian company, managed by an Australian team, with the company's headquarters located in Brisbane. In January 2009, Mineralogy Pty Ltd successfully acquired Waratah Coal. China First Pty Ltd, a fully owned subsidiary of Resourcehouse, was subsequently created and granted the right to mine 1.4 billion tonnes of raw coal from Exploration Permit for Coal tenements 1040 and 1079.

China First Project

The China First project includes a coal mine, railway and coal terminal to export quality thermal coal to international markets.

The Mine

The proposed China First mine is located in the middle of the Galilee Basin, Queensland, at a point 30 km northwest of the township of Alpha and 160 km to the west of Emerald. The proposed development will include the construction of four 9 Million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) underground long-wall coal mines, two 10 Mtpa open cut pits, two coal preparation plants with raw washing capacity of 28 Mtpa. The mine may also require associated supporting infrastructure such as worker accommodation. The planned annual Run-of-Mine coal production will be 56 Mtpa to produce 40 Mtpa of saleable export product coal.

The Rail

Processed coal will be transported by a proposed railway system from the Galilee Basin to the existing Port of Abbot Point. The rail component will include the construction and operation of a state of the art, heavy haul, standard gauge railways. The project will include, but is not limited to the construction and operation of: accommodation camps, bridges, culverts, stockpiles, pipelines, communications, power, water storages, fuel storage facilities and plant and equipment maintenance areas.

The railway system will be approximately 468 km in length, with the final length depending on the route selected.

The Coal Terminal

The project will utilise future coal stockpiling and port loading facilities to be developed by North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation (NQBP) within planned infrastructure at the Abbot Point State Development Area (APSDA) and the Port of Abbot Point. Waratah Coal intends to utilise facilities for coal stockpiling at the proposed T4-7 terminal within the APSDA.

Waratah Coal is seeking preferred respondent status in the development of the T4-7 terminal (through an Expression of Interest), which would award the right to develop a site at the T4-7 location; to develop conveyers within the Multi-user Corridor (MUC) between the T4-7 and the Multi Cargo Facility (MCF); and use of two berths at the MCF.

The Environmental Impact Statement for the Project has been submitted to Government and is expected to be released for Public Review in September 2011.

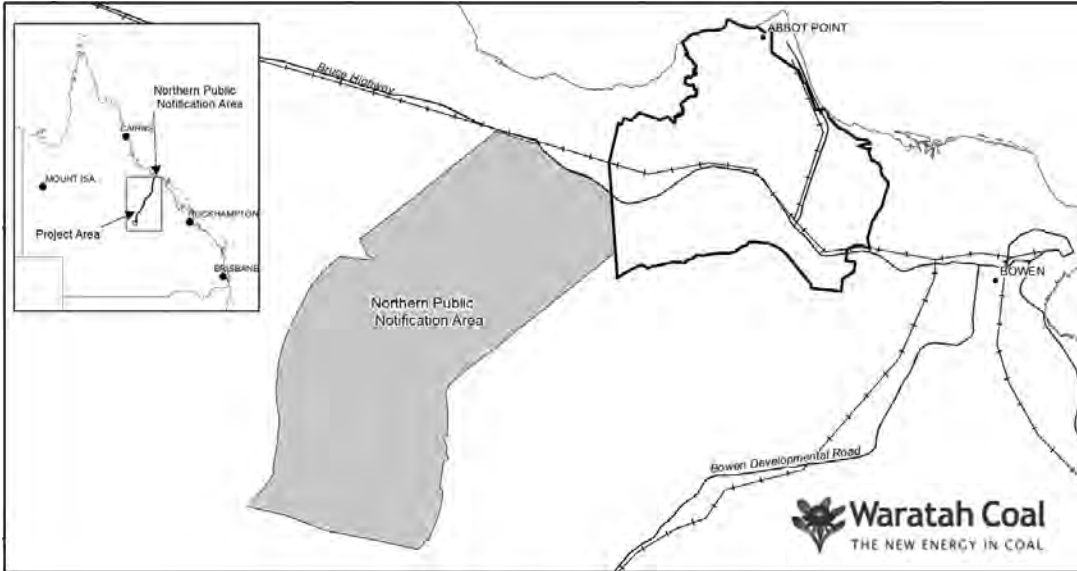
Waratah Coal's contact details and address for service are:

The Sponsor's name:	Waratah Coal Northern Public Notification Area
Contact Person:	Warren Twist
Address for Service:	GPO Box 89, Brisbane Qld 4001
Fax:	(07) 3221 8870
Email:	info@waratahcoal.com

For the purpose of this Notice the Notice Day is: **26 August 2011**

Waratah Coal proposes to develop one or more CHMPs, for the whole of the project area shown on the map below, to manage any Aboriginal cultural heritage that may exist in the project area. However, this Notice is in relation to a part of the project area, in the Northern portion of the project, where there is no Aboriginal party that is a native title party and no Aboriginal cultural heritage body as highlighted on the map below.

The Northern Public Notification area is located in the vicinity of Bowen and the Port of Abbot Point. The Northern Public Notification area is north and east of the Birri People native title claim (QUD6244/98) and south of the Juru People native title claim (QUD554/10); but does not include any of the stated Native Title claim areas.



If you are or have been nominated as an Aboriginal party (as defined by Part 4 of the ACHA) to act on their behalf and you wish to take part in the CHMP, you must give a written notice to Waratah Coal advising that you wish to take part in the development of a CHMP for the **Northern Public Notification** area by **5pm on 26 September 2011**.

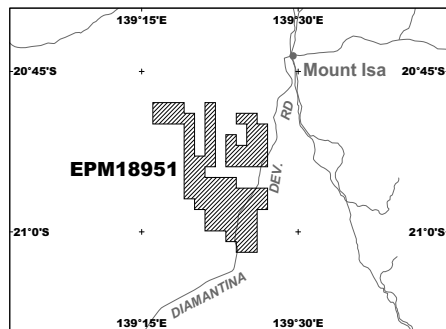
Waratah Coal may elect not to endorse any Aboriginal party if it is not advised in writing within the required time.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

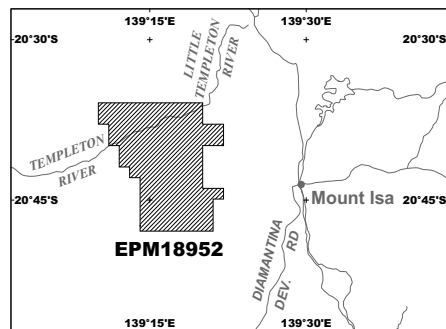
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

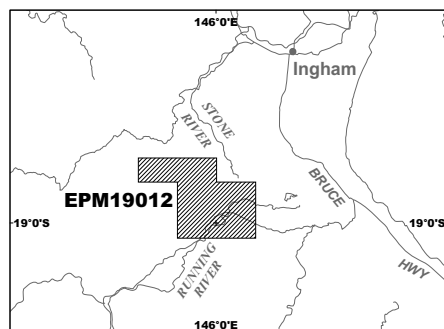
Exploration Permit 18951 sought by Red Metal Limited, ACN 103 367 684, over an area of 70 sub-blocks (224 km²), centred approximately 25km SW of Mount Isa, in the locality of Mount Isa City and Boulia Shire Council.



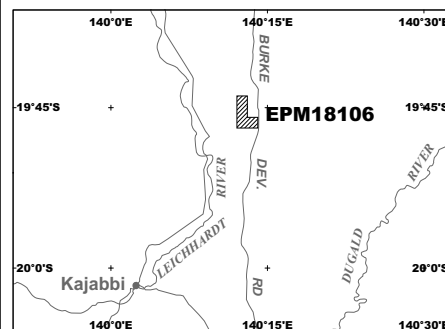
Exploration Permit 18952 sought by Red Metal Limited, ACN 103 367 684, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (321 km²), centred approximately 24km West of Mount Isa, in the locality of Mount Isa City.



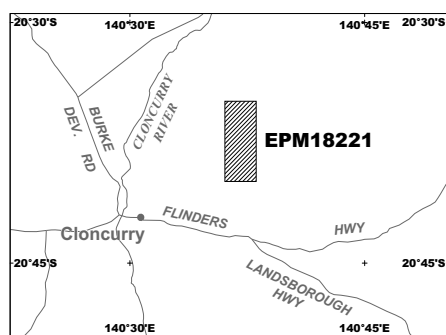
Exploration Permit 19012 sought by Arena Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 127 186 912, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (324 km²), centred approximately 40km SW of Ingham, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



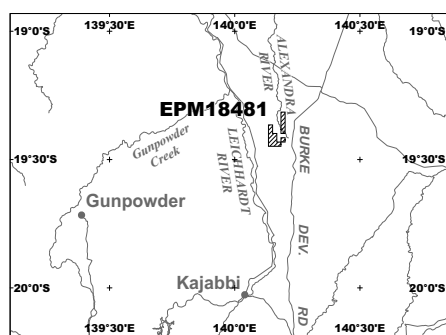
Exploration Permit 18106 sought by Flamingo Copper Mines Pty Ltd, ACN 076 330 375, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13km²), centred approximately 35km NE of Kajabbi, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



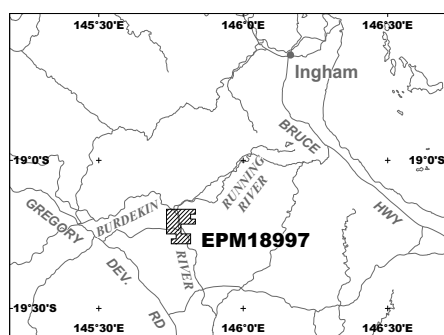
Exploration Permit 18221 sought by Exco Resources Limited, ACN 080 339 671, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32km²), centred approximately 15km NE of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



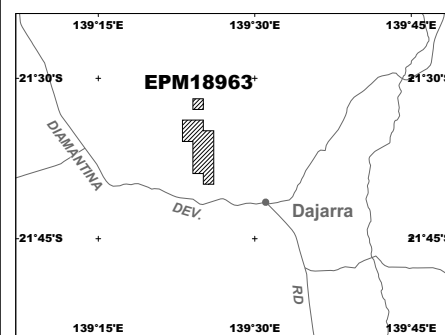
Exploration Permit 18481 sought by Mt Isa Metals Ltd, ACN 120 212 017, over an area of 15 sub-blocks (48km²), centred approximately 70km North of Kajabbi, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



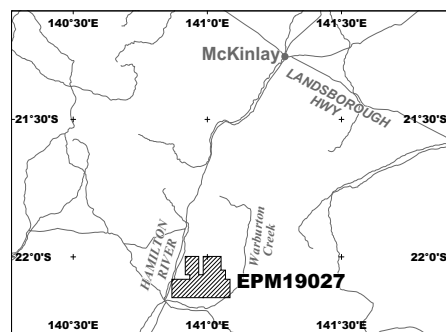
Exploration Permit 18997 sought by RMA Energy Limited, ACN 123 776 652, over an area of 30 sub-blocks (97 km²), centred approximately 75km SW of Ingham, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



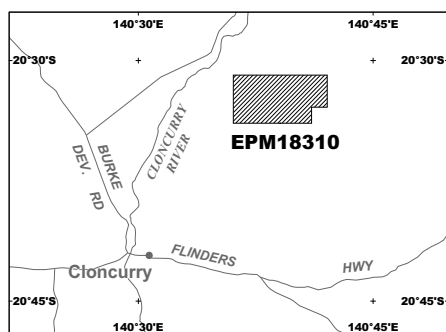
Exploration Permit 18963, sought by U308 Limited, ACN 113 446 352, over an area of 13 sub-blocks (41 km²), centred approximately 16km NW of Dajarra, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



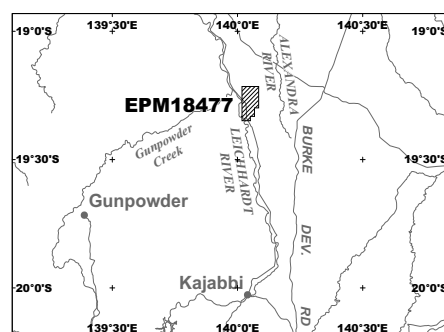
Exploration Permit 19027 sought by Krucible Metals Ltd, ACN 118 788 846, over an area of 89 sub-blocks (283 km²), centred approximately 95km SW of McKinlay, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council and Cloncurry Shire Council.



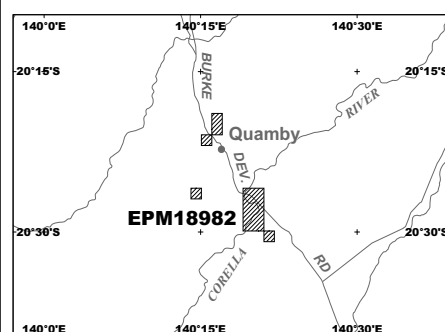
Exploration Permit 18310 sought by Exco Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 080 339 671, over an area of 17 sub-blocks (55km²), centred approximately 24km NE of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



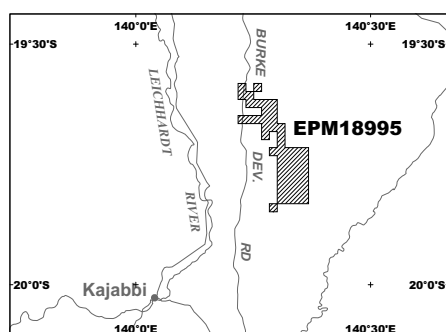
Exploration Permit 18477 sought by Mt Isa Metals Ltd, ACN 120 212 017, over an area of 28 sub-blocks (90km²), centred approximately 83km North of Kajabbi, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council and Burke Shire Council.



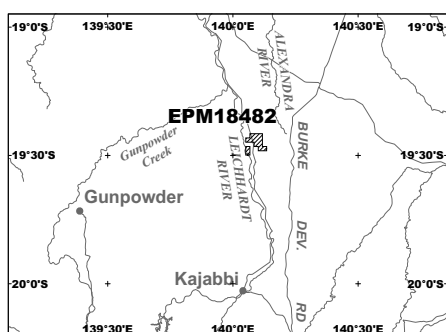
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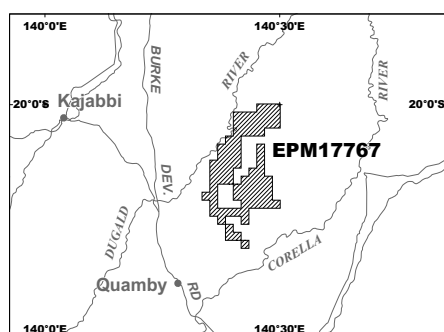
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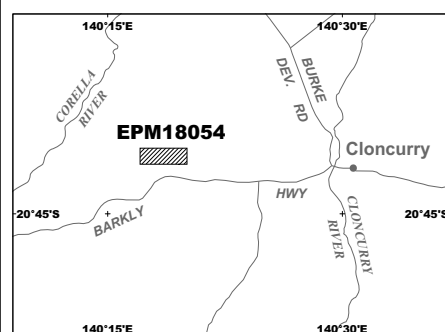
Exploration Permit 18482 sought by Mt Isa Metals Ltd, ACN 120 212 017, over an area of 13 sub-blocks (42km²), centred approximately 64km North of Kajabbi, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council and Burke Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 17767 sought by Rubicon Resources Limited, ACN 115 857 988, over an area of 76 sub-blocks (245km²), centred approximately 27km NE of Quamby, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18054 sought by Cudeco Limited, ACN 000 317 251, over an area of 3 sub-blocks (10km²), centred approximately 21km West of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

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

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants 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 3814.

Notification Day: 14 September 2011



Amazing journey

A CAPTIVATING read about an explosive and largely untapped talent, the first question that is raised is why you'd pen a book about an AFL footballer who is still in the embryonic stages of what may be a long career.

The answer is simple. Liam Jurrah's story to this point of his career is an outstanding anecdote about the inner strength and achievement of a young man from one of most remote communities in Australia.

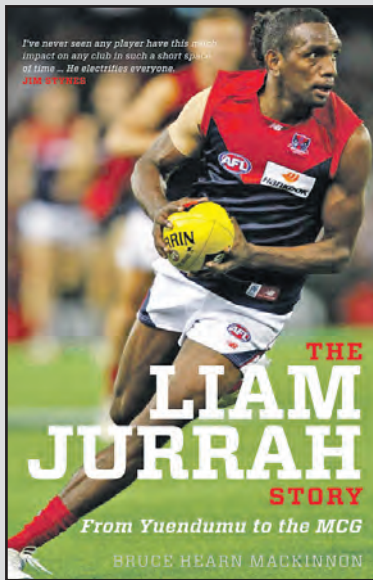
Coupled with that, the book explains the understanding of a football club about the special requirements of an initiated Aboriginal man, and the balance required between his commitments to his people and his football.

Jurrah's electrifying skills, innate understanding of the game, and freakish ability are a part of this story.

The book captures his incredible journey of the first fully initiated Aboriginal AFL footballer from the remote Aboriginal desert community of Yuendumu, on the edge of the Tanami Desert, 300km north-west of Alice Springs, to playing on the turf at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

It is written by Melbourne man Bruce Hearn MacKinnon, who is a senior lecturer with the School of Management and Marketing at Deakin University, and has intimate knowledge of

PETER ARGENT takes a look at
From Yuendumu to the MCG,
written by Bruce Hearn
MacKinnon



Jurrah's adventure. His family provided a home for Jurrah when he moved to Melbourne.

This is also the story of how Jurrah learned about life in the 'big smoke', his time at Collingwood in the VFL and his recruitment to the Melbourne

Football Club. It also delves into many of the issue's Jurrah has had to deal with adjusting to his new environment, and also the commitments he still has being a fully initiated person in his community.

It describes how the author and his family came to cherish the richness of Jurrah's Warlpiri culture.

Already having gathered a host of nick-names, including the 'Warlpiri Warrior', the 'Jurrahcane' and 'Cougar', Liam Jurrah is a rising star of the AFL.

He has already collected the mark of the year, in an amazing piece of aerial wizardry against Port Adelaide at AAMI Stadium in August 2010.

Despite Jurrah's phenomenal natural talent, he is a relative newcomer to Australian football, having been in the system since 2009, debuting in round 12 of that year.

At the start of this season, after injury ended the early part of his 2010 campaign, he had played only 17 senior matches.

Still, his story is fascinating, with respected Melbourne journalist Martin Flanagan saying 'Liam Jurrah is like no other sports story in Australia, and possibly the world at this time'.

● For more information about the book, contact Victory Books, (03) 9342 0300 or email mup-info@unimelb.edu.au

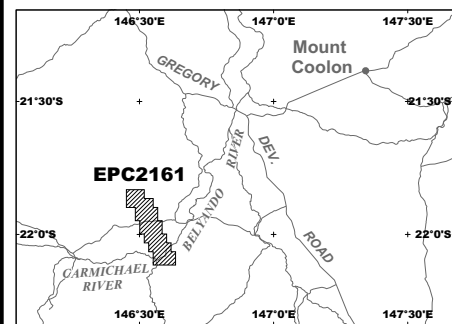


Liam Jurrah in full flight for the Melbourne Demons.

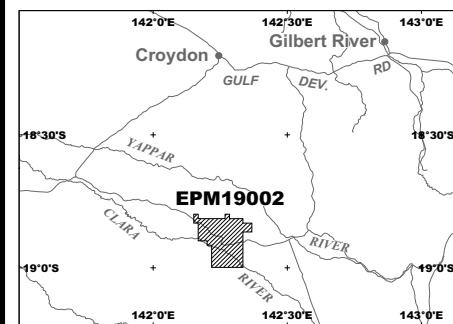
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMITS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 Permits for Minerals and the Exploration Permit for Coal shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

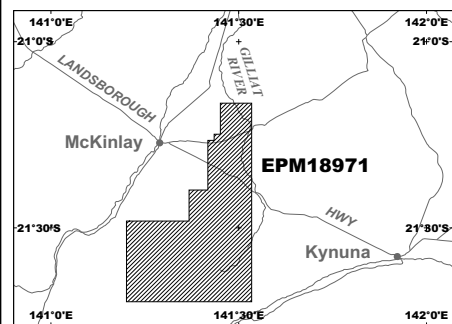
Exploration Permit 2161 sought by REM Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 139 303 656, over an area of 85 sub-blocks (270km²) centred approximately 105km SW of Mount Coolon, in the locality of Isaac Regional Council.



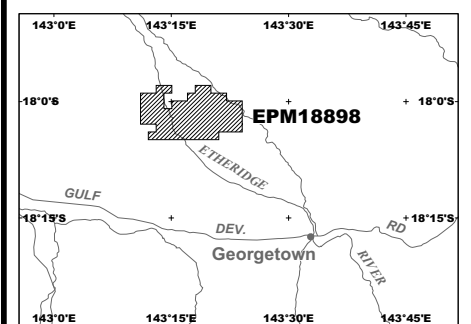
Exploration Permit 19002 sought by Ebagoala Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 146 112 558, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (324 km²), centred approximately 76km South of Croydon, in the locality of Croydon Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18971, sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 397 sub-blocks (1265 km²), centred approximately 20km SE of McKinlay, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18898 sought by Queensland Uranium Pty Ltd, ACN 120 148 138, over an area of 70 sub-blocks (228km²), centred approximately 39km NW of Georgetown, in the locality of Etheridge Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified and coal for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

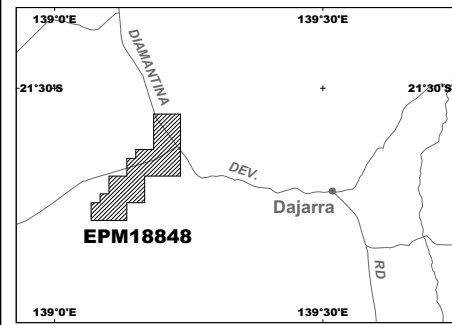
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Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of Exploration Permits to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit maybe granted unless within a period of four (4) months after Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

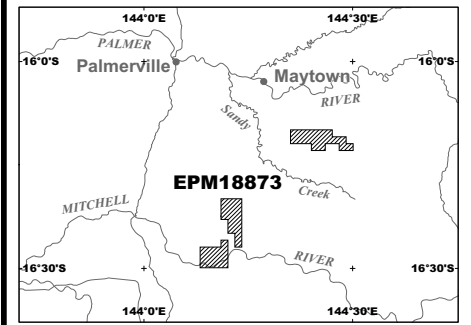
Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3814

Notification Day: 14 September 2011

Exploration Permit 18848 sought by Cloncurry Metals Limited, ACN 122 162 396, over an area of 50 sub-blocks (159km²) centred approximately 39km West of Dajarra, in the locality of Boulia Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18873 sought by Gary Awarua Donovan (50%), and Colleen Anne Donovan (50%), over an area of 46 sub-blocks (151km²), centred approximately 32km SW of Maytown, in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council.



Queensland Government

Indigenous girls in Aust rugby league line-up to tour Samoa

FIVE Indigenous players are in the Australian women's rugby league team to tour Samoa late this month and next month. They are Queenslanders Tracey Thompson and Bianca Ambrum, and NSW trio Chloe Caldwell, Julie Young and Rebecca Young. All five played for the 2011 Indigenous All Stars women who took on the Australian rugby league women's team as a curtain-raiser to the All Stars spectacular on the Gold Coast last February. The Australian 'Jillaroos' will play two games in Samoa, taking on the Patron's XIII on 30 August and a Test match against Samoa on 3 September. The Samoan tour is part of the build-up for the Australian team as it prepares to take on world champions the New Zealand Ferns on the Gold Coast in October. Fullback Tracey Thompson has previously played for Australia and Queensland and is based in south-east Queensland. Second rower Chloe Caldwell also has previously represented Australia and NSW, and comes from Redfern, Sydney. Winger/three-quarter Bianca Ambrum was one of the players identified at the All Stars

game in February. She is from Cairns and has previously played for Queensland. Hooker/winger Julie Young was another who came to the attention of Australian selectors at the All Stars game. She is based in Newcastle. Prop Rebecca Young, also from Newcastle, has previously played for NSW, and was another to stand out for the Indigenous All Stars last February. The Australian team will be coached for the first time by former National Rugby League (NRL) and State of Origin coach Graham Murray.

Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland
Notification day: 7 September 2011



QI2011/031 Arrow Barada Barna LNG Project ILUA
Description of the agreement area:
The area subject to this agreement covers about 13,110 square kilometres and is located approximately 70 kilometres south of Mackay as shown on the locality map.
The agreement area falls within the Local Government Authorities of Central Highlands, Isaac and Mackay Regional Councils.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Party common to all of the agreements
Arrow Energy Pty Ltd
C/- PO Box 12543
BRISBANE QLD 4003
Other parties to the agreements

ILUAs	Party and contact address
QI2011/031 Arrow Barada Barna LNG Project ILUA QI2011/033 Arrow Barada Barna and Wiri LNG Project ILUA	Frank Budby, Les Budby and Cecil Brown Jnr on their own behalf and on behalf of the Barada Barna People C/- 62 Blackwood Street TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810
QI2011/033 Arrow Barada Barna and Wiri LNG Project ILUA QI2011/034 Arrow Wiri LNG Project ILUA	James Butterworth, Ronald Watson, Marilyn Duncan, Gregory Dunrobin, Kenneth Dodd, Graham Sauney, Oswald Skeen, Frank Tiers, Maurice Dallachy, Linda Wailu and Eileen Pegler on their own behalf and on behalf of the Wiri People C/- Level 5, 232 Adelaide Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

The agreements contain the following statements:
[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 5.2 Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act* does not apply to any Project Activities covered by the Agreement.
Clause 7.1 For Native Title purposes, the Parties consent to all Project Activities included in the class specified as follows:-
• Exploration and Production Related Project Activities
[This is defined to include all Future Acts which are necessary, desirable for or incidental to the exploration, extraction, collection, processing or production of natural gas or the water derived from the extraction process for natural gas, agricultural activities that use the extracted water, and anything permitting or requiring any of these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]
• Gas Transmission Related Project Activities
[This is defined to include future acts which are necessary or desirable or incidental to the collection, distribution, transmission of transportation or natural gas or the water derived from the extraction process for natural gas, any Looping Project and anything permitting or requiring any of these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]
[A further explanation of defined terms can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below.]
Clause 7.2 ... [for the] purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the *Native Title Act*, any Future Acts (other than an intermediate period act) which:-
(a) have been done invalidly prior to the Registration Date;
(b) are included in the class specified in clause 7.1;
(c) are attributable to Arrow Energy; and
(d) are not attributable to the Commonwealth of Australia or the State of Queensland
are validated as at the Registration Date.

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 7 December 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 7 December 2011.**
Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment & Resource Management, Queensland. 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 the Case Manager, Ann Stokes, on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Brotherly love...

NOT all twins share a tight bond, even those who grew up together pushing each other to sporting stardom.

Australia's most famous twins, Steve and Mark Waugh, were hardly matey during their Test careers and even disliked being photographed together – a result of sharing a bedroom for 17 years.

Rugby union's most famous twins, Mark and Glen Ella, did get on well off the field as well as on, where they bamboozled defenders with their sublime skills and almost telepathic understanding.

But not even the Ellas' brand of brotherly love can compare with that of the Wallabies' current twin combination – Saia and Anthony Faingaa – who admit they're more like an old married couple.

For one, backline marvels Mark and Glen wouldn't have been caught dead braiding the other's hair before a game.

It's a pre-match ritual centre Anthony quietly performs on hooker Saia, the older by five minutes, each time they suit up for the Super Rugby pace-setting Queensland Reds.

It certainly took grizzled former Test prop Ewen McKenzie, who staunchly believes front-rowers should sport crew-cuts and cauliflowered ears, by surprise when he took over as Reds coach last year.

"I couldn't quite fathom that, but once you meet them you see how they function and it becomes quite obvious," says McKenzie.

"There's all these little things that go on to show the bond they have, and there's benefits of that."

Not only are the 24-year-olds twins – they're best friends,

housemates, share a Twitter account and are hardly ever far apart.

"People ask 'do you get sick of each other'? But you can't really get sick of your best mate," Saia says.

"We're so close and everything we've done, we've achieved together and we've pushed each other to the limit.

"We're like an old couple really and people ask 'what are you going to do when you get wives? Are you going to have houses next to each other'?"

"It's all fun, but we love being in each other's company, and family comes first no matter what."

Rarely apart

Indeed, the longest the Canberra-born pair, two of four boys born to Saia Snr and Cindy, have been separated was for two weeks when Saia travelled to South Africa with the Brumbies in 2008 when Anthony was recovering from knee surgery.

"It's corny, but we still spoke to each other every day on the phone," Saia admitted.

It contrasts with the Waughs, who never roomed together or spent time alone on tour, nor talked while batting.

The Faingaas' relationship not only raises the odd eyebrow, it's drawn admiration of Reds team-mates, especially as Saia sacrificed a longed-for career with the Brumbies to stay with his unwanted brother.

"The Brumbies hadn't offered me anything and the Reds did," Anthony recalled.

"Saia made the gamble and said 'Anthony, I'm not going to stay down here I'll come with you'. We both

signed here and haven't looked back.

"For us, it was a no-brainer to come together."

While the gamble paid off last season when both twins, renowned for their body-on-the-line play, were key ingredients in the Reds' resurgence under McKenzie to debut for the Wallabies, 2009 was a year to forget in Brisbane.

Although they were lured to Queensland by their former Australian under 19 coach Phil Mooney, who made them captain and vice-captain of his 2006 world champion team, they were bench-bound and hardly received a chance under Mooney at the Reds.

"Our first year wasn't the greatest," Anthony admitted.

"I think it was quoted we were 'the worst investments Queensland rugby has ever made'. The next year we made the Wallabies.

"You look now, we're top of the table. The tables have really turned."

Like the Ellas, the Faingaas are identical twins, but are far easier to distinguish thanks to the demands of their positions on the rugby field.

Both played as back-rowers early in their schoolboys days at St Edmund's College, where Anthony joined Ricky Stuart as the youngest student ever to play First XV when he was selected in grade nine.

But coaches told Saia, always slightly larger than his twin, he needed to become a hooker if he wanted to play for the Wallabies, while Anthony was moved into the centres.

Now Saia weighs in at 107kg, certainly not on the big scale for a hooker, while Anthony is a slim-line 92kg.

"People ask what happened to you and I always say I think I ate too much bread when we were

young," Saia says. "We are identical; I hate to say it, but we are."

"He's quicker, but when we were younger, he did all the running and I did all the tackling, and now it's swapped over – I run into the brick walls and he does all the tackling."

Their Reds' contract expires at the end of next year and the pair are determined to remain as a Team Faingaa package.

While Saia has defied his coach by keeping his braided hair long, McKenzie is as big a fan as they come of the popular Reds standard-bearers and it's hard to see them leaving Ballymore any time soon.

But can they play out their entire professional careers together?

McKenzie thinks it's possible.

"Everyone is looking for good players and they're both good players... they've managed it so far," he said. – AAP



Saia (left) and Anthony Faingaa – AAP image

Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 7 September 2011

National Native Title Tribunal

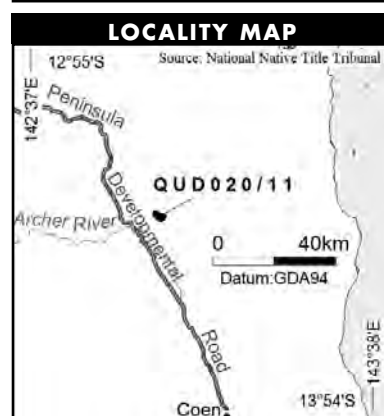
These are applications by native title claim groups who are asking the Federal Court to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

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 6 December 2011. After 6 December 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 any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



Application name: Juru People
Federal Court File No: QUD554/10
Date filed: 15 December 2010
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: The area subject to this application covers approximately 485 square kilometres, located west of Bowen over Abbot Point as shown on the locality map.
 The application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Whitsunday Regional Council.



Application name: Northern Kaanju People
Federal Court File No: QUD020/11
Date filed: 8 February 2011
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: The area subject to this application covers about 2.5 square kilometres, located approximately 66 kilometres northwest of Coen over the area of Mining Lease 20633 as shown on the locality map.
 The application falls entirely within the Local Government Authority of Cook Shire Council.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Environment & Resource Management (QLD). 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 Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.

Newcastle hosts Koori netball carnival

REGISTRATIONS are now open for the 2011 Koori netball tournament in Newcastle on 28-29 October. It will be run by the Office of Communities – Sport and Recreation division and hosted by the Charlestown Netball Association. NSW Sport and Recreation regional manager Paul Hernage said the annual tournament had been running for more than a decade.

“The 2011 Koori netball tournament is expected to attract more than 300 Indigenous netballers from as far afield as Dubbo, Sydney, the Macleay Valley and Armidale,” he said. “In past years, junior players at the tournament have gone on to be selected in the NSW Indigenous schoolgirls netball side.” The tournament will have three divisions, which are open to all Aboriginal people in

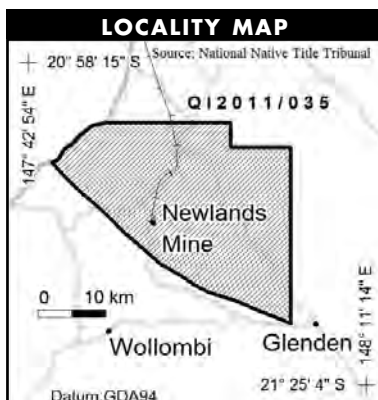
NSW: Open women, junior girls and mixed. The tournament will start at 5pm on 28 October and continue the following day at 8.30am the Charlestown netball courts, Bula Street, Charlestown. Team and player registrations are essential. For more information and registration forms, phone the Office of Communities – Sport and Recreation division’s Newcastle office on (02) 4926 1633.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland
Notification day: 7 September 2011



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2011/035 Arrow Birri LNG Project ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 710 square kilometres and is located northwest of Glenden, surrounding the Newlands Mine as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authorities of Whitsunday and Isaac Regional Councils.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd
C/- PO Box 12543
BRISBANE QLD 4003

Grace Smallwood, Heather Tilberoo, Algon Walsh
Jnr, Colin McLennan, David Miller and Frank
Fisher on their own behalf and on behalf of the Birri
People (QUD6244/98)
C/- PO Box 1989
AITKENVALE QLD 4814

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 5.2 Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act* does not apply to any Project Activities covered by the Agreement.

Clause 7.1 For Native Title purposes, the Parties consent to the doing of all Project Activities included in the classes specified as follows:-

- Class 1 - Exploration and Production Related Project Activities within ATP742 and ATP1103

[This is defined to include all Future Acts which are necessary, desirable for or incidental to the exploration, extraction, collection, processing or production of natural gas or the water derived from the extraction process for natural gas, agricultural activities that use the extracted water, and anything permitting or requiring any of these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]

- Class 2 - Gas Transmission Related Project Activities within ATP742 and ATP1103

[This is defined to include Future Acts which are necessary or desirable for, or incidental to the collection, distribution, transmission or transportation of natural gas, any Looping Project or anything permitting or requiring these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]

- Class 3 - Looping Project outside ATP742 and ATP1103

[This is defined to include Future Acts which are necessary or desirable for, or incidental to any Looping Project or anything permitting or requiring any Looping Project. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]

- Class 4 - Other Project Activities outside ATP742 and ATP1103

[This has the same meaning as for Class 1 and Class 2 except that it does not include Class 1 Future Acts necessary or desirable for or incidental to the explorations, extraction, collection, processing or production of natural gas or Future Acts comprising any Looping Projects.]

[A further explanation of the above classes can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below.]

Clause 7.2 ... [for the] purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the *Native Title Act* [1993], any Future Acts (other than an intermediate period act) which:-

- have been done invalidly prior to the Registration Date;
 - are included in the class specified in clause 7.1;
 - are attributable to Arrow Energy; and
 - are not attributable to the Commonwealth of Australia or the State of Queensland
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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 7 December 2011.**

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Rob de Castella, middle row, far right, with his Indigenous Marathon Project 2011 squad. Some of these runners will compete in the New York Marathon in November.

Final stop: New York



RUNNERS in Rob de Castella's Indigenous Marathon Project squad competed in Sydney's City to Surf earlier this month, highlighting the journey they have come to take part in the world's largest fun run.

Squad members, who are vying for their spot on the team bound for the New York City Marathon in November, were joined by last year's finisher and team mentor Juan Darwin.

The starting gun was fired by de Castella. “Some of these runners like Jamie Wunungmurra, from Yirrkala, in Arnhem Land, come from small communities with populations of 800,” de Castella said.

“Compare this to the 80,000 people lined up next to in Sydney, it's amazing to comprehend,” ‘Deek’ said.

“It highlights how popular long-distance running is in this country.”

De Castella said he expected the Indigenous runners would take this message home to their communities.

The Marathon Project in 2011 is working with 18 Indigenous men and women who are on a quest to run the New York City Marathon in November to promote health and inspire their community.

The next stop for some of the squad is the Perth City to Surf, and then on to Alice Springs for the 30km test event in late September.

Kyah, Lydia make squad for China



INDIGENOUS players Kyah Simon and Lydia Williams are in the squad of 20 chosen in the

Australian women's soccer squad for a hectic five-match series in 11 days as they attempt to qualify for the 2012 Olympic Games.

There will be no room for passengers as the Australian women look for a top-two finish in the six-nation Asian tournament in China next month, which would earn them a ticket to London in 2012.

“I can virtually guarantee that all 20 players will get game time,

and pretty reasonable game time,” said coach Tom Sermanni.

“We will utilise every player considerably,” he said in announcing the squad to tackle world champions Japan, host nation China, North Korea, South Korea and Thailand.

Simon, from NSW, is a striker for the Matildas, while Williams, from the ACT, is a goalkeeper.

The Australians believe their trump cards are youth and strength in depth.

Australia's road to the Olympics begins in Jinan, China, against Asian Cup runners-up North Korea on 1 September.

— With AAP



PRESTON CAMPBELL



SAM THAIDAY

Finalists for Ken Stephen league medal



PRESTON Campbell and Sam Thaiday are amongst the rugby league stars nominated for the 2011 Ken Stephen Medal.

From mentoring and charity programs to hospital visits, helping rebuild flood-ravaged centres, fundraisers and education and health campaigns, the Ken Stephen Medal finalists represent the commitment of the National Rugby League (NRL) and its clubs to help people and communities in need.

"This is just a snapshot of the work NRL stars do in the community every year but it's a compelling insight into the difference they make to people's lives," NRL Chief Executive David Gallop said.

"Congratulations to all the finalists and thank you to all those players who have embraced the privileged opportunity they have to put a smile on the face of those who often need it most."

The Ken Stephen Medallist will be announced at the One Community Awards on Monday 26 September at a ceremony in which NRL stars rub shoulders with the mums and dads, volunteers and grassroots officials who play such an integral role in helping others enjoy playing rugby league.

The winner of the Ken Stephen Medal will receive \$5000 from Telstra, with a further \$5000 to be donated by Telstra to the winner's favourite charity.

The 2011 Telstra Ken Stephen Medal finalists include:

Sam Thaiday (Brisbane Broncos): Sam has shown his overwhelming connection to the community through his tireless work and willingness to help others, especially through Indigenous health and youth causes. He is an ambassador of the Queensland Health campaign 'Deadly Ears' to help improve the ear health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and also holds ambassador roles for the

Indigenous Family and Child Support Service and the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health.

Preston Campbell (Gold Coast Titans): Preston's work for the Indigenous community and the broader issue of reconciliation has seen him become a nationally recognised figure in the commitment to close the gap of disadvantage between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. The growing status of the All Stars event and the resultant 'Learn Earn Legend!' initiatives are a testimony to his simple vision of changing our nation's future by impacting on the lives of individual kids. He continues to live this vision through his work for the Titans Beyond Tomorrow programs and his home community of Tingha.

Other finalists

Other finalists are David Shillington (Canberra Raiders), Dene Halatu (Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs), Luke Douglas (Cronulla Sharks), Brent Kite (Manly Sea Eagles), Dane Nielsen (Melbourne Storm), Ben Rogers (Newcastle Knights), Tariq Sims (Nth Qld Cowboys), Ben Smith (Parramatta Eels), Luke Lewis (Penrith Panthers), Bronx Goodwin (St George Illawarra Dragons), Martin Kennedy (Sydney Roosters), Jerome Ropati (Warriors), Benji Marshall (Wests Tigers).

The South Sydney Rabbitohs chose not to nominate a player for the medal as they did not feel they could single out just one player.

Established in 1988, the medal is named after the late Ken Stephen, who dedicated more than 28 years to rugby league as a player, community advocate and administrator.

Previous recipients of the medal have included Ricky Walford (St George) in 1990, Nathan Blacklock (St George Illawarra) in 2001, David Peachey (Cronulla) in 2004, Dean Widders (Parramatta) in 2005, and Preston Campbell (Gold Coast) in 2009.

Mills shines for beaten Aussies

AUSTRALIA was beaten 71-67 by France in a thrilling match at the London International Basketball Invitational last Wednesday, despite an inspirational effort by Indigenous star Patty Mills.

After a dramatic fightback in their second game of the official London Olympic basketball test event, the Boomers went down to a star-studded French team, led by San Antonio Spurs star Tony Parker, who finished with a game-high 27 points.

Boasting a number of other NBA players, the match-up was always going to test the Aussies.

Inspired by Patty Mills, who finished with 20 points, the Boomers pushed the French side from the opening tip, getting their noses in front a number of times throughout the opening half.

France settled after half-time and built a solid 13-point lead, but the Aussies rallied again, and trailed by only one point with 11 seconds left.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland
Notification day: 7 September 2011



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2011/040 Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited
Wulli Wulli Djaku-nde and Jangerie Jangerie ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers a corridor of about 93 square kilometres located approximately 190 kilometres west of Bundaberg as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of the Banana Shire Council.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

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Elliot Anderson, James Saltner, Victor West and
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The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

8. Consents

(a) The Parties agree to and consent to:

(i) the Agreed Acts; and

(ii) the undertaking of the ILUA Project.

(d) For the purposes of section 24EB(1)(c) of the NTA [Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth)] and regulation 7(5)(b) of the Regulations [Native Title (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Regulations 1999 (Cwlth)], APLNG and the Native Title Parties state that Subdivision P, Division 3, Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Agreed Acts on and from the date this Agreement is Registered.

1.1. Definitions

Agreed Acts means the acts and classes of acts listed in Schedule 2 [Schedule 2 of the agreement lists a lengthy series of acts and classes of acts which are not reproducible here due to length. In summary, those acts and classes of acts include reference to a number of identified pieces of legislation and the granting of authorities, licences, permits, approvals, tenure or any other rights and interests which are considered necessary or desirable for, or incidental to, the undertaking of the ILUA Project. It also includes any acts undertaken pursuant to any granted authorities, permits, approvals or other rights and interests, the declaration, dedication etc of any part of the ILUA area for road purposes and the making, amendment or repeal of legislation];

ILUA Project means that part of the Pipeline Project to be located in the ILUA area and includes: [a lengthy description is provided which describes various activities which are included within the Pipeline Project which is not reproducible here due to length. In summary, those acts include the planning, design, development, construction, operation and maintenance of; petroleum, water, brine and other pipelines; and any other infrastructure or facilities which are considered necessary or desirable for, or incidental to, these operations];

Pipeline Project has the meaning given in Recital A(b) [which states] the construction and operation of a gas pipeline system (and other pipelines and facilities), including to link the APLNG gas fields to the LNG plant.

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 claimant must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. **The native title determination application must be made by 7 December 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 7 December 2011.**

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Impressive debut by Wooriettes

By ALF WILSON



THE Woorabinda Wooriettes are performing well during their first year in the Rockhampton B reserve grade

netball competition, sitting just outside the top four.

The side started the season in a blaze of glory, beating the Extremes 33-22. In their two games during early August, the Woorabinda side lost against the third-placed team and then were narrowly beaten by the competition leaders.

"We are now sitting fifth," said official Brett Toll.

Toll said the players travelled to Rockhampton – an eight-hour round trip.

Chance for finals

"If we win enough games, we will be a shot at making the finals even though we started mid-season," he said.

The side, coached by Kylie Major-Oakley, is: Karolyn Roberts, Jessica Toll, Noni McKinley, Amanda Hall, Fika Major, Candice Gela, Gwen Mick, Lucinda Major, Justine Stafford, Jazzman Major, Nykocha Richardson, Billyann Thaiday and Brianna Bligh.

Entry to the Rockhampton competition came about after the girls completed a four-month program that included coaching courses, umpiring and two carnivals.

"The girls trained really well and are extremely competitive. The core group did



The Woorabinda Wooriettes side which has entered the Rockhampton netball competition, and junior players.

not change in the four-month program," Toll said.

"The next obvious thing to do was to enter the Rockhampton competition.

"Some of these girls are now looking towards representative netball."

Meanwhile, Woorabinda

juniors played at Emerald on 6-7 August at a junior carnival.

They also played at a carnival in Yeppoon on 13-14 August.

"The Woorabinda Primary School played their grand final on 12 August and won 16-1, completing their unbeaten season," Toll said.

He said Rockhampton Netball had been very accommodating in admitting Woorabinda and eliminating a bye.

Under-15 side

There is also a Woorabinda under-15 side which began training three months ago.

"These juniors will continue to travel to carnivals and attend development clinics as well. The juniors have four dates locked in to the end of the year. The plan is for the juniors to follow the senior side into the Rockhampton competition next year," Toll said.

Sam 'another Alfie'



RETIRING great Darren Lockyer believes his replacement Sam Thaiday has some of the same traits as the National Rugby League (NRL)

club's greatest captain – Allan Langer.

Brisbane made sure Lockyer's captaincy replacement did not become a sideshow or distraction to their push into next month's finals by announcing 26 year-old Thaiday would be the club's captain in 2012 as part of a contract extension until 2015.

Thaiday is very different to the more conservative and measured Lockyer.

He's a larrikin, always up for a joke whereas Lockyer keeps that persona private.

"The most successful captain here was Allan Langer and he's always been a character and a joker," said Lockyer, endorsing Thaiday's appointment.

"I think it's good to have that.

Leadership qualities

"Sam's got the serious side to him, but he can also make the group laugh and lighten the mood, which is one of his many leadership qualities and something Alfie was good at doing."

During Langer's captaincy between 1992-1999 Brisbane dominated, winning four of their six premierships – including the 1997 Super League title.

Thaiday, who credited his fiancée Rachel with having a settling influence on

SAM Thaiday will become only the seventh player to captain the Brisbane Broncos in 23 years when he replaces retiring legend Darren Lockyer in season 2012.

Sam Thaiday's career record:

Date of birth: 12 June 1985.

Birthplace: Sydney, NSW.

Junior club: Townsville Brothers.

Height: 181cm. Weight: 108kg

Origins: 15.

Tests: 11.

NRL games: 143 (for Brisbane)

Debut: v Bulldogs, Suncorp

Stadium, July 2003.

Dally M second-rower of the year 2010. – AAP

● **RIGHT: Sam Thaiday celebrates after scoring during State of Origin 3 between Queensland and NSW at Suncorp Stadium in Brisbane, on Wednesday, 6 July. Queensland defeated NSW 34-24 to clinch yet another series. – AAP Image**



him, becomes only the second Indigenous player – after Gordon Tallis – to captain the club.

Tallis led the Brisbane Broncos between 2001-2004.

Thaiday said learning from Tallis, who he played under when he came to the club as a teenager, had inspired him.

"It (captaincy) is something I've aspired

to do more as I've gotten older and grown on and off the field," Thaiday told a packed press conference last week.

"It's a very proud moment.

"Gordie (Tallis) is the only other Indigenous captain of the Broncos and I'm sure everyone in every community in Australia all the way up to the Torres Strait will be happy I've been named captain.

"Being a Townsville boy like myself, Gordie was someone I looked up to.

"As a forward, he was someone I tried to model my game on, being a young bloke coming through, because he played with such aggression and such heart, he did everything he could for the Broncos."

Rookie coach Anthony Griffin made the tough call between Thaiday and Corey Parker, but was confident he'd pulled the right rein.

"Sam's got a very strong character and he's really grown as a person over the past few years, not only as a player but he's taken on a lot more responsibility within the group as he's aged," said Griffin.

"He's got the respect of everyone in the club, the players, the coaching staff.

"He's going to be a very strong leader for us."

Lockyer said Thaiday led with actions, often lifting the team with things he did on the field when the chips were down.

"Sam probably wasn't the best trainer five years ago, but he's a lot better now and that comes from maturity," said Lockyer, a meticulous trainer.

"The way he prepares for a game, plays and conducts himself off the field, he has to set an example for the younger players and there's a lot of them here.

"Congratulations to Sam, it's a huge honour to captain this club."

Thaiday said his proud mum Julie would 'hug my guts out' when he returned home to Townsville. – AAP

Plan for football racists to front hearing



FOOTY racists could front a tribunal led by some of the greatest Aboriginal men to have played the game.

News.com reported that under the radical proposal, footballers or spectators accused of vilification would be grilled by the panel of former Indigenous stars.

Hawks forward Cyril Rioli also wants heftier fines and increased security at games to stop the ugly incidents.

The proposal follows the alleged racial abuse of former St Kilda player Allan Murray in a suburban clash the weekend before last.

And it comes as Collingwood prepares to launch a campaign to stop its fans sledging opposition players.

News.com said Wurundjeri Elder Joy Wandin Murphy last week led calls for the Australian Football League (AFL) to create a justice system to help ensure intolerance was wiped out.

"We should have a tribunal where the perpetrator comes before the panel and they ask them the tough questions," she said.

"He or she has to front. It's not just about an apology or being fined or being banned. It's about learning how the remarks make people feel."

Still an issue

Rioli, who last week joined Indigenous guests attending the book launch for *Legends – The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century*, said racism was still an issue for Indigenous players.

"I've never copped it, but there have obviously been a few more incidents this year," he said.

"This has been a big year for racism and I guess there needs to be more reminding. Maybe hefty fines and increasing the security around the ground, because it's not on."

Essendon legend Michael Long said education was important.

"Clubs and players have to embrace it," he told News.com.

"It's one of those things you won't completely eradicate, but we have come a long way."

An AFL Players' Association spokesman said abusive behaviour from the sidelines was unacceptable.

The association hoped its recent anti-vilification program would help renew the message.

"Like everyone in the community, we are disappointed to hear of instances where vilification still occurs," the spokesman said.



Aboriginal players past and present, at the book launch of *Legends, The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century*, by Sean Gorman, from left, standing, Aaron Davey of Melbourne, Cyril Rioli of Hawthorn, Shaun Burgoyne of Hawthorn, Austin Wonaeamirri of Melbourne, Chance Bateman of Hawthorn, Neville Jetta of Melbourne, Jamie Bennell of Melbourne, Kelvin Lawrence of Melbourne, and Glenn James a former umpire; sitting. Aboriginal leader Mick Dodson and AFL great Michael Long. The book was launched by Mick Dodson at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Monday 15 August. – AAP Image

Author sets the record straight

By ADAM McNICOL, of AFL Bigpond



INDIGENOUS footballers have an ever-growing presence in the Australian Football League (AFL), and it is a credit to the League that 12 per cent

of its players are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. After all, Indigenous people make up just two per cent of the Australian population.

But while we marvel at the feats of Cyril Rioli, Buddy Franklin and Adam Goodes on a weekly basis, the personal stories behind many of the greatest Indigenous players are little-known.

In recent years, however, Perth-based academic, author and former rouseabout Sean Gorman has set about trying to change that.

A research fellow at Curtin University's Centre for Aboriginal Studies, Gorman wrote the widely acclaimed book *Brother Boys*, which detailed the life of Jim and Phil Krakouer.

Now on stage

Published in 2005, it has now been adapted for theatre.

The latest product of Gorman's research is *Legends: The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century*.

Published by Aboriginal Studies Press, and launched by Michael Long at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Monday of last week, *Legends* is an insightful and powerful study of the team that was named in August 2005.

Gorman travelled the length and breadth of the nation to interview the team's living members.

He writes about chatting to Nicky

Winmar in a pub in Perth in 2008: "He had just finished work with a city council where he was doing a course on how to lay asphalt."

He spoke to Michael McLean in a coffee shop in Darwin; met Byron Pickett at the Ceduna Foreshore Hotel near the SA-WA border; and travelled to the Tiwi Islands to speak with Maurice Rioli, who died of a heart attack on Christmas Day last year.

"I spent a fair bit of time playing in the school grounds in Darwin... where we organised to pick teams on most days and learned our skills and our balance, because when you're playing on bitumen streets, you rip off a fair bit of bark if you fall over," Rioli told Gorman.

The story of long-serving Indigenous umpire Glenn James, who officiated in the 1982 and 1984 VFL grand finals, is among those detailed.

While James' tale is filled with happy memories of his time in football, he also recalls the racism he suffered while growing up in the Victorian city of Shepparton during the 1950s.

"I can remember going to people's places after school and they would go in and ask their mum if we could play and the kid would come out and say, 'Mum's said you've got to go home'. That happened continually," James tells Gorman.

Long, the man whose stand against racism led to the AFL adopting its stringent anti-vilification policies, tells Gorman: "I truly believe in the power of football and what it can achieve and what opportunities it can bring you in life."

It is a sentiment the author wholeheartedly agrees with.

"I have witnessed the redemptive

power of football for black and white Australians," Gorman writes.

"It is through this social process that people come together and communicate, and that can create rapport. Rapport builds trust. Trust builds hope."

● *Legends: The AFL Indigenous Team of the Century*, by Sean Gorman, Aboriginal Studies Press, \$35

Team of Century

The Indigenous Team of the Century:

Backs: Chris Johnson (Fitzroy, Brisbane) Darryl White (Brisbane) Bill Dempsey (West Perth).

Half-backs: Gavin Wanganeen (Essendon, Port Adelaide) Adam Goodes (Sydney) Norm McDonald (Essendon).

Centres: Peter Matera (South Fremantle, West Coast) Maurice Rioli (South Fremantle, Richmond) Michael Long (Essendon).

Half-forwards: Nicky Winmar (South Fremantle, St Kilda, Western Bulldogs) Stephen Michael (South Fremantle) Syd Jackson (East Perth, Carlton).

Forwards: Chris Lewis (Claremont, West Coast) Michael O'Loughlin (Sydney) Jim Krakouer (Claremont, North Melbourne, St Kilda).

Followers: Graham Farmer (Captain) (East Perth, Geelong) Andrew McLeod (Adelaide) Barry Cable (Perth, East Perth, North Melbourne).

Interchange: Michael McLean (Footscray, Brisbane) Byron Pickett (North Melbourne, Port Adelaide, Melbourne) Michael Graham (Sturt) David Kantilla (South Adelaide) Ted Kilmurray (East Perth) Peter Burgoyne (Port Adelaide).

Coach: Barry Cable (former coach of North Melbourne).

Umpire: Glenn James.

Successors to McLeod?

By PETER ARGENT



EDDIE Betts said in his post-match press conference after Carlton's

round 21 Australian Football League (AFL) win in Perth that at the start of the year he had suggested to Indigenous team-mate Chris Yarran that by going back to the defence, he could become the next Andrew McLeod.

Yarran – the Carlton Football Club's shooting star from the west who was originally recruited to the Melbourne-based AFL club as a forward – is among a handful of Aboriginal footballers who are in contention to take over the AFL mantle from McLeod as the game's best running and distributing defender.

Noted for his immaculate skills and ability to create with the ball from half back, the Adelaide Crows' McLeod for more than a decade had been seen as the pre-eminent player in this role and a lynchpin of the Crows' ball movement into attack.

Same flair

A trio of Aboriginal players have been moved to their respective half back lines to use that same flair, judgment and coolness under pressure to play this role during the 2011 campaign.

Notably, this year top sides including Carlton, along with premiers favourites Collingwood and Geelong, have moved elite Indigenous talent into the back half to springboard their counter attacks.

Chris Yarran (Blues), veteran Leon Davis (Magpies) and lately Travis Varcoe (Cats) have undertaken this role.

Each displays the attributes of balance, tremendous finishing skills and ability to read the game, starting attack from the back half and adding to the excitement and dynamics of the contest.

For the 200-plus game Magpies veteran Davis, his move to the back six has reinvigorated his career.

"From my point of view, I really enjoy watching the creativity and excitement players like Leon and Chris provide when they have the ball in their hands," said McLeod, now an engagement and talent co-ordinator with the AFL.

"Their decision-making and skill level is of a higher



TRAVIS VARCOE



CHRIS YARRAN



TONY ARMSTRONG

standard than most other half backs, so when they get the ball, you know it's going to hit a target and more than likely result in a shot on goal.

"Graham Johncock has been doing it for a long period and continues to be as creative as ever.

"Watching Travis Varcoe venture down back was exciting and he has started to add another string to his bow which will make him a better player.

"Imagine if Cyril Rioli went back there.

"I can see opposition teams cringing already."

Jared Harbrow was playing this role for the Western Bulldogs and his ability in his role was one of the reasons for his recruitment to the 17th franchise, the Gold Coast Suns.

Before his season-ending injury, Essendon's Courtney Dempsey was seen as the same type of player.

Even McLeod's old club, the Adelaide Crows, have finally given developing talent Tony Armstrong a chance of find his

feet in this role since Mark Bickley took over the job as senior coach.

As the game continues to change and evolve, the coaching staff and match committees at all clubs are using the strengths of the players involved to achieve the desired result.

Using an elite, skilled Aboriginal player as a creative defender is on an upward spiral and along with adding to the spectacle of the contest, the players ensure the ball is used as efficiently as it can.

Hodgson out of World Cup squad



MATT Hodgson has been dropped from the Australian rugby union squad for the World Cup in New Zealand next month and in October.

That leaves three Indigenous players in the Wallabies squad – fullback Kurtley Beale, hooker Saia Faingaa and his twin brother and inside centre Anthony.

Beale, 25, has 18 caps for Australia, while Saia Faingaa, 24, has played 31 times, and Anthony six times.

Queensland Reds captain James Horwill, 26, will lead Australia during its campaign to be crowned the world's number one rugby team.

He led the Reds to Queensland's maiden Super Rugby title earlier this year.

The Wallaby World Cup squad was announced in Sydney last Thursday.

Horwill will become Australia's 77th Test captain when the Wallabies have their final hit out before the game's showpiece event in New Zealand by taking on the All Blacks in this week's final Tri Nations Test in Brisbane.

Horwill takes over from Rocky Elsom, who has led the side through the Wallabies' past 24 internationals.

While Horwill made his Test debut against Fiji four years ago, 2011 will be his first appearance at Rugby's premier event.

Elsom is one of eight who played at the 2007 World Cup tournament in France, where Australia bowed out in the quarter-finals.

The players to miss selection from the South Africa trip are winger Lachie Turner, flanker Matt Hodgson, lock Sitaleki Timani and prop Pekahou Cowan.

Fan day

The 30-man squad assembled in Brisbane last Sunday for a fan day at Ballymore at the start of the preparation for this week's Tri Nations finale against the All Blacks, which will be played in front of a sell-out crowd.

A still-to-be-determined number of players who are not required for the Tri Nations finale will instead feature for the Australian Barbarians as they tackle Canada at Skilled Park on the Gold Coast this Friday.

The Canadians, who are grouped with the All Blacks, France, Tonga and Japan for the seven-week World Cup tournament, are stopping in Australia en-route to New Zealand.

Hodgson was expected to be named in the Barbarians side.

Wallaby coach Robbie Deans said the Barbarians group would form the back-up pool of players should the Wallabies require replacements during the World Cup.

"They've had the background with us. As such, they are the guys we will be looking to should further playing resources be needed at any stage," he said.

Djaran's medal haul

A file picture of Djaran Smith.



FOUR gold, two silver, and a bronze was the medal haul for 18-year-old Macksville High School Indigenous student Djaran Smith at the School Sport Australia swimming championships in Melbourne early this month.

One of his gold medal performances was exceptional. Competing at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre at Albert Park, Djaran, the NSW team captain for the second year running, lined up for his first final on the opening day in the 200m individual medley.

Spectators and officials had no idea that he suffered an asthma attack in the last lap of the race.

He was lucky just to finish the race, let alone win it.

So serious was the attack that Djaran collapsed after the race and spent the next hour on an oxygen machine on the pool deck.

But he recovered sufficiently a couple of hours later to swim the butterfly leg for NSW in the medley relay. The team

narrowly beat Queensland for the gold medal.

In the following days, Djaran collected a bronze medal in the 50m butterfly with a personal best (PB), a silver medal in the 50m breaststroke, with another PB, and a gold medal in the 100m butterfly, with yet another PB.

He also was a member of the gold medal winning NSW 4x50m freestyle relay team and won a silver medal as a member of the NSW 10x50m freestyle relay.

An unexpected surprise for Djaran came at the conclusion of the meet when he was presented with a School Sport Australia Sportsmanship award.

These results are remarkable considering Djaran has been coaching himself since April.

Djaran paid tribute to Tristan Hamilton-Giggins for helping him in the gym.

He said Tristan had been inspiration.

He also paid tribute to staff and pupils at Macksville High.

Last week Djaran was in Sydney competing in the NSW State short-course championships.

Beachley's helping hand



INDIGENOUS women Donna Hall and Cassie Ryan were amongst nine female grant-holders treated to a two-day stay in Sydney as guests of

the Layne Beachley Foundation.

The women came from across Australia and were from pursuits ranging from literacy education and show jumping to game fishing.

Beachley's Aim for the Stars Foundation was started in 2003 and has given a total of \$360,000 to more than 200 women.

The foundation recognises academic and cultural pursuits as well as sporting achievements.

More than surfing

The women have received financial and other support from the foundation and according to former world women's surfing champion Beachley, it is not all about surfing.

"It's about identifying women who have passion, who have drive, who have initiative much like I did in the early years of my career, and have just started needing some assistance to move on. That's when my foundation can help," she said.

"Back in the 1990s when I was competing, that assistance was not around. So now I am very fortunate that I am able to draw on the resources of people around me. 'Now I'm that one mentor, I'm that one resource in these people's lives and it's very rewarding.'"

The women were given a surf lesson by Beachley and the Manly surf school instructors.

"Every one of them stood up," Beachley said. "I have a 100 per cent success rate."



From left, Donna Hall, Layne Beachley and Cassie Ryan at the Aim for the Stars fundraising gala night in Sydney.

Photo: Carol Gibbons

The women also participated in mentoring and media training sessions. They also were given the opportunity of getting photos for their portfolios.

Highlight

The highlight was a 'Black and Bling' gala fundraising night and mingling with the likes of Aim for the Stars Ambassador Jessica Watson and Network Ten

presenters Natarsha Belling and Sandra Sully.

Funds raised by the auctions and raffles go towards helping other aspiring females achieve their dreams.

Donna Hall and Cassie Ryan are from the Tweed-based SistaSpeak Program, run by the NSW Department of Education and Training, North Coast Region.

It supports the dreams and aspirations

of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and girls.

The young women and girls enrolled in these schools attend some of lowest socio-economic schools in NSW.

The SistaSpeak project is designed to help the girls and women gain knowledge around their educational needs, career aspirations, personal needs and qualities.

Paterson fasting during Ramadan



SO far, so good for Cory Paterson after the North Queensland back-rower

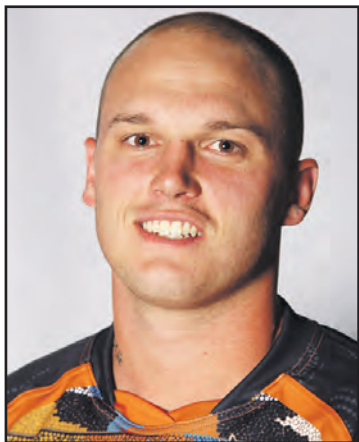
earlier this month became only the second National Rugby League (NRL) player to fast during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan.

Cowboys coach Neil Henry said Paterson, who recently converted to Islam, was holding up well despite not being able to eat or drink during daylight hours in tropical Townsville.

"It's a challenge for him, but he is not going to do anything that will compromise his preparation," Henry said.

"We will have to look at hydration implications, but he has assured us there is some flexibility in what he can or can't do and has assured us that he will be right."

Henry admitted Paterson was



CORY PATERSON

in a 'unique situation', but added: "Each to his own."

"I am not sure when he converted, but that's the stance he has made and we support that as a club."

"He's assured us he is focused on his football."

"He has been performing well for the club so we don't see it being a problem."

"It's his choice. He wanted to keep it fairly quiet, but now he has been pretty open about it and we will support his choice."

The in-form forward let the cat out of the bag when he Tweeted about his upcoming fast.

The 24-year-old, who has not fasted before, has been updating followers daily on his progress.

One of his early Tweets said: "Going to continue to do what I do and what makes me happy. Salaams."

The next day, Paterson added: "Day 1 and feeling good. Looking forward to the next (sic) 30 days."

Henry said former Bulldogs points machine Hazem El Masri had already shown that footballers could negotiate Ramadan successfully.

"Hazem El Masri was born a Muslim and played a wonderful career – it's his (Paterson's) choice of faith, and we support that," he said. – AAP

200 games for Dockers

By PETER ARGENT



WHEN Antoni Grover ran on to the ground against Australian Football League

(AFL) side North Melbourne at Etihad Stadium last Saturday, he became only the fifth player in Fremantle's history to reach 200 games for the club.

Those who came before him were Matthew Pavlich (255 games), Shane Parker (238 games), Shaun McManus (228 games) and Paul Hasleby (208 games).

The Fremantle Dockers have a strong Indigenous heritage, making defender Grover's landmark a significant event.

"It is definitely special to be the Dockers' first Aboriginal 200-game player," Grover said told *Koori Mail*.

"Also, I've been proud to represent my family at AFL level over the journey."

"It is also great to get to this milestone at the club I started with."

Grover is from Balga, in the northern suburbs of Perth, and walked into West Australian Football League (WAFL) club Subiaco as an 18-year-old after playing amateur football.

Within a short period he was collected by the Dockers as a rookie.

Promising athlete

Previously, he was a WA State junior representative in athletics, travelling to meets with Des Headland, and having a penchant for the discipline of high jump, being able to jump his own height in his mid-teens.

Like Grover, Headland has made a career in the Australian Football League.

"When I arrived at Subiaco in the WAFL, I looked up to blokes like Dale Kickett, Troy Cook and Jeff Farmer," Grover said.

"I remember after my first game at that level against Claremont, I was so buggered after the game that I couldn't go out and celebrate my debut."

Elevated from the rookie list in 1999, the 189cm, 98kg defender played his initial game in round 21 against the Sydney Swans at the tender age of 19 years and 163 days.

"The contest was at the WACA in front of family and friends," Grover said.

"We were up against big and scary Tony Lockett in his final trip to Western Australia in defence

ANTONI GROVER



and I remember being very nervous."

"My first coach Damien Drum upgraded me from the rookie list and gave me a go – you always appreciate that."

"I've also enjoyed a good group of defensive assistant coaches over my time, including current senior coach Mark Harvey, Chris Scott, who is now at Geelong, and Eagles premiership player Chris Waterman."

Learned from Long

"In one of my early games, I remember standing next to Essendon legend Michael Long and learned so much about how to play the game from that experience."

After taking a couple of years to firm up his place in the Dockers' defence, Grover has been a first-choice selection in the past decade, and is noted for his competitiveness and hardness at the contest, along with his strong marking abilities.

Early in the 2003 season, Grover, along with team-mates Troy Cook, Jeff Farmer, Des Headland, Roger Hayden, Steven Koops and Dion Woods, was one of seven Indigenous players to represent Fremantle, creating a record for most number to play in a single AFL team.

Over his career, the reliable defender has played on the cream of the AFL power forwards during the 'noughties', including Fraser Gerhig, Brendan Fevola, Matthew Richardson and Matt Lloyd, and even in recent times on smaller forwards like Cyril Rioli and Stephen Milne.

He played in the 2005 and 2007 Indigenous All-Stars teams against the Western Bulldogs and Essendon.

He was also runner-up to the Doig Medal (Fremantle's best and fairest award) in 2007.

Grover has noted large changes in the game and its rapid develop.

"It's been massive, the club

has grown into a strong AFL franchise off and on the field, with a large membership and a solid administration," Grover said.

"Also, the Fremantle fans are very loyal."

"They have been through the tough times and the playing group appreciates that."

Technology

"Technology is also a big part of the club and the amount of fitness and conditioning personnel has grown."

"There are 'GPS' machines everywhere these days and you're wearing them each time you're playing or training."

Now 31, Grover has been a dedicated servant of the Fremantle Football Club and achieved so much since walking in to Subiaco late last century.

Away from the game, Grover is married to Melinda and they have a 16-month-old daughter Aaliyah. They are expecting a second child in November.

Youngsters' KickStart



QUEENSLAND'S Gold Coast will host the inaugural Australian Football League (AFL) Indigenous KickStart Under 15 Championships starting on 31 August.

The tournament will end on 4 September and involve 150 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men, representing all states and territories making up six teams each with 25 participants.

The teams are: NSW-ACT, Victoria-Tasmania, Northern

Territory, Western Australia, South Australia, South Australia and Queensland.

AFL general manager of national and international development David Matthews said: "It's great to grow the opportunity for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and to bring another AFL event to the Gold Coast."

The tournament is an expansion of the annual KickStart camp which has involved 50 participants.

Players are selected on criteria consisting of leadership qualities, school attendance,

community involvement and football ability.

State KickStart camps were held to select teams.

AFL national community engagement manager Jason Mifsud said the KickStart program would continue to use Australian football as a vehicle for education, employment, health and participation outcomes for Indigenous people.

"KickStart's expansion will enable us to grow the pool of talented Indigenous footballers, and equally important, it will further expand our engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander communities and enable us to continually deliver broader social value," he said.

"The championships will also provide further development opportunities for other parts of the football industry such as umpiring, coaching and administration with local Indigenous people engaged in these leadership positions for each team.

"Holding the championships on the Gold Coast is also a very significant engagement opportunity for us. With 60,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the

south-east Queensland region, the feedback and support from the local community has already been excellent."

During the championships participants will meet Indigenous AFL players and undertake leadership seminars.

The best-performing teams will play in a curtain-raiser to the Gold Coast v Hawthorn match at Metricon Stadium on Saturday 3 September.

At the conclusion of the championships, 25 players will be selected for the 2011 Flying Boomerangs squad. The squad will tour Fiji in December.

SA has high expectations

By PETER ARGENT



PLAYERS from across the State have been selected in the South Australian squad for the inaugural Indigenous KickStart Under 15 Championships on the Gold Coast from 31 August.

The team, under the guidance of head coach, former Adelaide Crows, West Adelaide and Central District footballer Eddie Hocking, has plenty of strength, flair and adaptability.

"We have a very versatile group and I'll be able to throw the squad around a fair bit," Hocking said.

"In this type of football it is about having your 'foot on the pedal' from the start.

"This squad has plenty of pace and height and I'll be backing the kids in aggressive and exciting football.

"Today's game is about attacking football.

"We are going up to the Gold Coast looking to win this championship.

"I'd had some success at senior level in the Charles Perkins Cup and we'll be looking for the same here."

While Hocking stayed out of the selection process for the team leaders, his son Reece, who has already played A grade football with Kapunda in country SA, was honoured with the role as SA captain for the tournament.

"Kupa Henry comes from the APY lands on the Far West Coast, Colin Stansbury hails from Port Pearce, on the Yorke-east, which shows the



Ready to do their very best for South Australia opponents in Barossa, Light and Gawler football, and team-mates for the Indigenous KickStart Under 15s championships on the Gold Coast, from left, Scott Rathman (Gawler central), Reece Hocking (Kapunda), and Isaya McKenzie (Gawler central). – Image: Peter Argent

diversity of our squad," Hocking said.

"The squad has a good skill base and we have a number of players who can be used in the midfield rotations and across half back at different stages.

"Brennan and South Clare tall timber Peter Von Heytmanek will be keys in a big-man department."

South Australia will play five shortened games against the other States over the first three days, with the two highest ranked teams playing the grand final as a curtain-raiser to the Round 24 AFL clash between the Suns and Hawthorn at Metricon Stadium on Saturday 3 September.

South Australia's final touring squad of 25 has now been trimmed from the former list of 27.

The South Australian squad: Aaron Adams (Salisbury FC), Jamalie Atkinson (Ramblers FC), James

Brennan (Kalangdoo FC), Michael Coombe (Rostrevor College), Ethan Erickson (Payneham FC), Tyreen Gollan (Ramblers FC), Tim Hartman (Meningie FC), Kupa Henry (APY Lands), Reece Hocking (Kapunda FC), Kyle Jackson (Central Whyalla FC), Brendon Jackson (Central Whyalla FC), Brandon Iuliano (Torrens Valley FC), Josh Kelly (Central United FC), Kym Lebois (Ceduna), Isaya McKenzie (Gawler Centrals FC), Tyler McKenzie (West Augusta FC), Austin Miller (Mallee Park FC), Jarrad Pitson (Tea Tree Gully FC), Scott Rathman (Gawler Centrals FC), Colin Sansbury (Immanuel College), Ed Smallwood (Rostrevor College), Taylor Sparrow (Mypolonga FC), Jacob Stengle (Broadview FC), Josh Turner (Seaton Ramblers FC), Kye Turpin (Lobethal FC), Peter Von Heytmanek (South Clare FC), Curtley Warren (South Augusta FC).



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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people are encouraged to apply.

Positions Close: 29th August 2011.

My heroes – on and off the field

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON
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AFTER announcing my retirement, I have received many messages of congratulations and best wishes.

They have all been appreciated, but I remain a little embarrassed by the attention and humbled by the praise.

I suppose I feel that way because I have never lost sight of the fact that I have earned a good living by doing something that I love.

I may be retiring from professional football, but I still may lace on the boots for the odd game in the future because rugby league is the sport I love.

The fact that I have been played at the NRL level does not make me a hero.

I understand the profile of the game does make me a role model and that I have responsibilities to the kids who look up to me.

At the same time, I have always tried to remain true to myself and have the same values that my parents taught me growing up in Tingha.

In many respects, my parents are my heroes because of the values they have passed on to me and the opportunities they gave me through their own personal sacrifices.

In fact, all good parents are my heroes.

We would have fewer problems in this world if all

parents invested in their kids.

And I am not talking about pocket money, or the latest phone or computer game.

I am talking about investing time in their kids and working hard to provide them with a good education and opportunities for the future.

I have always followed the principle of treating people the way I would like them to treat me.

Part of this has been giving all people basic respect and the time of day if they approach me.

This includes people who serve me in shops and hotels.

To me, this goes beyond basic manners – I look at people who take on some of the necessary jobs in life because it is the means to putting a roof over the heads of their family and food on the table.

They display a discipline and sense of character that make them true heroes.

Their personal sacrifices are in one sense necessary, but at the same time should be appreciated.

Demanding

Kids today can be demanding, but if they are taught the value of work, then they are on the way to a successful life.

The same applies to football and it is the tradesmen of the game who I admire the most.

I have always said that Matty Bowen is the player I enjoy watching play the game.

I have also placed on record my admiration for the great Darren Lockyer and all he has achieved in the game on and off the field.

But despite their brilliance, they could not survive without the likes of a Dallas Johnson or a Corey Parker.

At the Titans, I have been privileged to play with some great players, but every week I have been in awe of the discipline, courage and work rate of Luke Bailey and Ashley Harrison.

Bull (Luke Bailey) is the ultimate professional in the way he prepares for the game and the consistency of his performance week in and week out.

If the greatest compliment to a team-mate is that he is a player that other players love to play with, then Luke would have to be one of the most

respected players in the game.

I know the impact he has on the Titans' performance and the way he inspires all players to follow him.

Our game against the Raiders also saw a key battle between hookers Alan Tongue and young Titans discovery Matt Srama, who are at opposite ends of their careers.

While there may be a generation gap between the retiring Tongue and incoming Srama, there is a common trait with their high work ethic.

Young Srama, one of the few shining lights of a forgettable 2011 season, crossed paths with veteran Tongue for the first time, with neither playing in the round four clash earlier this year when we sneaked home 23-22.

Alan Tongue has given great service to the Raiders and the game and he again is an inspirational player whose career I have admired.

While he joins me in retirement, I believe he has left a lasting legacy for his beloved Raiders as he has given his all in every game he has played.

Matt Srama has a long way to go, but he has already shown similar qualities to Tongue.

Srama has been a revelation for the Titans this year.

He was just nine years old when Tongue, from Tamworth, played his first NRL game against Brisbane in 2000.

Tongue built his reputation on courage and work ethic, traits Srama is already displaying just 11 games into his budding NRL career.

A fitness freak, Srama stood out with two try assists and a game-high 53 tackles in our recent 40-16 loss to Melbourne.

He will only get better, but he has already shown the qualities that give me confidence in the future of our team.

I hope that all the kids who follow the game understand the importance of the work ethic that drives these players.

It is the key to success in life.

If they are lucky, it is a lesson their parents are teaching them every day.

If their parents are making sacrifices for them, they should also realise that they are the true heroes in their life.

Thanks again to all of you who have taken the time to wish me the best in my life beyond football.

Storm take heavy toll on St George



The Dragons' Jamie Soward is tackled by the Melbourne Storm's Anthony Quinn during the National Rugby League (NRL) round 24, game at AAMI Stadium, Melbourne, last Friday night. The Storm won 8-6 to record a club record-breaking 12th consecutive win, while the Dragons slumped to their fifth successive loss. – AAP Image

Souths savour the last moments of Sandow

THE question has to be asked, what on earth will South Sydney do next National Rugby League (NRL) season without their miracle worker Chris Sandow?

The freakish halfback has an uncanny knack for executing the thrilling finish, and yet again he got the Rabbitohs out of jail in their 26-24 golden point heart-stopper against North Queensland last Friday night.

Sandow will never die wondering, and with just minutes left on the clock he yet again rolled the dice and won – latching on to an intercept to dash 80 metres.

He was run down by Matt Bowen, but the game-breaking play set up a try to Chris McQueen in the opposite corner two tackles later.

The 22-year-old appeared so distressed and disorientated after the epic dash off a Johnathan Thurston pass that he didn't appear capable of taking the conversion from the sideline to tie the match.

But with little preparation time, the Parramatta-bound master slotted the kick from the right touch-line and leapt for joy as golden point was summoned.

Sandow thrives in the clutch and when presented with a controversial penalty goal in the first half of overtime, he potted it from 30 metres out, right in front.

"I think the one from in front (was tougher) because I did a lot of practice during the week from the sideline and it paid off tonight," he said.

"But I was nervous as hell I think everyone would have been from the sideline at that time of the game.

"Yeah, I was (exhausted), I spoke to Matty (Bowen) after the game I told him he should have let me score. I was pretty tired after that.

"We do we take each game really confidently, so hopefully GI and Nathan's (injured stars Greg Inglis and Nathan Merritt) back next week and give us a really big boost." – AAP

Dealing with crisis

THERE is no doubting that we are close to the end of the premiership rounds. Six clubs at the very least are preparing for the finals with – at best – another four clinging on to the belief that they will be in the final eight.

For the rest – apart from the Suns who may have even over-achieved in terms of wins in their initial season – they are mainly in the throes of review and evaluation or blame and recrimination.

There is no better place to be than a football club when a team is winning.

Confidence is high and there's a genuine sense of camaraderie and achievement.

A winning culture is built on selflessness, and when you're winning, you're prepared to sacrifice everything.

Fundamental to any team success is trust.

Trust creates an open environment where ideas are shared, challenges are overcome collectively and each member feels valued.

But when things go bad, a football club is not a pleasant place to be.

Confidence, enjoyment and achievement are replaced by insecurities, uncertainty and failure, and when you're part of a losing culture, you are not as prepared to sacrifice anything.

If a winning culture relies on selflessness, then a club in crisis will be littered with selfishness.

I have experienced both in my time in the game and it is not difficult to choose the preferred position.

From the outside, many clubs appear to be in a state of crisis.

Poor on-field performances, financial pressures, an under-resourced football department and poor crowd attendances are a recipe for disaster. I will let you decide which clubs fit this profile.

When a club implodes, it becomes a political minefield.

Vulnerable

And the most vulnerable person is the coach.

As each loss mounted, so does the pressure.

Relationships become strained and it is only natural that people become uncomfortable.

Things can become so unpleasant that you can almost feel it as a presence in the room.

But the worst thing is that players can begin to play for survival and the concept of team is lost.

Their view becomes very narrow and the focus goes to self-preservation.

Such is the intensity of the situation that it can be easier to see from the outside than from within.

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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Sometimes, an entire club can be distracted by in-fighting and the situation can be hard to stop.

Divided loyalties are not restricted to players or to football clubs.

We are talking about the emotions of human nature.

But such is the nature of football and the fishbowl nature

of the sport at the professional level that these emotions can become intensified to an incredible level.

One of the most detrimental things for a club is when players get caught up in the squabbling.

Any form of enjoyment gets sucked out of the club when it turns on itself.

You need to separate the football from the administration, if that's possible.

Players need to be shielded from the administrative issues so they can focus on playing out the rest of the season.

Launching pad

The final games can act as the launching pad into a big pre-season and 2012.

You find out a lot about the make-up of individuals when things aren't going well – who is prepared to dig in, roll his sleeves up and ride out the storm and who is willing to follow their lead.

In times of stress, you also find out which players are divisive.

These players must be pulled into line quickly, otherwise they have the potential to influence younger more impressionable players.

These players have a tendency to blame others for their shortcomings as opposed

to accepting responsibility for their own role in the side's performance.

If a coach doesn't have total support of his players, he will be distracted from core football matters as he tries to manage or repair damaged or strained coach-player relationships.

If he believes a player or players are not prepared to accept his game plan and philosophy, then he must make the call to move these players on – irrespective of experience or games played.

As tough as it might be, the coach must make decisions that are solely in the best interests of the football club.

When you sign up as coach, your primary role is to coach a team to win as many games as possible, not to be best of friends.

For half of the readers, this column will be about the teams not heading onto the finals.

If you are supporting one of the top teams, make sure you enjoy the moment because history has shown that every club will be 'in crisis' at some stage.

The uncertainty of sport is its great attraction.

It is also its greatest danger. Let's all enjoy the end of the season.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Franklin stars as Hawks lock up finals berth

HAWTHORN locked in their first Australian Football League (AFL) finals double-chance since their 2008 premiership, but only after surviving a spirited Carlton fightback at Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, last Friday night.

The Hawks dominated the first half and led by as much as 45 points early in the third quarter, at which stage Carlton had just one goal on the board.

But the Blues charged home, to fall just short, 10.18 (78) to 8.18 (66) in front of 52,034 fans.

Lance Franklin starred with four goals for the Hawks, including three in a dominant first half and a sensational running goal in the last term, to push himself further clear in the race for his second Coleman Medal.

Inaccuracy cost Carlton badly in the final term as they outscored the tiring Hawks 3.6 to 2.4 for the quarter, with Bryce Gibbs kicking three behinds, including a 45m set shot late in the game which could have cut the margin to a goal.

Carlton, who have the bye this weekend before their only remaining home and away game, against St Kilda, cannot catch the third-placed Hawks, who moved six points clear of them with their victory, guaranteeing a top-four berth.

Chris Yarran provided good run from defence for the Blues. – AAP



Lance Franklin, of Hawthorn, marks in front of goal against Carlton during their Australian Football League (AFL) round 22 match at Etihad stadium, Melbourne, last Friday night. – AAP image

'Buddy', Rioli each outscore the Power

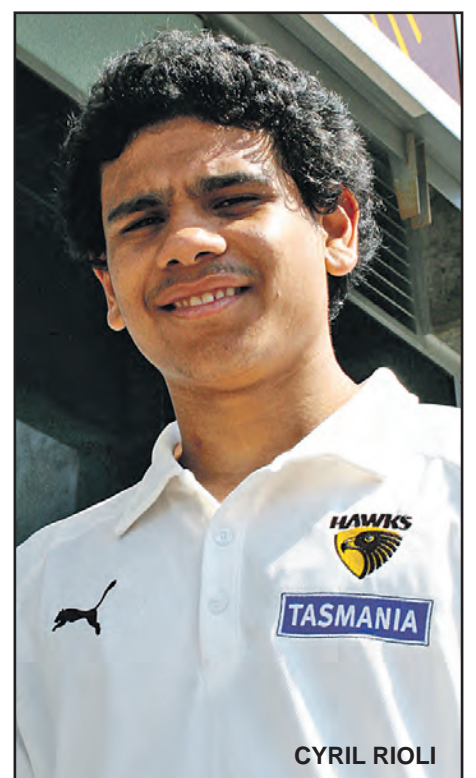
LANCE Franklin and Cyril Rioli each single-handedly outscored the entire Port Adelaide team in Hawthorn's Australian Football League (AFL) victory over the Power on 13 August.

'Buddy' Franklin enjoyed his biggest goal haul in three seasons as a record 165-point win over Port gave the star Hawk and his team a valuable shot of pre-finals confidence.

The Hawks won 31.11 (197) to 5.2 (32) at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Franklin booted eight goals straight – his biggest haul since his Coleman Medal-winning 2008 season. He is on course to be the League's leading goal-kicker this year.

Classy speedster Cyril Rioli kicked six majors to battle Franklin for best afield honours as the pair each single-handedly outscored the Power. It was Hawthorn's biggest



CYRIL RIOLI

ever win and the Power's biggest ever loss, Port setting a new low mark just a week after their previous greatest defeat, by 138 points to Collingwood.

It was the tenth triple-figure margin in the AFL this season and the fifth in four rounds, but the first for the Hawks, delighting Clarkson. – With AAP

Two-tier system

By PETER ARGENT



A TWO-TIER model has been introduced for the 15th intake of the AIS-AFL Academy – and

nine Indigenous players are in the squad for this elite football pathway that begins in next month.

“The two-tier structure is designed to deepen the talent pool for the game and better prepare players prior to their entry the AFL competition,” AFL

general manager – national and international development – David Matthews, said

“Our pathway is underpinned by a philosophy of ‘developing better people and better players’.

“This change reflects our commitment to give talented young players from anywhere in Australia an elite opportunity to develop to their potential.”

30 in level one

The inaugural level-one program has 30 players chosen from the 2011 AFL under 16 championships, while a further 30

players, who turn 17 during calendar year 2011 and are eligible for the 2012 AFL four Indigenous players selected out of the under 16 championships in the level-one program include the West Australian pair of Jack Martin and Dylan Loo, while from the victorious South Australian combination is Double Blues livewire Dwayne Wilson.

The fourth under 16 carnival product is the Shepparton Bears’ Jarman Impey.

Jack Neadle, from West Alice Springs, is the fifth level-one

Indigenous player. He participated in this year’s AFL under 18 championships.

Northern Territory under 18 team leader Jed Anderson, along with the WA pair of Shannon Taylor and Dayle Garlett, are among the level-two players.

The fourth member of the Aboriginal quartet in this squad is Rostrevor College student in Adelaide Josh Simpson, who produced a couple of pieces of sublime brilliance for South Australia under 18s in their clash with Western Australia at Etihad Stadium.

The level-two program will be headed up by current AIS/AFL Academy head coach and former Sydney Swans star Michael O’Loughlin.

Previous AFL-AIS footballers have included the cream of the current AFL Indigenous talent.

Players who have starred on a national stage have included Shaun Burgoyne and Cyril Rioli (Hawthorn), Xavier Clarke (St Kilda and Brisbane), Chris Yarran (Carlton), Michael Waters (Fremantle) and Richard Tambling (Richmond and Adelaide).



Josh Simpson, from Rostrevor College in Adelaide, is in the AIS-AFL Academy level-two program.



Shannon Taylor, from Claremont in WA, is in the AIS-AFL Academy level-two group.

Titans boss wants to keep All Stars



THE man who helped inspire the All Stars game says it would be ‘very disappointing’ if the Gold Coast lost the traditional National Rugby League

(NRL) season opener.

Titans boss Michael Searle said he was chuffed the All Stars match had become so successful that NRL boss David Gallop could not guarantee it would remain on the Gold Coast after 2012.

But Searle said keeping the crowd-puller on the tourist strip would be a reward for the people who inspired the concept, as well as the battling Gold Coast economy.

“With my rugby league hat on, I am excited that it would go to another

stadium. But by the same token this community came up with the concept, they embraced it and I would hope that we can keep it here,” Searle said.

“But that is not going to be a decision we have a say in.

‘Disappointing’

“The Gold Coast needs all the help it can get with the local economy – losing the event would be very disappointing.”

Master coach Wayne Bennett was a vocal supporter of moving the game to a bigger venue after leading the NRL All Stars to a 28-12 win over the Indigenous team this year, squaring the ledger at 1-1 since its 2010 inception.

The match will again be held at Skilled Park, on 4 February 2012, ending a

three-year deal locking in the event at the venue.

Since Searle and veteran Titans playmaker Preston Campbell came up with the concept three years ago, the All Stars game has grown into much more than a season opener.

Gallop attended a special press conference in Brisbane early this month to detail the stunning impact of rugby league-based school to work programs in indigenous communities that the All Stars game had helped set up.

Money raised by the 2011 game alone helped clubs take education, reading, mentoring, leadership, goal-setting, health and welfare programs to more than 24,000 students of all cultural backgrounds.

But Gallop conceded the game could be relocated in 2013.

“Certainly there is potential that it will outgrow that stadium,” he said.

Searle hoped ‘all stakeholders’ fought hard to keep the event, singling out the Gold Coast City Council, who pumped \$23 million into the construction of the AFL club Gold Coast Suns’ new Carrara Stadium.

“It is an important asset on the Gold Coast’s events calendar,” Searle said.

“I would hope all stake holders fight hard to keep it here.

“The Gold Coast City Council stumped up a fair amount of money to support AFL here – I would hope they contribute to keeping it on the Gold Coast as well.” – AAP

Eels confirm Tonga deal

PARRAMATTA have confirmed one of the National Rugby League's (NRL's) worst kept secrets with the announcement Queensland State of Origin centre Willie Tonga will join the club next year.

Tonga will link with the Eels on a two-year deal from North Queensland, joining his younger brother Esi, who currently plays for Gold Coast.

The 28-year-old made his NRL debut for Parramatta in 2002 before stints at Canterbury and the Cowboys.

He joins South Sydney's Chris Sandow, the Bulldogs' Ben Roberts and another former Eel, Cronulla's Taulima Tautai, as the Eels' major signings for 2012.

"Willie is without doubt one of the best centres in the world and we're excited he's decided to return home to the Eels in the prime of his career," Parramatta chief executive Paul Osborne said.

— AAP



WILLIE TONGA

Carl Webb to pull the pin

CARL Webb has become the third player recruited by Parramatta at the start of the National Rugby League (NRL) season to announce his retirement before the end of the Eels' dismal campaign.

Chief executive Paul Osborne denied pressure had been applied to Webb to quit with a second year to run on his contract and coach Stephen Kearney paid tribute to the former Queensland front-rower.

"We've been lucky to have a player of Carl's experience in our squad," Kearney said.

"He's had a terrific career. His performances over the years, particularly at representative level, are ones I won't forget.

"Carl's had a tough time with injuries this year, but although he hasn't spent a lot of time on the field, he's been invaluable when it comes to helping out our younger forwards." — AAP



CARL WEBB

Rhys Wesser also to quit

SOUTH Sydney fullback Rhys Wesser has added his name to the long list of National Rugby League (NRL) stars who will retire at the end of the season.

The veteran of 14 seasons in the top grade has played 218 matches, including 177 for Penrith, who he won a premiership with in 2003.

At his prime, Wesser was one of the best fullbacks in the game, and played four State of Origin matches for Queensland in 2004 and 2006.

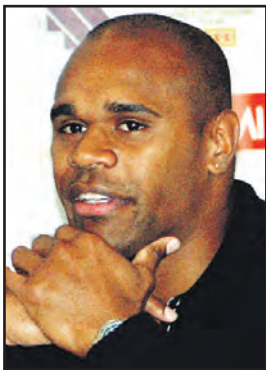
Wesser joins the likes of Darren Lockyer, Mark Gasnier, Andrew Ryan, Preston Campbell, Carl Webb and Adam MacDougall in hanging up the boots at the end of 2011.

During the Panthers' golden period in the early 2000s, Wesser was a lethal attacking weapon and holds the try-scoring record at Penrith with 113 — and has amassed a whopping 129 tries for his career.

Wesser was selected as fullback in the Panthers Team of Legends announced in 2006, named alongside players such as Brad Fittler, Greg Alexander, Royce Simmons, John Cartwright and Mark Geyer.

Wesser said he was looking forward to starting the next chapter of his life.

"Season's end is the right time to hang up the boots and look towards the next phase of my life," he said. — AAP



RHYS WESSER

Merritt expects no big rewards



SOUTH Sydney ace Nathan Merritt is expecting more of the same from representative selectors despite setting the

National Rugby League (NRL) alight with a stunning eight tries in two games.

Merritt's scintillating form since moving to fullback from the wing bagged him five four-pointers against Parramatta three weeks ago and another three in their 47-18 thrashing of Canberra.

The 28-year-old leads the NRL's tryscorers with 21, a familiar position after taking the season award with 22 when Souths finished last in 2006.

He was robbed of the chance of adding to his tally when he missed last Friday night's game against the North Queensland Cowboys, being a last-minute withdrawal because of injury.

Disbelief

Rabbitohs boss Shane Richardson again expressed disbelief that Merritt was yet to play State of Origin or Test football.

But Merritt, who was represented NSW City Origin this year, isn't getting his hopes up.

"I'm pretty much over that stuff now," he told reporters after the Canberra game.

"It's been a couple of years so it doesn't bother me any more, I'm just trying to focus on these (last) three games.

"You never know what could happen with injuries and stuff like that, you could get selected one day and I'll put my hand up if I ever get the chance."



NATHAN MERRITT

Merritt said being constantly overlooked for higher honours had not weighed on his mind.

"I used go out there still with the same attitude to play and turn up for Souths each week," he said.

"It's not in my hands mate, I just go out there and do what I can do."

Captain Michael Crocker backed Merritt's claims for a possible spot in the Kangaroos squad for the Test against New Zealand in Newcastle in October and the Four Nations tournament in the UK.

"He's had really good players in front of him that have been in really well-performing teams, so that probably

has hurt him a little bit," Crocker said.

"But he is a gifted athlete and he has been for a long time and he definitely deserves those honours."

Following halfback Chris Sandow's comment that sides still to face Souths should be 'shaking in their boots', Merritt said there was a fear factor in a side that had scored 137 points in three weeks.

"We're pretty unpredictable, so teams will probably fear playing us but, at the same time, it's a challenge for them so they'll be looking forward to playing us," Merritt said.

"There's a lot of buzz going around but we're not trying to get too far ahead of ourselves." — AAP

United one step from grand final



Big Northern United forward Les Roberts runs into some heavy traffic during the Northern Rivers Regional Rugby League sudden-death semi-final against the Evans Head Bombers at Crozier Field, Lismore, last Saturday. The Lismore-based Northern United, sponsored by Koori Mail, won 38-18 to advance to next weekend's preliminary final against the loser of the major semi-final between the Murwillumbah Mustangs and Grafton Ghosts.

Reggie rewarded

By ALF WILSON



THE selection of rising boxer Reggie Palm Island to contest a world championship tournament has opened the door for other

promising fighters from the Aboriginal community off the north Queensland coast to reach for the stars.

Palm Island boxers now have the opportunity to prove themselves in tournaments that can take them on to selection in Australian teams for international competition.

Reggie Palm Island is one of three Indigenous fighters in the Australian team at the Elite World amateur boxing titles in Baku, Azerbaijan, from 22 September to 10 October.

This will be the first boxing qualification event for men for the 2012 London Olympic Games.

The first ten boxers in the 46-49kg weight category competition at the World titles will qualify for the Olympics in that division.

Reggie will leave for a training camp on 28 August at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) in Canberra for a week, then travel to Melbourne for a week to train and finally back to the AIS to for another



REGGIE PALM ISLAND

week of training. He will then fly out from Canberra with the Australian team bound for Azerbaijan.

Azerbaijan sits on the Caspian Sea. It was formerly part of the Soviet Union and has Russia to its north, Iran to the south and Armenia to the west.

The quietly spoken 18-year-old Reggie overcame adversity to gain selection in

the Australian team. After Cyclone Yasi struck Palm Island in February, local boxers could not attend the Queensland State titles, which was a selection criterion.

Palm Island Boxing Club trainer Ray Dennis said that because Reggie had performed so well against association boxers much heavier than himself, he

was given the chance to challenge the Australian champion in the light-flyweight division.

Reggie and Dennis made the plane trip to Melbourne in early August to challenge Dylan Perkins, the Australian light flyweight champion.

"Dylan did not turn up and Reggie was declared the winner and has won the right to represent Australia," Dennis said.

"No boxer trained on Palm Island has done that before and that is a great honour for him and the island."

High opinion

Dennis has always had a high opinion of Reggie since his first bout at Mt Isa in March 2008.

"I told him he was the boxer to make a name for Palm Island," Dennis said.

Reggie's is very happy in his personal life, with the birth of his daughter Kayden Palm Island. The boxer is a doting father and is inseparable from Kayden and his partner Sharna Robertson.

"Kayden is a great baby and doesn't keep me awake much at night," Reggie said.

Meanwhile, Ray Dennis has been nominated for a Pride of Australia Medal in the community spirit category of the 2011 Pride of Medals awards.

Boxers off to world titles

From back page

in the quarter-finals.

Hooper made history when he became Australia's first Indigenous boxer to win a junior world event, at the Singapore Youth Olympics in August last year.

He said his experience and boxing smarts set him apart from other Australian boxers.

"I have good evasive skills and a fast right hand," he said.

"My biggest strength is



DAMIEN HOOPER

probably my counter-punching."

His trainer Gareth Williams, of The Boxing Shop, said Hooper was one of the best amateur boxers he had seen.

"His vision is amazing," Williams said.

"He has the ability to be able to see what is coming before the blow lands."

Hooper's immediate plans are to compete in the London Olympic Games next year, then possibly turn professional.

"I am hoping for a medal, then it will be time to move on. Going professional will allow me to get more exposure, and financially it makes sense."

BANTEMWEIGHT boxer Luke Boyd, from Sydney's western suburbs, was 21 when he became an Olympian. Inspired by seeing Kostya Tzuyu fight when he was just four years old, Boyd has been boxing since the age of 11.

He won the under 54kg division at the 2007 and 2008 Oceania Championships before competing at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. He was beaten 18-8 out by Khumiso Ikgopoleng, from Botswana, in his first bout.

US circuit

While many professional boxers struggle to make a decent living, Boyd is earning more money with the amateur World Series Boxing circuit in the United States.

The 23-year-old from St Marys has spent the past five years taking on opponents in the US.

Signing a contract with the new league for the next three years, Boyd will spend six months of every year in the US, training twice a day and getting bonuses for every bout he wins.

The Indigenous boxer started 13 years ago after switching from rugby league.

"I was too small for footy and my old man was taking me to the



Luke Boyd, in red, in action against Botswana's Khumiso Ikgopoleng during their 2008 Olympic Games bantamweight (54kg) boxing bout on 12 August 2008 in Beijing. Ikgopoleng won 18-8 to eliminate Boyd from the contest. - AFP image

gym for extra fitness so I just stuck with it," he told his local newspaper the *Mt Druitt-St Marys Standard*.

"I never thought I'd get this far. This is a new series - it popped up at the right time - a dream come true.

"I was looking to turn pro, but I'm making more money staying where I am now with this new contract."

The series includes four teams from the US, four from Europe and four from Asia. Boyd is part of the US line-up.

They all fight as a team and the top two from each country go head-to-head. Fighters had to be in the top ten in the world to be offered a spot.

"I'm in there to win and I'm in there to hurt them," he said of his opponents.

Kurtley again elusive for Wallabies



Australia's Kurtley Beale skirts clear of South African Francois Steyn during the Tri-Nations Rugby Union match at Kings Park, Durban, on 13 August. Fullback Beale played a leading hand in Australia's 14-9 win. – AFP image ● Hodgson axed from Wallaby World Cup squad – Page 90

'Choc's' next fight

Mundine out to prove he's the world's best



ANY dent the defeat by little-known countryman Garth Wood inflicted on Anthony Mundine's self-belief was clearly only temporary.

Mundine last week confirmed he will take on Mexico's Rigoberto Alvarez in Newcastle on 21 September for the interim WBA junior middleweight title.

The 36-year-old former rugby league star has long been accused of avoiding the world's top-ranked fighters, and Alvarez looms as his biggest test to date in the junior middleweight division.

Mundine said the bout proved he was serious about becoming the world's best and even claimed he was made of the same stuff as ten-times world champions Manny Pacquiao and Floyd Mayweather Jnr and current WBC junior heavyweight

champion Bernard Hopkins Jnr.

"I've got big dreams and big desires," Mundine said. "I want to be one of the best pound-for-pounders in the world and I truly believe I'm from the same cloth as the Mayweathers, the Pacquiao, the Bernard Hopkins of the world."

"I'm from the same pedigree as them guys."

Mundine was due to meet Alvarez in February, but his shock fifth-round knockout by Wood in December, a fight he now says was a 'huge wake-up call', put an end to the bout then.

Still ambitious

And Mundine says the fight against the 33-year-old Mexican, who boasts an impressive record of 27 wins and three losses, shows his ambition.

"I want to look back in ten years, 20 years, and say I didn't take any short cuts," Mundine said.

"I just want to be the best that I can be and I think this is a great start."

"I want to fight the best, the very best. "Alvarez is a difficult foe and I want to dismantle him with ease."

Like Mundine, Alvarez is a former super middleweight champion who has made the transition to junior middleweight.

Alvarez claimed the World Boxing Association (WBA) interim junior middleweight title last year, but lost it to American Austin Trout in May.

Should Mundine win their bout, he is expected to fight Trout for the world title, provided the American overcomes Mexican David Lopez on June 11.

"This is chance for me to show my dominance and my superiority at this weight division," said Mundine.

"I just don't think that anyone can match me now."

While many believed Mundine's knockout by Wood, his only defeat in the past six years, signalled the possible end to his boxing career, the former St George Illawarra five-eighth insists his best is yet to come.

"I thought that was just the beginning because I'm telling you now, these next few years are going to be something that you're going to remember, and it starts with Alvarez," he said.

"See, that's the thing, I'm a complete fighter. I can fight, I can box, I can give you angles and I can adapt to any style to win."

"I'm going to prove that I'm going to be the best."

"I want to be the best fighter ever to

come out of this country, that's including all the greats."

"This is an exciting time, not just for me but for Australian boxing."

The Mundine-Alvarez fight will be in Newcastle.

Should a Mundine-Trout fight come to fruition, it would give Mundine the opportunity to become the first boxer to win world titles in three weight divisions in descending order.

Title shot

A win over Alvarez may also give Mundine, who has previously held super-middleweight and middleweight world titles, a shot at Saul Alvarez for the World Boxing Council light-middleweight championship.

Saul Alvarez won the belt in March with a unanimous points decision over Matthew Hatton, whose elder brother, Ricky, ended Kostya Tszyu's career in 2005.

The fight in Newcastle will be only the second time in his 30-fight career that Rigoberto Alvarez has fought outside his native Mexico.

The 33-year-old, who is nicknamed 'El Espano', has reportedly been training hard in his home city of Jalisco for the Mundine fight. – With AAP



**'The Man' to
step back
in the ring**
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Knockout teams to be part-reimbursed



THE NSW
Aboriginal Land
Council again
will support the
NSW Aboriginal
Rugby League

Knockout by reimbursing
participating clubs part of their
nomination fee.

The land council said it
would reimburse \$1000 to
teams registered for the men's
competition and \$500 for
women's teams.

Walgett Aboriginal
Connection (AC) chairman
Geoff Simpson said: "This is
great news for all clubs
wishing to participate. The

support being provided by
NSWALC goes a long way in
assisting teams to get to the
event and participate in such a
great cultural and sporting
event."

Clubs are required to pay
their nomination fee, at which
point a receipt will be provided
which is required to be
reimbursed.

Clubs should speak to
their local Aboriginal land
council for further information,
or contact NSWALC on (02)
9689 4444.

Tournament hosts Walgett
AC also announced that for the
first time in the tournament's



history, all of the money
received from nominations in
the women's competition will
be returned as prizemoney.

"We recognise that the
women's teams that participate
work just as hard to get to
the Knockout and this is an
opportunity to reward these

teams and give them
something else to play for,"
Geoff Simpson.

The Knockout will be held at
Carrington Park Sporting
Complex, Bathurst, from
30 September to 3 October.

The nomination fee for
men's teams is \$1500 and \$800
for women's teams.

"We are doing everything
we can to emulate the great
knockouts of the past,"
Simpson said.

"Expect plenty of activities
to keep the little ones busy as
well as top performing artists
to entertain the young at heart.

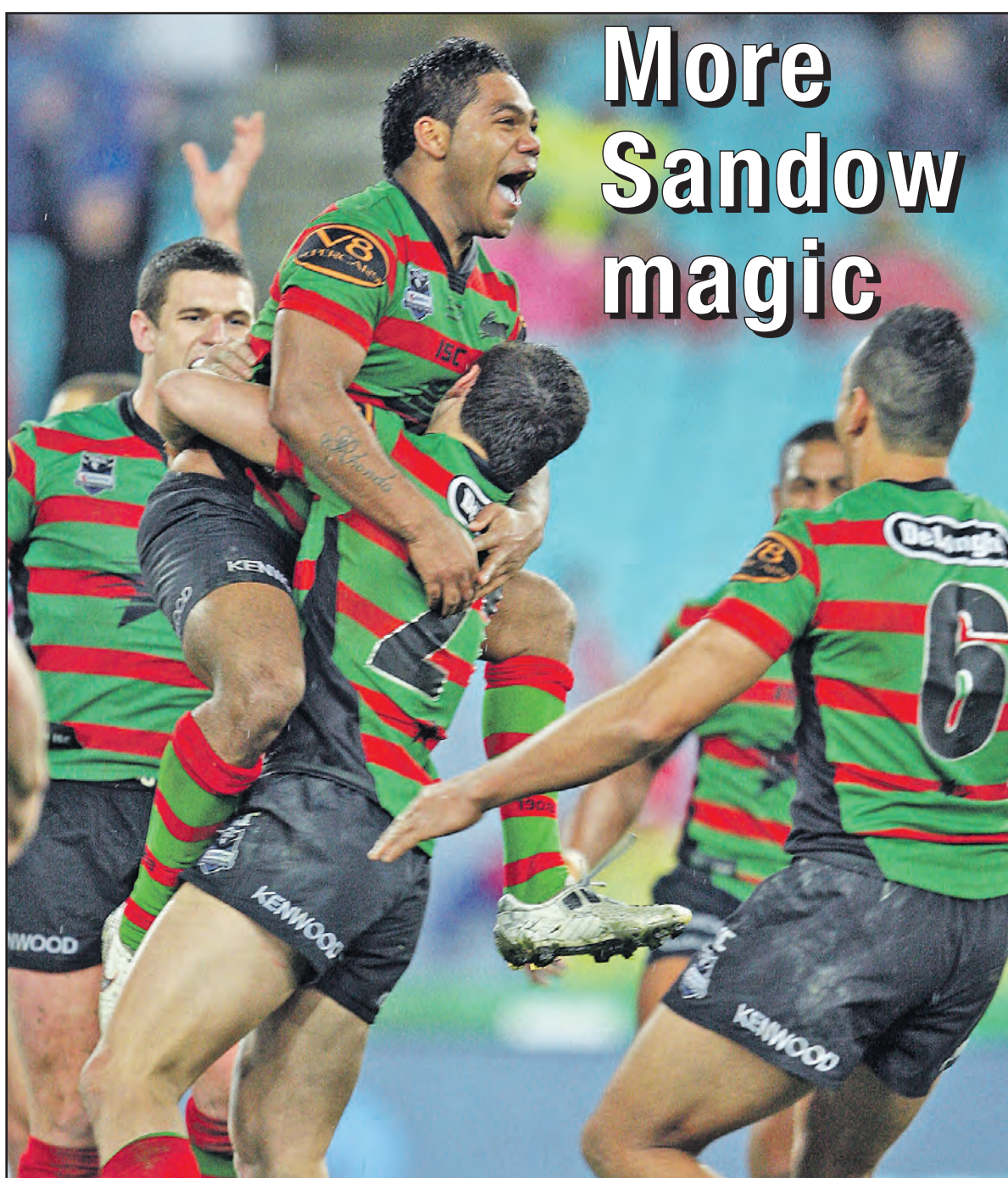
"For our players, it will

provide another exciting
opportunity to represent the
Walgett community. The
team is looking forward to
building on their success
and defending their title as the
best Aboriginal rugby league
team in NSW."

Simpson said the Bathurst
Regional Council had been
very helpful.

The football carnival is
drug- and alcohol-free and this
year it will also be promoted as
a smoke-free event.

Details on the Knockout are
available on the web at <http://walgettaboriginalconnection.com.au>



More Sandow magic

South Sydney's Chris Sandow celebrates after kicking the winning penalty goal in extra time during the National Rugby League (NRL) round 24 game against the North Queensland Cowboys at ANZ Stadium, Homebush, last Friday night. Thanks again to Sandow, the Rabbitohs won 26-24 in extra time to keep their finals hopes alive (see P94). – AAP Image

Off to world titles



THREE
Indigenous
boxers will
be in the
Australian
team to

contest the 2011 Elite Men's
World Championships in
Baku, Azerbaijan, starting
next month.

They are Luke Boyd (NSW)
and Queenslanders Damien
Hooper and Reggie Palm
Island.

Their assault against the
world's best amateur boxers
follows hard on the heels
of the success of young
Brisbane Indigenous fighter
Clay Waterman, who won a
gold medal in July at the
International Boxing
Association world junior titles
in Astana, Kazakhstan.

Clay became the first
Australian to win a world
amateur boxing title.

The Elite Men's World

Championships will start on
22 September and continue
until 10 October.

Light heavyweight Damien
Hooper ranks as Australia's
best hope of winning gold
in Baku.

He warmed up for this
tournament by winning gold
at the prestigious Indonesian
President's Gold Cup
tournament in the Jakarta in
the 75-81kg category.

In the process, he disposed
of boxers from Indonesia,
India and Turkmenistan.

Hooper, who comes from
Dalby, is looking to make
amends for his disappointing
Delhi Commonwealth Games,
where he was sent home early
after an alleged indiscretion in
front of an official.

Hooper, then 18, had been
favourite for the gold in the
middleweight division, but lost

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